

I am very concerned about corporatization and consolidation of our broadcasting and print media and even the Internet. The media is not just for entertainment, but serves a vital role in educating the public on current affairs so we may have a vital and fully-functioning democracy. Broadcast licenses should not just be licenses to make money without also providing unbiased and hardhitting investigative reporting so we may keep our government and the corporate power structure in check. Most of the U.S. media seems to be relinquishing that role as not to offend their corporate sponsors or government contacts. The book "Into the Buzzsaw" by Kristina Borjesson documents that censorship already exists in our society and that it has increased since the 1996 Telecom Act. Courts that have allowed the weakening of rules on media ownership because there is not actual proof of harm are apparently not looking at all the evidence. But then how can they, if it is censored.