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| Thoughts on Copyright |
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Dear Ms. Espinel and the Obama Administration:

The Copyright Alliance has informed me of this welcome invitation from the Obama Administration to share my thoughts on my rights as a creator. As a commercial and art photographer the protection of my intellectual property has always been paramount. During my thirty years in business I've had numerous instances where I've discovered that my photographic images have been used without my permission and it's only due to the strong copyright protection this country affords my creative work that I was able address these situations.

In the last few years there has been legislation proposed, I'm specifically referring to the Orphan Works acts, that would place an unfair burden on those who create imagery and provide a loophole for those who seek to use my photographic images without properly licensing them, this legislation should be abandoned.

Thank you for reading my thoughts.

All the best, Joshua Sheldon

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