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16-1a-303 Name requirements for certain types of entities.

(1) The corporate name of a nonprofit organization:

(a) may, but is not required to contain:

(i) the word:

- (A) "corporation";
- (B) "incorporated";
- (C) "company"; or
- (D) a word of similar import; or

(ii) the abbreviation:

- (A) "Corp.";
- (B) "Inc.";
- (C) "Co."; or
- (D) an abbreviation of similar import; and

(b) may not contain:

(i) a word or phrase that indicates or implies that the nonprofit corporation is organized for a purpose other than a purpose permitted by:

- (A) Section 16-6a-301; and
- (B) the nonprofit corporation's articles of incorporation; or

(ii) the term:

- (A) "limited liability company";
- (B) "limited company";
- (C) "limited liability partnership"; or
- (D) "limited partnership"; or

(iii) a word or abbreviation of similar import to a term listed in Subsection (1)(b)(ii).

(2)

(a) The name of a corporation shall contain:

(i) the word:

- (A) "corporation";
- (B) "incorporated";
- (C) "company"; or
- (D) a word of similar import;

(ii) the abbreviation:

- (A) "Corp.";
- (B) "Inc.";
- (C) "Co."; or
- (D) an abbreviation of similar import; and

(iii) for a business corporation, may not contain language stating or implying that a business corporation is organized for a purpose other than a purpose permitted by:

- (A) Section 16-10a-301; and
- (B) the business corporation's articles of incorporation.

(b) The name of a corporation or a foreign corporation may not contain:

(i) the term:

- (A) "decentralized autonomous organization";
- (B) "limited liability company";
- (C) "limited company";
- (D) "limited liability partnership";
- (E) "limited partnership"; or

- (F) "limited liability limited partnership"; or
- (ii) any word or abbreviation of similar import to a term listed in Subsection (2)(b)(i).
- (c) The name of an entity, other than a corporation formed in accordance with this title or a foreign entity authorized to transact business in this state may not contain:
 - (i) the term:
 - (A) "Corp.";
 - (B) "corporation";
 - (C) "Inc."; or
 - (D) "incorporated"; or
 - (ii) a word or abbreviation of similar import to a term listed in Subsection (2)(c)(i).
- (3)
 - (a) The name of a limited partnership may contain the name of a partner.
 - (b) The name of a limited partnership that is not a limited liability limited partnership:
 - (i) shall contain:
 - (A) the phrase "limited partnership"; or
 - (B) the abbreviation "L.P." or "LP"; and
 - (ii) may not contain:
 - (A) the phrase "limited liability limited partnership" or "registered limited liability limited partnership"; or
 - (B) the abbreviation "L.L.L.P.," "LLLP," "R.L.L.L.P.," or "RLLLLP."
 - (c) The name of a limited partnership that is a limited liability limited partnership:
 - (i) shall contain:
 - (A) the phrase "limited liability limited partnership"; or
 - (B) the abbreviation "L.L.L.P.," "LLLP," "R.L.L.L.P.," or "RLLLLP"; and
 - (ii) may not contain the abbreviation "L.P." or "LP."
 - (d) The name of a limited partnership or a limited liability limited partnership or the name of a foreign limited partnership or a foreign limited liability limited partnership that registers to do business in this state may not contain:
 - (i) the term:
 - (A) "association";
 - (B) "corporation";
 - (C) "decentralized autonomous organization";
 - (D) "incorporated";
 - (E) "limited liability company"; or
 - (F) "limited company"; or
 - (ii) a word or abbreviation that is of similar import to a term listed in Subsection (3)(d)(i).
 - (e) The name of an entity other than a limited partnership or a limited liability limited partnership or the name of a foreign limited partnership or a foreign limited liability partnership that registers to do business in this state may not contain:
 - (i) the term:
 - (A) "limited partnership";
 - (B) "LP";
 - (C) "L.P.";
 - (D) "limited liability partnership";
 - (E) "LLLP"; or
 - (F) "L.L.L.P."; or
 - (ii) a word or abbreviation that is of similar import to a term listed in Subsection (3)(e)(i).
- (4)

