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Advocating in support of strong copyright laws, procedures and policies through amicus briefs, public campaigns, official and informal meetings with the Copyright Office, and meetings with the elected government officials who vote on these laws.

Advocating for improved copyright registration process for visual artists – currently an expensive and complex process.

Offering public educational programming for visual artists and writers addressing subjects including copyright protection, fair contracts, licensing, marketing, sales, negotiations, strategic planning, legal issues, craft, and basic business practices.

Advocating for favorable laws and regulations that support best practices for the professions. New technologies create new needs for advocacy. Our photography Member Organizations educate photographers on the best practices and legal requirements for drone usage and support legal challenges to oppressive drone laws.

Providing support and advocacy for journalists and photographers whose free speech and free press rights are being violated or threatened, through public advocacy, meetings with law enforcement, legal support, and amicus briefing.

Offering academic grants and scholarships, open to all authors and visual artists, to support their educational and career endeavors.

Advocating locally and statewide for labor law and tax reform on behalf of freelancers and contract workers.

Participating in international associations to support global advocacy on behalf of creators.

Highlights of the work done by our Member Organizations:

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