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THE AUTHORS GUILD, INC., et al.,	X :	
Plaintiffs,	: :	
- against -	: :	Index No. 11 Civ. 6351 (HB)
HATHITRUST, et al.,	: :	
Defendants.	: :	
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DECLARATION OF T.J. STILES

- I, T. J. Stiles, hereby declare as follows:
- 1. I am one of the plaintiffs in the above-captioned action and submit this declaration in support of Plaintiffs' motion for summary judgment.
- 2. I am the author of numerous books about American history. I have made my living as a full-time writer for over ten years, and I put tremendous effort, care, and creativity into my works, be they full-length biographies or short-form pieces for the *New York Times Book Review*, the *Washington Post*, the *San Francisco Chronicle*, the *Minneapolis Star-Tribune*, Salon.com, *The Atlantic* online, or the *New York Observer*. Although my writings are based on intensive historical research and are considered scholarly in their rigor, I believe a biography to be a creative endeavor. I approach the task of crafting a nonfiction narrative as an author of a novel might, making conscious artistic decisions about style, narrative flow, pacing, perspective, thematic development, and description to write works that are as literary as they are scholarly. I endeavor to create vivid, fully realized worlds on the page that shed light on the human condition.

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- 3. My first biography, Jesse James: Last Rebel of the Civil War, ("Jesse James") was named a New York Times Notable Book, a finalist for the Los Angeles Times Book Prize in Biography, one of the Five Best Books of the Year by the London Sunday Times, an American Library Association Notable Book, one of the New York Public Library's 25 Books to Remember, and a Best Book of the Year by Library Journal, the Chicago Sun-Times, the Cleveland Plain Dealer, Bookpage, and the London Independent. It also won the English Speaking Union's Ambassador Book Award, the Peter Seaborg Award for Civil War Scholarship, the James-Younger Gang's Perry Award, and the Friends of the James Farm's John Newman Edwards Award.
- 4. My second biography, *The First Tycoon: The Epic Life of Cornelius Vanderbilt*, won the 2010 *Pulitzer Prize* for Biography and the 2009 *National Book Award* for Nonfiction. It was also named a *New York Times* Notable Book and one of the best books of the year by *The New Yorker*, the *Financial Times*, the *Christian Science Monitor*, the *Boston Globe*, the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, and other publications.
- 5. I have received many honors and awards in my career. In 2011 I was named a fellow of the *John Simon Guggenheim Foundation*. From 2004-05, I held the *Gilder Lehrman Fellowship in American History at the Dorothy and Lewis B. Cullman Center for Scholars and Writers* at the New York Public Library. I have also received a *Distinguished Alumni Award* from Carleton College. Additionally, I am an elected member of the Society of American Historians, sit on the Advisory Council of the Biographers' International Organization, and have a seat on the Board of Directors of Plaintiff The Authors Guild. I am also a member of the American Historical Association, the Organization of American Historians and the Western History Association.

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- 17. For each of the uses above, including full text searching, digital archiving, and non-consumptive research, Defendants are seeking to establish that as a matter of law they have the right to use my work without my permission and without compensating me. If Defendants are allowed to do this, there will be little to stop other people or entities from making digital copies of copyrighted works and using them for these same (and possibly other) reasons. In other words, if Defendants and Google can do this, what is to stop anyone else in the market from doing the same thing and depriving me of the opportunity to exploit new potential revenue streams?.
- 18. This is a difficult and complicated period of uncertainty for the future of publishing and professional authorship, and copyright law's carefully-drawn incentive structure has been jeopardized by the changing technological landscape. I, and many other authors, see

these new uses for books as a ray of hope and a potential revenue stream to allow authors to

continue to be compensated as traditional print publication suffers. By deciding unilaterally, on

my behalf, that I am owed nothing for these uses, Defendants cripple this hope and preempt my

rights to demand compensation for these new kinds of uses.

19. It is my hope that this action will help ensure that future generations of authors

will continue to have the financial incentive to write books.

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

Dated: New York, New York June 26, 2012

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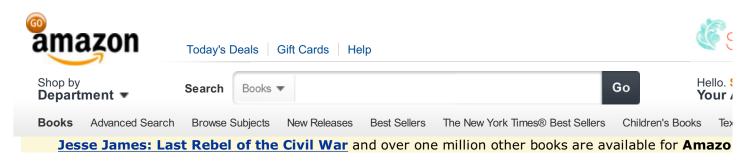
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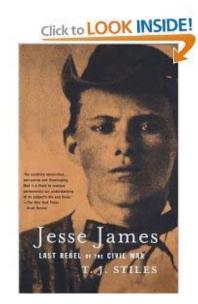
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