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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ultra-Wideband
ET Docket 98-153

Dear Ms. Salas:

I'm writing in response to the FCC's notice of Proposed Rule Making on ultra wideband radio.

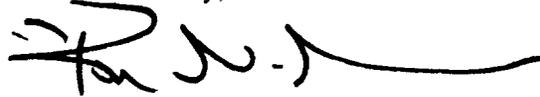
I am the Managing Director of Corporate Finance/Information and Telecommunications, of Stephens Inc., an investment bank with offices nationwide and headquartered in Little Rock, Arkansas. I have over 17 years of experience in the telecommunications and information industries.

We believe that the tracking and radar features of ultra-wideband technology would have major benefits in a business such as ours where complex tasks are performed among a number of personnel scattered in different offices. We are not aware of another technology that would afford such benefits at the costs projected by UWR proponents.

We urge the FCC to take prompt action in approving this technology to the fullest extent possible, so that Stephens Inc. may make fully available its benefits.

In short, we believe this technology to be uniquely beneficial to our organization, to other organizations similar to ours, and to the economy in general. We urge the FCC to rapidly and comprehensively adopt this technology.

Sincerely,



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