

# Tattoos and Copyrights

I came across this picture on Pinterest and it immediately reminded me of what we were discussing in class pertaining to copyrights and it was especially interesting because it is a picture from a scene in *Through the Looking Glass*. Lessig talks about the development of fair use, which means the material can be quoted word for word, as long as it is for commentary/criticism or parody. This could be considered a commentary on Lewis Carroll's work, but that is subjective. If it weren't deemed a commentary, could this person with the tattoo be guilty of copyright infringement? The idea that the person would suffer any type of consequences for tattooing a scene from *Through the Looking Glass* is absurd and extremely improbable. However, legally, would it be possible? Just an interesting thought when applied to how copyright and publishing have evolved as discussed in the Lessig presentation! At least the person chose the original text, instead of Disney's version.

