Legal & Community Advocacy Team

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Trademarks of the Wikimedia Movement
Why are Trademarks Important?

- A lot of hard community work went into building the goodwill and quality they represent
Why Do They Need To Be Protected?

(Wikipedia: Encyclopedia of Excitement)
How Do You Protect Them?

- Registration
- Licenses and rules governing use
- Work with people who want to use them legitimately
- MarkMonitor, WIPO complaints, contacting infringers
Trademark Licensing

The Berkeley Wikipedia Meetup Group

I'd like to start a meetup group for present and future Wikipedians in Berkeley a month, each meeting including a short presentation on a topic related to Wiki discussion and free socializing. **Everyone is welcome!** No previous knowledge don't hesitate to bring along your friends, co-workers, or (not too) random strangers towards newbies and just-curious folk. Join us!

Join us & be the first to know when new meetups are scheduled

Wikipedians in Berkeley!

Screenshot of Berkeley Meetup Group website

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Our Community & Copyright : Practical Expertise

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Biographies of Living Persons
Unique collaborative approach

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Publicly negotiated with community

○ Community raised, discussed, and resolved over 120 issues

○ Discussion was as many words as the Grapes of Wrath.

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Privacy: The World is Changing

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Without Free Knowledge

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Jurisdiction: Why Does it Matter?

- Affects what law applies...for WMF, it is U.S. law
- Strong protections under U.S. law
  - First Amendment
  - DMCA Safe Harbor, CDA 230, and SPEECH Act of 2010
- Affects ability to provide content without wrongful government censorship, lawsuits, and fines.
  - For example: lese-majeste laws in Thailand
- Some unfortunate restrictions under U.S. law
  - E.g., Golan decision

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Contracts

- Protect confidentiality of community and donor information.
- Ensure fundamentals of Open Source and Copyleft doctrines are not compromised.
- Protect our Trademarks and integrity of the brand and mission.
- Document obligations of Foundation and its service providers in a fair and sound manner.
- Protect the assets of the foundation.

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Wikilegal/MIDI Files

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### Are MIDI files protected by copyright?

May a user post a video containing audio derived from an unlicensed MIDI file? Short for Musical Instrument Digital Interface, a MIDI file contains instructions (such as musical notation, pitch, volume, instrument type, etc.) that are utilized by a synthesizer to generate sound.

### Requirements for Copyright

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Possible Defense Fund

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