REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF LIBRARY MATERIAL

Statement of Concern About Materials in Evelyn S. Field Library

Because of the Library’s commitment to the principles of intellectual freedom, there may be materials in the Library’s collection which are of concern to some individuals or groups. The acquisition of such materials does not imply approval or endorsement of their contents or opinions, but enables the Library to fulfill its role in providing curriculum support and presenting a diversity of perspectives. For additional information on how the library selects materials, please read our Collection Development Policy (http://library.raritanval.edu/policies/collectiondevelopment).

The Library also has a commitment to those we serve to respond to concerns expressed about materials in the collection, and has developed a process for reconsidering materials that reflects the seriousness with which these concerns are treated. Please complete the form below if you wish to make a formal request for reconsideration of materials. Submit the form and this page to the Library Chair. A decision will be made and communicated to you within two weeks of receipt of this form.

For Library use only:

Received on: ___________________________________________ Received by: ________________________________
Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials

Request initiated by:

Full name___________________________________________________________
Address __________________________________________________________________
City ________________ State _________ Zip ___________ Phone ____________________

Do you represent?
___________ Yourself
___________ An organization? (name) ____________________________________________________________________________
___________ Other group? (name) _________________________________________________________________________________

What resource would you like to be reconsidered?

The resource is a: Book ______ Periodical ______ Other (please specify) ________________

Title ________________________________________________________________

Author _____________________________________________________________

Publisher ___________________________________________________________

1. What is your objection to this work? : (Please be specific; Cite pages)
   _____________________________________________________________________
   _____________________________________________________________________
   _____________________________________________________________________

2. Did you read the entire work? __________

   If no, what parts did you read?__________________________________________
3. What do you feel might be the negative consequences of reading this work?
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4. For what types of readers might this work be appropriate?________________________
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5. What do you believe is the theme of this work?_______________________________
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___________________________________________________________________________

6. Are you aware of judgments of this work by literary critics or subject specialists?
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7. What would you like this library to do about this work?

__________ Do not lend it to anyone.
__________ Return it to the staff selection committee/department for re-evaluation
__________ Other (Please explain)_____________________________________________
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8. In its place, what work would you recommend that would convey as valuable a picture and
perspective of the subject treated?_____________________________________________
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Signature___________________________________________________ Date______________