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Comment:

From what i hear, the copyright offices are filing lawsuits against technological innovations for the reason that they have the nonintentional possiblilty of being missused in an illegal way. I see this as only a way of suppressing the technological revolution so the copyright holders dont have to make any effort to hold thier copyrights. This is an extreme imbalence. Many of these new technologies have so many good and usefull purposes and are not intended to be used in anyway illegaly. I understand that the American way is sue for any possible reason as long as it makes a profit, but sueing a makers of a product because there product is some how able to be missused by a miss guided user? Thats like sueing the makes of televisions because its possible to drop it on someone's head and seriously hurt them or even sueing the car maker because people are able to drive too fast or recklessly on the road with them. Its the same thing for software and hardware. If someone is able to missuse the software or hardware in some way does not mean it should be banned use or market. These innoavations are really usefull tools. If someone is able to break a copyright so easily with them then dont blame the makers, blame the copyright holder for making there product so easy to copy. I think you should not be lazy and rely on lawsuits to illiniminate any product that is capable of copying there stuff. Instead you should put your money in research to find ways of making there products unable to be copied. For example DVD X copy i hear was shut down becuase they product was able to back up DVDs. Even if all DVD copying software was illegal why dont you make the DVD burner Illegal, or even make the whole computer illegal to be used. Yes that would be the only solution to really stop the copyright infringments, because even with no DVD copying Software or DVD burner anyone could easily copy a dvd even with the stiffest of copyright protection. All they have to do is watch it on there computers and use a free desktop screen recorder (most commonly used in the making of tutorials in software) to record the movie just like a camcorder at a movie theater, and altering window's sound input options to record the audio, the same method can be used in copying downloaded music. So as you can see if you truely want to stop all copyright infringments ban the use of all or any kind of computer technology since on a slow pase that is what these lawsuits are trying to accomplish. Just like they make police more allert on the highway for taffic violations, copyright holders should be more allert in preventing copyright violations. The police dont go sueing the car company for making there cars able to drive over the lowest speed limit. Copyright holders making there cars able to drive over the lowest speed limit. Copyright holders should not sue software engineers for making there product able to copy something. In the end anything that is digital media that is able to be read, is able to be copied there no way to stop it. These lawsuits are clearly only being filed for profit only in an already excessively rich industry.

I may not have covered the whole issue but im sure i could easily and logically answer any questions conserning this issue. I am also in the industry of entertainment and own many copyrights so i know what it is like to have my material's copyrights infringed, but i believe that the industry is taking it in the wrong way and placing the blame on who ever they can think of.

Thank You for hearing what i have to say, Jahrain Jackson ~please w/b to jahrain14@yahoo.com