

## IRAC Single Issue Hypothetical

While wandering along the shore near Norwich, Joseph found a scroll that appeared to be very old. It was a very long scroll, and written on it in early English was the story of Vrag the Viking. According to the scroll, Vrag had traveled to this distant and dangerous land to conquer it, but had been sent away by the local people, who were too busy drinking beer and partying to be bothered with invasions. The scroll was dated 799, and was signed, "*Vrag*." Joseph took the scroll back to his house, and over the next two weeks, updated the language to modern English. He eventually published it on the Web, charging £20 for each copy downloaded by users. Susan comes to you, her attorney, with the story, telling you that she would like to use Joseph's story, but because she dislikes him, she doesn't want pay him to use it. She believes that because Joseph's story is simply Vrag's story retold, it isn't original and shouldn't be protected by copyright.