- (a) The name of a limited liability partnership shall contain:
 - (i) the phrase "limited liability partnership" or "registered limited liability partnership"; or
 - (ii) the abbreviation "L.L.P.," "R.L.L.P.," "LLP," or "RLLP."
 - (b) The name of a limited liability partnership or a foreign limited liability partnership may not contain:
 - (i) the term:
 - (A) "association";
 - (B) "corporation";
 - (C) "decentralized autonomous organization";
 - (D) "incorporated";
 - (E) "limited liability company";
 - (F) "limited company";
 - (G) "limited partnership"; or
 - (H) "Ltd."; or
 - (ii) a word or abbreviation that is of similar import to a term listed in Subsection (4)(b)(i).
 - (c) The name of an entity other than a limited liability partnership or the name of a foreign limited liability partnership that registers to do business in this state may not contain:
 - (i) the term:
 - (A) "limited liability partnership";
 - (B) "LLP"; or
 - (C) "L.L.P."; or
 - (ii) a word or abbreviation that is of similar import to Subsection (4)(c)(i).
- (5)
- (a) The name of a limited liability company shall contain:
 - (i) the phrase "limited liability company" or "limited company"; or
 - (ii) the abbreviation "L.L.C.," "LLC," "L.C.," or "LC."
 - (b) A limited liability company's name may abbreviate the term:
 - (i) "limited" as "Ltd."; and
 - (ii) "company" as "Co."
 - (c) The name of a limited liability company or a foreign limited liability company may not contain:
 - (i) the term:
 - (A) "association";
 - (B) "corporation";
 - (C) "decentralized autonomous organization";
 - (D) "incorporated";
 - (E) "partnership";
 - (F) "limited partnership"; or
 - (G) "L.P."; or
 - (ii) a word or abbreviation that is of similar import to a term listed in Subsection (5)(c)(i).
 - (d) The name of an entity other than a limited liability company or the name of a foreign limited liability company authorized to do business in this state may not contain:
 - (i) the term:
 - (A) "limited liability company";
 - (B) "limited company";
 - (C) "L.L.C.";
 - (D) "L.C.";
 - (E) "LLC"; or
 - (F) "LC"; or

- (ii) a word or abbreviation that is of similar import to a term listed in Subsection (5)(d)(i).
- (6)
- (a) The name of a limited cooperative association shall contain:
 - (i) the phrase "limited cooperative association" or "limited cooperative"; or
 - (ii) the abbreviation "L.C.A." or "LCA."
 - (b) A limited cooperative association's name may abbreviate the term:
 - (i) "association" as:
 - (A) "Assn";
 - (B) "Assn.";
 - (C) "Assoc"; or
 - (D) "Assoc.";
 - (ii) "cooperative" as:
 - (A) "Co-op.";
 - (B) "Coop."; or
 - (C) "Co-op"; and
 - (iii) "limited" as "Ltd."
 - (c) The name of entity other than a limited cooperative association may not contain:
 - (i) the term:
 - (A) "limited cooperative association";
 - (B) "L.C.A."; or
 - (C) "LCA"; or
 - (ii) a word or abbreviation that is of similar import to a term listed in Subsection (6)(c)(i).
- (7)
- (a) The name of a professional corporation as set forth in the professional corporation's articles of incorporation:
 - (i) shall contain the terms:
 - (A) "professional corporation"; or
 - (B) "P.C.";
 - (ii) may not contain the words:
 - (A) "incorporated"; or
 - (B) "Inc."; and
 - (iii) may not contain language stating or implying that the professional corporation is organized for a purpose other than that permitted by Section 16-11-6 and the professional corporation's articles of incorporation.
 - (b) A person, other than a professional corporation formed or registered in accordance with this title, may not use in the person's name in this state the term:
 - (i) "professional corporation"; or
 - (ii) "P.C."
- (8)
- (a) The name of a benefit limited liability company may contain:
 - (i) the term:
 - (A) "benefit limited liability company"; or
 - (B) "benefit limited company"; or
 - (ii) the abbreviation:
 - (A) "B.L.L.C.";
 - (B) "BLLC";
 - (C) "B.L.C."; or
 - (D) "BLC."

- (b) When contained in the name of a benefit limited liability company, the term:
 - (i) "limited" may be abbreviated as "Ltd."; and
 - (ii) "company" may be abbreviated as "Co."
- (9)
 - (a) The name of a limited liability decentralized autonomous organization shall contain:
 - (i) the term:
 - (A) "limited liability decentralized autonomous organization"; or
 - (B) "limited decentralized autonomous organization"; or
 - (ii) the abbreviation:
 - (A) "L.L.D.";
 - (B) "LLD";
 - (C) "L.D."; or
 - (D) "LD."
 - (b) In the name of a decentralized autonomous organization:
 - (i) "limited" may be abbreviated as "Ltd."; and
 - (ii) "decentralized autonomous organization" may be abbreviated as "DAO."
 - (c) The name of a decentralized autonomous organization may not contain:
 - (i) the term:
 - (A) "association";
 - (B) "corporation";
 - (C) "incorporated";
 - (D) "partnership";
 - (E) "limited liability company";
 - (F) "limited partnership"; or
 - (G) "L.P."; or
 - (ii) a word or abbreviation that is of similar import to the terms listed in Subsection (9)(c)(i).
 - (d) A person, other than a decentralized autonomous organization formed or registered in accordance with this title, may not use in the person's name in this state:
 - (i) the term:
 - (A) "limited liability decentralized autonomous organization"; or
 - (B) "limited decentralized autonomous organization"; or
 - (ii) the abbreviation:
 - (A) "L.L.DAO";
 - (B) "L.L.D.";
 - (C) "L.DAO"; or
 - (D) "L.D."
- (10)
 - (a) The words, "business trust" shall be the last words of the name of every business trust registered under Chapter 15, Utah Business Trust Registration Act.
 - (b) A person that participates in the omission of the words "business trust" in the commercial use of the name of the business trust, or knowingly acquiesces in the omission is liable for any indebtedness, damage, or liability resulting from the omission.

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