



**NUTLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY
REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF LIBRARY RESOURCES POLICY**

The Nutley Free Public Library is a cultural center facilitating access to information, ideas and forms of creative expression. The Library advocates reading, information seeking and lifelong learning among members of the community as a means of pursuing personal, professional, and leisure time goals.

A patron who wishes the Library to reconsider the acquisition or removal of a resource must fill out a *Request for Reconsideration Library Resources Policy Form*. A request for consideration will only be considered if the resource has been read, viewed, and/or listened to in its entirety. The person submitting the form must be a resident of Nutley, with a valid (non-expired) Nutley Public Library card. Requests for reconsideration made by members of other communities will not be considered. Organizations or groups are not eligible to file Request for Evaluation of Library Resources Forms on behalf of their members and requests may be placed only by individual residents.

The Director, or a member of the staff designated by the Director, will review the Request for Reconsideration of Library Resources. A written response will be sent to the patron. If the patron is not satisfied with the decision, he or she may then appeal in writing to the Library Board of Trustees. After its evaluation, the Library Board of Trustees will notify the patron of its decision in writing. All decisions by the Library Board of Trustees are final. Until such review takes place, and a decision is made, no removal or restriction of the questioned resource(s) shall take place.

The Library stands by the principles of intellectual freedom rather than the opinions or beliefs set forth in the resource(s) themselves. The Library is guided by the Library's *Collection Development Policy* and the American Library Association's *Library Bill of Rights*, *Freedom to Read*, and *Freedom to View* policy statements. The Library is obligated to provide resources on all varieties of opinion, including those of an unpopular or unconventional nature.

Additional Reading

- Library Bill of Rights: <http://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill>
- Freedom to Read Statement: <http://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/statementspols/freedomreadstatement>
- Freedom to View Statement: <https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/freedomviewstatement>
- The First Amendment: <http://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/censorshipfirstamendmentissues/firstamendment>
- People's Right to Libraries: <http://www.njla.org/content/peoples-rights-libraries>



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The Board of Trustees of the Nutley Public Library has authorized the use of this form as part of its *Request for Reconsideration of Library Resources Policy*. The form must be completed and submitted to the Library for official review. If there is more than one title, resource, service, or program you are requesting for reconsideration, a *Request for Reconsideration of Library Resources Form* must be completed for each individual title, resource, service, or program. Completed forms should be returned to:

Library Director
Nutley Public Library
93 Booth Drive
Nutley, NJ 07110

Date: _____

Patron Information

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Nutley Public Library Card Number: _____

Resource On Which You Are Commenting

_____ Book (eBook) _____ Magazine _____ Audio Recording _____ Digital Resource

_____ Game _____ Newspaper _____ Program _____ Service _____ Other

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Title: _____

Author/Producer/Program/Service: _____

If a program or service, what date did it occur? _____

What brought this resource to your attention? _____

What concerns you about the resource? Please be specific. Cite examples. Use additional pages if necessary.

Are there peer-reviewed resource(s) you suggest to provide additional information and/or other viewpoints on this topic? Please provide a citation for each resource. Use additional pages if necessary.

What action are you requesting that the Library consider? _____

In its place, what resource would you recommend that would convey as valuable a picture and perspective of the subject treated? Use additional pages if necessary.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Adopted 2023
Nutley Public Library
Board of Trustees