

EDITOR'S NOTE

Welcome to the first issue of Volume 55 of the *Federal Communications Law Journal*. The staff is very excited about the variety and quality of articles and notes in this issue.

In our first Article, Warren G. Lavey discusses making and keeping regulatory promises, arguing that it is possible and beneficial for regulators to commit to a multiyear sequence of regulatory changes. In the second Article, Hernan Galperin and François Bar review the regulation of interactive television in the United States and in the European Union, presenting a general framework of regulatory thinking about open network access, while considering the convergence of communication industry sectors and conflicting policy goals. In our third Article, Sue Ann Mota examines the Child Pornography Prevention Act and the Child Online Protection Act, in conjunction with two U.S. Supreme Court cases—*Ashcroft v. Free Speech Coalition* and *Ashcroft v. ACLU*. She concludes with predictions of the statutes and recommendations for rulemakers.

In the first of our student-written Notes, Kathryn Gordon tackles the question: Are proposed Federal Communications Commission rules that treat local exchange carrier access to multiple tenant environments a taking? Nicholas Levi reviews the history of capital punishment in America, and concludes that arguments for broadcasting public executions have failed because they have been classified as “access” cases. The issue closes with Jonathan Zittrain’s review of *Ruling the Root* by Milton L. Mueller.

The editorial board would like to thank all of the Authors for their contributions. We are committed to providing our readers with broad coverage of timely and important communications issues, and we appreciate the continued support of contributors and readers alike.

Issue 2, which will be published in March, will feature an Article by Robert Cannon regarding the FCC’s forty-year history of grappling with regulatory computers and the emerging Internet, as well as a rebuttal to an Article that appeared in the *Journal* in Issue 3 of Volume 54. We will also feature three Notes by members of our staff.

The editorial board is pleased to announce that Issue 3 will revisit former Federal Communications Commission Chairman Newton Minow's "Vast Wasteland" speech. Two dozen prominent attorneys, public officials, journalists, industry leaders, public interest advocates, and academics join us in examining the state of video programming more than four decades after Minow's celebrated speech.

Volume 55 marks the tenth volume of the *Journal* co-published at Indiana University School of Law—Bloomington. To commemorate this tenth anniversary, we will celebrate with a speaker series hosted at the Law School in the spring.

As always, we actively welcome your comments and submissions. 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) 855-5871; and e-mail fcj@indiana.edu.

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