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Lucy Plovnick's article, "FilmOn X Faces Third Defeat; Court Says It's Not a 'Cable System'," was published in *Radio+Television Business Report* on April 6, 2016. Ms. Plovnick has been following the "FilmOn X" case for *RBR+TBVR*.

FilmOn X, a service providing paying subscribers with access to retransmitted broadcast signals over the Internet, has been trying to be recognized by a court as a cable system. In the article, Ms. Plovnick explains the significance of the case to *RBR+TVBR* readers.

From the article...

"On March 23, 2016, Judge Charles P. Kocoras of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, ruled in *FilmOn X, LLC v. Window to the World Communications, Inc.*, 13-C-8451, that FilmOn X, a service providing paying subscribers with access to retransmitted broadcast signals over the Internet, did not qualify for the cable statutory license in Section 111 of the Copyright Act. The Section 111 statutory license allows cable systems to simultaneously retransmit broadcast signals into distant markets, provided that the cable operators submit royalties to the Copyright Office on a semi-annual basis and comply with all applicable FCC regulations."

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