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Docket No. 06-181

**From:** Keith Sass [keithsass@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 22, 2006 7:04 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai; crawford@nad.org  
**Subject:** ReelzChannel LLC for exemption from closed-captioning rules.

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Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

Dear, FCC.

I am filing my objections to petitions for television programming to be shown without closed captions. I am writing to object to the following petitions that were filed with the Federal Communications Commission: CA - Los Angeles - ReelzChannel LLC /

People who are deaf or hard of hearing want access to televised information and entertainment, just like everyone else. Closed captioning is an essential part of any televised program. Captioning is not too difficult or too expensive. I cannot watch television programs that are not captioned.

Please deaf and hard-of-hearing people who seeks out for helping to be supporting to FCC for enforcing the new captioning rules, and be stay, don't be exemptions for any of them including like sports for Timberwolves, Twins, Minnesota Vikings, and Minnesota Wild. Also for MTV needs to be captioned.

Sincerely,  
Keith.

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**From:** Jim Sandell [pjsplace@sutv.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 26, 2006 10:02 AM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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November 26, 2006  
FCC Chief, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau Monica Desai

Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

Dear Monica Desai,

I protest the FCC approval of almost 300 requests for new programs to be shown without closed captions.

The FCC weakened the closed captioning rules, and appears to have created new standards and new rules for permitting programs to be televised without closed captions. I believe the FCC violated the closed captioning rules.

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Please reconsider these FCC decisions and support closed captioning.

Sincerely,

Jim Sandell  
1105 So. Washington  
Wellington, KS 67152-2258

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**From:** Bruno Manuel [brunogmanuel@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 22, 2006 5:03 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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Sincerely,

Bruno Manuel  
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**From:** Dianne Kinnee [bluejeansdi@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 21, 2006 8:13 PM  
**To:** Kevin Martin  
**Cc:** Michael Copps; Jonathan Adelstein; Deborah Tate; Robert McDowell; Monica Desai; crawford@nad.org  
**Subject:** Minnesota Resident

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Office of the Secretary

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MN - Albert Lea - First Lutheran Church (CGB-CC-0143)

MN - Duluth - Ralph Furtman /

MN - Minneapolis - Branded Entertainment  
Television(CGB-CC-0547)

MN - Minneapolis - Cornerstone Digital  
Network(CGB-CC-0534)

MN - Minneapolis - Emmanuel Christian Center  
(CGB-CC-0386)

MN - Minneapolis - Kent Hrbek Outdoors Inc.  
(CGB-CC-0186)

MN - Minneapolis - Long Haul Productions Inc.  
(CGB-CC-0616)

MN - Minneapolis - World Softball League Inc.  
(CGB-CC-0385)

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captioned.

Sincerely,

Dianne Kinnee

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**From:** Tracie Henning [henning@pitel.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 22, 2006 10:31 AM  
**To:** Kevin Martin; Michael Copps; Jonathan Adelstein; Deborah Tate; Robert McDowell; Monica Desai; crawford@nad.org  
**Subject:** FCC for Captioning in Minnesota.

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Jamison Henning  
Oronoco, Minnesota

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**From:** joann erickson [babydoo3j@tmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 23, 2006 12:52 AM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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Office of the Secretary

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Sincerely,

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**From:** Tabitha Collins [collitb@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 22, 2006 2:32 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

November 22, 2006  
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Sincerely,

Tabitha Collins  
7227 E 17th St  
Indianapolis, IN 46219-2723

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**From:** LAllen7099@aol.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 22, 2006 11:26 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** In Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

Dear CGB Chief Monica DeSai,

I protest the recent Orders granting exemptions from closed captioning issued by CGB. These Orders appear to create a new regulation, carving out a new exemption basis, not in keeping with current regulations. I am outraged and believe the FCC has created a loophole that almost any entity crying "it costs too much" can now use.

Please reconsider immediately.  
We NEED our closed captioning!

