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## **BellSouth DC's General Counsel Joins Wiley Rein**

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*Washington, DC* – Wiley Rein LLP is pleased to announce that Bennett L. Ross, former General Counsel for BellSouth Corporation's DC operations, has joined the firm as a partner in its preeminent Communications Practice. Mr. Ross, who spent more than a decade with the BellSouth in a variety of posts, will lead the firm's telephony group, handling a wide range of telecommunications matters.

Managing Partner Richard E. Wiley commented, "We are delighted that Bennett has chosen to join the firm and our cadre of exceptional communications attorneys. His extensive knowledge of the telecom industry, as well as his considerable talents and experience, fit wonderfully with our existing capabilities. Bennett is a first-rate addition to our team."

Prior to joining BellSouth, Mr. Ross was a partner in one of Tennessee's largest law firms, specializing in commercial and administrative litigation. He received his J.D. from Vanderbilt where he was Order of the Coif and served as Editor in Chief of the *Vanderbilt Law Review*.

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