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Dear Brian et al.,

Please give attention to this entire letter, although long, since I've been meaning to write for a long time, but have put it off because I knew so many heart-felt opinions would get lost if not concise - a trait I sadly lack.

First - your new format is very frustrating + disappointing to this viewer. Your old Monday + Friday morning shows were so wonderful. I'm from the ESTime zone, but even I, at 7 AM, haven't had time to have read the paper enough to contribute in a worthwhile vein an article to discuss. Besides, our Columbus Dispatch, probably like most smaller newspapers around the country these days, has to be admonished to carry even one national news story on the

front page. It seems like this just wastes more time which you have little of.

Also there are fewer + more unpredictable times for viewer call-ins which seems a shame.

Besides this, the C-Span bus segments + describing the Capitol + streets seen by your camera every few minutes interrupt the train of thought + flow of the show + waste time.

The entire thing is just too DISTORTED, even to the point where you change guests every $\frac{1}{2}$ hr, + it's just plain disgusting that now the calls from politicians + journalists get a long listen compared to average people.

Why couldn't you just have a topic or 2 each day - well-publicized in advance so we didn't have to get up early, waste three hours every day in hopes of a few nuggets of wisdom. For instance,

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today, I'd love to listen to a segment about Frederick Douglass — BUT — some other time — not broken up amidst this journal — it ruins both subjects.

All of the foregoing is only re your format.

Now, secondly, what I've wanted to say on the phone, but can never get through. Please save these 2 comments for a time when ^{term} limits, elections, politics, + campaign finance reform comes up.

1) Why keep only talking about TERMLIMITS? a better alternative is a mandatory "None of the Above" option, where, if it won, new candidates would have to be proffered, since
(3) (put up)

the problem really has always been that we have to vote for the least of two evils - both candidates are bad - Tweedle Dum + Tweedle Dee - this is why nothing ever changes in Washington. The Dems + the Repubs. are identical egotistic skills for big banks + big business. This way, we could keep the good guys forever + finally get rid of, once + for all, the horrible ones.

2) The public owns the airwaves. the networks, etc. only license these from us for a fee.

The huge costs ~~of~~ + corruptions of elections have been almost entirely for buying ads on T.V. - These should be required by law to be free!

Thank-you sincerely,

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