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## Copyright Alliance Issues Statement on Supreme Court Decision to Not Hear “Google Books” Case

**Washington DC** — Following the recent decision by the Supreme Court to not hear the Authors Guild v Google fair use case regarding the Google Books Project, Copyright Alliance CEO Keith Kupferschmid issued the following statement:

"We are disappointed to learn that the Supreme Court decided not to consider the much publicized Authors Guild v Google fair use case regarding the Google Books Project. In declining to take the case, the Supreme Court let stand a Second Circuit decision that dramatically expands the boundaries of the fair use doctrine's transformative use test, which affects creators and copyright owners of all types. More importantly, it missed a golden opportunity to provide critical guidance to copyright owners, users, the public and the courts as to how the fair use doctrine should apply to new types of uses – functional uses – made possible by new technologies and for which there is no existing, adequate fair use test."

Read the related blog from Keith Kupferschmid [here](#).

### **About the Copyright Alliance**

The Copyright Alliance is a non-profit, non-partisan public interest and educational organization representing artists and creators across the spectrum of copyright disciplines, including more than 40 trade association, companies and guilds, and 8,000 individual artists and creators. For more information, please visit [www.copyrightalliance.org](http://www.copyrightalliance.org).

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