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Federal Communications Commission  
Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**CGB**

January 14, 2008

FOIA 2008-089

This letter responds to your Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") request received by the Federal Communications Commission (the "FCC" or "Commission") and assigned to the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau ("CGB") and the Enforcement Bureau (EB) by the Commission's FOIA Office on November 29, 2007. Your request seeks any and all records identifiable as complaints regarding the television program "The Jerry Springer Show" contained in one CGB and one EB data base named in your request.

Sharon Jenkins contacted you on December 6, 2007, to discuss your request. She informed you that we could provide only informal complaints received at the Commission from January 2003 to the present and that the fee to process your FOIA request could exceed the \$30.00 maximum fee indicated in your request. As a result of this discussion, you agreed to increase your maximum fee amount from \$30.00 to \$60.00 for the legitimate search and duplication costs associated with the processing of the FOIA request. Ms. Jenkins further informed you that consultation about your request was underway among divisions of the Commission and that the FCC would extend the time period for responding for an additional 10 working days as permitted by the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(6)(B)(iii)(III), and Section 0.461(g)(3) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.461(g)(3).

Sharon Jenkins subsequently contacted you on December 27, 2007, to inform you that fees for EB's search time to identify complaints could exceed the \$60.00 maximum fee limit, and might not produce any complaints that would be substantially different from CGB's complaints. In response, you narrowed the scope of your request by eliminating EB from the request as of December 27, 2007. Specifically, you requested that EB stop its search and provide any documents already identified. You agreed to receive and review the documents that we are enclosing with this response and submit a separate FOIA request at a later date if there is any additional information you wish to obtain from EB.

As Ms. Jenkins advised you, CGB and EB have coordinated to provide a response to your request. CGB conducted a search of the database in which we maintain the records of informal complaints filed by, or on behalf of, consumers. The complaints identified by

our search that are responsive to your request are enclosed. EB has informed CGB that a search of its records conducted up to December 27, 2007, revealed four responsive complaints, which are also enclosed.

All personal, identifying information relating to the individuals who submitted or are named in the complaints has been redacted pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6), and Section 0.457(f) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.457(f). A release of this information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy under the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(b). In addition, certain FCC employee names have been redacted pursuant to FOIA Exemption 2, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(2), and Section 0.457(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.457(b).

Please be advised that the Commission receives many complaints and comments that do not involve violations of the Communications Act or any FCC rule or order. Thus, the existence of a complaint filed against a particular company does not necessarily indicate wrongdoing by the company.

We are required by the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(i), and Section 0.470 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.470, to charge FOIA requesters certain fees, depending on the classification of requesters into one of three categories as defined in Section 0.466 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.466. The categories are: (1) commercial use requesters; (2) educational and noncommercial scientific institution requesters and requesters who are representatives of the news media; and (3) all other requesters. Your request was categorized as "all other requester" by the FCC's FOIA Office. Section 0.470(a)(3) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.470(a)(3), provides that all other requesters are not charged for the first two hours of search time and the first 100 pages of reproduction. Because your request falls within these guidelines, there are no charges associated with processing it.

If you consider this response to be a denial of your FOIA request, you may file an application for review with the Commission's Office of General Counsel within 30 days, in accordance with Section 0.461(j) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.461(j).

Sincerely,




Nicole M. McGinnis  
Deputy Bureau Chief  
Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau

Enclosures

Complaint Type: Broadcast

Account Type: Residential

Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	05-R1429308	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	07/07/2005 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	07/07/2005	Date Assigned:	07/07/2005
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	
Assigned To:		Service Date:	
Date Closed:	07/08/2005	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

Current Status: Closed

**Complaint Summary:**

wrote on 7/6/2005 4:05:24 PM : ; Broadcast station WTAM, owned by Clear Channel, broadcasting on a frequency ; of 1100 AM from Cleveland, Ohio. On July 06, 2005, @ approximately 0900 AM ; during the Jerry Springer Show, on or between segments a woman's voice in words ; similar to but not exactly as these, claimed that she was Laura Bush and that ; her husband was not much into sex when he was younger because he was saving ; himself for when he was president so he could \$#@&w everyone. This may have been ; part of the Springer Show or a paid political piece between segments. I don't ; know if it fits your description of indecency but I was extremely offended. My ; car radio had been tuned to the Cleveland Indians baseball game from the night ; before and I am just glad that my teenage grandchildren were not with me to ; hear this trash.

Apparent Caller(s)	
Contact Name:	Best Time to Call:
Contact Number:	Fax Number:
Email Address:	Internet Address:
PO Box:	Address:
City: Avon	State: OH

Company Name:	
	Relationship with the Party:
	City:State:Zip:
Other Party that can be contacted?	
	Relationship:
	City, State: Zip:
**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:	\$0.00

Contacted the companies to resolve complaint?

If yes, name of company, name and number of company representative you spoke with:

Name: Phone: Ext:

Date you spoke with company representative:

If you contacted more than one company to resolve complaint, please list additional company(ies) name(s), name(s) and number(s) of company(ies) representatives and date you spoke to those representatives here:

Name: Phone: Ext:

Date you spoke with the second company representative:

Have you paid any of the disputed charges?


Did the company billing for these charges adjust or refund some or all of the disputed charges?

If yes, what was the amount of the adjustment or refund?

Complaint Type: Broadcast

Account Type: Residential

 Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	06-WB12239124	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	09/19/2006 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	09/19/2006	Date Assigned:	09/19/2006
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	
Assigned To:		Service Date:	Referral
Date Closed:	09/21/2006	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

**Current Status: Closed****Complaint Summary:**

All programs with obscenities on all the prime time TV. also commercials have become obscene, for example victorias secret,herbal essents, family guy, Jerry Springer etc. . . .Why can't we put all content like this on FX after 10:00 PM or pay per view. What ever happend to great TV? like I LOVE LUCY, THE ODD COUPLE, I could go on. Where is the story line or what happened to falling in love with the charectures. But all we get is cheap shock and cheap content. We all need more. I am not old, 38 to be frank. I am just asking for decency. I think TV shows any and all disfunction. Disfunctional people that are the worst role models. It is also giving young minds the wrong normalscy about life, what to expect and what is expected from them. This is unexceptable.

Apparent Carrier(s)	
<b>Contact Name:</b>	<b>Best Time to Call:</b>
<b>Contact Number:</b>	<b>Fax Number:</b>
<b>Email Address:</b>	<b>Internet Address:</b>
<b>PO Box:</b>	<b>Address:</b>
<b>City:</b> Orlando	<b>State:</b> FL

<b>Company Name:</b>	
	<b>Relationship with the Party:</b>
	<b>City:State:Zip:</b>
<b>Other Party that can be contacted?</b>	
	<b>Relationship:</b>
	<b>City:, State: Zip:</b>
<b>**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:</b>	

Contacted the companies to resolve complaint?

If yes, name of company, name and number of company representative you spoke with:

Name: Phone: Ext:

Date you spoke with company representative:

If you contacted more than one company to resolve complaint, please list additional company(ies') name(s), name(s) and number(s) of company(ies') representatives and date you spoke to those representatives here:

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Date you spoke with the second company representative:

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If yes, what was the amount of the adjustment or refund?


Willing to provide further written statements for use of the FCC or other agencies in enforcement actions against companies?

Indicate the responsible carrier(s): ECG telephone company

Complaint Type: Broadcast

Account Type: Residential

Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	05-WB11185958	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	11/15/2005 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	11/15/2005	Date Assigned:	11/15/2005
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	
Assigned To:		Service Date:	
Date Closed:	03/24/2006	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

Current Status: Closed

**Complaint Summary:**

too many shows are full of foul languages, raunchy topics, and sex scenes. it is not necessary to fill a show with these kinds of images or topics. masturbation, homosexuality, profanity like s.o.b., god d-- it, b--ch, etc., not too mention the entire content of jerry springer and even most of maury povich is foul and obscene. you are no longer pushing the envelope, it has been ripped apart and set on fire. even er as been filled with a gay agenda and has explicit sex scenes.

even the promos for these shows are totally inappropriate, and should not be seen by children, yet they are advertised during shows, children watch.

<b>Apparent Carrier(s)</b>	
<b>Contact Name:</b>	<b>Best Time to Call:</b>
<b>Contact Number:</b>	<b>Fax Number:</b>
<b>Email Address:</b>	<b>Internet Address:</b>
<b>PO Box:</b>	<b>Address:</b>
<b>City:</b> Alvarado	<b>State:</b> TX

<b>Company Name:</b>	
	<b>Relationship with the Party:</b>
	<b>City:State:Zip:</b>
<b>Other Party that can be contacted?</b>	
	<b>Relationship:</b>
	<b>City, State: Zip:</b>
<b>**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:</b>	

Contacted the companies to resolve complaint?

If yes, name of company, name and number of company representative you spoke with:

Name: Phone: Ext:

Date you spoke with company representative:

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Name: Phone: Ext:

Date you spoke with the second company representative:

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Did the company billing for these charges adjust or refund some or all of the disputed charges?

If yes, what was the amount of the adjustment or refund?


Willing to provide further written statements for use of the FCC or other agencies in enforcement actions against companies?

