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**Subject:** E-Book Antitrust Lawsuit

Dear Mr. Read,

I am a recent graduate from the MFA in Creative Writing program at the University of Michigan and I am currently working on my first novel, and as a devoted writer and reader I felt compelled to send a comment in regards to the case of United States v. Apple, Inc., et al., 12-cv-2826, (DLC) (SDNY). Comments on proposed final judgement as to Defendants Hachette, Harper Collins, and Simon & Schuster. For years now my friends and colleagues in the writing and publishing world and I have been concerned and stressed about what a behemoth Amazon is and how this may affect the work we do, and while I understand the problems with what the defendants in this case wished to do, I also think it's crucial that Amazon not snap everything up and/or snuff everything out, and I think--I hope--that there must be a way for Amazon and the major publishing houses to co-exist without the major publishing houses suffering such blows. Thank you very much for your time. I appreciate your reading this.

Sincerely yours,

Miriam Lawrence