Docket number: 23-CCB-0349

November 1, 2023

Sarah Welch	V	Crazy Legs Productions, Inc., The Learning Channel, Inc., and Warner Bros Discovery, Inc.
CLAIMANT		RESPONDENTS

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 1, 2023**. 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.

Proper Respondents

You have raised a claim of copyright infringement before the Board, naming three respondents. You allege that the allegedly infringed work, a mural titled "Commute" installed in downtown Houston, appeared in "B roll footage" of four episodes of The Learning Channel show "Bad Hair Day."

For each respondent you name as an alleged infringer, you must state allegations regarding that respondent's allegedly infringing activity. In the "Wrongful activities" section of the claim, you indicate that the respondents publicly displayed the work, and in the "Description of harm suffered and relief sought" section you allege: "The Learning Channel, Crazy Legs Productions, and Warner Brothers Media made multiple unauthorized copies along with unauthorized distribution and public display of 'Commute' as part of their footage with no compensation to Sarah Welch." Beyond those general assertions, your claim does not state facts that clearly describe each respondent's role in the allegedly infringing acts. You have not stated enough facts explaining what activities each respondent engaged in that allegedly infringed the work, so that each of the respondents can understand the nature of the claim against them.

If you file an amended claim, it must include allegations that state or show how each named respondent engaged in infringing activity. You must provide more specific details regarding particular infringing acts by each respondent.

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 supplemental documents, <u>you must re-upload any documents you wish to include in the amended claim</u> on the "**Documentation**" page. Please include only documents directly related to your claim, and label them clearly.
- 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 <u>asktheboard@ccb.gov</u>. 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. If you would like to seek further guidance from a lawyer or a law student at reduced or no cost, please visit the <u>Pro Bono Assistance</u> page on ccb.gov. You may also refer to the <u>Compliance Review</u> chapter of the CCB Handbook for more assistance.

Copyright Claims Attorney