Indicate the responsible carrier(s):

Complaint Type: Broadcast

Account Type: Residential

Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	06-R1867921	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	04/19/2006 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	05/24/2006	Date Assigned:	05/24/2006
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	
Assigned To:		Service Date:	Referral
Date Closed:	05/24/2006	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

Current Status: Closed

**Complaint Summary:**

Consumer said the F word was used on the Jerry Springer Show today 4/19/06. Channel WRLH Fox 35, at 9:45am. Consume said the beep did not stop the F word. Here's what was said "Guys complaining to a women and she jumps up and slaped him and he pushes her," and Steve the bodyguard said "stop fucking up each other".

<b>Apparent Carrier(s):</b>	
<b>Contact Name:</b>	<b>Best Time to Call:</b>
<b>Contact Number:</b>	<b>Fax Number:</b>
<b>Email Address:</b>	<b>Internet Address:</b>
<b>PO Box:</b>	<b>Address:</b>
<b>City:</b> Richmond	<b>State:</b> VA

<b>Company Name:</b>	
	<b>Relationship with the Party:</b>
	<b>City:State:Zip:</b>
<b>Other Party that can be contacted?</b>	
	<b>Relationship:</b>
	<b>City, State: Zip:</b>
<b>**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:</b>	

Contacted the companies to resolve complaint?

If yes, name of company, name and number of company representative you spoke with:

Name: Phone: Ext:

Date you spoke with company representative:

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Date you spoke with the second company representative:

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Indicate the responsible carrier(s):

Other Carriers Listed:

Subject Code:

Complaint Type: Broadcast

Account Type: Residential

Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	05-WB11212686	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	11/22/2005	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	11/22/2005	Date Assigned:	01/09/2006
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	03/28/2006
Assigned To:		Service Date:	Referral
Date Closed:	04/03/2006	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

Current Status: Closed

**Complaint Summary:**

Please answer this question.; If the FCC cares so much about the family viewing hour (7:00 to 9:00 p.m.) offerings, why then is the Jerry Springer Show allowed to purchase air time and to show back to back programs during the later afternoon/dinner hour? I am so concerned about the millions of children who view this before parents come home and absorb so much garbage and trash and crude and coarse information. This is terrible tv for families and I cannot understand why it runs anytime before 12 midnight. The American children who are latch key kids often have the least benefit of a stable, two parent family. The Springer Show delights in showing decadent, deviant relationships between men and women and other combinations. Why is it on the air at all?

Apparent Carrier(s)	
Contact Name:	Best Time to Call:
Contact Number:	Fax Number:
Email Address:	Internet Address:
PO Box:	Address:
City: High Point	State: NC

Company Name:	
	Relationship with the Party:
	City: State: Zip:
Other Party that can be contacted?	
	Relationship:
	City, State: Zip:
**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:	

Contacted the companies to resolve complaint?

If yes, name of company, name and number of company representative you spoke with:

Name: Phone: Ext: . . .

Date you spoke with company representative:

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Willing to provide further written statements for use of the FCC or other agencies in enforcement actions against companies?


Indicate the responsible carrier(s):



Complaint Type: Broadcast

Account Type: Residential

Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	06-R1792424	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	02/13/2006 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	02/13/2006	Date Assigned:	02/15/2006
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	03/31/2006
Assigned To:		Service Date:	Referral
Date Closed:	04/03/2006	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

Current Status: Closed

**Complaint Summary:**

He feels that Will & Grace and Jerry Springer shows should not be shown on TV during the time that children watch TV. He feels that they have a lot of indecent programs and should be removed from the TV immediately. He wants someone to call him back to discuss this matter.

Apparent Carrier(s):	
Contact Name:	Best Time to Call:
Contact Number:	Fax Number:
Email Address:	Internet Address:
PO Box:	Address:
City: Washington	State: DC

Company Name:	
	Relationship with the Party:
	City:State:Zip:
Other Party that can be contacted?	
	Relationship:
	City:, State: Zip:
**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:	

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Willing to provide further written statements for use of the FCC or other agencies in enforcement actions against companies?

Indicate the responsible carrier(s):


Other Carriers Listed:

Subject Code:


Complaint Type: Broadcast

Account Type: Residential

 Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	06-WB11512017	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	02/23/2006 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	02/23/2006	Date Assigned:	03/31/2006
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	
Assigned To:		Service Date:	Referral
Date Closed:	04/07/2006	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

**Current Status: Closed****Complaint Summary:**

Dear Sir or Madam, I was of the understanding that children were protected from sexually explicit and violent programming until 8:00 pm at night. In this area, Jerry Springer is on at 3:00 pm, on CBS 13, explicit XML/RSS News Feed. If the government can protect children by mandating seatbelts, the least the FCC can do is help children be protected by such programming in the afternoon. Please investigate programming that Jerry Springer provides. It IS sexually and it is very violent. Unfortunately, there are many latchkey children who see this in the afternoon after school. Please feel some responsibility towards these innocent children. In the name of Jesus I ask you. 

<b>Apparent Carrier(s)</b>	
<b>Contact Name:</b>	<b>Best Time to Call:</b>
<b>Contact Number:</b>	<b>Fax Number:</b>
<b>Email Address:</b>	<b>Internet Address:</b>
<b>PO Box:</b>	<b>Address:</b>
<b>City:</b> Elk Grove	<b>State:</b> CA

<b>Company Name:</b>	
	<b>Relationship with the Party:</b>
	<b>City: State: Zip:</b>
<b>Other Party that can be contacted?</b>	
	<b>Relationship:</b>
	<b>City, State: Zip:</b>
<b>**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:</b>	

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Willing to provide further written statements for use of the FCC or other agencies in enforcement actions against companies?

Indicate the responsible carrier(s):

Complaint Type: Broadcast

Account Type: Residential

Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	06-WB11639241	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	03/27/2006 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	03/27/2006	Date Assigned:	04/17/2006
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	
Assigned To:		Service Date:	Referral
Date Closed:	04/21/2006	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

Current Status: Closed

**Complaint Summary:**

JERRY SPRINGER ABC ABSOLUTELY DISDAINFUL--SHOULD BE REMOVED @ THIS TIME PERIOD  
ACTUALLY REMOVED FROM TV

Apparent Carrier(s)	
Contact Name:	Best Time to Call:
Contact Number:	Fax Number:
Email Address:	Internet Address:
PO Box:	Address:
City: Ft Myers	State: FL

Company Name:	Relationship with the Party:
	City:State:Zip:
Other Party that can be contacted?	Relationship:
	City:, State: Zip:
**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:	

Contacted the companies to resolve complaint?

If yes, name of company, name and number of company representative you spoke with:

Name: Phone: Ext:

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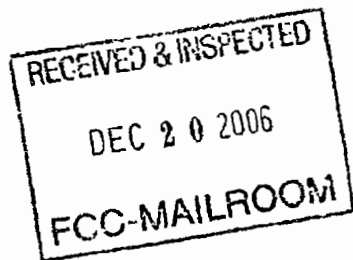
Indicate the responsible carrier(s):

Other Carriers Listed:

Subject Code:

**ANALYSIS SECTION**

07-P0262001



[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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December 14, 2006

Federal Communications Commission  
Commissioner's Secretary  
Office of the Secretary  
445 12th Street SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554  
Dear Commissioner's Secretary:

I believe a favorable balance of news includes local news as well as federal news. Abilene, Texas has many local stations.


Abilene, Texas has NBC Affiliate KRBC Channel 9. ABC's Affiliate is KTX5 Channel 12. CBS' Affiliate is KTAB Channel 32. Fox's Affiliate is KXVA Channel 15. Fox, also has KIDZ Channel 42

The only complaint that I have is that KIDZ Channel 42 schedules Jerry Springer's show to be on at noon. I fail to see that the content of Jerry Springer's program is suitable for children or adults!!!

Complaint Type: Broadcast

Account Type: Residential

Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	07-R355091	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	04/18/2007 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	04/18/2007	Date Assigned:	04/23/2007
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	
Assigned To:		Service Date:	Referral
Date Closed:	04/27/2007	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

Current Status: Closed

Complaint Summary:

[REDACTED] com wrote on 4/10/2007 4:07:35 PM : [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED]; Federal Communications Commission; 445 12th St, S.W.; Complaints and Political Programming Branch; Enforcement Division, Mass Media Bureau; Washington, DC 20554; This is a formal COMPLAINT of indecency on broadcast television. My complaint concerns the PROGRAM ON:; Network: FOX; Program Name: Jerry Springer Show; Broadcast Date: Daily; Broadcast Time: 2:00pm MT; My Affiliate: KLWY; Description of Indecency:; This show was moved from 10pm or later to 2 in the afternoon within the last few months. On the show, they do bleep out swear words and they do 'fuzz' out nudity...but it is still pure filth. On one particular show, Jerry goes to put the microphone in front of one woman in the audience. She says, "I want my Jerry beads", and proceeds to lift up her top and turn around a few times for the whole audience to see her (and cheer her on, I might add). While her breasts were blurred out, it doesnt take a person with much sense to know that this is inappropriate for daytime television when there are young children home and with summer coming up (and even more children potentially watching). Besides, is this really the message we want to send to young girls? That it is cool to flash people for some stupid beads? There is no place for Jerry Springer in daytime television. If he has to be on at all, he should be on after prime-time. ; COMPLAINANT RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THAT THE FCC ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS COMPLAINT, AND THAT THE FCC KEEP ME INFORMED OF THE PROGRESS AND RESULTS OF YOUR INVESTIGATION INTO THIS MATTER.; Sincerely,; [REDACTED];

Apparent Carrier(s)	
Contact Name:	Best Time to Call:
Contact Number:	Fax Number:
Email Address:	Internet Address:
PO Box:	Address:
City: Cheyenne	State: WY

Company Name:	
	Relationship with the Party:
	City:State:Zip:
Other Party that can be contacted?	
	Relationship:
	City:, State: Zip:
**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:	

Contacted the companies to resolve complaint?

