

From: [Patty Hevly](#)
To: [TM FR Notices](#)
Subject: LOP Protest
Date: Sunday, September 22, 2019 11:35:54 AM

I think the idea of charging to file a letter of protest is terrible. I work in the art industry selling products with my art on them such as t-shirts, coffee mugs and pillows. My business has been greatly effected by frivolous trademarks. People filing a trademark on a phrase rather than an actual brand in other to corner the market. One of the craziest recent ones is Dogs. Do you know how widely used dogs are? A couple other examples are. Dink Responsibly and Soccer Girl. The letter of protest gives the art community a way to fight back and try to show that you can't trademark phrases. I think we are actually helping you and your attorneys by gathering the evidence you need to be able to make an informed decision. I understand you are overworked which is why our help is needed even more. Let us keep gathering the evidence of this abuse for you but please don't charge us to do it. It's hard enough fighting art theft please help keep the spoken words free. I am fully behind real companies trademarking their name but frivolous ones are pretty obvious to us. Please help us help you.

Thank you,
Patty Hevly