

EDITOR'S NOTE

Welcome to the second issue of Volume 69 of the Federal Communications Law Journal (FCLJ), the official journal of the Federal Communications Bar Association (FCBA). As the incoming Editor-in-Chief of the FCLJ, I am humbled to serve the oldest communications law journal in the country. I hope that the FCLJ will continue to spur vibrant conversations, substantively add to the scholarship, and act as a resource for practitioners in the communications law field.

This issue contains a collection of pieces on timely and important topics in the field, including the Internet of Things, universal service, cyberbullying, freedom of speech, and online identity abuse issues. Earlier in the spring at The George Washington University Law School, the FCLJ successfully held its first symposium on consumer privacy and the right to be forgotten. As this issue intends to continue the discussion on this topic, the FCLJ is honored to feature an article penned by Jules Polonetsky, the Chief Executive Officer of the Future of Privacy Forum. Mr. Polonetsky's article proposes specific ways in which the Internet of Things can promote accessibility, equality, and inclusion for those who may experience extraneous hurdles and exclusion from the fast-changing world we live in.

In addition to this piece, the FCLJ proudly presents three student Notes. In the first Note, Brian O'Shea explores the problem of cyberbullying, the current legislative shortcomings in tackling this issue, and the insufficiency of a reliance on the right to be forgotten. Mr. O'Shea proposes that the Notice-and-Takedown procedures of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act can potentially restrict content of cyberbullying speech. In the second Note, Melissa J. Morgans analyzes the tension between constitutionally protected free speech and censorable online terrorist speech. She proposes that the "Stop Terrorist Organizations from Promoting Internet Transmissions Act" could regulate such terrorist speech. Lastly, in the third Note, Laura K. Hamilton discusses the need for comprehensive federal legislation to protect online identity that can easily be abused by others. Ms. Hamilton proposes that a federal tort and a federal crime for malicious interference with online identity should be established.

This issue also serves as a transition from the previous FCLJ board to the new one. The incoming board is thankful for the supervision of the FCBA, the hard work of the outgoing board, all of whom have set solid grounds for the incoming board to work with this year. I am confident that the FCLJ is comprised of dedicated, diligent, and detail-oriented individuals who will bring unique perspectives to the new term. As a team, the FCLJ is excited and determined to provide interesting and thought-provoking material to our readers.

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