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Subject: United States v. Apple, Inc et al, No.12-CV-2826(DLC) (SDNY) Proposed Settlement
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Dear Mr. Read:

I am a long time consumer of books. I spend a minimum of \$20 per month on digital books which are new releases and have spent well over \$1500 on backlist titles in the past few years. We digital readers have been treated poorly by publishers for years. They have been slow to digitize books. The digital copies of their books are often poorly formatted, with serious errors, and often without color covers.

Digital readers are also subjected to paying the same or sometimes even increased costs for digital books despite having far fewer rights. We are not allowed to lend the book to a family member or friend. We do not have the ability to transfer a book from one device to another if they take different formats. We cannot resell the book. Our own copyright rights as a reader are totally ignored under the ebook model and having to pay increased prices as a result of an improper conspiracy by the publishers is outrageous.

While I do not think the DOJ settlement does enough to protect readers and their rights, it is a step in the right direction. Therefore, please consider this email as support for the settlement.

Best regards,

Kelly Kepschull