

My complaint directly concerns Fox Entertainment Group Inc. and specifically Fox News. In Madison Wisconsin, Charter Communications broadcasts FNC (Fox News) at channel 62. I am appalled at the way that Fox News creates news vs. reporting news. The creation of the news is even more dangerous when it is turned into a propaganda delivery system. Why did we fight World War II if we allow propaganda to become the reporting standard for America? Why not just find racists and people who hate America to broadcast 24/7 for the sake of ratings. Different diverse viewpoints have a place within the American Society, but pure propaganda and lies, specifically meant to deceive is wrong. This is not a debate about freedom of speech, I welcome that side, but the news media in America was built into the Constitution as a check and balance. We should demand that the news media report truthfully and expose lies. When the news creators take over the airwaves, who will protect our Constitutional rights.

I guess I shouldn't be surprised to see large media conglomerates buying up huge chunks of media in our country. Dictators around the world know that controlling the message is equivalent to controlling the masses. Is this what the FCC wants for America? I respectfully request that the FCC return to the Financial Interest and Syndication Rules, or fin-syn, which were in place during 1970. You should again be alarmed at the networks' growing control over programming. You had it right back then, allowing networks the power to determine form and content without competition and diversity is not in the best interests of the American public.

Secondly, the "competitive presence of cable" is a mirage. Broadcast networks have for years pointed to their loss of prime-time viewers to cable networks--but they are losing viewers to cable networks that they themselves own. Ninety percent of the top 50 cable TV stations are owned by the same parent companies that own the broadcast networks. The Internet does equal the playing field in this regard. I request that you again, lower the national audience-reach cap from 45 percent to 30-35 percent. Also, corporations should not be allowed to own a newspaper and a TV station in the same market. Additionally, the FCC should not

permit corporations to own three TV stations in the largest markets, this should be brought back down to two and medium-sized markets should be rolled back to one.

These same rules should be re-instituted for the Radio airwaves since this medium is also being affected adversely.

Please help me to reinvigorate the TV and Radio airwaves.