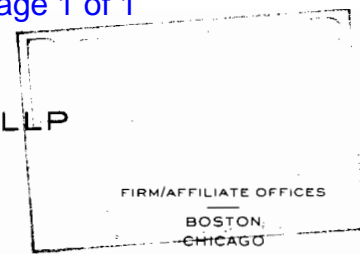


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Dear Judge Cote:

On behalf of HarperCollins Publishers, L.L.C., Hachette Book Group, Inc., and Simon & Schuster, Inc. (collectively, the "Settling Defendants"), I am writing to inform the Court that the Settling Defendants have complied with the terms of their April 11, 2012 memorandum of understanding with the Attorneys General of the States of Texas and Connecticut (collectively with the Attorney General of the State of Ohio, the "Liaison States"). On June 11, 2012, the Settling Defendants and Liaison States executed comprehensive *parens patriae* settlement agreements. The settlement agreements allow other states and U.S. territories to join the settlement and the intent of the Settling Defendants is to resolve all of the claims of all U.S. consumers relating to the alleged conspiracy regarding e-books. The Liaison States currently are working with the Attorneys General in the other forty-seven states, the District of Columbia and all U.S. territories to obtain as many sign-ons as possible and are working towards 100% participation. The Settling Defendants expect the Liaison States will submit the proposed settlement to the Court for preliminary approval by August. The Settling Defendants will be happy to address the timing of the proposed settlement and its impact on the multi-district litigation at the Court's June 22, 2012 status conference.

Respectfully submitted,

Shepard Goldfein

cc: Counsel for all parties (via e-mail)