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**To:** Read, John  
**Subject:** U.S. vs. Apple, Inc., et al., 12-cv-2826 (DLC) (SDNY)

Dear Department of Justice,

I have worked in the publishing industry since 1974. I have spent my entire career toiling in these vineyards, and it is EXTREMELY upsetting to witness our tax dollars being spent on a lawsuit which, if the government prevails, will DESTROY our industry and make Amazon the de facto distributor of books in our industry, both ebook and print. We need a healthy competition, and, ironically, if you prevail in your suit you will insure Amazon's de facto monopoly.

Please use common sense and realize there was no conspiracy to fix prices on a high level when some publishers adopted the agency model. The agency model keeps predatory pricing which should be the focus of an investigation, if you ask me, in the spirit of the "trust-busters" of over one hundred years ago.

Please rescind the destructive lawsuit which, if successful, will destroy our industry and create virtual monopolies. Those who have stood up to the intimidation of the lawsuit, Macmillan, Pearson and Apple, deserve our respect and support.

Sincerely yours,  
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