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Dr. Dippon is a Managing Director at NERA and a leading authority in complex litigation disputes and competition matters in the communications, Internet, and high-tech sectors. He is also the Chair of NERA's Global Energy, Environment, Communications & Infrastructure (EECI) Practice, where he leads over 100 experts in the areas of energy, communications, media, Internet, environment, auctions, transport, and water. Who's Who Legal (WWL) ranks him as a leading Expert Witness in Arbitration (2019, 2020, 2021) and Litigation (2020). WWL notes that clients laud him as "highly intelligent and able to understand complex telecommunications matters from a business, economic, and technological perspective."

Dr. Dippon advises his clients in economic damages assessments, class certifications and damages, false advertising, antitrust matters, and regulatory and competition issues. He has extensive testimonial and litigation experience, including depositions, jury and bench trials in state and federal courts, domestic (AAA) and international arbitrations (UNCITRAL, ICC, ICSID), and submissions before international courts. He assists clients with a broad range of litigation disputes related to wireline, wireless, cable, media, Internet, Internet of Things (IoT), consumer electronics, and the high-tech sector. Dr. Dippon also routinely testifies before US and international regulatory authorities, including the Federal Communications Commission, the Federal Aviation Administration, the International Trade Commission, the Canadian Radiotelevision and Telecommunications Commission, and the Competition Bureau Canada.

Dr. Dippon has authored and edited several books as well as book chapters in anthologies and has written numerous articles on telecommunications competition and strategies. He also frequently lectures in these areas at industry conferences, continuing education programs for lawyers, and at universities. National and international newspapers and magazines, including the *Financial Times*, *Business Week*, *Forbes*, the *Chicago Tribune*, and the *Financial Post*, have cited his work.

Dr. Dippon serves on NERA's Board of Directors, the Board of Directors of the International Telecommunications Society (ITS), and on the Editorial Board of *Telecommunications Policy*. He is a member of the Economic Club of Washington, DC, the American Economic Association (AEA), the American Bar Association (ABA), and the Federal Communications Bar Association (FCBA).

Education

PhD in economics, Curtin University, Perth, Australia

MA in economics, University of California, Santa Barbara

BS in business administration, *cum laude*, California State University, Hayward

Publications

- *Financier Worldwide International Arbitration 2021 – Exceptional Experts*
- *GAR Commercial Arbitration 2020: Measuring Economic Damages with Maximum Certainty*
- *International Price Comparisons: An Area of Further Research*
- *Measuring Economic Damages with Maximum Certainty*
- *FCC's Revised Set-Top Box Proposal Remains Deeply Flawed*
- *The FCC's Latest Attempt to Promulgate More Regulation in the Multichannel Video Distribution Market Will Ultimately Hinder Innovation, Increase Prices, and Be Detrimental to Consumer Welfare*
- *Do Economic, Institutional, or Political Variables Explain Regulated Wholesale Unbundled Local Loop Rate Setting?*
- *FCC Open Internet Order Creates Uncertainty and Risk*
- *The Net Neutrality Order: It's Worse Than We Thought*
- *Economic Repercussions of Applying Title II to Internet Services*
- *Consumer Demand for Mobile Phone Service in the US: An Examination beyond the Mobile Phone*
- *Replacement of the Legacy High-Cost Universal Support Fund with a Connect America Fund: Key Economic and Legal Considerations*
- *Is Faster Necessarily Better? Third Generation (3G) Take-up Rates and the Implications for Next Generation Services*
- *Wholesale Unbundling and Intermodal Competition*
- *Regulatory Policy Goals and Spectrum Auction Design: Lessons from the Canadian AWS Auction*
- *Is More Special Access Regulation Needed? Reactions to the NRRRI Report on Special Access Competition*
- *Voluntary Relationships Among Mobile Network Operators and Mobile Virtual Network Operators: An Economic Explanation*
- *Innocent Until Proven Guilty -- Or Not: An Economic Review of Market Power and Price Fixing Allegations for Text Messaging Services*
- *K&L Gates–NERA Global Telecom Review*
- *Is the MVNO Model Doomed?*
- *Mobile Virtual Network Operators: Blessing or Curse? An Economic Evaluation of the MVNO Relationship with Mobile Network Operators*
- *Communications Regulation and Policy Under Convergence: Advancing the State of the Debate*
- *Convergence in Telecommunications: Implications for Regulation and Competition Law Enforcement*
- *Application of Empirical Methods in Merger Analysis*
- *Economic Approaches to Intellectual Property Policy, Litigation, and Management*
- *Competitive Pricing Methodologies For Wholesale Broadband Services*
- *Local Loop Unbundling: Flaws of the Cost Proxy Model*
- *Implementing Local Loop Unbundling In Europe: Are Cost Proxy Models Accurate Estimators of Forward-looking Costs?*
- *The Cost of the Local Telecommunication Network*

Practice Areas

Auctions

Class Actions and Class Certification

Commercial Litigation and Damages

Communications, Media, and Internet

International Arbitration

Radio Spectrum

Regulatory Economics

Survey Research, Design, and Analysis

Languages

English, French, German, Thai

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