

**Objection to Proposed Settlement**

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450 Golden Gate Ave., 16th Floor

San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Objection to Proposed Settlement

Bartz v. Anthropic PBC, No. 3:24-cv-05417-WHA

Dear Judge Alsup and Class Action Clerk,

I am submitting this letter to object to the proposed Settlement in the above-referenced case.

I am a member of the Class because my copyrighted works appear on the Works List. I am a rightsholder in at least one such work, identified below:

Title	ISBN
Escape to Survive (Grid Down Survival Series)	978-1-953870-27-8
Bones in the Bayou	978-1-953870-61-2
Murder in the Mountains	978-1-953870-52-0
I Always Wanted to be a Spy Maggie Sloan Thriller #1	978-1-7322989-6-5
The Girl Who Saw Clouds	978-1-7322989-3-4 (1 <sup>st</sup> Edition)
Grid Down Survival #0	978-1-953870-18-6 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Edition)
Defy Death Riley Malloy Thriller #2	978-1-953870-63-6
Tagged by Death Riley Malloy Thriller #1	978-1-953870-04-9

Danger in the Wind Grid Down Survival #2	978-1-7331241-6-4
Danger in the Clouds Grid Down Survival #1	978-1-7322989-4-1
Sweet Deal Sealed	978-1-7322989-0-3 (1 <sup>st</sup> Edition) 978-1-7331241-4-0 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Edition)
Sweet Deal Concealed	978-1-7322989-8-9
Sweet Deal Revealed	978-1-7331241-0-2
See Beyond the Fog	978-1-953870-16-2
Sweet Secret Deal Donut Lady Cozy Mystery #5	978-1-953870-10-0
Slaughtered in the Sand	978-1-953870-58-2
Whacked in the Woods	978-1-953870-43-8
Bloodshed in the Badlands	978-1-953870-41-4
Donut Lady Cozy Mysteries Books 1-3 Donut Lady Cozy Mystery #0	978-1-953870-22-3
Elusive Embezzler	978-1-953870-72-8

While some of my titles were traditionally published, I also hold rights in numerous self-published works, many of which appeared on the LibGen list prior to 2022. I object to the Settlement because it only provides payments to authors and publishers who filed registered copyrights, while excluding self-published authors without such registrations.

This is unfair. Many self-published books were also included in datasets that Anthropogenic used to train AI models, and those works should qualify for compensation. The Settlement, as proposed, fails to recognize or provide relief for this significant subset of affected authors.

My objection applies to a subset of the Class—specifically, self-published authors and authors without registered copyrights—because the proposed Settlement does not equitably account for their works.

I am filing this objection pro se. I am not represented by an attorney, nor is any attorney assisting me with this filing. I do not intend to appear at the final approval hearing. I am not opting out of the Settlement.

For these reasons, I respectfully ask the Court to deny approval of the Settlement.

Sincerely,



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