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Copyright is defined as making unauthorized use of the copyrighted material in such a way that it abolishes the exclusive rights of the owner of that particular material. These significant rights include the right to perform, reproduce the copyright works or to make derivative works from the original work (Horizon).

Plagiarism is the use of other’s information, writing, or language without significant acknowledgment of the original source. It also includes duplicating original work (Horizon).

Fair use is the use of the grey areas having legal connotations and it refers to the issues and problems in the rights of copyright holders. It paves the way for the limited use of the copyrighted materials. (Horizon).

**Famous Plagiarists**

Jonah Lehrer is known as a famous plagiarist journalist. He was accused of self-plagiarism along with falsifying quotes. He was also accused of traditional plagiarism. Plagiarism, in this case, can be avoided by understanding the context, remaining true to the job and consulting the original sources of information (Plagiarism Today).

Fareed Zakaria is another famous journalist who was accused of plagiarism. He was accused of plagiarizing his work from the past works done in the New York Times. This case can be avoided by analyzing the information that one has, quoting the original source and proper re-phrasing (Plagiarism Today).

**Famous copyright cases**

ABS Entertainment V. CBS Corporation is a famous copyright case that involved digital remastering. Copyright infringement was made by creating unauthorized digital remastering of pre-1972 analogue sound recording. These recordings were qualified to be copyrightable derivatives. It can be avoided by looking for proper attributions (Copyright Law).

BMG V. Co. is another case example, in which Cox Communication was accused by BMG Rights Management of different copyright issues because of the public and peer to peer sharing of files. BMG accused Cox of infringement of copyright by the subscribers to the Cox internet services (Copyright Law). It can be avoided by looking for fair use and seek proper attribution.

**Using others’ work**

Others’ work of any type can be used, either by getting permission to use the works, proper quoting or citing or by looking for the work, that is not prevented by copyright. Also, if permission is taken from the owners, a written certificate should be taken. There are several examples of it, such as quoting the original author in written work (referencing), using citations such as APA, MLA or Chicago and seeking license of permission when using the artistic work of others (Horizon)

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