

NorthEast-Millerton Library

Challenge of Library Materials or Programs

The NorthEast-Millerton Library supports the American Library Association's *Library Bill of Rights, Freedom to Read and Freedom to View Statements*.

Should any patron of the NorthEast-Millerton Library raise a question about any materials provided by the Library being in any way objectionable, the complainant must file a written complaint with the Library Director on a form provided for this purpose.

The complainant must be properly identified as a library patron and resident of our chartered service area before the request is considered.

The Director will notify the patron that their complaint has been received and is under review. The Director shall notify the Board President and keep them updated on the status of the complaint. During review period the Director may:

- a. read and examine the challenged material
- b. consider the specific objections to the material voiced by the complainant
- c. weigh the values and faults of the material as a whole
- d. where appropriate, solicit advice or opinion from other library Directors, the Mid-Hudson Library System, the American Library Association Office for Intellectual Freedom and the New York State Intellectual Freedom Committee.

The Director has ninety days issue a written response to the complainant to notify them of their decision.

If the complaint is not satisfied with the Director's decision, they may ask to have it reviewed by the by the Library's Board of Trustees. The Board will consider the objection and the Director's recommendation. The final decision shall be issued by the Board within thirty days of the request to review.

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If you wish to request reconsideration of library resources, please return the completed form to Library Director, rleo@nemillertonlibrary.org or P. O. Box 786, Millerton, New York 12546.

Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Do you represent self? _____ Organization? (Name) _____

Resource on which you are commenting:

_____ Book _____ Audio _____ Video _____ Library Program _____ Newspaper _____

Digital Resources _____ Other (please specify) _____

Author _____

Title _____

Publisher/Producer

Date and Name of

Program _____

What brought this resource to your attention?

Is your objection to this material based upon your personal exposure to it, upon reports you have heard, or both?

Have you examined (read/heard/seen) the material in its entirety?

What concerns you about the resource? Please cite specific passages, pages, etc. (use other side or additional pages if necessary)

Are there resource(s) you suggest to provide additional information and/or other viewpoints on this topic?