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To: TM FR Notices

Subject: NO WAY to the \$100 fee to protest frivolous TMs Date: Monday, September 23, 2019 11:19:11 PM

To whom it may concern,

First off, much RESPECT to the USPTO for all that you do! It's a complicated and complex world out there an the USPTO is basically tasked with and near-impossible job of accepting and examining so many applications and then granting legit trademarks.

I support many designers and creators that I know who make use of the USPTO letter of protest system for challenging trademark applications that could be deemed frivolous. We've seen a lot of TM applications for marks that certainly do not pass for actual trademarks.

Some examples:

DOGS 5843989 GINGER 5522713 DUH 5535385 WAR 5544499 1970 5651855

I heard about the potential filing fee of \$100-\$200 just to file a letter of protest and I would like to formally and officially protest against any such fees or proposed fees. If someone has a legitimate TM, then they should be the ones to make their case and defend the use and registration of their mark. Passing a fee on to those who are actually helping keep frivolous TMs out of the system seems like a counterintuitive approach.

Thanks!

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