

Please do not change the rules to permit cross ownership of media in the same market. We have already suffered a dangerous concentration of media power in the hands of a few wealthy individuals/corporations, most of whom hold the same political views. Left wing views, in particular, even when held by a majority of citizens, have not received the coverage they deserve for nearly 20 years. If anything, the FCC should be working to expand the points of view Americans hear in order to safeguard democracy.

Further, I agree with Fairness and Accuracy in Media and Reporting that newspapers will suffer if they are owned by television moguls. From a journalistic standpoint, the skills required to put out a successful newspaper are very different from those required to run a successful television news operation.

If the FCC is more concerned with helping media moguls become even wealthier than it is with promoting journalistic excellence, we no longer deserve to call ourselves a democracy. We must instead begin calling ourselves a national corporation.