

Dear Commissioners:

Please don't allow more media consolidation. When different companies control the TV, radio and print news in my community they compete with each other to provide me better local and national news.

Since Ronald Reagan effectively quashed the fairness doctrine, with the help of the rabid right in Congress the voters of this country have had the real choices of news media reduced by less than half. Not only reduced but allowed many outlets to be controlled by foreigners; a prime example being all Fox network and affiliated television, radio and newspapers owned by Murdoch (an Australian), who should have NO SAY about politics in this country. Clear Channel who owns way more than they should in numerous markets across the country effectively fooling the public into believing that numerous groups think in the fashion. The progressive movement by ultra large conglomerates to continue consolidation of all news media to a very limited, ultra wealthy group should be stopped at the earliest possible opportunity. This country needs a voice for ALL political views not just the ultra conservative in power who seem to worship money above all else.

I don't want the same company that owns my TV station or my radio station to also own my newspaper I would just get the same news all over again.

I rely on the media to find out about national and local issues. I want to feel confident that I can get all the viewpoints I need to make well-reasoned decisions about these issues. I also want media outlets in my town to care about my needs and interests.

Thank you for your consideration of this important issue. I look forward to hearing from you about your efforts to ensure diversity, localism and independence in our media.

Sincerely,
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