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May 12, 2003

The Honorable Michael J. Copps
Commissioner
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION



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The American people deserve to hear more than one point of view on important issues. Therefore, for the sake of our democracy and our freedom, we urge you to continue the broadcast ownership protections that, in the past, have helped to ensure a healthy political debate in our country.

Sincerely,

Gene La Sarge
Mary La Sarge

Gene & Mary La Sarge
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Grandville, MI 49418

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Robert King
2210 Wild Dunes Circle
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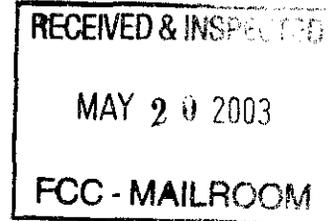
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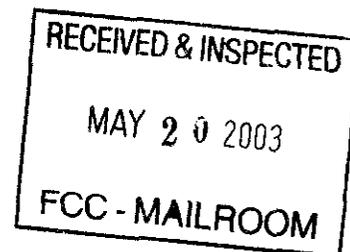
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Sincerely,



Wade McClure
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The Honorable Michael J. Copps
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Re: Broadcast Ownership Rules

Dear Sir;

It has come to my attention that there is a potential of a change in the rules which now prevent monopoly control of large and varied segments of the industry.

I would oppose any such rule change if only for the following reason.

My local newspaper, The Desert Sun, is owned by a multi-media conglomerate I have written Letters to the Editor which were not published, but were "original, free from libel, and in good taste and in 200 words or less" as listed in their requirements. I have enclosed just one of a number of letters that they have published that certainly is "in bad taste"! I was told by the Opinion Page Editor that they feel that they are exercising their right to "freedom of the press".

To me this means there is freedom of the press (and also conglomerate news of radio, TV and printed material) to print whatever their views might be and NOT ALLOW A RESPONSE FROM AN OPPOSING VIEW. This is not freedom of the press IT IS A FORM OF CENSORSHIP !!!

I would ask you to strongly oppose any change in the rules which would promote and allow the news media to present only one side of an issue. Availability to even be able to have access to the same media seems to be the issue at stake. That availability MUST not only be allowed, but encouraged.

Sincerely,

William R. Holmes

Speak with Candor

Who is speaking for me? Surely not the Democrats in Congress. I have been a loyal Democrat since being privileged to vote for the first time in 1934. The party principles and values, founded and fostered by presidents Roosevelt, Truman, Kennedy, Carter and Clinton, and outspoken senators such as Wellstone, Morse, and Kennedy, were mine. I applauded and supported them.

Winston Churchill reflected that the measure of any society is how it cares for those unable to care for themselves. Who is caring now?

Now we have an un-elected, warmongering, gay-bashing, environment-destroying, tax-cuts-for-the-rich, power-mad dictator in the White House who, along with his accomplices — Ashcroft, Rumsfeld and Cheney — is out to destroy us while violating our right to speak. Schools in shambles, millions unemployed, infrastructure falling apart. He fiddles with tax cuts while Democrats are silent.

Democrats, where are you? When will you have the courage to speak out against this tyranny? Are you so afraid of conservative criticism? Stand up and disagree with the direction we are heading under their leadership. Re-election should not be your only consideration. Make me proud once again to call myself a Democrat.

STEVEN J. HARRIS
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



Chuck Yost
P.O. Box 165
Gorham, KS 67640

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445 12th. St SW
Washington DC 20554

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Dear Sir:

I am writing to urge you not to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect us from media monopolies.

These changes would cause media conglomerates to gain total control of our media.

I urge you to continue the broadcast ownership protections that help ensure a healthy political debate in our country.

Sincerely

Chuck Yost

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Sincerely,

Terry A. Nelson



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Dear Mr. Martin:

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Sincerely,

Moe Mills



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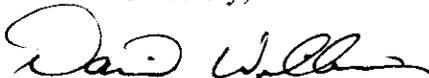
I strongly urge you NOT to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies.

I spent over 22 years on active duty in the armed forces of this country supporting and defending the right of free speech and the right of the people to govern themselves. If these ownership rules are relaxed it will open the door to loss of these freedoms due to censorship and enforcement of personal agendas by the owners of this monopoly.

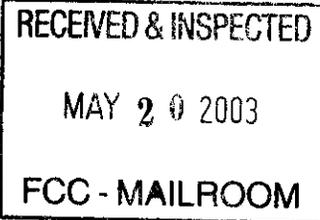
The American people must have access to all areas of the story to make informed, logical decisions and the monopolization of the media is a step in the wrong direction. Allowing a few multi millionaires to control the vast majority of information the public has access to is the first step towards loss of the basic freedoms this country was founded on.

Again, please do not allow the rules to be relaxed, please do not give media control to just a handful of people, please support the premise of free speech and access to the media by all Americans.

