"The CBLDF will defend your First Amendment Right as an adult to make lines on paper, to draw, to write, to sell, to publish, and now, to own comics."

Neil Gaiman, Author
The Sandman, American Gods

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Molly Crabapple, Artist
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"Without the good work of the CBLDF, I shudder to think what the comics world, creatively would be like. First Amendment rights matter."

Ben Templesmith, Artist
Fell, 30 Days of Night

"I support the CBLDF because I believe in the sanctity of the freedom of thought and the freedom of expression, and they fight for both."

Paul Pope, Artist
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Dean Haspiel, Artist
The Death-Defying Doctor Mirage, My Revolution

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Will Eisner, Artist
The Spirit: A Contract with God

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THAT’S WHAT WE DO.
AND WHY YOU NEED YOUR HELP.

The Comic Book Legal Defense Fund was established more than 25 years ago as a safeguard against attempts to restrain the free expression of the comic arts and its community of retailers, creators, publishers, librarians and readers.

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With attacks on our First Amendment rights increasing at an alarming rate, the CBLDF is needed now more than ever. Please help us in the fight to defend creativity by becoming a member today.

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