

## EDITOR'S NOTE

Welcome to the second issue of Volume 50 of the *Federal Communications Law Journal*. This issue continues our focus on the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and examines a broad array of timely communications issues.

In the opening article, Susan Dente Ross uses the context of the "Cable Act-telephone" cases to demonstrate the power of the First Amendment to shatter established structural regulations. In the second article, Tim Sloan examines the history, language, and application of section 271 of the 1996 Act. While the contentious transformation of local telecommunications markets will obviously continue, Mr. Sloan and the *Journal's* staff have worked diligently to ensure that the article incorporates recent developments.

Three student notes are included in this issue: Cynthia Bauerly discusses federal review of interconnection agreements in light of the Supreme Court's recent Eleventh Amendment jurisprudence; Kristin Keltner proposes federal legislation to ensure the accuracy and quality of health care information provided over the Internet; and Jennifer Worstell asserts that section 253 of the 1996 Act violates the Takings Clause of the Fifth Amendment.

This issue concludes with a comment by Mark Chasteen, and a book review by Herbert Terry. Mr. Chasteen discusses tortious interference with nondisclosure agreements in light of the controversy sparked by the *60 Minutes* interview of tobacco executive Jeffery Wigand. Professor Terry reviews Joel Brinkley's *Defining Vision: The Battle for the Future of Television*.

The Editorial Board remains committed to providing our readers with broad coverage of pressing and important telecommunications issues. In furtherance of this commitment, our next issue—the last issue in the 50th volume of the *Federal Communications Law Journal*—promises to be the largest issue to date. We sincerely appreciate the continued support of contributors and readers alike, and actively welcome your comments and submissions concerning any of the issues of interest to the communications bar. The *Journal* can be contacted at Indiana University School of Law—Bloomington, 211 South Indiana Avenue, Bloomington, Indiana 47405; telephone (812)855-5952; facsimile (812)855-0555; and e-mail <fclj@law.indiana.edu>.

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