Sincerely,



David M. Williamson
CWO3, USN, Retired



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Re: Proposed Changes to Multiple Ownership

Direct Mail Center

Dear Mr. Chm Powell,

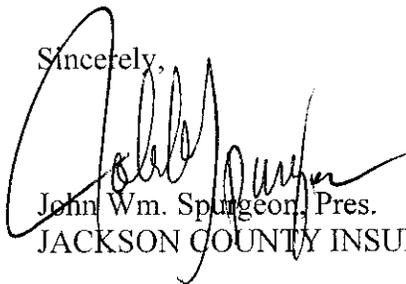
It is my understanding that there is a push to relax the FCC ownership rules. In that the number of radio & television stations owned by an individual or group could increase.

When the FCC was formed, those who brought the FCC about, did not wish to let someone have a monopoly, and squelch freedom of speech, by simply not letting someone else in the area not be heard.

We need the ability to hear multiple points of view, so that an informed decision can be made.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



John Wm. Spurgeon, Pres.
JACKSON COUNTY INSURANCE AGENCY, Inc.

David B. Mitchell
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FCC Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein
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Dear Commissioner Adelstein:

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I am deeply concerned about proposed FCC rules changes scheduled to be voted on by June 2. Because of that, there are some comments I wish to make.

First, I urge you to immediately make the full text of the proposed changes publicly available. The people of this country have a right to know what the changes are. It is unacceptable for an agency of a democratic government to require its commissioners to conceal public interest information.

Second, I urge you to hold more open forums regarding the proposed rules changes, like those conducted by Commissioner Michael Copps. With little support from the FCC, Commissioner Copps has done a commendable job of reaching out to people and soliciting their opinions, the majority of which are vehemently opposed to further media consolidation.

Third, pursuant to the second point, please roll back the voting date for the proposed changes to some later date, so there can be more time for debate and public input.

Fourth, require more frequent and more stringent FCC license renewal procedures for broadcasters. Requiring broadcasters to renew their licenses only once every eight years (by postcard) is insufficient. The airwaves are a public resource; broadcasters should receive license renewals (or not) based on whether they use this resource to serve the public interest. Frequent license renewals (such as once every three years, which used to be the standard) incorporating critical evaluations of broadcaster behavior and performance would help to ensure this.

Fifth, change FCC rules to prevent further mass media consolidation and reduce current consolidation. Right now, companies like Clear Channel own numerous broadcasting stations across the country and dictate their programming from offices hundreds of miles from the communities these stations serve. Broadcast programming and print media are becoming less diverse and informative. Further media monopolization will worsen this problem and limit the mass media to a handful of outlets, all speaking in the same voices.

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Dear Commissioner Powell:

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"The foundation of a democracy is an informed electorate".

That foundation is being eroded by you and two members of your Commission who seem hell-bent on condoning and furthering the media industry merger of a handful of greed-driven, mega-giants, intent on stifling intellect, ideas and news.

One hour spent surveying the content of late night television in America, demonstrates the truly dysfunctional society that has been allowed to develop by a compliant and purely business oriented FCC. Public interest be damned! Turn to any foreign language channel and (without knowledge of a second language) it quickly becomes clear that real news is being aired - not the pabulum of murders, fires and robberies that has methodically been used to numb the minds of typical American viewers. Certainly this same phenomenon infects the press and radio across this land.

The planned June 2nd vote by the FCC to authorize sweeping changes to the U.S. news media must NOT be allowed to take place. This rules change could eventually allow our newspapers, radio stations, TV stations and cable provider to all be owned by one of these right-leaning giants and the resulting concentration of ownership will sound the death knell to our democracy. **Chairman Powell you are clearly not working in the peoples' interest.**

Your job, Mr. Powell, is to guard against monopoly power. This unholy alliance of federal watchdog agencies, working hand in glove with the corrupting power of the media empires of AOL Time Warner, Viacom, News Corp (Fox), Disney and Hearst, lead us straight to a fascist society! - - -

Sincerely,

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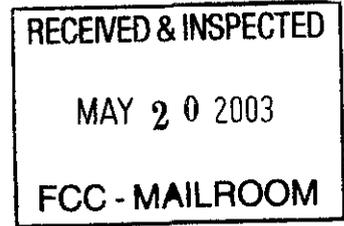
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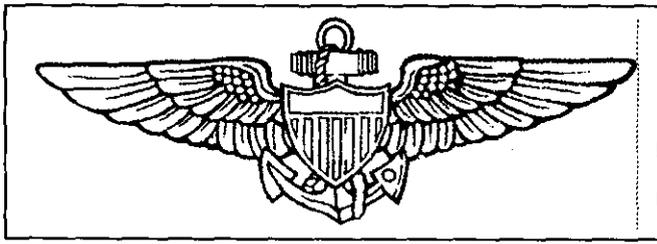
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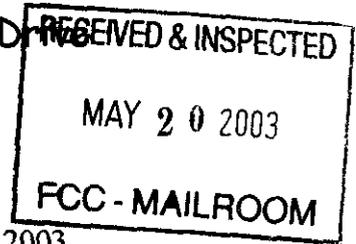
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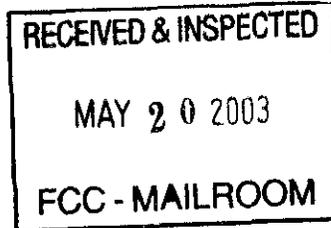
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Thank you,

