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To whom it may concern:

I am a professional watercolor painter and teacher. I have been working at my craft for fifty years. I have worked commercially as an artist, designer and an art director. I currently teach watercolor painting and sell watercolor paintings. I have a BFA from Arcadia University, and have won many awards for my paintings. I have also sold artwork for greeting cards, magazine covers, and illustrations for posters, and brochures.

For me, the copyright law is not an abstract legal issue but the basis on which my business is founded. My art works with their copyrights are the products I license. This means that the copying of my work is like stealing money from me.
It is important to my business that I be able to determine voluntarily how and by whom my work is used. My work does not lose value upon publication. Instead everything I create becomes part of my portfolio on which I obtain future business.
In the digital era my personal inventory is even more valuable than ever before.
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If you are NOT a professional artist:

Define your specific interest in copyright, and give a few relevant details.

You might want to stress that it's important to you that you determine how and by whom your work is used.

You might wish to state that even if you're a hobbyist, you would not welcome someone else monetizing your work for their own profit without your knowledge or consent.