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Dear Mr. Powell,

I am writing this fax to you because I am very disturbed that the F.C.C. is considering reversing its ruling in regards to medium ownership (ie. newspaper, television, radio). I am very opposed to the change which would allow one company to own a radio and television station in a single market (city). Not only does this create an even greater bias in news reporting and program selections, but it will increase advertising cost to businesses. We have a serious problem already because large cities like San Antonio, Houston and Dallas have only one large newspaper, where advertising rates have skyrocketed. We live in a free country, but I see our freedom of information diminishing everyday. When one company owns a large percentage and perhaps someday all the mediums in one market area, we will no longer have free and open information. This is evident, now, because I have only become informed of this change which the F.C.C. is considering(?), through the Public Television Station. Information about this change has been suppressed by our news media on their normal news hour programs and in the newspapers.

Please know, if more Americans were aware of this ruling change, they would be calling and writing, also! Please do not change the ruling.

Sincerely

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