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Carr Welcomes Supreme Court Review of Media Regulations

WASHINGTON, DC, October 2, 2020— FCC Commissioner Brendan Carr issued the following statement on the Supreme Court’s decision to review a court of appeals opinion in *FCC v. Prometheus Radio Project*, which vacated the FCC’s commonsense decision to modernize the nation’s media regulations.

“The Internet has fundamentally changed the way Americans obtain news and information. Yet for years the FCC failed to update its media regulations to account for this disruption. Instead, the agency’s outdated rules made it harder for local news outlets to compete with social media companies and other tech titans. In 2017, we took commonsense steps to level the regulatory playing field—reforms that would incentivize greater competition and promote a diversity of viewpoints. Unfortunately, the Third Circuit overturned the FCC’s decision and provided social media companies with another regulatory advantage. The benefits of the FCC’s modern approach to media regulation are worth fighting for, and I am heartened to see that the fight continues at the Supreme Court.”

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