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ASMP and the Copyright Alliance have informed me of this welcome invitation from the Obama Administration to share my thoughts on my rights as a creator.

I am a photographer and publisher. My entire income is generated by my ability to produce images that have value in the marketplace. I'd like to think that the rules that govern the use of any intellectual content will apply to all, to the same degree and that there needs to be a platform for content creators to stand on that gives us the ability to apply the rights and rules. There needs to be a level of understanding within the court system that recognizes the creators value in the "business world" as it is. When it becomes too expensive to just use content without just compensation, then just compensation will be the where the attention will go. Creators of intellectual property need to have rules with teeth and penalties that would discourage the offenders to a point of understanding what the value is.

I hope the U.S. government will continue their support of copyright laws that protect the true financial rights of any one single person to the largest corporation in a fair and just way. I would hope that Victoria Espinel will listen to and consider the groups that represent these artists and creators best interests.

Thank you.

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