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Comment:  
Our library owns over 10,000 audio visual items. Many of them are video tapes. We often want to digitize for more convenient, state-of-the-art distribution.  

It is extremely difficult on many titles to determine who owns the copyright, especially on the older titles. We start with contacting the company we purchased them through but more often than not, they don't own the copyright and don't know who does. It often takes a lot of time searching and sometimes it is to no avail.  

Thanks.