

2nd Circuit Clarifies Important Copyright Law

“Copyright law is found in more than in the copyright code. Courts interpret the code, along with rulings by other courts, and apply it to the circumstances. But courts can disagree with each other, making it difficult to predict the outcome of a copyright infringement case. Fortunately, the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals recently issued an order clarifying some frequent copyright infringement issues,” writes Carolyn Wright in *Photo Attorney*.

“Joseph Sohm had entered into agreements with several agencies, including Continuum Productions Corp. (now Corbis Corp.), to issue licenses to third parties on his behalf. In 2004, Corbis entered into a preferred vendor agreement (“PVA”) with Scholastic Inc. that established fees for certain print-run ranges of Sohm’s photos.”

“The issues presented there are important to photographers.”

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