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## **MOZELLE W. THOMPSON JOINS MAP'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Former Federal Trade Commissioner Mozelle W. Thompson, has joined Media Access Project's (MAP) Board of Directors.

During his tenure at the FTC, Mr. Thompson took a notable leadership role in issues involving the convergence of the high tech, telecom and media industries. Mr. Thompson also developed key U.S. and FTC policy positions on international consumer protection, online privacy, and SPAM.

Prior to joining the Commission, Mr. Thompson served as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Department of the Treasury. Mr. Thompson has also served as Acting Executive Director and General Counsel to the State of New York Mortgage Agency, (SONYMA), the New York State Housing Finance Agency and their four sister corporations. Previously, Mr. Thompson was a litigation attorney with the New York firm of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher and Flom.

Throughout his distinguished career, Mr. Thompson has been the recipient of numerous awards and honors. In 2004, the University of California, Berkeley Center for Law and Technology and the Boalt Hall School of Law honored Mr. Thompson with its Distinguished Service Award. Mr. Thompson was awarded the 2003 Mosaic Award by the American Advertising Federation for his support of multi-cultural marketing efforts. In 2002, he was selected to give the annual Paul Robeson Keynote Address at Columbia Law School and in 1999, Columbia College African-American alumni gave him their Heritage Award.

Mr. Thompson is a graduate of Columbia College and Columbia Law School. He also holds an M.P.A. from Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. After graduating law school, Mr. Thompson served as law clerk to U.S. District Court Judge William M. Hoeveler in Miami, Florida. Mr. Thompson has served on the faculties of the Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School, Fordham Law School and Brooklyn Law School.

Media Access Project is a thirty-three year old non-profit telecommunications law firm which represents civil rights, civil liberties, consumer, labor, religious and other citizens groups' before the Federal Communications Commission, other federal agencies and the Courts.

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