



Comcast Cable President & CEO Dave Watson Named C-SPAN Executive Committee Chairman

*Altice USA Chairman & CEO Dexter Goei and
WOW! CEO Steven Cochran join C-SPAN Board of Directors*

(September 26, 2017) - The C-SPAN Board of Directors today elected Comcast Cable President and Chief Executive Officer Dave Watson to serve as chairman of the board's executive committee at the annual meeting of the cable network's board in New York City. Watson joined the C-SPAN board, as well as its executive committee, succeeding Comcast's Neil Smit who stepped down from his CEO role earlier this year. The chairman is elected annually.

Dexter Goei, President of the Board, Altice N.V. and Chairman and CEO of NY-based Altice USA also joined the C-SPAN Board, as did Denver, CO-based Wide Open West CEO Steven Cochran.

Pat McAdaragh, President and CEO, of Sioux Falls, SD-based Midco, and Allan Block, Chairman of Block Communications based in Toledo, OH were each re-elected to serve another two-year term on the C-SPAN Board. Bob Miron was re-elected to the board as a senior director. Miron, former chairman of Advance/Newhouse and Bright House Networks has been a C-SPAN Board member since 1986, serving decades on the executive committee and as its chairman from 2007 to 2009.

The seven-member executive committee, which Mr. Watson will chair, is the working group of the board which can be authorized to set strategy and oversee the network's finances on behalf of the full board. Also currently serving on the C-SPAN executive committee: Tom Rutledge, President and CEO, Charter Communications; Pat Esser, President, Cox Communications; Rocco Commisso, Chairman and CEO, Mediacom LLC; and John Evans, Chairman and CEO, Evans Telecommunications Co., Pat McAdaragh; and C-SPAN Executive Chairman Brian Lamb.

"We deeply appreciate Neil Smit's 12 years of service to our board, especially the last year as chairman, and are delighted Dave Watson is stepping into the role to help guide our strategic direction during this period of rapid change in media," Lamb said. "We welcome Dexter Goei and Steven Cochran bringing new perspectives and the support of their companies to our public service mission."

C-SPAN's 15-member board of directors is comprised of top executives of cable operating companies. The C-SPAN Board, which has had 143 members since 1979, establishes C-SPAN policy and oversees its financial operations, but is not involved in editorial decision making.

About C-SPAN: Created by the cable TV industry and now in nearly 100 million TV households, C-SPAN programs three commercial-free public affairs television networks; C-SPAN Radio, heard in Washington D.C., at 90.1 FM and available as an App; and C-SPAN.org, a video-rich website offering live coverage of government events and access to the vast archive of C-SPAN programming.

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