If yes, name of company, name and number of company representative you spoke with:

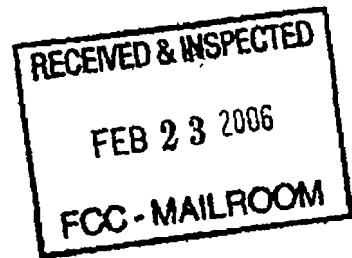
Name: Phone: Ext:

Date you spoke with company representative:

06-P0224387

February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2006

Federal Communications Commission  
Enforcement Bureau  
Investigations and Hearings Division  
9300 East Hampton Drive  
Capitol Heights, Maryland 20743



Dear people: Please view the enclosed essential VHS tape of the Jerry Springer Show as broadcast Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2006 on KMWB TV 23 from 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon. It is broadcast every Monday through Friday at that same time. It is totally inappropriate for daytime viewing when children could see it. It has been broadcast since last fall at this same time. I have sent two letters to two different people at KMWB, the Program Director and the General Manager. The G.M. is Joe Tracy. Both did not comply, obviously. Enclosed is the letter from Mr. Tracy and the essential VHS copy of the show. I want the FCC to either fine KMWB or deny renewal of their license if they refuse to change the time of the broadcast to between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. when kids don't generally look at TV. As you will be able to see, when guests on the show fight with each other there is very little attempt to stop them. They also ring a bell that promotes violence and the 'show' has many visual and sound references of a sexual nature. This particular tape contains two improper acts where two different women on the show bare their breasts to the audience, although the TV viewers do not see the bare breasts. This is also totally wrong for daytime broadcasting. Also notice that the 'security' of the show smiles as the violence goes on on the stage. And Springer also is seen smiling as fighting goes on. Pay attention to the ads ending and beginning the takes showing that The Springer show is 'The worst show on TV.' They are actually proud of this grotesque imitation of a show. They are blatant offenders of good programming. Get them off the air or between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.

[REDACTED]



06-P0224387

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FEB 23 2006  
FCC-MAILROOM

December 1, 2005

[REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

I tried to reach you by phone today; however, no one answered. I left a voice mail to feel free to call me at your convenience (651) 287-5700. I wanted to discuss the letter you sent regarding Jerry Springer. First and foremost, thank you for being a viewer of The WB Minnesota. In addition, thank you for taking the time to voice your opinions regarding this station's telecast of Jerry Springer. Although we take comments about our programming from our viewers very seriously, I hope that you can understand that we have to take into account the various and often conflicting views from many people. Unfortunately, because not everyone shares your opinions, the station is not planning to discontinue broadcasting Jerry Springer at this time. I hope that you will continue to enjoy the programming that The WB Minnesota makes available to you free of charge which you like and will simply not watch the channel when it airs programming that you do not like.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Tracy  
General Manager  
KMWB TV 23



06-P0218779



December 1, 2005



Dear [Redacted]

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Joseph A. Tracy'.

Joseph A. Tracy  
General Manager  
KMWB TV 23

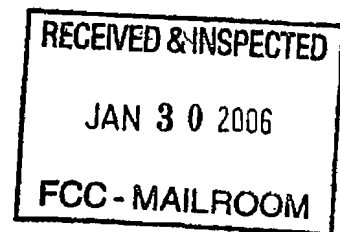




06-P0218779

January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2006

Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street Southwest  
Washington, D.C. 20554



Dear FCC: KMWB-TV 23, Warner Brothers, has not as of now cancelled the Jerry Springer Show. I want that show off the air! The General Manager, Joseph A. Tracy, sent me a letter. I enclose it for your purposes. The show promotes and encourages physical violence and conflict with no good resolution and I want it removed from the air immediately or I want their license not renewed. Note on his letter the parts I have underlined. To the part that starts, 'we have to.....' I say that the issue is not 'conflicting views from many people', it is that the show is wrong on the air, and disturbs me greatly when I check on it occasionally and see if it is still there. It gets me angry and so upset. It is not good journalism nor broadcasting and needs to be terminated or else their license should not be renewed. To the part that starts, 'because not everyone.....' I say if only a few people find any show objectionable the FCC should get the show off of the air. I don't care if others have written you and praised it, it is out of line with goodness and decency and has no redeeming qualities. In fact it has no qualities at all. Please do something.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

07-P0279931

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Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, DC 20554

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FCC Mail Room

FCC Form 475B

Obscene, Profane, and/or Indecent Material Complaint Form

Consumer's Information:

\*Name:

\*Address:

E-Mail Address:

Daytime Telephone Number:

To speed the processing of your complaint, please provide as much as possible of the information marked below with an asterisk (\*). This information is not required but providing it should eliminate our need to contact you for more information. Information not marked with an asterisk (\*), if available, is also helpful. By including as much detail as possible, we will be able to act more quickly on your complaint.

\*(1) Date of Program:

\*(2) Time of Program: 2:00 - 3:00

(3) Network: WPXI-TV # (215) 878-1700

\*(4) Call Sign, Channel OR Frequency of the station on which you viewed/heard the material: CHANNEL 17

\*(5) City and State Where Program was Viewed: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

\*(6) Name of Program or DJ/Personality/Song/Film: JERRY SPRINGER SHOW

\*Please include below as many details as possible in order to help the FCC determine whether the material was obscene, profane, or indecent (such as specific words, language, images, etc.):

On the Jerry Springer show there is too much violence, nudity and cursing. Its an indecent show that disrespects American heritage. There is homosexuals, prostitutes, porno rapist on the show. I hate the show because it promotes violence and indecent behavior which my brother watches.

Cancel the Jerry Springer show.

Keep America beautiful.

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(3) Network:

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\*Please include below as many details as possible in order to help the FCC determine whether the material was obscene, profane, or indecent (such as specific words, language, images, etc.):


I AM FURIOUS ABOUT THESE PROGRAMS THAT I AM VIEWING ON TELEVISION. IT'S DISGUSTING AND IMMORAL. I REALLY DISAPPROVE OF THESE PROGRAMS, PLEASE TAKE THEM OFF THE AIR.

AMERICAN IDOL, BAM, MTV  
SOUTHPARK, JERRY SPANGLER  
SIMPSONS, YO MOMMA, MTV  
BEVIS AND BUTT-HEAD

Complaint Type: Broadcast

Account Type: Residential

Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	07-WB13308955	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	08/22/2007 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	08/22/2007	Date Assigned:	08/22/2007
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	
Assigned To:		Service Date:	Referral
Date Closed:	08/24/2007	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

Current Status: Closed

**Complaint Summary:**

I just witnessed a sex offense on national TV. The host of the program Jerry Springer, who is in his sixties, just kissed a 14 year old girl. That is sexual contact that I believe is illegal.

<b>Apparent Carrier(s):</b>	
<b>Contact Name:</b>	<b>Best Time to Call:</b>
<b>Contact Number:</b>	<b>Fax Number:</b>
<b>Email Address:</b>	<b>Internet Address:</b>
<b>PO Box:</b>	<b>Address:</b>
<b>City:</b> Cincinnati	<b>State:</b> OH

<b>Company Name:</b>	
	<b>Relationship with the Party:</b>
	<b>City:State:Zip:</b>
<b>Other Party that can be contacted?</b>	
	<b>Relationship:</b>
	<b>City, State: Zip:</b>
<b>**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:</b>	

Contacted the companies to resolve complaint?

If yes, name of company, name and number of company representative you spoke with:

Name: Phone: Ext:

Date you spoke with company representative:

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Have you paid any of the disputed charges?

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If yes, what was the amount of the adjustment or refund?

Willing to provide further written statements for use of the FCC or other agencies in enforcement actions against companies?

Indicate the responsible carrier(s): OSP COMMUNICATIONS

Other Carriers Listed:

Subject Code:

**ANALYSIS SECTION**

07-10276304

Weds April 18, 2007

[Redacted]

Honorable People  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 H Street  
Washington, D.C. 20554

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MAY 7 2007  
FCC - MAILROOM

A Citizens Petition

Dear Gentlemen and Gentlewomen:  
Sadistic Jerry Springer and his characters  
off of Cable Television  
We need to get  
We must act like a Godly and Patriotic Nation.

