



ANNOUNCEMENT

from the Copyright Office, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20559

NOTICE OF POLICY DECISION

POLICY DECISION: ENFORCEMENT OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST POLICIES

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LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Copyright Office

Policy Decision: Enforcement of Conflicts of Interest Policies

AGENCY: Copyright Office, Library of
Congress.

ACTION: Notice of policy decision.

SUMMARY: The Copyright Office has
recently issued an internal policy
statement to the Staff reaffirming the
application of Library of Congress
regulations that prohibit staff from
engaging in certain kinds of outside
employment. The general purposes of 1

the Library of Congress regulations is to
avoid conflicts of interest, both apparent
and real, between an employee's duty to
his or her government employer and the
duty to an outside client or principal.
The rules also prevent corruption and
abuses of inside information.

Although the policy statement is an
internal, personnel document not
required to be made available to the
public, the Copyright Office hereby
notifies the public of one way in which
the internal policy will be enforced. The
Office will refuse to process any
application, document, letter, or other
request if either (1) it is signed by an
employee of the Office as paid agent for 2
another person, or (2) the Office has
reason to believe that a Copyright Office

employee has participated in providing
a copyright-related service for monetary
value. In such cases, the application,
document, letter, or other request will be
returned to the *copyright claimant* with
an explanation of the Office's conflicts
of interest policy. The claimant will be
asked to resubmit the item without any
paid or remunerated assistance from a
Copyright Office employee as agent.

Dated: March 17, 1987.

Ralph Oman,

Register of Copyrights.

Approved by:

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The Librarian of Congress.

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2 Error; line should read:
"employee of the Office as a
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