



United States Copyright Claims Board

Kirbyko Music LLC

v.

Smuin Ballet

CLAIMANT

RESPONDENT

ORDER TO AMEND NONCOMPLIANT CLAIM

The Copyright Claims Board finds that your claim does not comply with the requirements of the CASE Act and related regulations. The claim cannot move forward unless it is amended.

If you wish to proceed with this claim, you must file an amended claim by **December 19, 2022**. If you do not, the Board must dismiss your claim without prejudice, although you may file again in the future before the Board or in federal court. If you file an amended claim and it is found compliant, you will be notified and directed to proceed with service. There is no additional filing fee for an amended claim. [17 U.S.C. § 1506\(f\)\(1\)\(B\)](#).

To make your amended claim compliant, you must resolve the issues identified below. [37 C.F.R. § 224.1\(c\)\(2\)](#). You may also choose to correct or edit any errors or other information in your claim before you file it again. You do not need to provide a legal argument in your claim - just a statement of facts and circumstances. Being specific in your description gives the other party and the Board more information about your claim. There is no character limit so please be as detailed as possible.

Copyright Infringement Claim – Legal or Beneficial Ownership

Your claim provides conflicting facts about the claimant's status as a legal or beneficial owner. To bring a copyright infringement claim before the Board, the claimant must be "the legal or beneficial owner of the exclusive right [in a copyrighted work] at the time of the infringement[.]" 17 U.S.C. § 1504(c)(1). When the claim was submitted, you certified that the claimant was the legal or beneficial owner of rights in the work identified in the infringement claim.

The registration included with your claim ("SR754385") lists Kerry Muzzey as the author and copyright claimant of the work. The named claimant, Kirbyko Music LLC, is not listed in that record as an author or owner of the copyright. These facts are in conflict with your certification.

To correct this issue, you must add additional information to the "Describe the infringement" section of the claim that explains how either the named claimant entity (1) obtained ownership of the exclusive rights allegedly infringed, or (2) has been the author or other legal or beneficial owner of the exclusive rights at the time of the infringement.

To submit an amended claim, log into your eCCB account and take the following steps.

1. From your dashboard, click the "**Amend claim**" button and select your docket number from the dropdown list.
2. Your claim will unlock for editing. The information you originally entered will appear in the same order as in your original claim.
3. Make the necessary edits. If you have filed supplementary documents, you must re-upload any documents you wish to include in the amended claim on the "**Documentation**" page. Please include only documents that are directly related to your claim.
4. Once you have completed your edits, continue to click through the fillable claim form until you reach the "**Review**" page. The Review page includes all the information that you have provided in the claim up to this point. Carefully double-check the information on this page. If you have any corrections, you can select "**Edit**" to revise any entries necessary. Each section of information has an "**Edit**" button, which will take you back to that section so you can make changes. After you make changes, you can click "**Save & review**" to return to the Review page. Please review your claim carefully. Once you submit your amended claim, you will be unable to edit the claim while it is in compliance review.
5. Once you have completed your review and any revisions, you must confirm that the information in your claim is accurate and truthful to the best of your knowledge. To complete the declaration, type your full name into the "**Digital signature**" box near the bottom of the "**Review filing**" page and click "**Agree & submit.**"

If you have questions, please contact asktheboard@ccb.gov. Include your docket number in the subject line. The Board is unable to provide legal advice. We can only provide legal information and assistance concerning Board procedures and requirements. You may also refer to the [Compliance Review](#) chapter of the CCB Handbook for more assistance.