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**GOMEZ STATEMENT ON DISNEY/ABC LAWSUIT AGAINST THE
FCC**

WASHINGTON—FCC Commissioner Anna M. Gomez issued the following statement after Disney’s ABC filed a lawsuit against the FCC over its unprecedented and unlawful campaign of censorship and control:

“For months, the FCC has waged a campaign of censorship and control against Disney’s ABC stations, using the threat of broadcast license revocations to punish a company for speech this administration doesn’t like. I have long called on companies to push back against this kind of government intimidation, and I’m glad Disney has shown courage and stepped up. This should be a welcome sign for every broadcaster who has felt the weight of this overreaching government pressure in silence.

“I am hopeful that this will mark the beginning of the end of this administration’s disregard for the Constitution and the law, and that the coming months will bring the costly legal defeat this agency has been asking for since it started down this path. It is time this administration understands that the Constitution does not bend to political convenience, and that the First Amendment protects the news and commentary Americans see on their screens even when those in power wish it didn’t.”

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