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Any reasonable person should see how exploitive this arrangement is. I assume the courts exist to determine what is just and equitable. I feel that there are two fundamental issues here that have nothing to do with music, 1) Who will rule, and by what basis? Will it be the rights of "ownership", i.e., the private sector (Medieval) as determined by the interests of wealth, or will it be the rights of the public sector as determined by the values of civil law? And 2) The integrity of courts to uphold the values of civil law?

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