

STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS
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INFORMATION FOR DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN GENERAL PARTNERSHIPS
Chapter 425, Hawaii Revised Statutes

Registered Agent

Section 425-18 provides that each domestic corporation shall have and continuously maintain in this State a registered agent who has a business address in this state. The registered agent shall be either an individual residing in this State or a domestic or foreign entity authorized to transact business in this State.

Section 425-19 provides that a domestic corporation may change its registered agent or registered agent's name, business address, or its type or jurisdiction of organization by delivering to the department director for filing a statement of change setting forth the particulars required by this section.

Section 425-20 provides that any registered agent in this State appointed by a domestic corporation may resign as the registered agent by signing and delivering a statement of resignation to the department director for filing. The registered agent shall promptly furnish the represented entity notice in a record of the date on which a statement of resignation was filed. The statement of resignation takes effect on the earlier of the thirty-first day after the day on which it is filed or the appointment of a new registered agent for the represented entity.

Name Change

Section 425-7 provides that whenever any partnership shall change its partnership name, it shall within thirty days thereafter file in the office of the director of commerce and consumer affairs a statement showing: (1) the registered name of the partnership; and (2) the new name of the partnership. The statement shall be signed and certified as correct by any partner.

Dissolution of domestic general partnership

Section 425-9 provides that whenever a domestic general partnership is dissolved, and the business is not continued, a statement thereof showing the cause of dissolution shall be filed in the office of the director of commerce and consumer affairs within thirty days after the dissolution. The statement shall be certified by at least one partner who shall certify that the dissolution was approved by all of the partners. Forms are available from the department.

Withdrawal of foreign general partnership

Section 425-17 provides that a foreign general partnership may withdraw its certificate of authority to transact business in the State of Hawaii by filing an application for a certificate of withdrawal. Forms are available from the department.

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Annual Statement

Sections 425-1 provides that an annual statement shall be filed within the time periods prescribed in subsections (c) and (d) that read as follows:

- (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, annual statements reflecting the period from January 1, 2002, through December 31, 2002, that would otherwise be required, may be voluntarily filed with the department director if the annual statement complies with the requirements of this section.
- (d) Effective January 1, 2003, for a domestic or foreign partnership whose date of registration in this State falls between:
- (1) January 1 and March 31, an annual statement shall be filed on or before March 31 of each year and shall reflect the state of the partnership's affairs as of January 1 of the year when filed;
 - (2) April 1 and June 30, an annual statement shall be filed on or before June 30 of each year and shall reflect the state of the partnership's affairs as of April 1 of the year when filed;
 - (3) July 1 and September 30, an annual statement shall be filed on or before September 30 of each year and shall reflect the state of the partnership's affairs as of July 1 of the year when filed; and
 - (4) October 1 and December 31, an annual statement shall be filed on or before December 31 of each year and shall reflect the state of the partnership's affairs as of October 1 of the year when filed;

provided that if a domestic or foreign partnership is registered in the same year in which the annual report is due, the domestic or foreign partnership shall not be required to file an annual statement for that year. Thereafter, the domestic or foreign partnership shall comply with the requirements of this section.

A \$5.00 fee must be paid upon filing of the statement.

Reminders will be mailed to every partnership each year, and in order to assure receipt of the same, this department shall be notified in writing of any change of address. The address change notification must be signed by a partner.

Failure to file the statement within the prescribed time will subject the partnership to a maximum penalty of \$25.00 for each thirty-day period that the delinquency continues. If the annual statement is not filed for a period of two years, the partnership may be involuntarily cancelled by the director pursuant to Section 425-14.

Note: Effective January 1, 2007, Section 425-1(b) provides that "A domestic or foreign partnership that has filed with the department director a statement of qualification or statement of foreign qualification to register as a limited liability partnership or foreign limited liability partnership shall file the annual report prescribed in Section 425-163 in lieu of the annual statement required hereof."

For any questions call (808) 586-2727. Neighbor islands may call the following numbers followed by 6-2727 and the # sign: Kauai 274-3141; Maui 984-2400; Hawaii 974-4000, Lanai & Molokai 1-800-468-4644 (toll free).

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