

**IN THE UNITED STATES OF DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA**

CAPITOL RECORDS, INC., *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

Case No.: 06cv1497-MJD/RLE

vs.

**STIPULATED PROPOSED JURY  
INSTRUCTIONS**

JAMMIE THOMAS,

Defendant.

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Pursuant to the Third Amended Date Certain Trial Notice (Doc. No. 256, ¶ 2b(i)), the parties respectfully submit the attached set of proposed jury instructions upon which they have stipulated.

Respectfully submitted this 1st day of June 2009.

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## **JOINT PROPOSED JURY INSTRUCTION NO. 1**

Members of the jury, the instructions I gave at the beginning of the trial and during the trial remain in effect. I now give you some additional instructions.

You must, of course, continue to follow the instructions I gave you earlier, as well as those I give you now. You must not single out some instructions and ignore others, because all are important.

The instructions I am about to give you now are in writing and will be available to you in the jury room. Again, all instructions, whenever given and whether in writing or not, must be followed.

Do not allow sympathy or prejudice to influence you. The law demands of you a just verdict, unaffected by anything except the evidence, your common sense, and the law as I give it to you.

*Capitol Records, Inc. v. Thomas*, Jury Instruction No. 1, Oct. 4, 2007 (Doc. No. 97); 8TH CIR. CIVIL JURY INSTR. § 3.01 (2008).

## **JOINT PROPOSED JURY INSTRUCTION NO. 2**

I have mentioned the word “evidence.” “Evidence” includes the testimony of witnesses; documents and other things received as exhibits; any facts that have been stipulated - that is, formally agreed to by the parties; and any facts that have been judicially noticed - that is facts which I say you must accept as true.

Certain things are not evidence. I will list those things for you now:

1. Statements, arguments, questions and comments by the lawyers trying this case are not evidence.
2. Exhibits that are identified by a party but not offered or received in evidence are not evidence.
3. Objections are not evidence. Lawyers have a right and sometimes an obligation to object when they believe something is improper. You should not be influenced by the objection. If I sustain an objection to a question or an exhibit, you must ignore the question or the exhibit and must not try to guess what the information might have been.
4. Testimony and exhibits that I strike from the record, or tell you to disregard, are not evidence and must not be considered.
5. Anything you see or hear about this case outside the courtroom is not evidence.

*Capitol Records, Inc. v. Thomas*, Jury Instruction No. 2, Oct. 4, 2007 (Doc. No. 97); 8TH CIR. CIVIL JURY INSTR. § 1.02 (2008) (modified).

### **JOINT PROPOSED JURY INSTRUCTION NO. 3**

Neither in these instructions nor in any ruling, action or remark that I have made during the course of this trial have I intended to give any opinion or suggestion as to what your verdicts should be.

During this trial I have occasionally asked questions of witnesses. Do not assume that because I asked questions I hold any opinion on the matters to which my questions related.

*Capitol Records, Inc. v. Thomas*, Jury Instruction No. 3, Oct. 4, 2007 (Doc. No. 97); 8TH CIR. CIVIL JURY INSTR. § 3.02 (2008).

#### **JOINT PROPOSED JURY INSTRUCTION NO. 4**

In deciding what the facts are, you may have to decide what testimony you believe and what testimony you do not believe. You may believe all of what a witness said, or only part of it, or none of it.

In deciding what testimony to believe, you may consider the witnesses' intelligence, their opportunity to have seen or heard the things they testify about, their memory, any motives they may have for testifying a certain way, their manner while testifying, whether they said something different at an earlier time, the general reasonableness of their testimony, and the extent to which the testimony is consistent with other evidence that you believe.

In deciding whether or not to believe a witness, keep in mind that people sometimes hear or see things differently and sometimes forget things. You need to consider therefore whether a contradiction is an innocent misrecollection or lapse of memory or an intentional falsehood, and that may depend on whether it has to do with an important fact or only a small detail.

After making your own judgment, you will give the testimony of each witness such weight, if any, that you may think it deserves. In short, you may accept or reject the testimony of any witness, in whole or in part.

In addition, the weight of the evidence is not necessarily determined by the number of witnesses testifying to the existence or nonexistence of any fact. You may find that the testimony of a small number of witnesses as to any fact is more credible than the testimony of a larger number of witnesses to the contrary.

*Capitol Records, Inc. v. Thomas*, Jury Instruction No. 4, Oct. 4, 2007 (Doc. No. 97); 8TH CIR. CIVIL JURY INSTR. § 3.03 (2008) (modified).

## JOINT PROPOSED JURY INSTRUCTION NO. 5

You are to consider only the evidence in the case. However, you are not limited to the statements of the witnesses. In other words, you are not limited to what you see and hear as the witnesses testify. You may draw from the facts that you find have been proved such reasonable inferences as seem justified in light of your experience.

“Inferences” are deductions or conclusions that reason and common sense lead you to draw from facts established by the evidence of the case.

I am advised that reports about this trial are appearing in the newspapers, on television and radio, and on the internet. The person who wrote or is reporting the story may not have listened to all of the testimony as you have, may be getting information from people who you will not see here in Court under oath and subject to cross-examination, may emphasize an unimportant point, or may simply be wrong. The case must be decided by you solely and exclusively on the evidence received here in court.

