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US Copyright Act - The Orphan Works Copyright Law

"Bianca"
oil painting 36"x24"
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Hello,

I am writing as I just heard about the return of the "Orphan Works Copyright Law 2015". Is this true that this law would replace all existing copyright law?

Is the following true?

It would void our Constitutional right to the exclusive control of our work.

It would "privilege" the public's right to use our work.

It would "pressure" you to register your work with commercial registries.

It would "orphan" unregistered work.

It would make orphaned work available for commercial infringement by "good faith" infringers.

It would allow others to alter your work and copyright these "derivative works" in their own names.

It would affect all visual art: drawings, paintings, sketches, photos, etc.; past, present and future; published and unpublished; domestic and foreign.

I am a hard working artist, who makes her living from my artworks. I pay a lot in taxes, so do hundreds and thousands of artists. Please help us to be able to make a living creating beauty, so we can keep paying taxes! Yes, I love to pay my taxes to our great country! We love America, we love our freedom, please help us, Artist entrepreneurs keep going.

Sincerely,

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