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KNOW YOUR COPYRIGHTS

Brief Overview of Origin

- As a legal concept, copyright originated in Britain with the Statute of Anne (1709) -- gave publishers rights for a set period, after which copyright expired
- U.S. Constitution, Article I, Section 8, Clause 8 -- “Copyright Clause” (1787)
  - Congress has the power “To promote the Progress of Science and useful Arts, by securing for limited Times to Authors and Inventors the exclusive Right to their respective Writings and Discoveries.”
- 1976 Copyright Act
  - Outlined in title 17, U.S. Code
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