We must not let our American People get exposed  
to these evil people at once.  
We shall not rest till we clean up all sadistic  
Television and abolish it off of our Television and  
Cable Television at once

Signed [Redacted]


Address [Redacted]

City, State, Zip Code [Redacted]

Complaint Type: Broadcast

Account Type: Residential

Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	07-R284612	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	02/08/2007 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	02/08/2007	Date Assigned:	03/05/2007
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	
Assigned To:		Service Date:	
Date Closed:	03/19/2007	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

Current Status: Closed

**Complaint Summary:**

Station WVTV; Network - CW; Time: noon; program : Jerry Springer; Problem : content of program; date of program : 1/26/07; Consumer called to complaint about Jerry Springer program being shown on regular TV at noon when there is a possibility that young children are watching. This program had men and women fighting, swearing and does not set a good example. He thinks this type of programming should be shown in the late evening when children would not be in attendance.

<b>Apparent Carrier(s)</b>	
<b>Contact Name:</b>	<b>Best Time to Call:</b>
<b>Contact Number:</b>	<b>Fax Number:</b>
<b>Email Address:</b>	<b>Internet Address:</b>
<b>PO Box:</b>	<b>Address:</b>
<b>City:</b> Mequon	<b>State:</b> WI

<b>Company Name:</b>	
	<b>Relationship with the Party:</b>
	<b>City:State:Zip:</b>
<b>Other Party that can be contacted?</b>	
	<b>Relationship:</b>
	<b>City, State: Zip:</b>
<b>**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:</b>	

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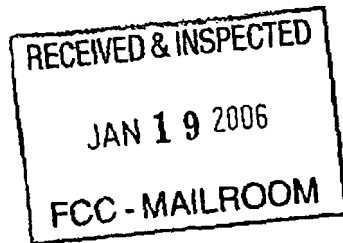
If yes, what was the amount of the adjustment or refund?

Willing to provide further written statements for use of the FCC or other agencies in enforcement actions against companies?

Indicate the responsible carrier(s):

Other Carriers Listed:

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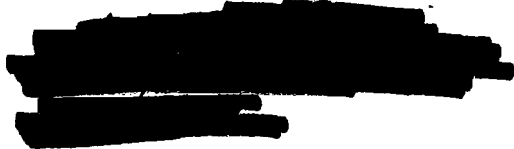
12 January 2006

WSMH Fox 66  
G-3463 West Pierson Road  
Flint, Michigan 48504

As I was "flipping" channels, I saw your advertisement regarding the change of time for "The Jerry Springer Show." While I find it hard to comprehend that anyone would waste their time with such garbage, I realize that there is a market for it. I wish that you would drop this program from your line-up, but I know that isn't going to happen.

My reason for writing is that I am extremely concerned by the fact that you are moving this program to 5:00 p.m. I'm not sure, but I think it currently airs in the late morning hours. How can you possibly justify putting this program on at a time when it will be readily available to young people in the after school hours? I'm sorry, but I have to believe your program scheduler is either amoral or an idiot, or both.

As you know, today many children are "latch-key" kids, who are basically unsupervised by a responsible adult. I did not raise my children that way, but most parents today work and seem to let their offspring fend for themselves. While I realize it is not your responsibility to see to the moral upbringing of other people's children, you do have an obligation to serve the public good. There is no way you can justify this action and you should be ashamed of yourselves.  
Sincerely,



cc:FCC  
Parents Television Council

06-P0247420

Saturday August 19, 2006

[Redacted]



Federal Communications Commission  
Consumer Complaints  
Mail Stop Code 1600A2  
Washington, D.C. 20554

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FCC Mail Room

Wrong  
is not  
right

Dear People:  
you must stop those that abuse  
Cable and all other Communications that put  
Parvo, Jerry Springer and all radiatic dudes  
on our television and put an end to all who  
abuse our electronics and all Bell South Companies,  
AT&T, etc and send them a powerful message that  
your evil days of Parvo and radiatic days all  
are over and crime does not pay.  
Use a map up committed to let those evil  
dolls pay and do not use computers for  
evil internet as well.  
"In God We Trust"

[Redacted]



06-P0246438

[REDACTED]

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Federal Communications Com.

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AUG 02 2006

FCC Mail Room

Please look into the  
Jerry Springer Show and the  
"Maury" which follows Jerry Springer  
(Up 1x - Channel 11) 11:30 in morning.  
What a disgusting show. Women lifting  
up their skirts, the language.  
Jerry Springer should hang his head  
in shame. What is wrong that Channel 11  
that they have to resort to such TRASH!

And why is the F.C.C not  
monitoring the quality of these Shows?  
Instead of then encouraging people to  
laugh at such TRASH. There is so  
much good that could be taught.

[REDACTED]

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MAR 10 2005  
ECC-MAILROOM

March 5, 2005

05-1016962

Dear sir:


I am going to write on the back of this letter. It will explain a little about why I am writing.

If you have the ability to change channels on TV, I would like to know why they would put a filthy show like Jerry Springer on? If there was ever a perfect, He is one. He is on at ~~the~~ night, + 2 times in the day time we are losing our preachers, our old time shows, that Senior Citizens enjoy, for what? Sex, filth, + who is paying for this? = Parent, = grandparents. I ask our TV cable co why they put such filth on? She said the kids like it. I told her the kids wasn't paying the bill. There was a program on that was one of the most comforting program I ever watched. And it was a man that did not profess to talking to the dead. He told the names of parents, children, + even dogs that had passed on. Picked people out of the crowd + told them things that they had never confided to any one. It done wonders for me. His name was John Edwards - Program Crossing Over. Could you have that put back on the air? I got up every morning at 5:00 AM + it made my day (In the day time) not 5:00 AM. That was one reason I took cable. We are paying an outrageous price for it.

Complaint Type: Broadcast

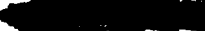
Account Type: Residential

Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	04-R0728950	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	10/22/2004 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	10/22/2004	Date Assigned:	10/22/2004
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	
Assigned To:		Service Date:	
Date Closed:	10/26/2004	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

Current Status: Closed

**Complaint Summary:**

 note on 10/14/2004 11:36:13 AM :

I am pleased to see that Fox is being fined for content on the Married by America broadcast. The Jerry Springer Show is scheduled in my area at 1:00 PM each weekday on KDSM, another Fox affiliate, during a time when children are present. Breasts are bared and trousers dropped and even though blurred on the telecast it is very obvious what is taking place.


I am appalled that this type of programming is allowed. Daytime television has become an abomination. Soap operas have become nighttime fare. Do they think that four and five year olds are too stupid to not be influenced by this type of behavior or

that older children released from school early or on holiday do not see this type of program? I find it difficult to know just what my

grandchildren can watch these days without being bombarded by sexual or otherwise obscene content.

They have been schooled to recognize inappropriate behavior but this is hard to counter when it is in their faces 24-7.




Apparent Carrier(s): 	
Contact Name:	Best Time to Call:
Contact Number:	Fax Number: --
Email Address:	Internet Address:
PO Box:	Address:
City: Urbandale	State: IA

Company Name:	
	Relationship with the Party:
	City:State:Zip:
Other Party that can be contacted?	
	Relationship:
	City, State: Zip:

Complaint Type: Broadcast

Account Type: Residential

Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	04-G53827	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	03/03/2004 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	03/03/2004	Date Assigned:	03/03/2004
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	
Assigned To:		Service Date:	
Date Closed:	03/03/2004	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

Current Status: Closed

Complaint Summary:

**[REDACTED]** called me and told me his complaint was about the Jerry Springer show. Jerry Springer is on 3 times a day and is not suitable for children. He thinks this show should be on 1 to 6am not in the daytime when children could see it. He thinks this is why the family breakdown is happening today. He thinks the show is totally indecent.

Apparent Carrier(s):	
Contact Name:	Best Time to Call:
Contact Number:	Fax Number:
Email Address:	Internet Address:
PO Box:	Address:
City: North Haven	State: CT

Company Name:	
	Relationship with the Party:
	City:State:Zip:
Other Party that can be contacted?	
	Relationship:
	City, State: Zip:
**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:	

Contacted the companies to resolve complaint?

If yes, name of company, name and number of company representative you spoke with:

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Have you paid any of the disputed charges?

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Willing to provide further written statements for use of the FCC or other agencies in enforcement actions against companies?

Indicate the responsible carrier(s):


Other Carriers Listed:

Subject Code:

Complaint Type: Broadcast

Account Type: Residential

 Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	06-WB11597919	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	03/17/2006 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	03/27/2006	Date Assigned:	04/07/2006
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	
Assigned To:		Service Date:	Referral
Date Closed:	04/18/2006	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

Current Status: Closed

**Complaint Summary:**

I read an article online stating that you fined the CBS Network for indecency. In the article, it stated that "the FCC rules bar stations from broadcasting indecent material -references to sex or excretions - between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m., when children might be more likely to be in the audience." My question to you is why are the programs Maury Povich and Jerry Springer still on the air. If any show is considered indecent, it's definitely these two here. These shows are on during morning and afternoon hours (not before 6 a.m. and not after 10 p.m. It is absolutely repulsive that the FCC continues to allow these programs to air during daytime hours when children come home from school in the afternoons or very young toddlers are at home during the day with their parents.; I don't believe any details need to be made in this complaint about these two programs show. You should know already. Since you felt the need to file a complaint about CBS and its television show 'Without A Trace', I would like to know why anything isn't done about these two repulsive shows that are shown several times throughout the day? I hope that this complaint will be taken into serious consideration. Thank you.

