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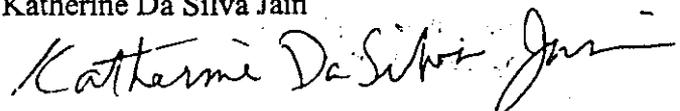
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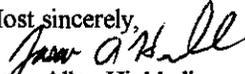
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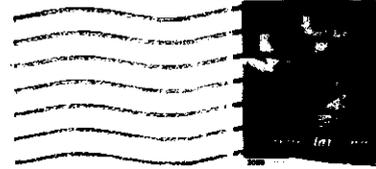
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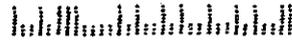
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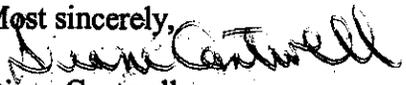
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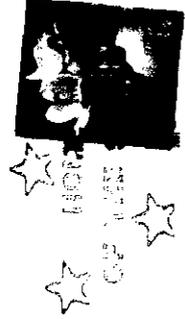
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Dear Michael Powell:

Hello sir, my name is Matthew Drenning. I am writing due to my concern for the recent events in regards to deregulation with in the FCC. More specifically in regards to the District of Columbia Court of Appeals decision to over turn one of this country's few remaining, if not only, regulatory protections against media monopoly. The court overturned the rule that had prevented one company from owning both television stations and cable franchises in a single market. The court also ordered that the FCC either justify or rewrite the rule that bars a company from owning television stations which reach more than 35 percent of U.S. households, stating that as is, the rule is arbitrary and illegal. Both rulings were in response to a suit filed by Fox, AOL Time Warner, NBC and Viacom. The court has claimed that "the increased number of TV stations today and the competition from the proliferation of new services like satellite TV make the rule outdated and unnecessary to protect diversity". (Broadcasting & Cable, 2/19/02).

I am sure you though are well aware of this ruling. I find it disturbing that these corporations are being aloud more power than what they all ready have. It is in my belief this turn of events does nothing for diversity of cable or broadcast television. Yes, there

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may be new stations popping up on the current scene, but this does not mean that most are not currently under the control of similar interests. You should note, “the number of TV stations has increased from 952 to 1,678 between 1975 and 2000, the number of station owners has actually declined from 543 to 360 in the same period.” (TV Technology.com, 2/6/02). If only a few are allowed to control the many how can anyone claim diversity on television for it will be the agenda of only a few over the many. This seems more like monopoly to me. The New York Times writes “enumerated a few: the bigger, more powerful networks created might gain ‘leverage over smaller stations’ and force them to eliminate local programming to make room for network shows; networks could buy “syndicated programs, like ‘Judge Judy’ on better terms; and networks would be free to increase cross promotion.” As an example the Times stated, “the more stations NBC owns the more times it can promote the ‘Tonight’ show in the late local newscast” (2/21/02). That’s diversity?

Mr. Powell, one thing I learned in school was this: Corporations do not seek diversity, instead they seek a guaranteed profit. Diversity requires risk and doing things that most people would see as unlikely to succeed. Differences have always been our country’s greatest asset and strength. So now I must ask, is this one trait that has done our society good being denied because of profit? Does this then make the FCC nothing more than businessmen and not guardians of choice? I will be honest with you Mr. Powell. When I watch television I am shocked by the lack of diversity that is all ready existing.

I know that you will make your own conclusion but I would like to at least urge you to stop and examine the facts for yourself. I also urge you to appeal the recent Court

of Appeals decision that overturned the television-cable cross-ownership rule and to vigorously defend the 35 percent television ownership cap.

One last thing, I found this in Extra. “..given the deregulatory zeal of FCC chair Michael Powell, who once declared that ‘the oppressor here is regulation’ and has said that he has ‘no idea’ what the public interest is (Extra!, 9-10/01). Well, as a member of the public I would like to tell you Mr. Powell that I would like to see more diversity. In my point of view this means keeping these conglomerates from consuming even more stations and more power. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew David Drenning". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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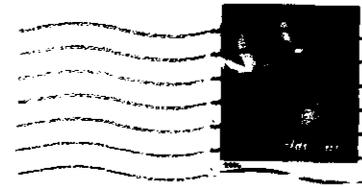
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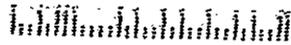
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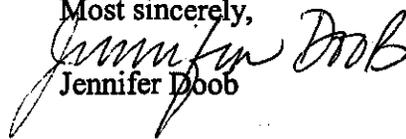
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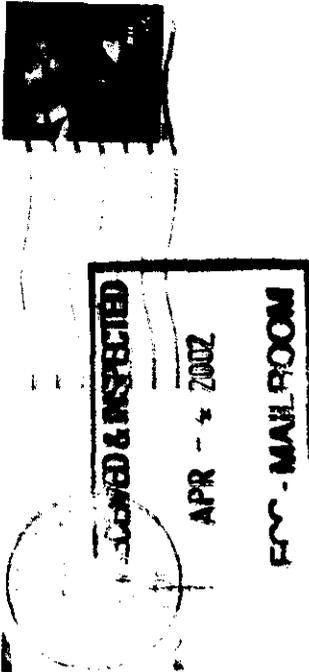
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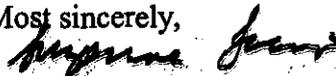
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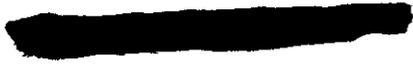
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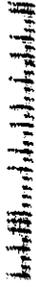
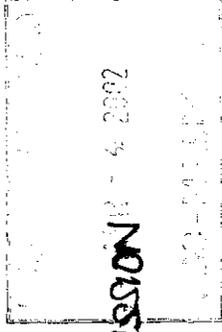
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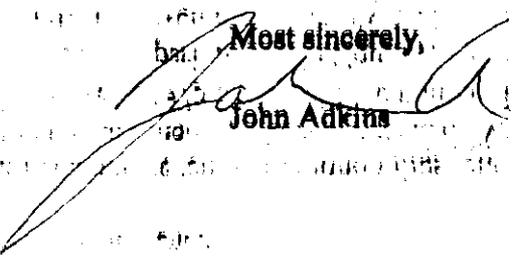
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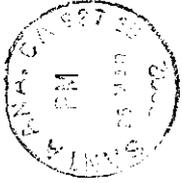
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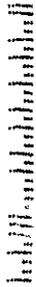
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