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Subject: Department of Justice Suit against the "Agency Five"

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## Dear Mr. Read,

I am an author and independent editor, before that I spent 25 years in various positions in trade publishing. My mouth dropped open when I read several weeks ago that the Justice Department was seriously going to pursue their claims of price fixing against Apple and five trade publishers for supposed collusion against the consumers' (read Amazon.com's) interest. Have you no commonsense? No sense of proportion? No recognition of what constitutes predatory practice and market monopoly in a rapidly changing industry and what constitutes a company's efforts at self-defense? The government seems to understand the practices of China when it manipulates currency and suppliers in an effort to insure it can dictate its own terms; shouldn't you also be able to recognize the practices of a domestic manipulator of intellectual property like Amazon? Why are you shilling for them? Let go of this silliness, please!

Sincerely

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