Docket number: 24-CCB-0312

March 7, 2025

Bryan Essing	V. ———	Diego DeLeon
CLAIMANT		RESPONDENT

ORDER DISMISSING CLAIM WITHOUT PREJUDICE

The Copyright Claims Board (Board) issued orders that notified the claimant on November 20, 2024, and December 23, 2024, that the claim and amended claim, respectively, did not comply with the applicable statutory and regulatory requirements for filings before the Board. On January 21, 2025, the claimant filed a second amended claim, which was the final opportunity to file a compliant claim. 17 U.S.C. § 1506(f)(1)(B); 37 C.F.R. § 224.1(d).

A Copyright Claims Attorney reviewed the second amended claim and determined that the infringement claim is still noncompliant because it does not include clear allegations about the number and titles of allegedly infringed works. A copyright infringement claim must provide enough information for the respondent to identify the works claimant alleges have been infringed.

The Copyright Claims Attorney referred the claim to a Copyright Claims Officer to confirm that it does not comply with the applicable requirements and that this proceeding should, therefore, be dismissed without prejudice. 17 U.S.C. § 1506(f)(1)(B). The Copyright Claims Officer reviewed the second amended claim and concurs with the finding of noncompliance. For the reasons set forth, the second amended claim does not present clear facts sufficient to show a plausible claim of copyright infringement. Accordingly, the Board dismisses the claim without prejudice and closes this case. Dismissal without prejudice means that the allegations may be raised again by filing a new claim if there is no agreement with the respondents to the contrary.

Copyright Claims Board