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To: United States Copyright Office

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing with great concern regarding the new fees for the registration of claims, recordation of documents, special services, Licensing Division services, and processing of FOIA requests.

I believe that this increase in fees, which would nearly double the current amount, will deter photographers and other artists from registering their works. At a time when innovation is so incredibly important for our nation, we should encourage this protection.

Making the registration process more expensive will most certainly work against your mission "to promote the progress of science and useful arts by securing for limited times to authors and inventors the exclusive right to their respective writings and discoveries."

I ask you to please reconsider the fee increase and continue to support innovation.

Thank you,

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