



Movie Download Lawsuits

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Q My internet service provider sent me a notice that it received a subpoena to release my name to a movie company that says I downloaded their movie using BitTorrent. I never even heard of this movie. What should I do?

A Take the notice seriously, and consider contacting an attorney. You might find a volunteer attorney through www.eff.org. Hundreds of Oregon residents have received such notices, and in many cases people were then threatened with suit or actually sued, although they had done nothing wrong. Also look for additional information on public interest websites (see, for example, www.newmediarights.org/business_models/guide_defendants_mass_copyright_lawsuits_bit_torrent_filesharing_cases). Be wary of speaking with the movie company's attorneys without first getting legal advice, and don't join the list of innocent victims of this nationwide campaign.