

EDITOR'S NOTE

Welcome to the second issue of Volume 68 of the *Federal Communications Law Journal* (FCLJ), the nation's premier communications law journal and the official journal of the Federal Communications Bar Association. My name is Warren Kessler, and as the incoming Editor-in-Chief, I am humbled to serve the oldest communications law journal in the country as well as its influential and diverse readership. At a time of great change and debate in the communications field, I hope that our readers will see the Journal as a source of scholarship and conversation.

This issue serves as a transition from the previous FCLJ student board to the new one. We greatly appreciate our outgoing board's hard work and commitment. Their time and effort were vital in making this and the previous year's issues come to fruition. I am also thrilled to welcome our new board with whom I have the great pleasure of working. Our incoming board is made up of dedicated, creative, and hard-working individuals who all bring unique experiences and high expectations to the Journal. We are excited to work with the Federal Communications Bar Association, and we have already begun to collect thought-provoking and timely material for future issues.

This issue's first piece is by Jonathan Marshlian, Jacqueline Hankins, Seth Williams, and Keenan Adamchak. These practitioners present concerns over the FCC's use of informal adjudications to affect policy change, particularly in the context of the Universal Service Fund. The article discusses the importance of a more aggressive judiciary and alternatively proposes legislative solutions that would place procedural and precedential limitations on the use of informal adjudications.

This issue also includes three student Notes. In the first Note, Max Nacheman offers aggressive new tactics in the fight against pirate radio broadcasting. Our second Note by Sara Kamal discusses how the net neutrality debate and its corresponding regulatory scheme affect minority communities. Kamal reminds readers of how significantly underrepresented minority communities are in the broadcasting world and gives her thoughts as to why some minority groups may be split on how to solve the problem. In our final Note, Carolyn Lowry provides a comprehensive discussion on something that millions of Americans now partake in every day: mobile payments. Her Note introduces the current state of mobile payment technology, advises businesses on how to proactively allay consumer concerns, and analyzes the current patchwork of applicable regulations.

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