

# Meridian Library District – Collection Development Policy

## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

The Meridian Library does not censor material and strives to provide a variety of opinions and items. When a patron wishes to challenge an item in the collection, the process is as follows:

- Patrons must make their challenge in writing by filling out and signing a Request for Reconsideration Form. Requests for reconsideration are only accepted from Meridian Library District residents for Meridian Library District owned materials.
- Library staff will research and consider the item in question as a complete work.
- The decision will be reported to the patron in writing by the Library Director.
- Patrons may appeal the decision in writing to the Library Board of Trustees within 30 days of the written response.

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**Information to be completed:**

Date of complaint: \_\_\_\_\_

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Library Card Barcode Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**For this complaint, I**

Represent myself

OR

Represent the following organization/group: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this form I understand that I am making a formal challenge to the Meridian Library District in regards to an item available for checkout. I understand that my challenge will receive full attention and that I will need to follow the above mentioned steps.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of requestor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of staff person receiving complaint

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## Material to be Reconsidered:

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Author, composer, producer, artist, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

1. Did you read, view, or listen to the entire work? If not, what pages or section?
2. To what in the material do you object? Please be specific, cite pages or sections.
3. How does this material not meet the selection criteria identified in Section B of the Collection Development Policy?
4. What good or valuable features do you find in the material?
5. What do you believe is the theme of this work?
6. What do you feel might be the result of using this material?
7. Have you read any review of the material? If yes, specify.
8. Do you think this material would be more appropriate for a different age group?  
Please explain:
9. What would you like the library to do about this material?
10. Can you recommend other material that would convey as valuable a picture and/or perspective of the subject treated? If yes, please specify: