

30 Years of Disruption: from Betamax to Aereo

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This year marks the 30th anniversary of the Supreme Court's landmark *Betamax* decision. Since then, technology has evolved at an incredible pace. The wide adoption of the Internet was arguably the most revolutionary, enabling startups to disrupt existing industries and changing our lives at the most fundamental levels. Our copyright laws are in constant friction with technology, causing problems for new entrants and incumbents alike. With the House of Representatives undertaking a comprehensive review of the nation's copyright laws, the Department of Commerce conducting its own inquiry into digital copyright, a constant stream of litigation, and a post-SOPA public paying more attention to this space than ever before, how will we deal with the issues new technology will raise?

Join us to hear from a panel of experts tackling these questions and more. Speakers include:

Michael Carroll, Moderator

Professor, American University Washington College of Law;
Director, Program on Information Justice & Intellectual Property;
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