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"The Copyright Alliance has informed me of this welcome invitation from the Obama Administration to share my thoughts on my rights as a creator."

Last year 2009 I had a project with a company that does pharmaceuticals. They agreed to the terms and conditions of the job, (which were for me to shoot the job, and they in turn would have the license of the images for a certain period of time.) Everything was well until, the time the license expired, they continue to use the images without my permission, and I had to take them to court. Taking them to court made me loose gasoline, time, money just trying to solve the problem.

Copyright infringement is a great deal for artists of all sorts. This goes along with someone using your work for themselves trying to get new clients and income as well. If they are making money off your images that are selling their service or product. Photography is my only source of income, if someone else makes a better living because my images are selling them, then I too deserve a piece of the pie.

Please, please push congress to help protect the intellectual property, and help protect our work against piracy.

THANK YOU.

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