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Changes to California Business Entity Filings effective January 1, 2013

As of January 1, 2013, new legal requirements apply to business entity documents filed with the California Secretary of State's office.

Entity and Agent Addresses

All formation/registration documents must include the business entity street address and mailing address.

All foreign corporation and foreign limited liability company registration documents must include the street address of the principal business office address in California, if one exists.

All documents listing an individual person as an agent for service of process must include the agent's California street address. All corporate agents filing a certificate pursuant to California Corporations Code section 1505 must include the California street address where process may be served. A post office box address for an agent for service of process will not be accepted on any document.

Future File Date Requests

All future file date requests for corporation and limited liability company documents must be included within the document submitted or as an attachment to be made part of the filed document.

Corporation and limited liability company documents received before January 1, 2013, with a future file date on or after January 1, 2013, must comply with the entity and agent addresses requirements listed above. This information may be included in an attachment as part of the filed document.

Copy Requests

The Secretary of State will no longer endorse and certify customer-provided copies. However, a customer who submits documents with a filing fee of \$25.00 or more will receive one (1) uncertified copy of the documents for free and, at the time of filing, the free copy may be certified for a \$5.00 certification fee. Customers requesting additional copies will be charged \$1.00 for the first page and \$0.50 for each additional page. Each certified copy requires an additional \$5.00 certification fee.

Note: While domestic stock and foreign corporations are required to pay a total of \$25.00 when filing the required Statement of Information, the total fees include a \$20.00 filing fee and a \$5.00 disclosure fee. Therefore, customers requesting copies of a Statement of Information (corporation or limited liability company) must include the copy fees described above.

Application to Register a Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)

To register an LLP in California, fill out this form, and submit for filing along with:

- A **\$70** filing fee, and
- If the LLP is formed in another state or country, a certificate of good standing, issued within the last six (6) months by the agency where the LLP is formed.
- A separate, non-refundable **\$15** service fee also must be included, if you drop off the completed form.

Attach extra pages if you need to include any other matters.

Important! LLPs in California may have to pay a minimum \$800 yearly tax to the California Franchise Tax Board. For more information, go to <https://www.ftb.ca.gov>.

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For questions about this form, go to: www.sos.ca.gov/business/be/filing-tips.htm

Name to be used for this LLP in California

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Proposed LLP Name

The name **must** end with: "Registered Limited Liability Partnership," "Limited Liability Partnership," "L.L.P.," "LLP," "R.L.L.P.," or "RLLP."

Place of Formation

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The LLP is registering as a (check only one box):

- a. California registered LLP formed under the laws of California.
- b. Foreign LLP formed under the laws of _____

List the state or country where the foreign LLP is formed.

LLP Addresses

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- a. _____
Street Address of Principal Office City (no abbreviations) State Zip
- b. _____
Mailing Address of Principal Office, if different from 3a City (no abbreviations) State Zip

Service of Process (List a California resident or an active 1505 corporation in California that agrees to be your agent to accept service of process in case the LLP is sued. You may list any adult who lives in California. You may **not** list an LLP as your agent.)

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- a. _____
Agent's Name
- b. _____
Agent's Street Address (if agent is **not** a corporation) City (no abbreviations) State Zip

Type of Business

⑤

The business in which the LLP is engaged is (check only one box):

- The practice of Architecture The practice of Engineering The practice of Land Surveying
- The practice of Law The practice of Public Accountancy
- Related to: _____

List the name of the LLP to which your LLP is related, exactly as it appears on the records of the California Secretary of State. A related LLP is a California registered LLP that practices public accountancy or law, or is a foreign LLP.

Read and sign below: This form must be signed by one or more authorized partners, or if registering a foreign LLP, by a person with authority to do so under the laws of the state or country where the foreign LLP is formed. If you need more space, attach extra pages that are 1-sided and on standard letter-sized paper (8 1/2" x 11"). All attachments are part of this registration.



Sign here

Print your name here

Your business title

Make check/money order payable to: **Secretary of State**

Upon filing, we will return one (1) uncertified copy of your filed document for free, and will certify the copy upon request and payment of a \$5 certification fee.

By Mail

Secretary of State
Business Entities, P.O. Box 944228
Sacramento, CA 94244-2280

Drop-Off

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Alternative Security Provision of a Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)

To confirm compliance with the alternative security provisions of California Corporations Code section 16956, fill out this form, and submit for filing along with:

- A **\$30** filing fee. Note: There is no filing fee if you are submitting this Form LLP-3 together with your Application to Register (Form LLP-1).
- A separate, non-refundable **\$15** service fee also must be included, if you drop off the completed form.

Do I have to file this form? If the LLP chooses to comply with the alternative security provisions discussed in Item 5 below, you must file this form with the California Secretary of State each year within 4 months of the end of the LLP's fiscal year.

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① **LLP's File No.** (issued by CA Secretary of State)

② **LLP's Exact Name** (on file with CA Secretary of State)

If you don't know the file number, leave Item 1 blank.

③ **Place of Formation**

The LLP is formed under the laws of: _____
List the state or country where the LLP is formed.

④ **LLP Address**

_____ *street address of principal office* _____ *city (no abbreviations)* _____ *state zip*

⑤ **Statement Pursuant to Section 16956** (Should not be altered.)

The registered or foreign LLP chooses to satisfy the requirements of California Corporations Code section 16956 by confirming, pursuant to section 16956(a)(1)(D), 16956(a)(2)(D), 16956(a)(3)(D) or 16956(a)(4)(D) and 16956(c), that as of the most recently completed fiscal year, the LLP had a net worth equal to or exceeding fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) in the case of an LLP providing legal services, or ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) in the case of an LLP providing accountancy services, architectural services, engineering services, or land surveying services.

⑥ **Read and sign below:** This form must be signed by an authorized person.

Sign here

Date

Print your name here

Your business title

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