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To John R. Read, Esq. and U.S. District Judge Denise Cote:

Thank you both (and your respective staffs) for your work in this and many other cases. I have great respect for the work that you do. As a frequent book-buyer who has no direct involvement in U.S. vs. Apple, Inc., et al., 12-cv-2826 (DLC), I would like to share my personal feelings with you, as you act on my behalf. I believe that this case is mistaken, and that Amazon is the real predator. The publishers are merely trying to save themselves, and by extension, the hundreds of independently owned bookstores throughout the country that Amazon is clearly attempting to put out of business.

I have little love for either Amazon or Apple. What I do care about is being able to buy good books from my local bookstore. Amazon's apparently (to me, at least) predatory pricing is attempting to destroy the bookstores I depend upon. I do not see how The Department of Justice is representing my interests in this case. If the US DOJ is successful in this case, publishers, bookstores, and consumers like me will all lose.

Thank you for taking my considerations into account. Feel free to contact me with any questions about my statement here. And keep up the good work. I have great respect for you and your staffs, even though we may disagree in this instance.

Regards,  
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