Louise Allen  
3033 Chatwin Avenue, Long Beach CA 90808  
Past President, Hearing Loss Association

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**From:** Andrea Shettle [ashettle@patriot.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 22, 2006 6:58 AM  
**To:** Kevin Martin  
**Cc:** Jonathan Adelstein; Deborah Tate; Monica Desai; crawford@nad.org; Robert McDowell; Michael Cops

Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

**Subject:** Protect Our Health; Caption Medical Programs!

I am filing my objections to petitions for television programming to be shown without closed captions. I am writing to object to the following petitions that were filed with the Federal Communications Commission:

Medical - AR - Jonesboro - St. Bernards Medical Center (CGB-CC-0345)

Medical - AZ - Tucson - Tucson Osteopathic Medical Foundation / "The Healing Touch" (CGB-CC-0582)

Medical - CA - Newport Beach - Dr. Kaveh Niknia D.D.S. (CGB-CC-0618)

Medical - CA - Palm Desert - The Wellness Hour (CGB-CC-0075)

Medical - NJ - Cedar Brook - Engle Broadcasting (CGB-CC-0049)

Medical - NV - Sun Valley - Tom Lavin "New Skills for Living" (CGB-CC-0145)

Medical - OH - St. Clairsville - DRD Consulting LLC (CGB-CC-0428)

Medical - TN - Knoxville - Think Drug Free America Inc. / "Too Blessed 2 Be Stressed TV Show" (CGB-CC-0608)

Medical - TX - San Antonio - The Justice Foundation (CGB-CC-0572)

People who are deaf or hard of hearing want access to televised information and entertainment, just like everyone else.

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I am angered that these programs have filed petitions asking to be waived from their moral obligation to provide closed captions. Don't they think deaf and hard of hearing people get sick too?! Don't we, too, deserve access to valuable information that we can use to protect our health and the health of the people we love? Deaf and hard of hearing people already have more than our usual share of barriers in obtaining information concerning our health. For example, many of us are left out of casual family conversations in which family members might have passed on important health-related information. Or, we also are inherently blocked from obtaining health information via the radio. The barriers we face in other avenues make it all the more vital that EVERY HEALTH-RELATED TELEVISION PROGRAM be aired WITH CLOSED CAPTIONS.

Closed captioning is an essential part of any televised program. Captioning is not too difficult or too expensive.

I cannot watch television programs that are not captioned.

Thank you for your time and assistance,

Andrea Shettle, MSW

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**From:** Andrea Shettle [ashettle@patriot.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 22, 2006 6:51 AM  
**To:** Kevin Martin  
**Cc:** Jonathan Adelstein; Deborah Tate; Monica Desai; crawford@nad.org; Robert McDowell; Michael Copps  
**Subject:** ALL news programs MUST have captions!

Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

I am filing my objections to petitions for television programming to be shown without closed captions. I am writing to object to the following petitions that were filed with the Federal Communications Commission:

### **News**

News - MA - Boston - Boston Neighborhood Network(CGB-CC-0523)

News - NV - Reno - Sam Shad Productions "Nevada Newsmakers" (CGB-CC-0061)

News - OH - Wadsworth - Mission Broadcasting Inc.(CGB-CC-0588)

News - PA - Boston - The Leadership Group Newsmakers Productions Inc. "Pennsylvania Newsmakers" (CGB-CC-0088)

People who are deaf or hard of hearing want access to televised information and entertainment, just like everyone else.

I am angered that these news broadcast programs have tried to worm out of their obligation, as members of society, to ensure that EVERYONE has equal access to the valuable information they convey. News is a vital component of every democratic society: news helps ordinary citizens monitor government and other institutions to ensure that these institutions function properly and to protect their own rights as citizens. When you leave captions off a news broadcast, this effectively denies deaf and hard of hearing people access to a

valuable tool that could otherwise enable their active participation in civil and political society.

