

# Copyright Law

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# What is copyright law

- ▶ The copyright law as we know it is found in Title 17 of the United States Code.
- ▶ Is apart of The Copyright Act of 1976
- ▶ Copyright is a form of protection grounded in the U.S. Constitution and granted by law for original works of authorship fixed in a tangible medium of expression. Copyright covers both published and unpublished works.

# What does copyright protect

- ▶ Copyright, a form of intellectual property law, protects original works of authorship including literary, dramatic, musical, and artistic works, such as poetry, novels, movies, songs, computer software, and architecture. Copyright does not protect facts, ideas, systems, or methods of operation, although it may protect the way these things are expressed
- ▶ Copyright also lasts an extremely long time being the authors life + 70 additional years after they die

# Difference between Copyright and Trademark

- ▶ Copyright protects original works of authorship, while a patent protects inventions or discoveries. Ideas and discoveries are not protected by the copyright law, although the way in which they are expressed may be.
- ▶ A trademark protects words, phrases, symbols, or designs identifying the source of the goods or services of one party and distinguishing them from those of others.
- ▶ For example Nike has a trademark on its name and their signature swoosh logo and slogan “just do it”.
- ▶ But they would have a copyright of the design of the different shoes that they make.

# How does one go about copyrighting something they have created?

- ▶ That's simple
- ▶ The second your original work of authorship is fixed in a tangible medium "jpg, book, mp4, etc" it is automatically copyrighted.
- ▶ Official registration with the copyright office is necessary to enforce the exclusive rights of your copyright in litigation in the U.S Court System.
- ▶ Applications can be found on [copyright.gov](http://copyright.gov) website

eco.copyright.gov/eService\_enu/start.swe?SWECmd=Login&SWEPL=1&SRN=&SWETS=1575237510862

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Copyright Registration

Register a Work

Standard Application

Recommended for Most Works

Other Registration Options

Note: Restrictions Apply

Register Certain Groups of Published Works

Register a Group of Photographs

Register a Group of Unpublished Works

Register One Work by One Author

Correct or Amplify an Existing Registration

Other Services

Note: Substantial Fees Required

Preregistration of Certain Types of Work

Miscellaneous

Use an Existing Template

Organization/Deposit Account

Additional Copyright Services

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Electronic Copyright Office (eCO)

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- For copyright registration information, instructions, helpful tips and FAQs, [click here](#)

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\*eCO information\*

IMPORTANT NOTE:

You may register up to 10 unpublished works on the same application. To do so, YOU MUST SELECT the link for "Register a Group of Unpublished Works." [Click here](#) if you need help finding this link. [Click here](#) to watch a video that provides step-by-step instructions for completing the application for a "Group of Unpublished Works."

The "Standard Application" MAY NOT BE USED to register a "collection" of unpublished works. If you submit 2 or more unpublished works on the "Standard Application" the Copyright Office will examine, and if appropriate, register only 1 of your works. All remaining works will be removed from the claim; to register those works you will need to resubmit them using an appropriate application.

The eCO Registration System will be offline every weekend from 10:00 PM Saturday until 6:00 AM Sunday (Eastern Time) for scheduled maintenance.

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Work of the Visual Arts

Sound Recording

Work of the Performing Arts

Motion Picture/AV Work

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

Give the title(s) exactly as it appears on the work. If there is no title, give an identifying phrase, or state "untitled".

To enter the title(s), click "New". After you enter the title, click "Save". Repeat this process for each additional title.

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To [edit](#) or [delete](#) a title, click the appropriate link in the list below. When the list is complete and correct, click "Continue" to save the information and proceed to the "Publication/Completion" screen.

### All Titles

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Has this work been published?: No

\*Year of Completion (Year of Creation): 2019

If you have Preregistered your work under 17 U.S.C 408 (f) (and received a Preregistration number beginning with the PRE prefix), give the Preregistration number here. Click [here](#) for further information about Preregistration.

Preregistration Number:

Click "Continue" to save the information and proceed to the "Authors" screen.

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## Authors

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[Author's Name](#) Give either an individual name OR an organization name, but not both. An author is a person who actually created the contribution, unless the contribution was "[Made for hire](#)" in which case the employer is the author. Either citizenship/domicile of the author is also required.

