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Copyright protection is critical to me as a commercial artist because if there is not enough protection, there will come a time where I'll have to take many additional steps to insure that my work gets out there under my name, that it is unchanged and respected. I hope to one day work for or own my own illustration and design small business and when I do, as any other artist would, I'd like to feel safe and confident that my ideas will be mine and that I can continue creating to sustain my business. If we don't have that protection, we'll lose all desire to commit to that endeavor as bigger and cheaper companies reach out to own intellectual property that's below quality and price than what an artist can offer when working freelance or working through a small business. Not to mention our work might be subject to theft and then changed to profit someone else without our consent, something I've seen happen to my peers one too many times. I hope this submission, even if it's from my narrow position within the world of art and inventions out there, helps on the fight against infringement of intellectual property.

[Coordination and Strategic Planning of the Federal Effort Against Intellectual Property Infringement: Request of the Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator for Public Comments Regarding the Joint Strategic Plan

AGENCY: Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President.

ACTION: Request for written submissions from the public.]

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