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I am a literary agent representing 60 plus authors and like so many in our industry I have been simply appalled at the recent lawsuit brought forward by the DOJ targeting publishers, a suit that would help bring an end to a competitive book market and allow Amazon to come ten steps closer to becoming a monopoly that would certainly not be in the public's interest. Please register my concern with those considering the fairness of this case. We have so much to lose as a culture if the DOJ wins this one.

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