

Highlights of the 2026–2027 Edition

This is the September 2026 update for *Patry on Copyright*, your one-stop shop for copyright law, by William Patry, a renowned expert on copyright law with an extensive background in copyright litigation, legislation, teaching, and scholarship. Please note that, for ease of handling, the materials in this shipment may ship in more than one box.

Among the many new features and recent developments in this 2026–2027 update of *Patry on Copyright*, are the following:

Chapter 3: New section on filtration and infringement. See § 3:118.20.

Chapter 5: Discussion of joint authorship requirements in light of the Sixth Circuit’s opinion in *Estate of Worrell v. Thang Inc.* See §§ 5:15, 5:21, 5:38.10.

Chapter 5: Update on caselaw regarding Section 204(a) and challenging ownership in light of the Eleventh Circuit opinion in *Great Bowery Inc. v. Consequence LLC*. See § 5:114.

Chapter 10: Several new sections, including a new section on the 2023 Columbia Law School panel with Judges Leval and McKeown and the *Warhol* opinion (§ 10:13.10); three new sections on incidental uses (§§ 10:72.30, et seq.); a new section on orphan works (§ 10:140.10); a new section on declaratory judgment (§ 10:159.10).

Chapter 10: Revised and expanded sections on artificial intelligence training and whether one needs a lawful or authorized copy to assert fair use (§ 10:156), and on other topics, such as *Sony* presumptions (§ 10:17), museum uses (§ 10:55.50), and social media uses (§ 10:74).

Chapter 19: Pleading requirements for secondary liability after the Supreme Court’s 2026 decisions in *Cox Communications v. Sony Music Entertainment* and *Hikma Pharmaceuticals USA Inc. v. Amarin Pharma, Inc.* See § 19:11.

Chapter 21: A significant new section on contributory infringement in light of the 2026 Supreme Court opinion in *Cox Communications v. Sony Music Entertainment*. See § 21:61.60.