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### FAQ\*

1. I have received a notice from my ISP. What does this mean?

Your ISP received a subpoena requesting your contact information based upon activities conducted on your account, as determined by an IP address that, in their records, is associated with your account.

2. I have received a letter in the mail about a lawsuit. Why did I get this letter?

This letter is a demand letter. A lawsuit has been filed against you in the United States Federal District Court for the Federal District of Columbia for copyright infringement as a result of information about your infringing download of a motion picture. If you pay the settlement amount and accept the terms of the settlement agreement proposed on your case then you will be dismissed from the lawsuit and your information will remain anonymous. If you do not accept the settlement agreement you may subsequently be served with the lawsuit and expected to defend the claim of copyright infringement as alleged in the complaint.

3. What is copyright infringement?

Copyright infringement in the United States is the unauthorized or prohibited use, copying, replication or distribution of copyright protected works as further detailed in Title 17 of the United States Code. In this case all of the works are motion pictures.

4. What are the consequences or damages that can be awarded in a copyright infringement case?

Statutory damages are available to the owner of a registered work under Title 17, Section 504 of the United States Code in an amount of between \$750 and \$30,000 per infringed work, if the infringement was not willful. If the infringement was willful, as asserted in the Complaint filed in this case, damages may be as much as \$150,000 per infringed work.

5. Are there potential benefits to settling this claim?

We are not your attorneys and we are not providing you legal advice. We strongly recommend that you seek advice from an attorney. There are several aspects of settling the copyright infringement claim against you that you might find beneficial. Settling the claim allows you to pay a relatively

nominal, one-time lump sum payment to completely resolve the claim, without having to defend yourself in court. The legal fees incurred in defending a copyright infringement claim will almost always exceed the settlement amount demanded by our client. Second, your settlement, identity and contact information will remain private, in that we will not release your information to any third party unless legally required to do so. Third, by settling, you will avoid the potential for a jury verdict against you that could exceed the amount of the settlement (up to \$150,000, for willful infringement) and include an award of our client's attorneys' fees, which will certainly be several thousand dollars more. Finally, settling allows you to resolve the claim quickly and easily, over the Internet or by mail.

**6. Can I pay multiple settlements at one time?**

Yes, you can aggregate the settlement offers made by our clients and pay them all in one lump-sum payment.

**7. How do I know that the IP Address listed in the letter or subpoena notice is mine?**

The IP Address and your identity and contact information have all been researched and confirmed by your Internet Service Provider (ISP). Your ISP provided us with your contact information pursuant to a subpoena sent by us on behalf of our client.

**8. If I remove the motion picture file(s) from my computer, am I still liable?**

Yes, and our client may have an additional claim against you for spoliation of evidence if you have deleted the file since receiving the original notice regarding the subpoena from your ISP. For any defendants that we take to trial, we will subpoena all of their computers and have a forensic computer expert examine their machines to check for deleted media files.

**E-mail Inquiries**

**\*Please note:** You should seek the advice of an attorney before entering into any settlement agreement. All settlement agreements are strictly confidential.

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