

Mobile Cramming

An FTC Roundtable

Bios

Michael Altschul is Senior Vice President and General Counsel at CTIA – The Wireless Association. He is responsible for the Association's legal advocacy, CTIA's compliance with antitrust and other applicable laws, and he is an active participant in the development of the Association's public policy positions. Altschul joined CTIA in 1990 after serving with the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice. Prior to that, he began his legal career as an attorney specializing in antitrust litigation with Simpson Thacher Bartlett in New York City. During his ten year stint at the Justice Department, Altschul worked exclusively on communications matters, including the Modification of Final Judgment and the GTE decree, as well as related FCC filings and telecommunications industry mergers and acquisitions. Altschul received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Colgate University, and a Juris Doctor from the New York University School of Law.

Dave Asheim is a veteran of up-andcoming technology and software providers with 11 years of mobile technology experience. He launched Guide by Cell in 2004 with the initial goal of bridging the gap between cultural institutions and their patrons, and the business has since expanded to offer mobile technologies to solve a wide variety of problems faced not only by cultural institutions and nonprofit organizations, but government agencies, retailers, major corporations and more. Give by Cell, the mobile fundraising division, was formed in 2008 to serve the nation's non-profit community. The company services over 2,000 clients throughout the world. Dave is a frequent speaker on mobile topics, speaking at over six events each year. Before founding Guide by Cell in 2004, he was President of iHello Inc., a voice-xml provider of services to large enterprises. He also ran Well Engaged, a spin-off from The WELL, which was the largest B2B software provider of web-based



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Jim Chilsen has been with the Citizens Utility Board (CUB) for 13 years. As CUB's Director of Communications, Mr. Chilsen takes the lead in organizing statewide media and information campaigns, manages daily content for CUB's Web, Twitter and Facebook pages, and leads the organization's e-mail campaigns, including weekly E-newsletters to CUB constituents and E-lobbying efforts to local, state, and federal officials. He was a project manager on the team that launched the CUB Cellphone Saver and CUB Energy Saver, at the time making CUB the only consumer group in the nation to offer free, dynamic online services that provide people with customized audits of their wireless and energy bills. In December 2012, Mr. Chilsen was the lead organizer in a campaign that targeted cellphone cramming in the Land of Lincoln. Just months after Illinois used CUB headquarters as the backdrop to sign one of the nation's toughest laws against landline cramming, the consumer watchdog group, working in a partnership with wireless research firm Validas, targeted cellphone cramming. Their analysis warned consumers that scam artists driven from Illinois landline bills see cellphones as a "new frontier for fraud."Mr. Chilsen received a Bachelor of Arts degree in

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Jim Manis is the Chairman and CEO of the Mobile Giving Foundation. Jim has over 25 years of experience in developing international markets for technology-based companies, advocating the advancement of wireless technology and promoting the mobile Internet on a global scale. He has been a primary leader in developing the mobile channel for the direct to consumer business and its use for interaction between brand and consumer. Jim was responsible for the first use of mobile giving in response to relief efforts for the Asian tsunami and Katrina as SVP of m-Qube, Inc. Jim founded the Mobile Giving Foundation in the 4th quarter of 2007 with the support of other leaders from the wireless and non profit communities to pioneer the use of the mobile channel for charitable giving. In addition to his work with the Mobile Giving

Foundation, Jim leads the consulting and venture catalyst company of 1024 Wireless Services, and provides strategic direction for its clients in the mobile space. Prior to 1024 Wireless Services, Jim was a member of the founding executive team for m-Qube, Inc where he was responsible for developing and maintaining relationships with their extensive list of carrier partners, securing m-Qube's position as the market leader for enabling technology-based companies, and advancing the growth and financial success of the industry. Known for his collaborative and inclusive style, Manis re-established the Mobile Marketing Association (MMA) and served as Global Chairman from 2003-2006, is a past member of the Wireless Internet Caucus Leadership Council, and serves as an advisor to a number of mobile related companies. He holds a Masters degree from the University of Washington and an undergraduate degree from Illinois State University.

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