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Thank you for your time and assistance,

Andrea Shettle, MSW

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**From:** Andrea Shettle [ashettle@patriot.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 22, 2006 6:43 AM  
**To:** Kevin Martin  
**Cc:** Jonathan Adelstein; Deborah Tate; Monica Desai; crawford@nad.org; Robert McDowell; Michael Copps  
**Subject:** Please require captions on music shows!

Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

I am filing my objections to petitions for television programming to be shown without closed captions. I am writing to object to the following petitions that were filed with the Federal Communications Commission:

Music - AL - Birmingham - Alabama Media Arts Association Inc. (CGB-CC-0280)

Music - AL - Waverly - Dead Serious Entertainment(CGB-CC-0323)

Music - CA - San Francisco - Distortion 2 Static (CGB-CC-0127)

Music - FL - Delray Beach - Mike Sherman Productions Inc. / "Mike Sherman Show"(CGB-CC-0589)

Music - FL - Port St. Lucie - ADAL Corporation(CGB-CC-0538)

Music - IL - Chicago - Gerald Bryant "JBTV" (CGB-CC-0024)

Music - IL - Oak Park - Musical Memories(CGB-CC-0556)

Music - MD - Catonsville - Wille Bacote (CGB-CC-0392)

Music - NM - Albuquerque - The County of Bernalillo NM(CGB-CC-0541)

Music - NV - Henderson - Million Dollar Entertainment & Advertising Inc. / "Paul Bowman's Million Dollar Country"(CGB-CC-0499)

Music - NV - Las Vegas - Making it Big in Las Vegas(CGB-CC-0548)

Music - NY - New York - Fearless Music Inc. (CGB-CC-0156)

Music - OH - Westerville - TVU Music Television / "TVU's Most Wanted"(CGB-CC-0585)

Music - PA - Whitehall - The Godfathers Entertainment of

Pennsylvania LLC (CGB-CC-0411)

Music - SC - Spartanburg - The Sound of Light (CGB-CC-0379)

People who are deaf or hard of hearing want access to televised information and entertainment, just like everyone else. It is **INCORRECT** to assume that deaf and hard of hearing people necessarily cannot enjoy music! I have been deaf since birth but I enjoy music as much as everyone else! Many (most) deaf people can hear at least a little bit. Even when our hearing does not suffice to allow us to understand speech clearly, we may still enjoy the beat of music and sometimes part of the melody. Even deaf people who do not hear at all can still enjoy certain types of music by turning up the volume and feeling the vibrations in their chest (if the volume is loud enough then we will pick up the vibrations through the air).

Closed captioning is an essential part of any televised program. Captioning is not too difficult or too expensive.

I cannot watch television programs that are not captioned. I usually prefer to watch music on video/television rather than listening to them on CD like hearing people, **PRECISELY** because closed captions enable me to enjoy the music more by allowing me to not only feel/hear the beat but also understand the words that are sung. When a music show is presented without captions then I am effectively cut off from the music.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Andrea Shettle, MSW

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**From:** Andrea Shettle [ashettle@patriot.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 22, 2006 6:36 AM  
**To:** Kevin Martin

Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

**Cc:** Jonathan Adelstein; Deborah Tate; Monica Desai; crawford@nad.org; Robert McDowell; Michael Copps

**Subject:** Please require captions for Abuse Prevention

I am filing my objections to petitions for television programming to be shown without closed captions. I am writing to object to the following petition that was filed with the Federal Communications Commission:

### **Abuse Prevention**

Abuse Prevention - NY - Lindenhurst - Women of Substance Ministries Inc. / "Women of Substance"(CGB-CC-0507)

People who are deaf or hard of hearing want and deserve access to televised information that can benefit their lives, just like everyone else.

Closed captioning is an essential part of any televised program. Captioning is not too difficult or too expensive.

I and other deaf people cannot watch television programs without captions. I have known deaf women who have confronted problems related to abuse: they ought to have the same rights as everyone else to have access to information that they can use to protect themselves and their safe health. Deaf women are already at higher risk of all types of abuse, and already face more than the usual barriers in obtaining valuable life-saving information. Allowing this program to be aired without captions would put this women at further risk.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

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