



**Statement of Concern about Library Resources**

Intellectual freedom in a public library necessitates selecting some materials that may be considered controversial by some individuals or groups. Reasons often cited for materials considered offensive include use of profanity, divergent viewpoints, controversial authors, sexual content, and depictions of violence and criminal acts. The acquisition of such materials does not imply approval or endorsement of their contents. The selection criteria used by the St. Tammany Parish Library must remain broad and flexible in order to provide a collection that supports the broad range of interests and diverse backgrounds of the citizens of St. Tammany Parish.

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1. Resource on which you are commenting:

- Book  Newspaper  Other
- Magazine  Content of Library Program
- Audiovisual  Electronic Resource

2. Title The Truth About Alice

Author/Producer Jennifer Mathieu

3. What brought this title to your attention?

Content violates the state obscenity stateues  
2021 La. Laws Revised Statutes  
Title 14 Criminal La  
NOT SUITABLE FOR MINOR

4. Did you review the entire item? If not, what sections did you review?

Yes I looked at the book online.

5. What course of action do you recommend in regard to this resource?  
restrict from minors from reading this book. It should be in a restricted area with only parental guidance.

6. Please state your reasons for making this recommendation. To what in the resource do you object? Please be specific: cite pages, scenes or sections. Consider commenting on the resource as a whole, as well as being specific on the matters which concern you.

A young teenager should not read this book. It promotes bad behavior for teens. Sex, drugs and bad language. I'm not picking one thing or another. The content should not be read by a teen w/o parental guidance. I don't believe that most parents would want their young teens to read this book. You are going to read it anyway and form your own opinion.

7. In its place, what materials would you recommend on this topic?

Books that help our society not ones that encourage bad behavior.

NOTE:

This statement will be referred to a Library Resource Review Committee. You will be advised in writing of the committee's decision. Thank you for your concern and input.