Peter Harmon

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Las Vegas, NV 89117-1843
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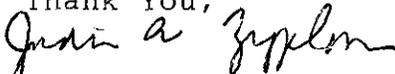
Raising the ownership cap on media outlets, and continuing the practise of using a formula that discounts the actual audience of UHF stations is unaccpetable.

This is a threat to democracy from within. We are all too terribly aware of the debasing of our democracy over the past two years in the name of "terrorism", and "patriotism".

This is a sham to consolidate power, further among the very wealthy. We patently reject government, " Of The Rich, By The Rich, For The Rich".

To implement such changes is UNAMERICAN.

Thank You,



Judith A. Zygelman

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Commissioner Kevin J. Martin

Bush White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave
Washington, Dc 20510

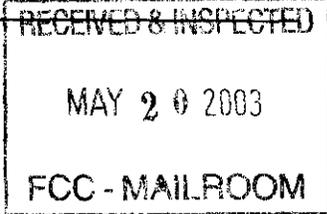
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Keith C. Hudson, D.D.S.

General Dentistry



Colleyville, Texas

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Dr. Keith C. Hudson

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Sincerely,

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Dr. Keith C. Hudson
Colleyville, Texas 76034 - 1227



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Director's Office

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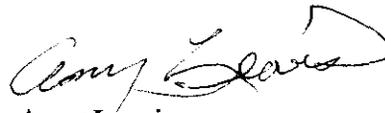
A successful democratic government requires an informed public. If one company or special interest group controls too much of the media, it can push its own political agenda, gain public support for its candidates and control what the public thinks. In addition, it can control the advertising within its area.

This gives one company or special interest group the power to control a city, state and, if large enough, to control the nation. Giving such power to one company or group is not in our best interests nor the best interests of our country.

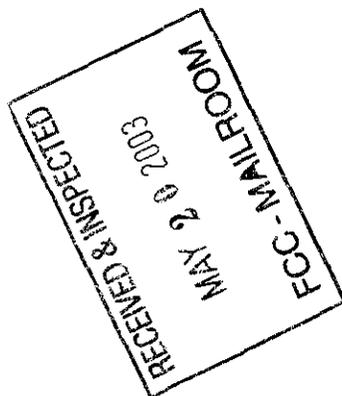
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Sincerely yours,



Amy Lewis



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Re: Proposal to Revise Broadcast Ownership Rules

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Respectfully,

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Joe Dahlheim
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Alpine, CA 91901-1320

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Diane Dahlheim

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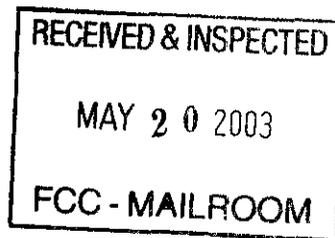
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DIRECTOR CENTER

Dear Chairman Powell:

I read with great unease your response to Congressional inquiries concerning the upcoming biennial review of media ownership regulations. I find your reasoning for why you are proceeding "without an additional, a unprecedented, notice and comment period" unconvincing. I am a concerned citizen who learned about the biennial review and its subject matter through the happenstance watching of a television interview between Bill Moyers and Commissioner Michael Copps.

I am appalled that you and the Federal Communications Commission, who by your own admission have had plenty of time to complete this process, have not brought this serious issue to the attention of the American people. This situation is exacerbated since the companies involved are the very organizations that you regulate and have the most to benefit by the changes. This biennial review has the potential to be as great a threat to America's future as the current Middle East situations, and yet when I ask co-workers and friends if they are aware of it, the answer is "no."

Unlike you, I think the "public interest is presently being ill-served" not by the body of rules but by the continuing growth of massive media conglomerates who have the interest of their owners, possibly their shareholders, but certainly NOT the public. The very fact that this review is not discussed in the various media of radio, television and newspapers is certain evidence of the need to continue to regulate and limit ownership. It is important to the continued strength of the United State that a few large organizations do not gain any additional strength or opportunities to control and limit the public's access to information.

Unlike you, I feel it is not too late "to suddenly adopt an alternative, even if worthy, procedural course" change. In fact I believe it would demonstrate your commitment to ensure that America's citizens and our legislative members have opportunities to discuss and debate these important issues. If you launched an information/awareness campaign, providing the public with "an opportunity to see each specific proposed rule change prior to adoption," you would show the American people that your process is fully opened and "above board." However, as it currently is proceeding, it appears that you, in fact, have something to hide or are biased toward those who will benefit.