

MAP Court Victories Keep On Coming ...
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MAP just won another victory when the Third Circuit today reaffirmed its decision to keep MAP's challenge to the FCC's media ownership rules in Philadelphia.

On September 15, the Third Circuit denied an industry request to transfer the case from the Third Circuit in Philadelphia to Washington, D.C. In a desperate move, on September 19th, the industry renewed its request that the Third Circuit transfer the case to Washington. Several MAP and industry filings later, the Third Circuit concluded it was correct when it ruled against the networks.

MAP is currently working around the clock with co-counsel at the Georgetown Institute for Public Representation and other attorneys in the case on a myriad of procedural and substantive issues. MAP will file its opening brief on October 21. The FCC and many members of industry will file on November 20, and only 12 days later over Thanksgiving, MAP will file its response to those briefs on December 2.