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## Copyright Alliance Welcomes Artist Rights Society (ARS) as its Newest Member

**Washington, D.C.** – The Copyright Alliance, which represents the copyright interests of over 1.8 million individual creators and over 13,000 organizations across the spectrum of copyright disciplines, announced the addition of Artists Rights Society (ARS) as its newest member.

Headquartered in New York City, ARS is the preeminent copyright, licensing, and monitoring organization for visual arts in the United States. Founded in 1987, ARS represents the intellectual property rights interests of more than 80,000 visual artists and estates from around the world.

ARS members are primarily painters, sculptors, architects and fine art photographers. Among ARS' American members are Andy Warhol, Jackson Pollock, Alexander Calder, Georgia O'Keefe, Frank Lloyd Wright, Willem de Kooning, Mark Rothko, Robert Indiana, Sam Francis, Bruce Nauman, Frank Stella, Rchard Serra, Sol LeWitt, and many others. International members include: Henri Matisse, Pablo Picasso, Rene Magritte, Marc Chagall, Salvador Dali and others listed on the ARS website at: <u>www.arsny.com</u>.

According to Dr. Theodore Feder, President of ARS, "We are very pleased to be joining the Copyright Alliance, and look forward to working with the Alliance staff and its other members on a number of important copyright-related interests to help us continue to serve the thousands of painters, sculptors, architects and photographers that are members of ARS."

According to Copyright Alliance CEO Keith Kupferschmid, "We are thrilled to welcome ARS and its members to the community of copyright stakeholders that are Copyright Alliance members. As a respected leader within the fine arts communities, ARS will bring a wealth of knowledge and history regarding the representation of artists and artist rights. They are also joining at the perfect time, just as the Alliance is focusing on how we can better serve individual creators."

## About the Copyright Alliance

The Copyright Alliance is a non-profit, non-partisan public interest and educational organization representing the copyright interests of over 1.8 million individual creators and over 13,000 organizations in the United States, across the spectrum of copyright disciplines. The Copyright Alliance is dedicated to advocating policies that promote and preserve the value of copyright, and to protecting the rights of creators and innovators. For more information, please visit www.copyrightalliance.org.

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