*Capitol Records, Inc. v. Thomas*, Jury Instruction No. 6, Oct. 4, 2007 (Doc. No. 97); 3 Kevin F. O'Malley, Jay E. Grenig, and Hon. William C. Lee, *Federal Jury Practice & Instructions* § 101.40 (2009) (modified).

## **JOINT PROPOSED JURY INSTRUCTION NO. 6**

The rules of evidence ordinarily do not permit witnesses to testify as to opinions or conclusions. An exception to this rule exists for “expert witnesses.” An expert witness is a person who, by education and experience has become expert in some art, science, profession, or calling. Expert witnesses may state their opinions as to matters in which they profess to be expert, and may also state their reasons for their opinions.

You should consider each expert opinion received in evidence in this case, and give it such weight as you think it deserves. If you should decide that the opinion of an expert witness is not based upon sufficient education and experience, or if you should conclude that the reasons given in support of the opinion are not sound, or if you feel that it is outweighed by other evidence, you may disregard the opinion entirely.

*Capitol Records, Inc. v. Thomas*, Jury Instruction No. 7, Oct. 4, 2007 (Doc. No. 97).

## JOINT PROPOSED JURY INSTRUCTION NO. 7

In conducting your deliberations and returning your verdict, there are certain rules you must follow.

First, when you go to the jury room, you must select one of your members as your foreperson. That person will preside over your discussions and speak for you here in court.

Second, it is your duty, as jurors, to discuss this case with one another in the jury room. You should try to reach agreement if you can do so without violence to individual judgment, because a verdict must be unanimous.

Each of you must make your own conscientious decision, but only after you have considered all the evidence, discussed it fully with your fellow jurors, and listened to the views of your fellow jurors.

Do not be afraid to change your opinions if the discussion persuades you that you should. But do not come to a decision simply because other jurors think it is right, or simply to reach a verdict. Remember at all times that you are not partisans. You are judges - judges of the facts. Your sole interest is to seek the truth from the evidence in the case.

Third, if you need to communicate with me during your deliberations, you may send a note to me through the court security officer, signed by one or more jurors. I will respond as soon as possible either in writing or orally in open court. Remember that you should not tell anyone - including me - how your votes stand numerically.

Fourth, your verdict must be based solely on the evidence and on the law which I have given to you in my instructions. The verdict must be unanimous. Nothing I have said or done is intended to suggest what your verdict should be - that is entirely for you to decide.

Finally, the verdict form is simply the written notice of the decision that you reach in this case. The form reads: [THE FORM WAS READ TO THE JURY]. You will take this form to the jury room, and when each of you has agreed on the verdicts, your foreperson will fill in the form, sign and date it, and advise the court security officer that you are ready to return to the courtroom.

*Capitol Records, Inc. v. Thomas*, Jury Instruction No. 26, Oct. 4, 2007 (Doc. No. 97); 8TH CIR. CIVIL JURY INSTR. § 3.06 (2009) (modified).



## JOINT PROPOSED JURY INSTRUCTION NO. 8

To insure fairness, you as jurors must obey the following rules:

*First*, do not talk among yourselves about this case, or about anyone involved with it, until the end of the case when you go to the jury room to decide on your verdict.

*Second*, do not talk with anyone else about this case, or about anyone involved with it, until the trial has ended and you have been discharged as jurors.

*Third*, when you are outside the courtroom, do not let anyone tell you anything about the case, or about anyone involved with it until the trial has ended and your verdict has been accepted by me. If someone should try to talk to you about the case during the trial, please report it to me.

*Fourth*, during the trial you should not talk with or speak to any of the parties, lawyers or witnesses involved in this case - you should not even pass the time of day with any of them. It is important not only that you do justice in this case, but that you also give the appearance of doing justice. If a person from one side of the lawsuit sees you talking to a person from the other side - even if it is simply to pass the time of day - an unwarranted and unnecessary suspicion about your fairness might be aroused. If any lawyer, party or witness does not speak to you when you pass in the hall, ride the elevator or the like, remember it is because they are not supposed to talk or visit with you either.

*Fifth*, do not read any news stories or articles about the case, or about anyone involved with it, or listen to any radio, television or Internet reports about the case or about anyone involved with it. In fact, until the trial is over I suggest that you avoid reading any newspapers or news journals and listening to any television, radio or Internet newscasts. I do not know whether there might be any news reports of this case, but if there are you might inadvertently find yourself reading or listening to something before you could do anything about it. If you want, you can have your spouse or a friend clip out any stories and set them aside to give you after the trial is over. I can assure you, however, that by the time you have heard the evidence in this case, you will know what you need to decide it.

*Sixth*, do not do any research or make any investigation on your own about any matter involved in this case. By way of examples, that means you must not consult a dictionary, textbook, encyclopedia, talk with a person you consider knowledgeable, or go to the Internet for information about some issue or person in this case. You must learn about this case from the evidence you receive here at the trial and apply it to the law as I give it to you.

*Seventh*, cell phones are not permitted in the jury room during deliberation.

*Eighth*, do not make up your mind during the trial about what the verdict should be. Keep an open mind until after you have gone to the jury room to decide the case and you and your fellow jurors have discussed the evidence.

8TH CIR. CIVIL JURY INSTR. § 1.05 (2008).