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To whom it may concern:

In my opinion, the entire Microsoft issue is about money and another way for the law profession to "feather their nest". It has nothing to do with antitrust, monopolies or protecting the "John Q Public".

Microsoft does NOT have monopoly on anything. There are several other operating system options available for which the end user can use the browser he or she prefers. As a matter of fact, he or she can use the browser of choice with Windows!

I use Microsoft products on a regular basis. It is my choice to use these products because, as a developer, my customer base also uses Microsoft products and in order for my products to function on my customers equipment, I must produce software that will work on their equipment.

If the customer base used Unix, Apple, or O/S 2, I would probably go that route.

Every dollar Microsoft spends to protect itself from frivolous litigation means that I am going to have to spend more for products I use. As with taxes, corporations do not pay for the cost of litigation- their customers do!

The only winners going this route are those folks with "Esquire" after their names.

Please end this as soon as possible. "Trickle Down Economics" goes both ways, you know!

Sincerely,

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