

EDITOR'S NOTE

Welcome to the third and final Issue of Volume 75 of the Federal Communications Law Journal. This year, we have had the opportunity to highlight a number of important topics within the communication law field, and this last Issue is no exception.

First, Philip Napoli and Chandlee Jackson introduce an approach to tackling disinformation and hate speech on social media that is informed by the way indecency has been regulated in the broadcast medium. Napoli is the Director of the DeWitt Wallace Center for Media & Democracy at Duke University. Jackson is a graduate of the Sanford School of Public Policy, where he earned his Masters' Degree and conducted research on the impact of disinformation on national security.

This Issue also features three student Notes. The first Note, written by Alan Harrison, discusses the right to delete, a data privacy measure that aims to give consumers greater control over their personal data. Harrison argues that, in its current form, the right to delete is too limited by exemptions and a lack of uniformity in its implementation to be fully effective.

Our second note, authored by Jamie Reiner, applies philosopher Martha Nussbaum's Capability Approach to human development to emphasize that Internet access is essential to an individual's ability to flourish. With this in mind, Reiner argues that the government has a positive obligation to promote widespread Internet access.

The third note, written by Julia Dacy, explains that the existing legal framework for protecting journalists and their confidential sources is riddled with loopholes, especially regarding the government's ability to seize communications metadata. Dacy argues that the increasing usefulness of metadata in leak investigations makes a federal shield law with specific and strong metadata provisions vital to the existence of a free press.

This issue also features our Annual Review of notable court decisions that have impacted the communications field in recent years. Each of these was authored by a member of our Journal, and we appreciate their thoughtful analyses of these important cases.

On behalf of the outgoing Editorial Board of Volume 75, I would like to thank The George Washington University Law School, our faculty advisors, and the Federal Communications Bar Association for their continued partnership. To the 2022-23 Editorial Board, Associates, Members, and authors who contributed to the Federal Communications Law Journal this year, thank you for your dedication and quality work.

Finally, congratulations to the incoming Volume 76 Editorial Board. It's been an honor to oversee this publication for its milestone 75th Volume, and I am confident the Journal is in capable hands going forward.

As always, we welcome your feedback and questions. Please send any article submissions to fcljarticles@law.gwu.edu. This issue will be archived and available at www.fclj.org.

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