

## Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act

“No provider or user of an interactive computer service shall be treated as the publisher or speaker of any information provided by another information content provider.”

==> **social media and other content providers** cannot be held legally liable for content posted on their websites by third parties

==> **Section 230** aims to foster a free and open internet by preventing online platforms from being held liable for the actions of their users, while still allowing them to moderate content and develop innovative services.

**Defamation: Social Media**: if a user posts defamatory content on social media, social media is not liable

**False Advertising: Amazon** - if a seller in the online marketplace sells counterfeit goods, Amazon is not liable, provided that seller was a third party.

**Defamation: AI Platform**: if ChatGPT output contains defamatory content (hallucination), is Chat GPT liable?