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Direct to Congress:

I am writing in regard to the new copyright act being considered by Congress that will threaten my ability to exclusively own my own personal artwork. The ***2015 Orphan Works and Mass Digitation Act*** can and will infringe upon the creative works of visual artists and designers across our great nation. Replacing all present copyright laws, it is a dangerous thing for us.

Among the considerations to VISUAL ARTISTS are the following:

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It would affect all visual art: drawings, paintings, sketches, photos, etc.; past, present and future; published and unpublished; domestic and foreign.

It would create a devastating and unfair void for the creativity and creative rights of visual artists across this nation.

As presented, please, do not pass this law!

Sincerely,

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