

**BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH
OF
RICHARD E. WILEY**

Richard E. Wiley is Managing Partner of Wiley Rein LLP, a Washington, D.C. law firm with nearly 300 attorneys and the largest communications practice in the United States. As a former Chairman, Commissioner and General Counsel of the Federal Communications Commission (1970-77), he was a leading force in the agency's initial efforts to foster increased competition and lessened regulation in the communications field.

Since 1985, Dick Wiley has been regularly recognized as one of the nation's "100 Most Influential" lawyers by The National Law Journal. He also has been profiled in The New York Times ("Telecommunications' Ubiquitous Man of Influence"), Los Angeles Times ("The Sixth Commissioner"), The International Herald Tribune ("Most Influential Media Lawyer in U.S."), The Globe and Mail ("Father of HDTV"), and The American Lawyer ("Brand Name of Communications Law").

In recognition of his nine year service as Chairman of the FCC's Advisory Committee on Digital Television, he has received two Emmys from the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, the Electronic Industries Association's Medal of Honor, the Distinguished Service Award from the National Association of Broadcasters, the International Achievement Award from the North American Broadcasters Association, and the DTV Leadership Award from the Digital Television Academy. He also has been admitted into the Consumer Electronics Association's Hall of Fame, *Broadcasting & Cable* magazine's Hall of Fame and its "100 Men of the Century."

A native of Illinois, Dick Wiley graduated with distinction from Northwestern (B.S. and J.D. Degrees) and holds a Masters Degree in Law (LL.M.) from Georgetown. He has received distinguished alumnus awards from each University as well as a Honorary Doctor of Laws from Catholic University. He has served as President of the Federal Bar and Federal Communications Bar Associations and Chair of the American Bar Association's Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice Section, Columbia University's Institute for Tele-Information, and The Media Institute's Board of Trustees.