

USENET + FIRST AM : DEFAMATION ISSUES

- \*→ ○ LETTER TO EDITOR ANALOGY - SEE 211, Lewis, primate case (immuno)
- (STANDING) ○ USENET ≠ OWNED BY ENTITY 'to CORPORATION/INDIVIDUAL
- AT LAW - WHO WOULD ASSERT "publishing privilege?"
  - IE. ≠ STRICTLY "letter to editor" - OR DOES IT = OWNER OF SITE?
- what = policy FOR INCLUSION INTO "PRESS" CATEGORY + FOR NEC. REVISIONS?
- (Jurisdiction) ○ what = publication
- WHERE = CONTROLLING LAW (Ala. BBS CASE).  
public
- L. at 214 \*→ ○ MADISONIAN FUNCTION OF A CRITICISM = fulfilled by private writers in "letter to editor"
- IS USENET AN ARENA DESERVING RECOGNITION AS PUBLIC FORUM?
  - what ATTRIBUTES = COMMON / DISSIMILAR?
  - "MARKETPLACE OF IDEAS"
  - SULLIVAN'S EMPHASIS ON PROTECTION OF CITIZEN-CRITIC. (L. at 215).
  - IS USENET AN "INSTITUTION?"
- 241 MADISONIAN principle: public
- \*→ □ FREEDOM OF ASSEMBLY : SCARNet . wired (AUG.) at 30.
- \*→ 207 FEWER PAPERS = BECOME MORE SELF-IMPORTANT.