Apparent Carrier(s)	
Contact Name:	Best Time to Call:
Contact Number:	Fax Number:
Email Address:	Internet Address:
PO Box:	Address:
City: Winston-Salem	State: NC

Company Name:	
	Relationship with the Party:
	City:State:Zip:
Other Party that can be contacted?	
	Relationship:
	City, State: Zip:
**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:	

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Date you spoke with the second company representative:

Have you paid any of the disputed charges?

Complaint Type: Unknown Media Type

Account Type: Residential

 Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	05-WB11170704	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	11/14/2005 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	11/14/2005	Date Assigned:	11/14/2005
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	03/17/2006
Assigned To:		Service Date:	Referral
Date Closed:	03/20/2006	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

**Current Status: Closed****Complaint Summary:**

I find it extremely offensive to flip through cable chanelns when I am awake late at night and have to see even for a moment people performing sex acts on TV. At the very least these programs should be pay for view. There are perverts, I'm sure, willing to pay for that smut. But I would rather see this kind of indecent programing banned completely. ; Programs like Maury and Jerry Springer, who resort to bleeping out foul language and fuzzy screens to erase obscene gestures, offer only to appeal to the lowest depths of human nature. Nothing of value can be presented. These programs could reinforce family values instead they are models of indecent, immoral, and degrading, and desctructive behavior. It's not entertainment. It's a window into a culture that is shameful and lacking a soul.

<b>Apparent Carrier(s):</b>	
<b>Contact Name:</b>	<b>Best Time to Call:</b>
<b>Contact Number:</b>	<b>Fax Number:</b>
<b>Email Address:</b>	<b>Internet Address:</b>
<b>PO Box:</b>	<b>Address:</b>
<b>City:</b> Suffolk	<b>State:</b> VA

<b>Company Name:</b>	
	<b>Relationship with the Party:</b>
	<b>City: State: Zip:</b>
<b>Other Party that can be contacted?</b>	
	<b>Relationship:</b>
	<b>City, State: Zip:</b>
<b>**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:</b>	

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Complaint Type: Broadcast

Account Type: Residential

Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	06-R1779866	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	02/03/2006 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	02/03/2006	Date Assigned:	02/15/2006
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	03/31/2006
Assigned To:		Service Date:	Referral
Date Closed:	04/03/2006	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

Current Status: Closed

**Complaint Summary:**

██████████ wrote on 2/2/2006 11:52:46 AM : ; Complaints and Political Programming Branch; Federal Communications Commission; 445 12th St, S.W.; Washington, DC 20554; This is a formal COMPLAINT of indecency on broadcast television. My complaint concerns the PROGRAM ON:; Network: WB; Program Name: Jerry Springer; Broadcast Date: weekdays; Broadcast Time: 9:00am EST; My Affiliate: WB18; Description of Indecency:; extreme violence, strong sexual references, ; to early in the morning for the children,; to severe for regular TV..; pulling hair, biting, ripping clothes off,; too scary for the children, (kids do flip channels when you leave the room sometimes); COMPLAINANT RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THAT THE FCC ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS COMPLAINT, AND THAT THE FCC KEEP ME INFORMED OF THE PROGRESS AND RESULTS OF YOUR INVESTIGATION INTO THIS MATTER.; Sincerely, ██████████

Apparent Carrier(s)	
Contact Name:	Best Time to Call:
Contact Number:	Fax Number:
Email Address:	Internet Address:
PO Box:	Address:
City: Orlando	State: FL

Company Name:	Relationship with the Party:
	City: State: Zip:
Other Party that can be contacted?	Relationship:
	City:, State: Zip:
**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:	

Contacted the companies to resolve complaint?

If yes, name of company, name and number of company representative you spoke with:

Name: Phone: Ext:

Date you spoke with company representative:

If you contacted more than one company to resolve complaint, please list additional company(ies) name(s), name(s) and number(s) of company(ies) representatives and date you spoke to those representatives here:

Name: Phone: Ext:

Date you spoke with the second company representative:


Have you paid any of the disputed charges?

Did the company billing for these charges adjust or refund some or all of the disputed charges?

Complaint Type: Unknown Media Type

Account Type: Residential

Congressional Complaint

IC Number:	07-WB13271683	Case Type:	Complaint
Date Received:	08/10/2007 	Complainant:	
Date Entered:	08/10/2007	Date Assigned:	08/13/2007
Entered By:		Date Reassigned:	
Assigned To:		Service Date:	Referral
Date Closed:	08/21/2007	Response Date:	
Closed By:		Original Analyst:	
Close Letter Needed?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No		Purged Date:

Current Status: Closed

**Complaint Summary:**

Can nothing be done to not allow the open broadcast of The Maury Show on network television? For years it has helped to perpetuate a racist minority stereotype, without conscious and morality, for profit and gain. It continues to harm an underclass and contributes to its undermining in a society that is struggling for survival. At the very least, it clearly does not contribute in any way in a positive sense.; If shows like this are even allowed for viewing, they belong on a cable network where a parent might have the chance to monitor and screen such shows as this and The Jerry Springer Show. And if we allow them to continue on network television, what does it say about us as a society and community.; I look forward to your reply.; Sincerely,

<b>Apparent Carrier(s)</b>	
<b>Contact Name:</b>	<b>Best Time to Call:</b>
<b>Contact Number:</b>	<b>Fax Number:</b>
<b>Email Address:</b>	<b>Internet Address:</b>
<b>PO Box:</b>	<b>Address:</b>
<b>City:</b> Milwaukee	<b>State:</b> WI

<b>Company Name:</b>	
	<b>Relationship with the Party:</b>
	<b>City:State:Zip:</b>
<b>Other Party that can be contacted?</b>	
	<b>Relationship:</b>
	<b>City, State: Zip:</b>
<b>**Amount of credit FCC effort generated:</b>	

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Have you paid any of the disputed charges?

Did the company billing for these charges adjust or refund some or all of the disputed charges?

If yes, what was the amount of the adjustment or refund?

Willing to provide further written statements for use of the FCC or other agencies in enforcement actions against companies?

Indicate the responsible carrier(s): Verizon





**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**  
Enforcement Bureau, Investigations and Hearings Division  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Room 4-C330  
Washington, D.C. 20554

October 12, 2005

In Reply Refer to:  
EB-05-IH-0247

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Walnut Creek, California 94598-3380  
[REDACTED]

This letter responds to your complaint in which you allege that unlawful programming was broadcast on November 20, 2004 by an unidentified television station airing "The Jerry Springer Show," which showed a woman standing in front of the audience with nothing on but her panties and bra. Although we appreciate your concern, the information that you have submitted to us concerning this broadcast does not provide us with a legal basis to take action. Accordingly, for the following reasons, we dismiss your complaint.

The Federal Communications Commission is authorized to license radio and television broadcast stations and is responsible for enforcing the Commission's rules and applicable statutory provisions restricting obscene or indecent broadcasts. Specifically, title 18 of the United States Code, section 1464, prohibits the utterance of "any obscene, indecent or profane language by means of radio communications." 18 U.S.C. §1464. Consistent with a subsequent statute and court case, section 73.3999 of the Commission's rules provides that no radio or television station shall broadcast indecent material during the period 6 a.m. through 10 p.m. See 47 C.F.R. § 73.3999.

We note that the Commission's role in overseeing program content is limited, however, by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution and section 326 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), which prohibit the Commission from censoring program material and from interfering with broadcasters' freedom of expression. See 47 U.S.C. § 326. Therefore, consistent with relevant court decisions, the Commission must exercise great care when evaluating programming for possible indecent material.

Because the standard for proving that programming is indecent is less rigorous than that for proving obscenity, when considering broadcast complaints, the Commission generally focuses its analysis on indecency. The Commission defines indecent speech as language or material that, in context, depicts or describes, in terms patently offensive as measured by contemporary community standards for the broadcast medium, sexual or excretory activities or organs. In determining whether the complained-of material is patently offensive, three factors are particularly relevant: (1) the explicitness or graphic

nature of the description or images; (2) whether the material dwells on or repeats at length descriptions of sexual or excretory organs or activities; and (3) whether the material appears to pander or is used to titillate or shock. The Commission applies these three factors as part of a balancing test to determine if the material is indecent. *See In the Matter of Industry Guidance On the Commission's Case Law Interpreting 18 U.S.C. § 1464 and Enforcement Policies Regarding Broadcast Indecency*, Policy Statement, 16 FCC Red 7999 (2001).

We recognize that the material that you have cited may well be offensive to you, and we have analyzed your complaint carefully. However, your complaint does not provide us with the basis by which we may take action.

Specifically, we are unable to make a determination that the material is actionably indecent because you either have not alleged that the station broadcast the material during 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., the only time period within which the law prohibits indecent broadcasts, or you have not provided us with sufficient information regarding the details of what the station broadcast and its context. You may refile your complaint with additional information if you so choose. You may provide such information in the form of a significant excerpt of the broadcast or a full or partial tape or transcript of the broadcast. In whatever form the information is provided, it is important that it is sufficiently detailed to allow us to ascertain the actual words and language used during the broadcast. Please also provide the call sign of the station, its community of license and the date and time of the broadcast. You should send your complaint to the Federal Communications Commission, Enforcement Bureau, Investigations & Hearings Division, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554. If you include electronic media, such as video or audio tape or a CD or DVD, with your complaint, please send the complaint and such media to Federal Communications Commission, Enforcement Bureau, Investigations & Hearings Division, 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, Maryland 20743.

