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Sanford Gerald, Jul 07, 2009; 03:00 p.m.

When you [purchase a domain name](#) is it a one time expense or a yearly expense (just the name). If it's a yearly expense are you at the mercy of the seller to charge whatever they want in the future?

Responses

Joseph Leotta , Jul 07, 2009; 03:06 p.m.

see godaddy.com

Joseph Wisniewski , Jul 07, 2009; 03:18 p.m.

Are you [buying a domain name](#) that someone else already owns, or one that no one has registered?

For an existing [domain name](#), you're at the mercy of the seller, and they may do a one-time or a yearly deal.

For a new, original name, you register it with an outfit called a "register", like the one that "other" Joseph mentioned for a very low fee, anywhere from \$3-10/year. [Domain names](#) are "portable", if you can prove you own it, you can move it to a different register for minimal cost, so no one pulls a switch like jacking your yearly registration to \$1000/year.

There are scam outfits that will attempt to get you to move your domain to their register, at some cost of \$50-100/year, and they send out email and regular mail that look a lot like renewal notices. Beware.

John O'Keefe-Odom , Jul 07, 2009; 04:41 p.m.

Some businesses will offer multiple year deals; three years for so many dollars and so on.

Josh Root , Jul 07, 2009; 04:51 p.m.

The average cost is about \$9-11 a year. Any less than that and they are trying to get you to buy some other product at the same time, much more than that and you are getting ripped off.

Sanford Gerald, Jul 12, 2009; 05:32 p.m.

I finally went with DoDady to purchase my domain name and Mobileme to host it, at least until the 60 day free trial expires and then I may got to Godaddy for everything. GD has excellent customer service but they are high pressure salesmen and push you to purchase add-ons you don't need or want. Mobileme is buggy, unreliable, too expensive, and customer service leaves a lot to be desired.

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[Curtis Neeley](#), Jul 12, 2009

Interesting question!

I once had a website that I used to market my art. My company had a name almost like it. Earth Eye Images was the name of my business and eartheye.com was the name of my site.

On Sept 03, 2002 I was involved in a wreck that left me severely brain injured. I was not even my own legal guardian. While I was suffering from a loss of my memories, I did not remember my website domain. I do not remember so many other more important things that for years I was not aware it ever existed.

Jan 26, 2009 I received an email from Jason Minor acting as the VP of sales at BuyDomains and was encouraged to purchase it from them during their summer sale!

Imagine my surprise! A piece of the puzzle that is my life's history was offered to me at a great price. I replied that I had used the trademarked domain name for over a decade and that I was interested. Their summer sale that spurred this unsolicited email still left the price in the thousands! Robbing Peter to pay Paul and then using Peter's sense of loss to increase the value of the property you took from Peter! Egads!

[1997](#) , [1998](#) , [1999](#) , [2000](#) , [2001](#) , [2002](#) ,

Internet Archive Website of six years leading up to my accident.

{Nudity interspersed in all these linked archives}

[2003](#) , [2004](#) , [2005](#) , [2006](#) , [2007](#)

Archives of years after it was kidnapped and offered for ransom by NameMedia.

{See examples of the hostage ransom offer}

I am filing a lawsuit next week against NameMedia. They do business as several other companies. The own this very website. [Photo.net](#) And several others owned by NameMedia

Imagine getting your first offer for a domain you once trademarked while in a hospital? I did.

eartheye.com and sleepspot.com are two domains that I once maintained that NameMedia cybersquatted. Sleepspot.com is still currently being cybersquatted.

Just search for me by name on Google and you will see eartheye.com in the first page of results. The Florida company that just purchased the domain I once used in commerce will soon be answering a certified letter about my existing trademark.

After the case completes, losing a domain name to a competitor for non-payment of registration will no longer be a concern.

Using a domain should be the same as a trademark establishment. The common everyday citizen's trademark it will soon be!

Just stay tuned to this case because, after it is completed, another opening that cybersquatters like NameMedia are using will be slammed shut!

They knew I was the owner of the trademarked name before they sold it. Their actions were intentional and malicious. I will ask for 10 million in damages, or more, because of this.

I am not threatening a tortuous interference with business, I am suing you next week. Nothing NameMedia can do will stop this. No amount of money offered will matter till a jury rules! I will also demand a JURY trial! Erik Zilinek you will be named individually as the lawyer who was made aware of the trademark and who still chose to cybersquat!

It will only depend on whether I am able to get "in forma pauperis" status as to how long it takes me. I am sure to have several law firms look into it now. Class-Action?

1. [CurtisNeeley.com](#)
2. [Eartheye.com](#)
3. [Figure nude.com](#)
4. [SleepSpot.com](#)
5. [CurtisRes.com](#)

One and three are current. Two and four are archives of before they were cybersquatted by NameMedia, Inc.

I was not nearly the only involved person at SleepSpot! You will soon find out how many others in discovery!

[Aimee Pieters](#) , Jul 13, 2009; 01:32 p.m.

I've used Network Solutions for years. I pay them \$9.95/month for [web hosting](#), payable one year in advance and the domain registration and up to 1,000 mailboxes are included. I've also used their templates to build sites, although you're not restricted to that...-Aimee