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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

PLEASE reconsider increasing the cost of copyright registration. In these economic times a self employed illustrator needs to carefully consider all price increases. An increased copyright fee would create a financial burden that would not be sustainable to my business and the images I create. In order to ensure protection of my rights it is essential that I register the copyright but I know a raised fee would mean I would not be able to copyright all new work, only selected pieces. Is it your goal to make copyright unaffordable and degrade the arts profession to a new low. Please do not increase the cost.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laurie O'Keefe". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

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