

Copyright case: Halper v. Sony/ATV Music Publishing LLC, USA

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The lyrics "stay with me" and "lay with me" were common in love songs were not entitled to copyright protection, and protectable elements of the parties' songs were not substantially similar. Dismissal of the songwriter's infringement claims was affirmed.

Case date: 13 February 2019

Case number: No. 18-5915

Court: United States Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit

A full summary of this case has been published on [Kluwer IP Law](#).