

I oppose any changes to the current FCC indecency standards that would allow television and radio stations to broadcast expletives and nudity on the public airwaves, even if brief or fleeting.

If there is a change in the case of "fleeting" or an "unexpected accident" perhaps it could be a two strikes and you are out. The first offense the station should be admonished and required over a period of ten days to broadcast an apology during prime time 3 times a day and also prove to the FCC that a mechanism has been set in place, such as a delayed broadcast device, to prevent such future offenses. The second offense the station should be hit with a very heavy fine.

Laws and rules are made to protect the innocent from those who without rules and laws will push the "envelope" for the sake of ratings and profits. I remember during the "I Love Lucy" era of television and radio when families could gather around the radio or watch television of excellent productions without the fear of the offensive material that's bombarding the airways today. There was a time during the forties and fifties when you could even go to the movies and see excellent films without being subjected to the profanity and nudity that's pervasive in today's films. It is unfortunate that today's producers are of the mind set that they cannot make a good production without profanity, nudity and gross sex scenes. It is even difficult to sit down with your sons and watch a football game without a lot of this offensive material.

Just like the police department is needed to protect, the Federal Communication Commission with tough rules are needed to protect. There is a misguided interpretation of free speech and freedom that can be a slippery slope to danger and disaster. The commission cannot even allow that misguided interpretation to make the Commission as a protector to become unnecessary and obsolete.

Please do not relax this rule.