

I believe the digital flag should be soundly rejected. First, it will have no positive effect. No consumer will buy a device that takes away his previously granted rights. Second, home recording was specifically authorized by congress, and the FCC has no right to take away that ability. The government has no duty to sustain outdated business models at the expense of consumers just because these mega-corporations have good Washington connections. Reject the broadcast flag proposal, and recognize what it is: a revenue grab by the entertainment industry at the expense of manufactures, artists, and consumers.

I am a law-abiding consumer who believes that piracy should be prevented and prosecuted. However, if theoretical prevention comes at the cost of prohibiting me from making legal, personal use of my content, then the FCC should be working to protect all consumers rather than enable those who would restrict consumer rights.