



United States Copyright Office

Library of Congress · 101 Independence Avenue SE · Washington, DC 20559-6000 · www.copyright.gov

September 4, 2013

Taylor English Duma LLP
Attn: Amanda G. Hyland
1600 Parkwood Circle, Suite 400
Atlanta, GA 30339

**Re: Shell Empire
Correspondence ID: 1-ASXV19**

Dear Ms. Hyland:

The Review Board of the United States Copyright Office (the "Board") is in receipt of your second request for reconsideration of the Registration Program's refusal to register the works entitled: *Shell Empire* and *Shell Empire Chandelier with Crown*. You submitted this request on behalf of your client, Sabenti, Inc., on November 22, 2011. I apologize for the delay in the issuance of this determination. After periods of inaction, staff departures and budgetary restrictions, the Register of Copyrights has appointed a new Board and we are proceeding with second appeals of registration refusals as expeditiously as possible.

The Board has examined the application, the deposit copies, and all of the correspondence in this case. After careful consideration of the arguments in your second request for reconsideration, the Board has decided to register copyright claims in the works entitled: *Shell Empire* and *Shell Empire Chandelier with Crown*. We believe that the works contain a sufficient, although minimal, amount of original and creative sculptural authorship in the treatment and arrangement of their constituent elements upon which to support a copyright registration. Our decision to register the works is based on the low standard for copyrightability articulated in *Feist Publications v. Rural Telephone Service Co*, 499 U.S. 340 (1991).

Thank you for your patience in the resolution of this matter. The certificates of registration for the works are being mailed separately and should arrive soon. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 202.5(g), this decision constitutes final agency action.

Maria A. Pallante
Register of Copyrights

BY:

William J. Roberts
Copyright Office Review Board