We appreciate and recognize your concern. To assist you further, we include an information sheet that discusses the law with respect to indecent and obscene broadcasts and our enforcement procedures.

In addition, there is a way that one can avoid some objectionable programming. Most television and cable networks voluntarily rate much of their programming (other than sports or news programming or advertisements) to alert viewers if a show contains language or other material that a viewer may find inappropriate. The Act requires that all televisions 13 inches or larger manufactured after 1999 be equipped with a V-chip, which can use these ratings to block individual programs or channels. (Set-top boxes are available to allow consumers with older sets that lack this capability to use V-chip technology.) For further information on how to restrict access to objectionable programming, as well as other useful facts, see <http://www.fcc.gov/parents/>.

We also encourage you to convey your concerns directly to station management, in writing, because this can be an effective method to influence a station's programming decisions.

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William D. Freedman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "W" and "F".

William D. Freedman  
Deputy Chief  
Investigations and Hearings Division  
Enforcement Bureau

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Enforcement Bureau, Investigations and Hearings Division  
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Washington, D.C. 20554

October 14, 2005

In Reply Refer to:  
EB-05-IH-0378

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Channelview, Texas 77530  
[REDACTED]

Thank you for your complaint about the programming on the Black Entertainment Network on December 24, 2004. We understand that the Black Entertainment Network is distributed both by cable systems and DBS operators. As your complaint does not indicate whether you viewed the programming that is the subject of your complaint on cable or satellite television service, we have considered whether we could take action against either a cable operator or a DBS operator that distributed such programming. For the reasons discussed below, we cannot do so.

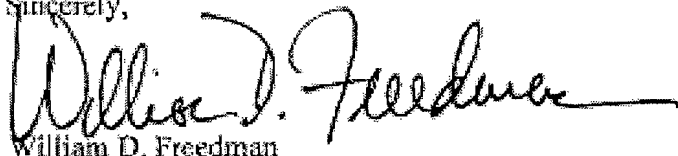
As you may know, indecent and profane material is not permitted on the airwaves during the hours when children are most likely to be watching or listening -- 6 a.m. through 10 p.m. Federal law prohibits it, and the FCC enforces that law. However, Congress has *not* prohibited such content from being carried by cable systems or DBS systems. As a result, the FCC does not have the authority to fine or otherwise take action against a cable operator or a DBS operator for distributing indecent or profane material on its system.

While Congress has not prohibited indecency or profanity on cable or satellite systems, it has forbidden cable operators and DBS operators from distributing obscenity. If a cable system or a DBS system distributes obscenity, we can take action against it. However, the test for whether material is obscene was developed by the Supreme Court and is a very difficult one to meet. To be obscene, material must satisfy each element of a three-prong test: (1) an average person, applying contemporary community standards, must find the material, as a whole, appeals to the prurient interest in sex; (2) the material must portray, in a patently offensive way, sexual conduct specially defined by applicable law; and (3) the material, taken as a whole, must lack serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value. Although we recognize that the programming about which you complained may have been offensive, based upon the information that you provided regarding the content of the program, we cannot conclude that it meets this stringent legal test. We therefore have no basis for action and must deny your complaint.

We understand your concerns, however. If you continue to be concerned about indecent and profane content on cable and/or satellite television, you may wish to contact your members of Congress. If you have not done so already, we also encourage you to contact the management of your cable system or your DBS operator to express your objections to the material that it distributes.

Thank you for sharing your concerns with us. While we are not able to discipline your cable or satellite company, we do find the number of complaints we receive about potentially indecent and/or profane cable or satellite programming informative.

Sincerely,

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William D. Freedman

Deputy Chief

Investigations and Hearings Division

Enforcement Bureau

cc: Black Entertainment Network  
2000 M Street, N.W.  
Suite 602  
Washington, D.C. 20036

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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**  
Enforcement Bureau, Investigations and Hearings Division  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Room 4C330  
Washington, D.C. 20554

March 7, 2005

In Reply Refer to:  
EB-05-IH-0088

[REDACTED]

Danville, Kansas 67036

[REDACTED]

This letter responds to your complaint in which you allege that objectionable programming was aired during "The Jerry Springer Show." Although we appreciate your concern, the information that you have submitted to us concerning this broadcast does not provide us with a legal basis to take action. Accordingly, for the following reasons, we dismiss your complaint.

The Federal Communications Commission is authorized to license radio and television broadcast stations and is responsible for enforcing the Commission's rules and applicable statutory provisions restricting obscene, indecent and profane broadcasts. Specifically, title 18 of the United States Code, section 1464, prohibits the utterance of "any obscene, indecent or profane language by means of radio communications." 18 U.S.C. §1464.

Because the standard for proving that programming is indecent is less rigorous than that for proving obscenity, when considering broadcast complaints, the Commission generally focuses its analysis on indecency. In this regard, consistent with a subsequent statute and court case, section 73.3999 of the Commission's rules provides that no radio or television station shall broadcast indecent material during the period 6 a.m. through 10 p.m. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 73.3999. We note that the Commission's role in overseeing program content is limited, however, by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution and section 326 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), which prohibit the Commission from censoring program material and from interfering with broadcasters' freedom of expression. *See* 47 U.S.C. § 326. Therefore, consistent with relevant court decisions, the Commission must exercise great care when evaluating programming for possible indecent material.

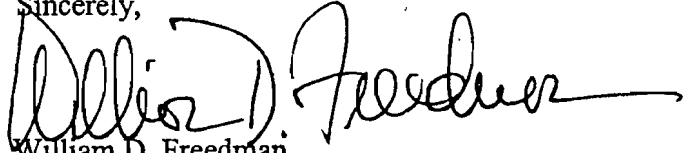
The Commission defines indecent speech as language or material that, in context, depicts or describes, in terms patently offensive as measured by contemporary community standards for the broadcast medium, sexual or excretory activities or organs. In determining whether the complained-of material is patently offensive, three factors are particularly relevant: (1) the explicitness or graphic nature of the description or images; (2) whether the material dwells on or repeats at length descriptions of sexual or excretory organs or activities; and (3) whether the material appears to pander or is used to titillate or shock. The Commission applies these three factors as part of a balancing test to determine if the material is indecent. *See In the Matter of Industry Guidance On the Commission's Case Law Interpreting 18 U.S.C. § 1464 and Enforcement Policies Regarding Broadcast Indecency*, 16 FCC Rcd 7999 (2001).

We recognize that the material that you have cited may well be offensive to you, and we have analyzed your complaint carefully. However, your complaint does not provide us with the basis by which we may take action. Specifically, we are unable to make a determination that the material is actionably indecent because you have not provided us with sufficient information regarding the details of what the station broadcast and its context. You may refile your complaint with additional information if you so choose. You may provide such information in the form of a significant excerpt of the broadcast or a full or partial tape or transcript of the broadcast. In whatever form the information is provided, it is important that it is sufficiently detailed to allow us to ascertain the actual words and language used during the broadcast. Please also provide the call sign of the station, its community of license and the date and time of the broadcast. You should send your complaint to the Federal Communications Commission, Enforcement Bureau, Investigations & Hearings Division, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554. If you include electronic media, such as video or audio tape or a CD or DVD, with your complaint, please send the complaint and such media to Federal Communications Commission, Enforcement Bureau, Investigations & Hearings Division, 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, Maryland 20743.

We appreciate and recognize your concern. To assist you further, we include an information sheet that discusses the law with respect to indecent and obscene broadcasts and our enforcement procedures. In addition, there is a way that one can avoid objectionable programming. Most television and cable networks voluntarily rate much of their programming to alert viewers if a show contains language or other material that a viewer may find inappropriate. The Act requires that all televisions 13 inches or larger manufactured after 1999 be equipped with a V-chip, which can use these ratings to block individual programs or channels. (Set-top boxes are available to allow consumers with older sets that lack this capability to use V-chip technology.) For further information on how to restrict access to objectionable programming, and other useful facts, see <http://www.fcc.gov/parents/>. We also encourage you to convey your concerns directly to station management, because this can be an effective method to influence a station's programming decisions.

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

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William D. Freedman  
Deputy Chief  
Investigations and Hearings Division  
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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**  
Enforcement Bureau, Investigations and Hearings Division  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Room 3-B443  
Washington, D.C. 20554

July 1, 2004

In Reply Refer to:  
EB-04-IH-0226

[REDACTED]  
Homosassa, Florida 34446-4260  
[REDACTED]

This letter responds to your complaint in which you allege that unlawful programming was broadcast over Station WMOR-TV, Lakeland, Florida, during its general airing of the "Jerry Springer Show" from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m., and from 10:00 to 11:00 p.m. Although we appreciate your concern, the information that you have submitted to us concerning these broadcasts does not provide us with a legal basis to take action. Accordingly, for the following reasons, we deny your complaint.

The Federal Communications Commission is authorized to license radio and television broadcast stations and is responsible for enforcing the Commission's rules and applicable statutory provisions restricting obscene or indecent broadcasts. Specifically, title 18 of the United States Code, section 1464, prohibits the utterance of "any obscene, indecent or profane language by means of radio communications." 18 U.S.C. §1464.

