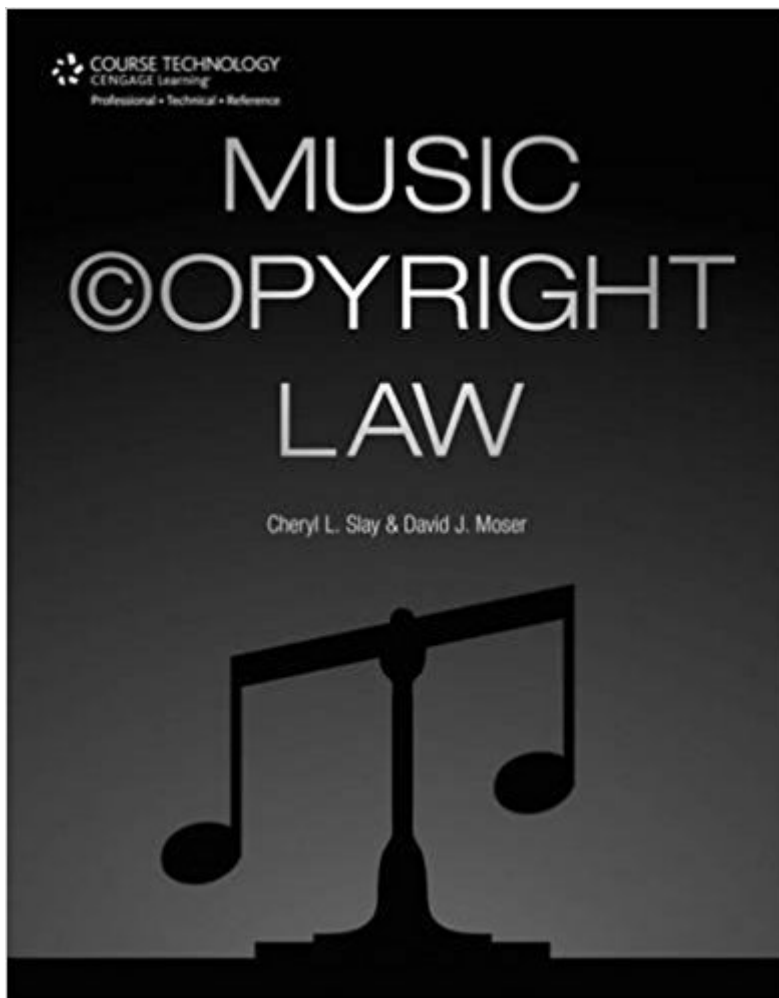




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I have been away from this subject for many years - I studied copyright law at Harvard and was Legal Advisor to the U.S. Copyright Office. This book sets forth the current state of this rather complex and ever-changing law in straightforward language, understandable by anyone who cares about the subject. It certainly is nicely bringing me up-to-date, for which I am grateful.

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