Reno v. ACLU—
A Case Study of Internet Regulation and the Court

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Abstract

Information technologies not only bring normative challenges, it also makes possible new ways of making laws. This article stimulates new thinking toward law making by commenting on the Reno v. ACLU case in 1997 from several perspectives: the nature of Internet, legal right versus social dialog, and legal facts of adjudication. In the conclusion, the idea of constructing online dispute resolution is introduced to suggest the possible improvement for future law making.

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