Because the standard for proving that programming is indecent is less rigorous than that for proving obscenity, when considering broadcast complaints, the Commission generally focuses its analysis on indecency. In this regard, consistent with a subsequent statute and court case, section 73.3999 of the Commission's rules provides that no radio or television station shall broadcast indecent material during the period 6 a.m. through 10 p.m. See 47 C.F.R. § 73.3999. We note that the Commission's role in overseeing program content is limited, however, by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution and section 326 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), which prohibit the Commission from censoring program material and from interfering with broadcasters' freedom of expression. See 47 U.S.C. § 326. Therefore, consistent with relevant court decisions, the Commission must exercise great care when evaluating programming for possible indecent material.

The Commission defines indecent speech as language or material that, in context, depicts or describes, in terms patently offensive as measured by contemporary community standards for the broadcast medium, sexual or excretory activities or organs. In determining whether the complained-of material is patently offensive, three factors are

particularly relevant: (1) the explicitness or graphic nature of the description or images; (2) whether the material dwells on or repeats at length descriptions of sexual or excretory organs or activities; and (3) whether the material appears to pander or is used to titillate or shock. The Commission applies these three factors as part of a balancing test to determine if the material is indecent. *See In the Matter of Industry Guidance On the Commission's Case Law Interpreting 18 U.S.C. § 1464 and Enforcement Policies Regarding Broadcast Indecency*, 16 FCC Rcd 7999 (2001).

We recognize that the material that you have cited may well be offensive to you, and we have analyzed your complaint carefully. However, your complaint does not provide us with the basis by which we may take action. At the outset, you state that some of the broadcasts that you cite were aired after 10:00 p.m., outside of the time period during which indecent material is prohibited. Accordingly, those broadcasts are not actionable. With regard to the other time period that you cite, in order to take action against a licensee for airing indecent programming, we require the specifics of a particular broadcast, including the date, time and details of the material aired. Your complaint provides no such information. However, the material generally described in your complaint, in context, is not sufficiently graphic and/or sustained to meet the Commission's standard for indecency.

We appreciate and recognize your concern. To assist you further, we include an information sheet that discusses the law with respect to indecent and obscene broadcasts and our enforcement procedures. In addition, there is a way that one can avoid objectionable programming. Most television and cable networks voluntarily rate much of their programming to alert viewers if a show contains language or other material that a viewer may find inappropriate. The Act requires that all televisions 13 inches or larger manufactured after 1999 be equipped with a V-chip, which can use these ratings to block individual programs or channels. (Set-top boxes are available to allow consumers with older sets that lack this capability to use V-chip technology.) For further information on how to restrict access to objectionable programming, as well as other useful facts, see <http://www.fcc.gov/parents/>. We also encourage you to convey your concerns directly to station management, because this can be an effective method to influence a station's programming decisions.

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,



William D. Freedman

Deputy Chief

Investigations and Hearings Division

Enforcement Bureau

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**Inquiry**

<b>Control ID :</b>	PROBLEM00596538	<b>Consumer's Name :</b>	UNKNOWN UNKNOWN
<b>IC Number :</b>		<b>Phone Number :</b>	( 000 ) 000 - 0000
<b>Status :</b>	Closed	<b>Email :</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Submission Method :</b>	Email	<b>Address 1 :</b>	
<b>Owner :</b>	[REDACTED]	<b>Address 2 :</b>	
<b>Submitted Time :</b>	8/10/2004 12:26:35PM	<b>P. O. Box :</b>	
<b>Response End Time :</b>	8/25/2004 6:02:17PM	<b>City/State/Zip :</b>	

**Problem Description**

[REDACTED] wrote on 8/10/2004 12:26:35 PM :

Concerned Parent,

Jerry Springer seems to have a spot on television that hits too close to Prime-Time. His shows are vile. How can the FCC continue to have his shows aired???? I try to raise my daughter according to write and wrong and it gets tougher and tougher everyday especially when she can land on a T.V Channel and see Jerry Springer and guests exhibiting pornographic, indecent and obscene gestures. Please do everyone a favor and can the show. We don't need to inject that kind of viewing in our children's minds.

Thank you very much in advance... [REDACTED]

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## Inquiry

**Control ID :** CIMS00000022273      **Consumer's Name :** UNKNOWN UNKNOWN  
**IC Number :** 06-R0000022273      **Phone Number :** ( 000 ) 000 - 0000  
**Status :** Closed      **Email :** [REDACTED]  
**Submission Method :** Email      **Address 1 :**  
**Owner :** [REDACTED]      **Address 2 :**  
**Submitted Time :** 4/30/2006 2:44:17AM      **P. O. Box :**  
**Response End Time :** 5/2/2006 2:14:30PM      **City/State/Zip :**

Problem Description

[REDACTED] wrote on 4/30/2006 2:44:17 AM :

## FORMAL COMPLAINT

I thought the showing of live bare breasts was still not permissible on TV?

On April 30, 2006, I watched a portion of the Jerry Springer program which was broadcast on TV Channel 32, from 12:00 midnight until 01:00 AM, apparently as a taped program earlier in the day.

During this program females are encouraged by the audience to bare their breasts. They had one of the guests on stage that took off her blouse and walked around on the stage nude from the waist up during almost the complete time she was on the stage.

It seems usually they electronically blot or conceal full nude breast displays by altering the tape. During this program they failed to do that on three occasions. Therefore I do not consider it an error on their part. Even once is not an error as I am certain these tapes are rigorously edited for what they decide to allow to be broadcast.

I watched the portion of this program from about 12:30 A.M. untill the show went off the air at 01:00 AM. The portion where the program allowed the bare breasts to be shown was 12:35 until 12:55 AM.

I am against vulgar language, frontal nudity and the exploitation of that on television. I think Jerry Springer's program is the disgusting exploitation of people that are in the low income levels of society. I can't do anything about that, but I can make a complaint when full nudity is allowed to titillate the public viewing audience. and increase their viewing audience.

If I need to put this complaint in writing please let me know.

[REDACTED]

**Inquiry**

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| <b>Control ID :</b>        | CIMS00000296427    | <b>Consumer's Name :</b> | UNKNOWN UNKNOWN    |
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| <b>Owner :</b>             | [REDACTED]         | <b>Address 2 :</b>       |                    |
| <b>Submitted Time :</b>    | 2/7/2007 7:59:22PM | <b>P. O. Box :</b>       |                    |
| <b>Response End Time :</b> | 2/8/2007 3:44:59PM | <b>City/State/Zip :</b>  |                    |

**Problem Description**

[REDACTED] on 2/7/2007 7:59:22 PM :

I am a senior citizen and would love to see television come back the way it was when we had goood programs shown on it. Don't know if fcc does any tv watching. If you would watch the Jerry Springer show you would see all the indecent people and hear all the bleeps from their obscene language....

The show started with bad talk then females showing their boobs and now its men pulling down their pants...yuk.

Even tho all that is bleeped and blocked out of the show it is really still bad in its content....

If something can be done to remove that show and put on something any one including a young child can watch that would be a blessing...

Thanking you in advance....I am [REDACTED]

E-mail is [REDACTED]

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**Inquiry**

**Control ID :** CIMS00000363651      **Consumer's Name :** UNKNOWN UNKNOWN  
**IC Number :** 07-R363651      **Phone Number :** (000) 000 - 0000  
**Status :** Closed      **Email :** [REDACTED]  
**Submission Method :** Email      **Address 1 :**  
**Owner :** [REDACTED]      **Address 2 :**  
**Submitted Time :** 4/19/2007 4:23:38PM      **P. O. Box :**  
**Response End Time :** 4/20/2007 11:39:41AM      **City/State/Zip :**

**Problem Description**

[REDACTED] wrote on 4/19/2007 4:23:38 PM :

While viewing the Jerry Springer show on My 50 Chicago the closing credits failed to censor the boobies of an obese women, this is unacceptable martial for day time television. Children are coming home at this hour and watch that. This is no joke!

**Inquiry**

**Control ID :** CIMS00000365932      **Consumer's Name :** [REDACTED]  
**IC Number :** 07-R365932      **Phone Number :** [REDACTED]  
**Status :** Closed      **Email :** [REDACTED]  
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**Owner :** [REDACTED]      **Address 2 :** [REDACTED]  
**Submitted Time :** 4/23/2007 11:06:08AM      **P. O. Box :** [REDACTED]  
**Response End Time :** 4/23/2007 11:07:09AM      **City/State/Zip :** KINGSPORT TN 37664

**Problem Description**

Jerry Springer show should be taken off the air

**Inquiry**

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| <b>Control ID :</b>        | CIMS00000607366      | <b>Consumer's Name :</b> | [REDACTED]       |
| <b>IC Number :</b>         | 07-R607366           | <b>Phone Number :</b>    | [REDACTED]       |
| <b>Status :</b>            | Closed               | <b>Email :</b>           | [REDACTED]       |
| <b>Submission Method :</b> | Phone                | <b>Address 1 :</b>       | [REDACTED]       |
| <b>Owner :</b>             | [REDACTED]           | <b>Address 2 :</b>       | [REDACTED]       |
| <b>Submitted Time :</b>    | 10/16/2007 5:10:08PM | <b>P. O. Box :</b>       |                  |
| <b>Response End Time :</b> | 10/16/2007 5:16:27PM | <b>City/State/Zip :</b>  | EDMONDS WA 98026 |

**Problem Description**

Jerry Springer show. Very indecent and vulgar.



