

# Request for Reconsideration of Materials

Request initiated by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of request: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

## Item details

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Publisher: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of publication: \_\_\_\_\_

- Format:  Book  
 Video/DVD  
 Cassette/Music CD  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Upon receiving a request, Library staff will review the request and the item and issue a formal reply to the originator of the reconsideration request.**

- Do you represent yourself?  Yes  
 No

If No, what is the name of the organization or group you represent?  
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## Reasons for removing item

1. What do you object to in this library item? (Please be specific. cite pages):

2. Have you read, seen or listened to the entire work?  Yes  No  
If not, which parts?
3. What do you feel might be the result of reading, viewing or listening to this work?
4. Are there any redeeming features in this work?
5. In its place, what work would you recommend that would present the subject in more acceptable form?
6. What would you like the library to do about this work?
7. Other comments?

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Statement on Intellectual Freedom

All persons in Canada have the fundamental right, as embodied in the nation's Bill of Rights and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, to have access to all expressions of knowledge, creativity and intellectual activity, and to express their thoughts publicly. This right to intellectual freedom, under the law, is essential to the health and development of Canadian society.

Libraries have a basic responsibility for the development and maintenance of intellectual freedom.

It is the responsibility of libraries to guarantee and facilitate access to all expressions of knowledge and intellectual activity, including those which some elements of society may consider to be unconventional, unpopular or unacceptable. To this end, libraries shall acquire and make available the widest variety of materials.

It is the responsibility of libraries to guarantee the right of free expression by making available all the library's public facilities and services to all individuals and groups who need them.

Libraries should resist all efforts to limit the exercise of these responsibilities while recognizing the right of criticism by individuals and groups.

Both employees and employers in libraries have a duty, in addition to their institutional responsibilities, to uphold these principles.

*(Ratified by the Board of Directors and Council of the Canadian Library Association at the 29th Annual Conference in Winnipeg, June 1974 and amended Nov. 17, 1983 and Nov. 18, 1985.)*

**Endorsed by the Mississauga Public Library Board November 15, 1989**