

From: Gifford, Karen [mailto:Giffor[REDACTED]]
Sent: Monday, June 25, 2012 11:28 AM
To: Read, John
Subject: Support Book Stores

Dear Mr. Read,

I am writing today regarding “**United States v. Apple, Inc., et al., 12-cv-2826 (DLC) (SDNY)**”. I have worked in the book industry for 34 years. I have raised my family working in this industry. I started working in a bookstore when I was a teenager and now work for a book wholesaler thru the same corporation. I cannot imagine this country without an actual book store to browse through, but I fear that is exactly where we are heading with this antitrust lawsuit.

I am not against Amazon – I buy things from them occasionally – I shop at Walmart weekly. I’m always looking for a bargain. I would like to know that our government is not going to make it impossible for book stores to ever have the best deal.

I am in agreement with the Author’s Guild and will do whatever I can to support their efforts to stop this support of Amazon becoming the only way to purchase a book in this country.

Sincerely,

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