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**Problem ID :** PROBLEM00411923      **Consumer's Name :** UNKNOWN UNKNOWN  
**Status :** Closed      **Phone Number :** ( 000 ) 000 - 0000  
**Submission Method :** Email      **Email :** [REDACTED]  
**Owner :** [REDACTED]      **Address 1 :**  
**Submitted Time :** 3/18/2004 4:03:25PM      **Address 2 :**  
**Response End Time :** 3/18/2004 4:09:29PM      **City/State/Zip :**

**Problem Description**

How can The Jerry Springer television show have on people who take their clothes off in public, which is against the law, be allowed to show that on afternoon television? These people are breaking the law by having public nudity and it is encouraged by the Springer staff and audience and it is shown on afternoon television. Not only that but the Springer staff shows girls taking off their tops in their commercial. I can not believe that they can get away with this. Can you explain how this is acceptable?

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**Problem ID :** PROBLEM00423398      **Consumer's Name :** [REDACTED]  
**Status :** Closed      **Phone Number :** [REDACTED]  
**Submission Method :** Phone      **Email :**  
**Owner :** [REDACTED]      **Address 1 :**  
**Submitted Time :** 3/26/2004 5:10:51PM      **Address 2 :**  
**Response End Time :** 3/26/2004 5:19:17PM      **City/State/Zip :**

**Problem Description**

Complaining about the filth that is aired on the "Jerry Springer Show" in the middle of the day. There were women exposing their breasts and turning their bottoms toward the TV screen. The consumer believes that the FCC should take action to clean up what is going out over the airwaves.

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**Problem ID :** PROBLEM00430088      **Consumer's Name :** [REDACTED]  
**Status :** Closed      **Phone Number :** [REDACTED]  
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**Owner :** [REDACTED]      **Address 1 :**  
**Submitted Time :** 4/1/2004 1:22:03PM      **Address 2 :**  
**Response End Time :** 4/1/2004 1:26:33PM      **City/State/Zip :**

Problem Description

APRIL 1  
 JERRY SPRINGER SHOW  
 FOX 30  
 WAWS  
 OUT OF JACKSONVILLE FL  
 TITLE OF THE SHOW  
 "WRECKLESS WOMAN"  
 APPROX 12:12PM  
 SHOWED A WOMAN UNDRESSED AND ONLY COVERED BY THE CAMARA MAN AND THEY ALSO  
 DID NOT BLEEP OUT THE F WORD.

[REDACTED]  
 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32256

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**Problem ID :** PROBLEM00435308      **Consumer's Name :** [REDACTED]  
**Status :** Closed      **Phone Number :** ( 000 ) 000 - 0000  
**Submission Method :** Email      **Email :** [REDACTED]  
**Owner :** [REDACTED]      **Address 1 :**  
**Submitted Time :** 4/6/2004 8:49:55AM      **Address 2 :**  
**Response End Time :** 4/6/2004 8:50:44AM      **City/State/Zip :**

Problem Description

To whom it may concern:

I would like to file a formal complaint against a particular syndicated television show that aired on Thursday, March 25, 2004 at 4:00 pm on station WOLO in Columbia.

The program was the Jerry Springer show. This program was extremely indecent. I could not hear the sound feed for the television show, but the visual was very graphic. The program showed, whether as part of the show, or advertisements for future shows, women pulling up their tops to reveal their breasts. The breasts were not visible because of blurred images around the chest area, but it was clear what was happening. At commercial breaks there was a female erotic dancer dancing on a pole in very suggestive movements to entertain. The kind of dancing that goes on in adult night clubs by strippers. Also this program airs at a time when children are home watching television after school, and in many homes by themselves. I have been told that as far as Jerry Springer television programs are concerned this show was less indecent, but being less indecent is still indecent.

My name, address, telephone, and email address are listed below.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

I look forward to discussing this program with someone.

Sincerely,

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**Problem ID :** PROBLEM00436963      **Consumer's Name :** UNKNOWN UNKNOWN  
**Status :** Closed      **Phone Number :** ( 000 ) 000 - 0000  
**Submission Method :** Email      **Email :** [REDACTED]  
**Owner :** [REDACTED]      **Address 1 :**  
**Submitted Time :** 4/6/2004 4:01:54PM      **Address 2 :**  
**Response End Time :** 4/6/2004 4:05:04PM      **City/State/Zip :**

**Problem Description**

1. April,2 2004 9:00-10am (Jerry Springer-Episode #S012004)
2. WB network/WLVI
3. Groups of women topless, showing their asses,breasts, on cue with audience shouts, one woman topless, straddles an audience member puts her face in audience members breasts.

I don't care if portions of this were blurred out, this should be on pay TV only!

My five-year-old daughter asked me what that woman was doing on top of that other woman. How do I explain to a five year old what a public, topless sex act is?

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**Problem ID :** PROBLEM00444879      **Consumer's Name :** AMY DERCOOK  
**Status :** Closed      **Phone Number :** ( 000 ) 000 - 0000  
**Submission Method :** Email      **Email :** [REDACTED]  
**Owner :** [REDACTED]      **Address 1 :**  
**Submitted Time :** 4/13/2004 7:48:03AM      **Address 2 :**  
**Response End Time :** 4/13/2004 7:57:17AM      **City/State/Zip :**

**Problem Description**

## Original email

How can you lobby to remove shows like Jerry Springer? They are trashy, leud and offensive. Even with blocking words and naked body parts, the general idea gets across and should not be shown during the day when children can view.

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**Problem ID :** PROBLEM00453242      **Consumer's Name :** UNKNOWN UNKNOWN  
**Status :** Closed      **Phone Number :** ( 000 ) 000 - 0000  
**Submission Method :** Email      **Email :** [REDACTED]  
**Owner :** [REDACTED]      **Address 1 :**  
**Submitted Time :** 4/19/2004 3:22:22PM      **Address 2 :**  
**Response End Time :** 4/19/2004 3:23:17PM      **City/State/Zip :**

**Problem Description**

Dear FCC,

For several years Jerry Springer had encouraged all the women to lift up their blouse and expose themselves and moon the audience with little squares shown at broadcast time during the day. I think this was supposed to show how brave they were or something.

then he would give a little prize. Then it evoved to JJ performance and I noticed it on the Dave Letterman show. The girl jumped up on his desk and took her clothes off.

TV News locally showed the women in a bar doing this and I think it has gone on too long.

I think Jerry Springer had allowed this on his show for a long long time. I hope you fine Jerry Springer and Dave Letterman and local news. News seems to overly air anything like that.

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**Problem ID :** PROBLEM00465251      **Consumer's Name :** UNKNOWN UNKNOWN  
**Status :** Closed      **Phone Number :** ( 000 ) 000 - 0000  
**Submission Method :** Email      **Email :** [REDACTED]  
**Owner :** [REDACTED]      **Address 1 :**  
**Submitted Time :** 4/28/2004 2:56:50PM      **Address 2 :**  
**Response End Time :** 4/28/2004 2:58:47PM      **City/State/Zip :**

**Problem Description**

Things were a bit slow after lunch today so I found myself "surfing" my DIRECTV channels for something interesting to watch. One of the channels I reviewed was Warner Brothers Channel 18 (Orlando) which was broadcasting the Jerry Springer Show.

The segment I watched included two black transvestite women and their mutual boyfriend. The violence between the participants and the muting of the obscene language and exposed breasts and rear ends was nothing short of disgusting.

It amazes me that the FCC continues to allow this kind of programming to be available to the general public, including children who probably learn to consider this behavior acceptable.

I don't know what legal basis there is for this show to continue to be available for general viewing, but I think someone in the FCC needs to hurt their head on how to eliminate it, or at least give it an "R" rating requiring it as pay per view only. It is sad to think that a live audience wants to participate in this show, and that a "local" channel has such a low set of standards that they would air it.

Regards, [REDACTED]



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**Problem ID :** PROBLEM00468519      **Consumer's Name :** UNKNOWN UNKNOWN  
**Status :** Closed      **Phone Number :** ( 000 ) 000 - 0000  
**Submission Method :** Email      **Email :** [REDACTED]  
**Owner :** [REDACTED]      **Address 1 :**  
**Submitted Time :** 4/30/2004 2:53:04PM      **Address 2 :**  
**Response End Time :** 4/30/2004 2:54:21PM      **City/State/Zip :**

Problem Description

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Friday, April 09, 2004 2:02 PM  
To: FCCINFO  
Subject: jerry springer show is an abomination of womanhood.

dear sirs.

i,a woman,a proud citizen of the usa,isnt proud of wb channel11 in nyc,today,by coincidence ,i opened the tv on the above channel,it was approximately at 9:00 am,and there was the most explicit programm",THE JERRY SPRINGER SHOW".

i dont understand your fininging the clearview stations,but,you let the jerry spreinger show go on,a real pornografic show if there is any,especially,when kids are home for the holidays and vacations.it is a violation of our existence and womanhood.

sincerely  
[REDACTED]