Federal Communications Law Journal & Berkeley Center for Law Technology
Joint Spring 2021 Symposium

Call for Abstracts

To mark the 25th anniversary of the 1996 Telecommunications Act, the Federal Communications Law Journal hosted at The George Washington University Law School (FCLJ) and the Berkeley Center for Law & Technology (BCLT) are excited to announce our joint virtual Spring 2021 Symposium, 25th Anniversary of the Telecommunications Act of 1996—Looking Ahead to the Next Telecommunications Act.

Save the date for this Spring Symposium: March 12, 2021

The Symposium will explore, among other possibilities, four significant facets of the next major telecommunications reform effort (whenever it may be): (1) Technological Convergence and Regulatory Power; (2) Race and Diversity in Communications Law; (3) Institutional Design and the Federal Communications Commission; and (4) Federalism and State Power. The FCLJ invites abstract submissions exploring legislative and regulatory perspectives addressing these possibilities for the next telecommunications statute, and the future of the telecommunications industry writ large.

Authors of accepted abstracts will be invited to participate in the Symposium’s panels, alongside other invited experts. All abstracts must be submitted to fcljarticles@law.gwu.edu with the subject ‘2021 Symposium Abstract Submission’ no later than January 11, 2021.

Authors will be notified of acceptance decisions by January 25, 2021. Authors will be required to circulate a first draft to their fellow panelists by March 1, 2021.

Opportunity for Publication

Authors of symposium articles have two opportunities for publication: (1) the Federal Communications Law Journal and (2) the Berkeley Technology Law Journal (BTLJ).

To be considered for publication in the 2021 FCLJ Symposium Issue (Volume 73, Issue 3), authors must submit their final drafts for consideration by April 1, 2021 to fcljarticles@law.gwu.edu. FCLJ encourages submissions of about or under 20 pages but does not have a page limit. The FCLJ anticipates a publication of this issue in June 2021.

To be published in the BTLJ Special Symposium Issue (which will include all publishable symposium articles and featuring those previously published with FCLJ) authors should submit their final drafts by August 1, 2021. These submissions should likewise be 20 pages or less. BTLJ anticipates publication of this special issue in 2022.

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