WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §47-2A-2

§47-2A-2. Definitions.

As used in this article:

(1) "Copyright owner" means the owner of a copyright of a nondramatic musical or similar work, other that a motion picture or other audiovisual work, recognized and enforceable under the copyright laws of the United States pursuant to Title 17 of the United States Code, Public Law 94-553.

(2) "Performing rights society" means an association or corporation that licenses the public performance of nondramatic musical works on behalf of copyright owners, such as the American society of composers, authors and publishers, broadcast music, inc., and SESAC, inc.

(3) "Proprietor" means the owner of a retail establishment, restaurant, inn, bar, tavern, sports or other entertainment facility or any other similar place of business located in this state in which the public may assemble to hear nondramatic musical works or similar copyrighted works be performed, broadcast or otherwise transmitted for the enjoyment of the members of the public there assembled.

(4) "Royalty" or "royalties" means the fees payable to the copyright owner or performing rights society for the public performance of nondramatic musical or other similar work.

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