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To: adriennegayethompson@gmail.com

Dear Adrienne Thompson:

Thank you for your reply to our recent e-mail. I am responding to you directly because you specifically requested to speak to a supervisor in the Copyright Office.

In the copyright office we complete registrations in accordance with Title 17 USC and the related regulations spelled out in 37 CFR. We don't make personal decisions concerning works we want to register and works we don't want to register, we simply make registrations in accordance with the law.

You indicated on your application that this work was published in 1983. The law is very clear that any work published prior to March 1, 1989 must bear an appropriate Copyright Notice. If a work was published without the appropriate copyright notice, the copyright was lost. Therefore, before we can register any work published prior to March 1, 1989 we must see a copy of the work as it was originally published in order to ascertain whether or not the original work contained the appropriate notice.

If you can provide us with an original copy of this work, or some evidence of the original notice (as spelled out in Ms. Martley's e-mail) we will consider registering this work. If you are not able to provide this evidence, we will have to refuse registration.

Please note that if we do not receive a response to this message within 20 days, we will close this case without processing your registration or notifying you further, and forward your deposit copy(ies) under the provisions of the current copyright law. The fee is not refundable. If you re-apply for registration after the case is closed, you must send a new application, copy and fee. The effective date of registration will be based on the new submission.

Thank You,
Charles Bubeck
Copyright Specialist
Office of Registration Policy and Practice
United States Copyright Office

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