IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESTOA

CAPITOL RECORDS INC, et al.,)	
	Plaintiffs)	
v.)	Civil Action No. 06-cv-1497
JAMMIE THOMAS,)	
	Defendant))	

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA'S MOTION TO INTERVENE AND FILE BRIEF IN DEFENSE OF THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF A FEDERAL STATUTE

The United States of America, through undersigned counsel, respectfully moves: (1) to intervene in this action, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 5.1(c) and 24(a) and 28 U.S.C. § 2403(a), in order to defend the constitutionality of the statutory damages provision of the Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. § 504(c), against an as-applied challenge; and (2) to be permitted to file the contemporaneously-submitted United States of America's Memorandum in Defense of the Constitutionality of the Statutory Damages Provision of the Copyright Act.

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