

JOE COSGROVE, JR.

Mr. Cosgrove started JEC Legislative & Regulatory Consulting LLC and The Joe Cosgrove Law Firm PLLC after 35 years of legislative, regulatory and legal experience. Before founding these firms, Mr. Cosgrove was responsible for AT&T's legal counsel of state regulatory, legislative and external affairs matters in ten states, including Texas. Mr. Cosgrove also provided national advice on AT&T's local and state regulatory strategy, including ultra-high speed broadband service. Mr. Cosgrove is an adjunct professor at the University of Texas School of Law.



Mr. Cosgrove's responsibilities with AT&T included management and acting as counsel in hearings to obtain state regulatory approvals in several SBC/AT&T mergers. He was lead attorney on the then controversial Dallas and Houston area code cases. Mr. Cosgrove was lead counsel for Southwestern Bell Telephone in the "Mega-Arbitration" in Texas after the Telecom Act of 1996 and coordinated support for the FCC's Triennial Review state proceedings. Mr. Cosgrove was a lead negotiator on Texas Universal Service Fund settlements approved by the Public Utility Commission of Texas. He has drafted, lobbied, and developed strategy for passage of numerous state legislative bills which achieved deregulatory relief and promoted deployment of new services (e.g., DSL, video, and wireline and wireless broadband services).

Mr. Cosgrove's legal experience includes serving as an Assistant District Attorney in Johnson County, Kansas, trying numerous high profile jury trials and presenting appellate arguments. These cases included crimes against children. Mr. Cosgrove also drafted/testified on bills to help fight against child abuse. Mr. Cosgrove's initial position after graduating from law school was serving as an attorney with United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, having been hired under the Honor Law Graduate program. He worked on the Three Mile Island I Restart hearing.

Mr. Cosgrove is a registered lobbyist in Texas and the City of Austin. He is admitted to the state Bars of Texas, Kansas and Missouri.

Mr. Cosgrove graduated from Washburn University School of Law in 1980. He graduated with a BBA in Business Administration from the University of Missouri - Kansas City in 1977 in the top three of the School of Business.

Mr. Cosgrove is active in the Austin community serving on the boards of Children's Advocacy Centers of Texas (past-President), Alzheimer's Texas, and the Capitol Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. He has written three children's books, <http://www.bandittotex.com/>.

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