Hello,

Art has been my lifelong love and livelihood. I've taught art in the public schools and continued to study and paint all my 73 years. I have created a wonderful, very valuable collection of Award winning fine art some of which has appeared in books, magazines and catalogues. It is mine to keep or sell as I choose or pass on to my children. This collection is the product of my work and time. I find it impossible to believe that anyone should be able to simply copy or alter it and sell it as their own. This would be theft of my life's work, my 401k.

This "next great copyright law and orphan act" is piracy at its worst. Who is to profit, not the artist/ creator? Perhaps you should next consider removing drug patents so we can simply copy formulas and sell them as we please.

Please protect my work from the greedy by leaving the present copyright laws in place. I don't want to see my work on a soup can unless I choose and am paid for my design.

Thank you