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I would like to convey to the Library of Congress that currently copyright law is extended too far and, as the prompt implies, it is damaging the public domain. Authors that are non-existent (a company), dead (with no heirs), or unreachable, should not continue to be granted copyright over their works. This is because they do not have the ability to make copies, while others certainly could do it if it were legal, or they don't think it is worth time/investment/money to continue to make themselves known as the owner of the copyright. In these cases control over the work should fall into the public domain as the founders intended. These works no longer serve any commercial purposes to their one-time owners and therefore should be offered to the public. Free to use in whatever way it chooses.