

# EXHIBIT A

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA  
ATLANTA DIVISION

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY PRESS,  
*et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

MARK P. BECKER, in his official  
capacity as Georgia State University  
President, *et al.*,

Defendants.

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Case No. 1:08-CV-1425-ODE

**DECLARATION OF PATRICIA DIXON, Ph.D**

I, Patricia Dixon, do hereby declare under penalty of perjury as follows:

1. My name is Patricia Dixon. I am over the age of 18 and competent to make this declaration. All of the facts stated herein are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.

2. I am a professor of African-American Studies at Georgia State University. Following adoption of the USG Policy on Copyright and Fair Use (“the Policy”), I completed a fair use checklist in accordance with the Policy for each of the course reading assignments I made available on electronic reserves (“eReserves”) and concluded that each such use was a fair use.

3. I attended a training session led by Cynthia Hall at the Office of Legal Affairs before using the checklists to better understand how to use the checklists in completing a fair use analysis. The training session was well-attended by professors and staff.

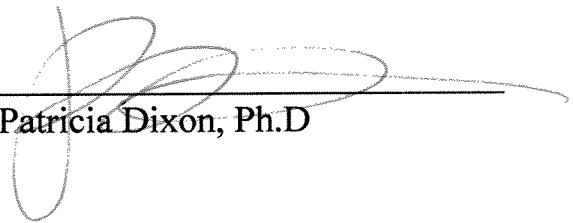
4. I have changed my practices as a result of the Policy and completion of fair use checklists. For example, prior to adoption of the Policy, I placed on eReserves approximately ten to fifteen excerpts from books as reading assignments for the course "African-American Family." In Spring Semester of 2010, however, I placed on eReserves only two chapters from different books.

5. In addition to the supplemental course reading assignments I make available on eReserves, I also require my students to read three books that they must purchase, one of which is an electronic book that is available through a library subscription. The rest of my supplemental course reading assignments that were previously available on eReserves (approximately twenty books) are on physical reserve at the library.

6. With regard to the book "The Slave Community" by John W. Blassingame, if I was no longer permitted to place any excerpt from such book on eReserves, I would not require my students to purchase the book or license the excerpt, but place it on physical reserve instead.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on April 2, 2010.



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Patricia Dixon, Ph.D