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Introduction to COPPA and Educational Technologies: The Need for Additional Online Privacy Protections for Students by Diana S. Skowronski

The mission of the Federal Trade Commission is to protect “consumers and competition by preventing anticompetitive, deceptive, and unfair business practices.” Consumers include children, who may need protection from companies who wish to use deceptive tactics to collect children’s data without their parents’ consent.¹

We are pleased to present Diana Skowronski’s (J.D. Candidate, 2023, Georgia State University College of Law) Student Note, which highlights the importance of privacy as it relates to consumers. Specifically, Skowronski’s Note engages in a timely analysis of the Children’s Online Privacy Protection Act (“COPPA”). Further, the Note also discusses the shortcomings of COPPA and the inadequate online privacy protections afforded to students in the wake of the sudden shift to distance learning and virtual education made necessary by the coronavirus pandemic. Skowronski’s scholarship is an important contribution to the greater Symposium Issue and features ongoing dialogue in the regulation of privacy as a consumer right.

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¹. About the FTC: What We Do, FED. TRADE COMM’N, https://www.ftc.gov/about-ftc/what-we-do [https://perma.cc/X38L-5VUU] (“The FTC is a bipartisan federal agency with a unique dual mission to protect consumers and promote competition . . . the FTC is dedicated to advancing consumer interests while encouraging innovation and competition in our dynamic economy.”); see e.g., Complaint at 6, 8–10, Fed. Trade Comm’n and People of the State of N.Y. v. Google, LLC and YouTube, LLC (No. 1:19-cv-2642).