Dear Commissioner Cain:

This letter is in regards to the proposed Trademark Processing Fees for the "Letter of Protest on Paper" and "Letter of Protest" (LOP).

I understand the increase of LOP's is becoming burdensome. However, the fee ignores the root cause of the increase: Live Trademarks that violate trademark polices. I am not an attorney, nor have I ever attended Law School. However, I am able to spot a frivolous mark that an Examining Attorney overlooks. Instead of issuing a fee increase, please address the reasons for the influx of Letter of Protests instead.

I have filed several LOP's for applications that clearly violate the USPTO's standards for filling a TM, and they are now live (Re: "Feeling Dangerous" and "Dawgs Gotta Eat").

Please do not encourage an atmosphere of "typical government politics" where the government's comfort seems to be the only concern you're looking out for. Please encourage Examining Attorneys to do their due diligence and Letters of Protests will decrease. An increase in fees will hurt small businesses while overlooking the real issue. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lana