Individual Author: OR

Organization:

First Name: Liam

Organization Name: Mammoth Inc.

Middle Name: [Help](#)

Last Name: Daniell

Is this author's contribution a [work made for hire](#)?: No

\*Citizenship: United States [Help](#)

Anonymous: ☐ [Help](#)

OR

\*Domicile: United States [Help](#)

Pseudonymous: ☐ [Help](#)

Year of Birth: 2000 [YYYY](#)

Pseudonym:  [Help](#)

Year of Death: N/A [YYYY](#)

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[Claimant's Name](#) Give either an individual name OR an organization name, but not both.

Individual Claimant:	OR	Organization:
* First Name: <input type="text" value="Liam"/>		* Organization Name: <input type="text"/>
Middle Name: <input type="text"/>		
* Last Name: <input type="text" value="Daniell"/>		
* Address 1: <input type="text" value="1923 Kavanaugh Blvd"/>		State: <input type="text" value="AR"/>
Address 2: <input type="text"/>		Postal Code: <input type="text" value="72205"/>
* City: <input type="text" value="Little Rock"/>		Country: <input type="text" value="-Select-"/>

If any claimant is not an author, you must include a [transfer statement](#) showing how the claimant obtained the copyright.

Transfer Statement:

Transfer Statement Other:

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### Limitation of Claim

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Complete this screen to [limit your claim](#) if this work contains or is based on previously registered material, previously published material, material in the public domain or material not owned by this claimant. The purpose of this section is to exclude such material from the claim and identify the new material upon which the present claim is based.

If your work does not contain any preexisting material, click "Continue" to proceed to the Rights and Permissions screen.

[Material Excluded:](#)

[Previous Registration:](#)

[New Material Included:](#)

☐ Text

1st Prev. Reg. #:

☐ Artwork

Year:

☐ Photograph(s)

2nd Prev. Reg. #:

☐ Computer Program

Year:

Other:

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Other:

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You may provide contact information for a person and/or organization to be contacted regarding copyright management information or permission to use this work.

Important: If you prefer not to provide personally identifying information, you may list a third party agent or a post office box.

Individual:	Organization:
First Name: Liam	Organization Name:
Middle Name:	
Last Name: Daniell	
Email: ljaniell@ualr.edu	Address 1: 1923 Kavanaugh Blvd
Phone: 5012334818	Address 2:
Alternate Phone:	City: Little Rock
	State: AR
	Postal Code: 72205
	Country: -Select-

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This is the person the Copyright Office will contact if it has questions about this application.

Completion of the name, email address and correspondence address is mandatory.

<b>Individual:</b>	<b>Organization:</b>
*First Name: <input type="text" value="Liam"/>	Organization Name: <input type="text"/>
Middle Name: <input type="text"/>	
*Last Name: <input type="text" value="Daniell"/>	
*Email: <input type="text" value="ljdaniell@ualr.edu"/>	*Address 1: <input type="text" value="1923 Kavanaugh Blvd"/>
Phone: <input type="text" value="5013453818"/>	Address 2: <input type="text"/>
Alternate Phone: <input type="text"/>	*City: <input type="text" value="Little Rock"/>
Fax: <input type="text"/>	State: <input type="text" value="AR"/>
	Postal Code: <input type="text" value="72205"/>
	Country: <input type="text" value="-Select-"/>

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### Mail Certificate

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This is the name and address to which the registration certificate should be mailed.

Completion of Individual and/or Organization Information, Address is mandatory.

Individual:

\* First Name: Liam  
Middle Name:  
\* Last Name: Daniell

Organization:

\* Organization Name:

\* Address 1: 1923 Kavanaugh Blvd  
Address 2:  
\* City: Little Rock

\* State: AR  
\* Postal Code: 72205  
Country: United States

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Special handling is expedited service that is available only to filers who satisfy one or more of the compelling reasons below. Special handling also carries a significant surcharge fee. If you do not qualify for special handling service, please click the Continue button without completing this screen.

Note: The significant special handling surcharge fee is non-refundable. Please click here to review the current fee.

