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Subject: United States v. Apple, Inc. et al., 12-cv-2826 (DLC) (SDNY)

Good evening,

I am writing to you today as one voice among many....hoping against hope to make a difference. There is a case before you [United States v. Apple, Inc. et al., 12-cv-2826 (DLC) (SDNY)] that needs attention before things spiral any further out of hand. It poses a threat not only to those in the publishing industry, but authors, bookstores, libraries, readers and beyond. It could mean the end of an era where children spend the day at their local library, exploring the as yet unexplored. The end of the memories created from endless hours spent at your local bookstore, where you happened upon your next favorite author. Just try doing that online without anything specific in mind and see how far that takes you....not very. The point being, there should be no one stop shop to fill every need....it's bad for the economy, bad for keeping U.S. workers employed, and just bad business. We shouldn't be trying to find ways to put people out of business, but helping them to grow.... especially when it affects the future of our society as a whole and that of our children.

So please....revisit your past. Remember the outings to check out the next book on your list from the library; the trips to the bookstore for the latest release you had to have that very moment, or that one unexpected find that changed your life for good. Now imagine a world where they don't exist....would YOU want to live there?

Sincerely,

Gina
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