Dear US Copyright Office.

As a young and struggling artist, this act truly worries me. I'm not a top creator in the field but I'd like to be someday but this makes me feel as if there would be no point. I wouldn't be able to create anything. If I did, I'd have to risk someone else taking it and repurposing it for themselves. That's basically taking money out of my pocket.

An example of this would be if I were to see some company like Marvel Studios and take a scene from their Ant-Man film and then put it in my movie. Now obviously I wouldn't be able to do that. But they wouldn't be very fond if someone took the footage that they worked hard on and see someone else use it for their gain. Why would anyone do that? That's blatant disrespect.

I respect many artists for the work that they do. It doesn't matter if it's a logo, a cartoon or music. They made that work themselves. I'm not going to take that, use it and say "Well they didn't say it was theirs" just because they didn't understand the laws. There are people that aren't aware of what's going on and they will be subject to losing a lot of their content to people who didn't work to make those images, sounds or whatever.

We need to make sure that everyone is protected. If not, then there's not going to be a lot of creativity here. People will lose the passion to create their works out of fear. This isn't a country that is based on fear. It's should be based on freedom but not freedom to steal others works. The freedom to make your work and get paid for what you do, not for what others didn't do.

Sincerely,

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