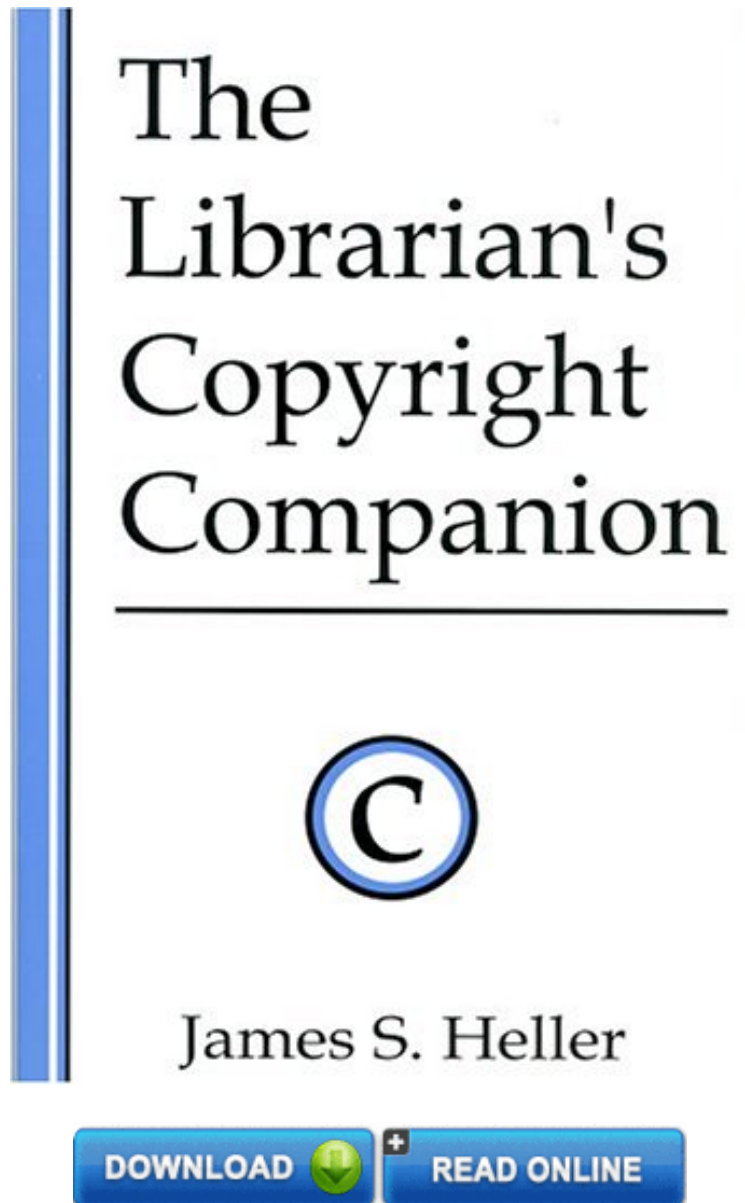


The Librarian's Copyright Companion

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The Librarian's Copyright Companion is a valuable handbook on current copyright issues and is designed specifically to answer the needs of todays librarian.

From the PublisherThe Librarians Copyright Companion provides a framework that will help librarians analyze the

impact of copyright law in their library. It offers an in-depth discussion of the provisions of the U.S. Copyright Act most important to librarians - fair use (section 107), the library exemption (section 108), and the public performance exemption (section 110) - as well as chapters on audiovisual works, digital information, and licensing issues. In addition, author James S. Heller provides background on both international copyright treaties and U.S. copyright law, reviewing court decisions that interpret the 1976 Copyright Act and its amendments. Appendices include Congressional and library association guidelines, model policies, a bibliography of pertinent literature and useful websites, selected provisions from the Copyright Act, and answers to common copyright questions.

From the Preface: "American Copyright Law is not easy to understand. Examining the Copyright Act of 1976, its amendments, and court decisions that interpret the Act recalls the days of black-and-white television: a little black, a little white, and a lot of gray. This grayness may leave librarians uncertain about what we may or may not do in our workplace. The Librarians Copyright Companion is designed to provide a framework that will help you analyze copyright issues in your library, whether you work in a for-profit or non-profit environment. It cannot provide "yes" or "no" answers to every copyright question you may have, nor address every possible scenario. This book is based on workshops I present to librarians and educators, during which we are able to discuss questions and the nuances of copyright law. Although we do not have that luxury here, I hope you find this book somewhat illuminating, and at times, even entertaining."

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