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MEMORANDUM

Date: April 28, 2012

To: U.S. Copyright Office

Re: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: Proposed New Copyright Fee Schedules

Dear United States Copyright Office Representative,

As a budding photographer with few financial resources, I was alarmed to see the proposed fee hikes for copyrighting my photographs.

These potential hikes will make it much more difficult for those of us wishing to start a small business in photography. Protecting our works is of the utmost importance, as you know, and cost-prohibitive regulations will harm the little guy as much as those who have had great success thus far!

In the wake of this slowly recovering economic crisis, as a government agency the Copyright office regulators should re-consider these devastating proposed fee hikes and help our small businesses grow instead of creating a greater hardship on those of us whose businesses are dependent upon affordable means of copyright protection.

Most sincerely,



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