



Newsprint is inherently superior to the internet for public notice

because reading a newspaper is a serendipitous process.

We find things in newspapers we weren't expecting to see. On the internet, we search for specific information and ignore everything else.



Citizens continue to learn about vital civic matters from newspaper notices.

Documented examples of people taking action and alerting their community after reading a newspaper notice are reported on a regular basis. (See page 10)

Verifying publication is difficult-to-impossible on the web.

That's why the courts subject digital evidence to far greater scrutiny than evidence published in newspapers



Significant numbers of people in rural areas still lack high-speed internet access.

Those who are older than 65 or who have lower incomes or lack high-school diplomas are also cut off from the internet in far higher numbers than the average.



Moreover, the real digital divide for public notice is growing

due to the massive migration to smartphones and other small-screen digital devices



Requiring independent, third-party newspapers to ensure that public notices run in accordance with the law helps

prevent government officials from hiding information

they would prefer the public not to see

Governments aren't very good at publishing information on the internet. Unlike newspaper publishers,

public officials aren't compelled by the free market to operate effective websites.

