DISSENTING STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER MICHAEL J. COPPS

Re: WBDC Broadcasting, Inc., Licensee of Station WBDC-TV, Washington, DC

I disagree with the decision not to impose a fine against this broadcaster for violating the indecency statute. If analogous dialogue had occurred on a radio broadcast, I believe the Commission, under its existing precedent, would have found the program to be indecent. We must ensure that we do not impose a different standard for television than for radio.