



Public Library of New London

Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials

The Public Library of New London, and the Library Board of Trustees, supports the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights. We also value the community member's right to express their concerns regarding materials that are a part of the Library's collection. If there is an objection to an item being in the Library's collection, there is an option to request that the item be re-evaluated. Only one form for Reconsideration of Library Materials from an individual residing in New London is accepted at a time, and material being challenged must be read in full.

Please include your full name, address, and telephone number on this form or it will not be accepted.

Please note the patron requesting reconsideration of library material will be given a packet of documents that includes the library's Collection Development and Maintenance Policy, the Library Bill of Rights, the Freedom to Read, and the Freedom to View statements from the American Library Association. These documents are available at the Information Desk and must be picked up in person.

Once the completed form has been submitted, the Library Director will appoint a review committee of library staff members with appropriate professional expertise. After a thorough review has been completed, the committee will make its recommendation to the Library Director. The Library Director will review the committee's findings and contact the requesting party with the decision within 60 days from the date of receiving the request. If the requesting party is not satisfied, and wishes to appeal the decision, the request will then be forwarded to the Library Board of Trustees. The Library Board of Trustees will have final decision on any request for the removal of materials from the Library.

Reconsideration requests are not confidential patron records under section 11-25 of the CT General Statutes.

Request for reconsideration of LION consortia materials, such as Overdrive digital content, is subject to LION Libraries Online, Inc. collection policies.

Please respond to the following:

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Do you represent yourself? An Organization?

Name of Organization: _____



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1. Resource on which you are commenting:

Book/e-book Magazine Digital Resource Newspaper

Movie Audio Recording Game Other (please specify)

Title: _____

Author/Producer: _____

Original Year of Publication: _____

2. Specify which portion of the material is objected to and explain the reason for your objection. (Use additional pages, if necessary.)

3. What brought this resource to your attention?

4. Have you read/listened/viewed the material in its entirety? Y/N

5. What are your concerns about this material? (Use additional pages, if necessary.)

6. What do you believe is the purpose of this material?

7. For what age group should this material be recommended?

8. Overall, do you think there is any value in this material?

9. Are there resources you can suggest providing additional information and/or other viewpoints on this topic?

10. Are you aware of any critical reviews dealing with this material? List here, or provide as an attachment.



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11. Why do you feel your negative feelings about this work should prevent other members of the New London community, who may not share your concerns, from accessing the material?

12. What actions are you requesting the library consider?

Signature _____

*Forms that are not signed will be void.

Date _____

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Received by: _____ Date Received: _____

Reviewed on:

Review Committee Recommendation:

Library Director Decision:

Library Board Decision (if requested):

Requesting party notified of Library action on: