

Statement by Norman Mailer

In the event that I, Norman Mailer (hereinafter "I"), am unable to ^{conclude} finish the novel manuscript I am currently working on, titled *The Castle in the Forest* (hereinafter "Novel"), because of death or legal incompetence, a Committee shall meet, deliberate and decide how best to publish the Novel. The following individuals shall constitute the Committee: Norris Church Mailer, Michael Burks Mailer, John Buffalo Mailer, Andrew Wylie (or his associate, Jeffrey Posternak) and J. Michael Lennon, who shall serve as convener and chair. The Committee shall meet at a place to be determined by the chair within two weeks after my death or legal incompetence and shall continue to meet as necessary until its work is completed. The Committee's work, however, shall be completed within two weeks of its first meeting. The Committee shall examine the treatment I have already written ~~or the~~ adaptation of that treatment to a final draft, which I have given to the chair, J. Michael Lennon, which describes the concluding action of the Novel, and determine how well this manuscript relates to the preceding 640 pages of the finished novel. The Committee shall reach a consensus or, failing to do so, shall decide by majority vote on a course of action. ~~When an ending for the Novel has been chosen by the Committee, the completed Novel shall be delivered to my publisher, Random House, for publication, via my literary agent, Andrew Wylie. If the treatment is not used, it shall not be published. In this case, the 640 pages can stand as a complete novel. Copies of this document shall be hand-delivered or mailed to each member of the Committee and to my lawyers, Sam Radin and Ivan Fisher.~~

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