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RE: Notice of Inquiry, Copyright Office, Library of Congress
Copyright Protection for Certain Visual Works (Docket No. 2015-01)

To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Katrina Fowler. I have been an artist in the Pacific Northwest since 2001. Since the beginning of my career I've created paintings, illustrations and logos for various parties.
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I am writing to address the problems visual artists face in the new digital environment.

As a freelance illustrator, I need to maintain revenue streams in order to make a living for my family. The resale of my past images is part of my day to day way of doing business. My collection of work is a valuable resource that produces income for me and my family. Any attempt to replace our existing copyright laws with a system that would benefit internet companies would endanger my ability to make a living. Certain companies have already begun digitizing my work without my permission or financial compensation. Why would the government favor corporations like this instead of those of us who actually create new work?

Having to register my images at a for-profit site will be a huge financial burden!
Please do not pass this new copyright bill

Regards,
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