☐ Special Handling (The information requested below is required for Special Handling claims)

Compelling Reason(s) (At least one must be selected)

- ☐ Pending or prospective litigation
- ☐ Customs matters
- ☐ Contract or publishing deadlines that necessitate the expedited issuance of a certificate

☐ I certify that I am the author, copyright claimant of exclusive rights, or the authorized agent of the author, copyright claimant of exclusive rights of this work.

Explanation for Special Handling:

This is the place to give any comments/instructions regarding special handling specific to this claim.



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The Application must be certified by the author, copyright claimant, or owner of exclusive right(s), or by the authorized agent of any of the preceding.

17 USC 506(e): Any person who knowingly makes a false representation of a material fact in the application for copyright registration provided by section 409, or in any written statement filed with the application, shall be fined not more than \$2500.

☐ \* I certify that I am the author, copyright claimant, or owner of exclusive rights, or the authorized agent of the author, copyright claimant, or owner of exclusive rights of this work and that the information given in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge.

\* Name of certifying individual:

Applicant's Internal Tracking Number (Optional):

#### Note to Copyright Office (Optional):

This is the place to give any comments specific to this claim, the application, or the deposit copy, if necessary.

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Please review the entire submission on this screen. If you need to revise any information, return to the appropriate data entry screen to make the revision. When the entire submission is correct, click the "Add to Cart" button at the top of the screen. **Warning: Once you submit your application, you cannot make changes to it. Therefore, please review the information on this screen carefully before proceeding.**

### Case Summary

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Case Type: Literary Work

Contact Name: Liam Daniell

Opened: 12/1/2019

### All Titles

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Mammoths are just weird elephants				Title of work being registered	

### Publication/Completion

Published Work	Year Created	Publication Date	Nation of First Publication	ISN Type	IS Number	Preregistration Number
No	2019					

### Authors & Contributions (TX)

Name	Organization Name	Work For Hire	Citizenship	Domicile	Year of Birth	Year of Death	Anonymous	Pseudonymous	Pseudonym	Text	Photo	Art	Computer Program	Created Other
Liam Daniell		No	United States	United States	2000	N/A	N	N		✓				

### Claimants

Name	Organization Name	Transfer Statement	Transfer Stmt Other	Address
Liam Daniell				1923 Kavanaugh Blvd, Little Rock, AR, 72205

### Claim Limitations review (TX)

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Your Contact Information

Filing fees and  
some service fees  
are non-refundable

Name: Liam Daniell  
Organization Name:  
Email Address: [ljaniell@ualr.edu](mailto:ljaniell@ualr.edu)  
Phone #: (501) 410-3818  
Alternate Phone #:

Address: 1923 Kavanaugh Blvd  
City: Little Rock  
State: AR  
Postal Code: 72205  
Country:

Cases in Cart

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	Case #	Status	Opened	Title	Volume	Number	Issue Date	Type of Case	Fee Due
	1-8310618981	In-Cart	12/1/2019	Mammoths are just weird elepha...				Literary Work	55.00
Total Due:									\$55.00

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# Problems with copyright/trademark

- ▶ People try to copyright words that are commonplace and that you can't really have authorship, or have it be your intellectual property
- ▶ Two most notable cases of this are mobile gaming company "King" in 2014, and YouTube channel "Fine Bros" in 2016
- ▶ King is the developer of popular mobile game "Candy Crush", they in 2016 successfully got a trademark on the word "Candy". Their reasoning is that other copycat publishers were using the word to try to sap attention from Kings game.
- ▶ Some people saw it as them trying to take a stranglehold of the mobile gaming market

# Problems with copyright/trademark

- ▶ The YouTube channel “Fine Bros” responsible for popular series “Elders, Teens, Kids, Youtubers React”
- ▶ They in 2016 with the launch of their new media franchise React World, filed for a trademark of the word “React”.
- ▶ The reason being "We're not saying we hold a copyright on reaction videos overall, no one can. We're licensing our specific shows, like TV has done for years."
- ▶ But again many people saw them trademarking a common English word as them trying to take a stranglehold of the reaction video market on youtube

# Works cited

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