

re: Media Consolidation

Chairman Michael Powell allowed only one official public commentary meeting? Because of budget? Please. Thanks goodness for the two commissioners that remember they are ultimately in a position of public service and not big business. If not for them, there would be neither public nor any service in the current direction of the FCC.

It is ludicrous to for the Chairman and other members to dismiss the public majority's concerns as unfounded, as they did before the Senate recently. They would maintain that the decision must be based in fact and not emotion, yet their own rational when challenged - "What leads you to believe that this ruling would not further consolidate ownership and [constrain the public's right to a diverse media pool]?" - their answers are based entirely on assumption unsupported by the numbers or the precedent that history has laid before them.

Our government should intervene now to reverse this course and perhaps reexamine the processes by which public service is performed.