

Hello, my name is Jordan Gray. I am writing to the Copyright Office regarding classes 3 and 5 (game consoles and smartphones/tablets).

I am a PhD from Georgia Tech who works in applied research and development. I want to ensure that I have the legal authority to jailbreak my Nintendo Wii, iPhones (1st gen and 4s), Android phone (MyTouch 3g), and iPads.

I regularly utilize jailbreaking in order to augment my personal electronics with significant additional functionality. For instance, I rely on powerful terminal applications and command line tools to conduct my work. Device manufactures rarely provide such development functionality. Recall, Sony initially provided a Linux distribution for their PS3s (what a rare and wonderful decision), but they later pulled it. Through jailbreaking, I am able guarantee such functionality. There are more simple reasons I jailbreak. I want to use the voice activated functionality (the Siri app on the iPhone) to launch and control my own applications. Apple does not allow you to choose which weather application is bundled with their iPhone if you want voice control. You can only use their partner's app (Yahoo). Through jailbreaking, I am able to use the Weather Channel's app instead.

In short, I want to be able to manipulate my technology (game consoles, phones, tablets) the way I manipulate my furniture. Ikea does not have to make it easy for me to convert their Jerker Desk into a standing desk. But they also don't seek to make it illegal.

--Jordan