Docket number: 23-CCB-0210 October 12, 2023

Robert H Rankin, Jr

CLAIMANT

V.

Instagram

RESPONDENT

## ORDER DISMISSING CLAIM WITHOUT PREJUDICE

The Copyright Claims Board (Board) received a request from the claimant to withdraw and dismiss this claim without prejudice on October 6, 2023. The respondent submitted an opt-out on October 9, 2023 before the Board had an opportunity to act on the request for dismissal. The Board dismisses the claim without prejudice and closes case 23-CCB-0210. 37 C.F.R. § 222.17(a)-(b). A claim that is dismissed by the Board without prejudice following the submission of an opt-out notice may then be filed in federal court. However, if the claimant attempts to refile a claim with the Board against the same respondent, covering in substance the same acts and the same theories of recovery as in this proceeding, the Board will again dismiss the claim, unless the claimant can demonstrate that the respondent affirmatively agreed to have the dispute resubmitted to the Board for resolution. 37 C.F.R § 223.1(i).

Copyright Claims Board