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Copyright case: Flynn v. McGraw Hill LLC, USA

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Claims arise out of publication of textbooks in electronic format.

Several textbook authors, purporting to represent a class, have stated a claim for breach of contract arising out of publisher McGraw Hill LLC's unilateral decision to cease or reduce royalties for the authors' textbooks sold in electronic form ("ebooks"), the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit in New York has held. The district court had dismissed the authors' claims based on two clauses of their publishing agreement with McGraw Hill, and the appellate court affirmed dismissal as to one of the clauses, but reversed and remanded as to the other (Flynn v. McGraw Hill LLC, No. 22-2650 (2d Cir. Nov. 6, 2024)).

Case date: 06 November 2024 Case number: No. 22-2650 Court: United States Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

A full summary of this case has been published on Kluwer IP Law

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