Dear Copyright Office, Members of Congress,

I have been a practicing Professional Illustrator for the past 36 years and it's once again come to my attention that this Orphan's Act has resurfaced which very much concerns me. The trouble with the new proposed law is that I would have to registar all my existing art at a huge expense to me and this will not neccessarily gain me anything other than protecting me from those who want to use my artwork for free.

I don't know which pieces would be infringed upon therefore I'd have to do all of them. Currantly if people want to use my artwork it's their responsibiltiy to call me and pay a fee to use my art. This places a burden on the artist that may not appear to be a big burden but for me I have thousands of pieces of art and it's more money than I can afford to spend.

This change in the law would take a huge portion of my livelyhood away from me. I depend on resale of my images as a substantial portion of my income.

The law as it stands now works perfectly fine in my opinion although the burden is still on me to bring a lawsuit against people who steal my art. This hasn't been a problem with any legitimate business however I have had my art stolen by a Chinese Publisher. So basically if you allow these changes you would open the doors to allow this type of thievery to happen more readily right here in the United States and if we do it other Countries will follow and since I probably can't afford to registar all of my artwork I wouldn't even be able to sue for damages it'll be perfectly legitimate for the rich and greedy to benefit from my hard work.

Also it's disturbing that this law would allow other people to alter my artwork very slightly and resell it again for a profit. Right now anyone wanting to do that has to change a piece of art substantially so that you can barely recognize the original.

Please don't allow this Orphan Act to come to fuitation it is a destroyer of anyone in the Arts.

Thank You,

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