
Subject: Renmaps.cjb.net Server is now full time.
Posted by [warranto](#) on Wed, 21 Jan 2004 04:49:35 GMT
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2 posts, no use quoting them both.

So, you go ahead and quote from an outside source, HOPING that there is a slight chance that they may be right? Go right ahead! I'll just give the definition that the GOVERNMENT (IE the people that authorize the registered trademarks) uses!

Quote:What is a trademark or service mark?

A trademark is a word, phrase, symbol or design, or a combination of words, phrases, symbols or designs, that identifies and distinguishes the source of the goods of one party from those of others.

A service mark is the same as a trademark, except that it identifies and distinguishes the source of a service rather than a product. Throughout this booklet, the terms "trademark" and "mark" refer to both trademarks and service marks.

Quote:Is registration of my mark required?

No. You can establish rights in a mark based on legitimate use of the mark.

So, if your going to try to prove me wrong, please do so in a way that I have no other option but accepting that you are right? Also realize that there is a difference in a trademark, and a registered trademark, but I'll leave it up to you to research, as it seems you need the practice.

Oh, but I have seem to have missed something! You seem to pull this idea, almost out of thin air, that I seem to suggest that domains can be trademarked. Never did I even mention this! Why? Because you CAN'T trademark domains! However, he can trademark the renmaps name, "based on the legitimate use of the mark". Meaning if he has a ligitimate use of it, oh say by supplying the community with maps and having the name "Renmaps" publicized because of it, he can legitimatly trademark the name! Sure you can keep your domain as "Renmaps.net" but that would be as far as the use of that name could go.

Of course this is all if he does infact decide to trademark the name.

Edit: oh, whats this? I took a closer look at your source of information, and you have -once again- seemed to omit certain things that are mentioned that would degrade your stance!

Quote:trademark indicates the source of goods or services. As this definition implies, you must be supplying some sort of goods or services in order to claim trademark protection.

Well, maybe your source IS reasonable after all! Renmaps.com provides goods and services to the Renegade community!

Quote:What is a trademark? A trademark indicates the source of goods or services.

Ah! The source of the goods or services! My, that sort of falls under MY explanation! Renmaps can't be trademarked as a word, but it CAN be trademarked at the place that provides "goods and services" to the community! Kind of like when I said: "Meaning if he has a legitimate use of it, oh say by supplying the community with maps and having the name "Renmaps" publicized because of it, he can legitimately trademark the name!". Just add on that the "name" can be trademarked only as far as a place that provides the goods and services.

Edit2: you know what? I'll save you the effort of restating you quote again, and just reject it now.

Quote:Unless they are actually selling the product in commerce or intend to sell the product in commerce, they cannot obtain trademark protection.

sell (P) Pronunciation Key (s)

v. tr.

To exchange or deliver for money or its equivalent.

Once again, the sale of goods and services does not have to be in exchange of money. Any other form of "reward" can also be acceptable, if deemed to have equivalent value. With most internet sites, they provide a service and in return they get hopefully large number of hits in return from some form of recommendation.
