

**17-7929. Resignation of resident agent; effect of failure to appoint successor; service of process.** (a) The resident agent of one or more covered entities may resign without appointing a successor by paying a fee if authorized by law, as provided by K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 17-7910, and amendments thereto, and filing a certificate of resignation, with the secretary of state stating that the resident agent resigns as resident agent for the covered entities identified in the certificate, but such resignation shall not become effective until 30 days after the certificate is filed. The certificate shall be executed by the resident agent, shall contain a statement that written notice of resignation was given to each affected covered entity at least 30 days prior to the filing of the certificate by mailing or delivering such notice to the covered entity at its address last known to the resident agent and shall set forth the date of such notice.

(b) After receipt of the notice of the resignation of its resident agent, provided for in subsection (a), any covered entity for which such resident agent was acting shall obtain and designate a new resident agent to take the place of the resident agent so resigning. Such covered entity shall pay a fee if authorized by law, as provided by K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 17-7910, and amendments thereto, and file with the secretary of state a certificate setting forth the name and address of the successor resident agent. Upon such filing, the successor resident agent shall become the resident agent of such covered entity and the successor resident agent's address, as stated in such certificate, shall become the address of the covered entity's registered office in this state. If such covered entity fails to obtain and designate a new resident agent as aforesaid, prior to the expiration of the period of 60 days after the filing by the resident agent of the certificate of resignation, the secretary of state shall declare the entity's organizing documents forfeited.

(c) After the resignation of the resident agent shall have become effective, as provided in subsection (a), and if no new resident agent shall have been obtained and designated in the time and manner provided for in subsection (b), service of legal process against the covered entity for which the resigned resident agent had been acting shall thereafter be upon the secretary of state in the manner prescribed by K.S.A. 60-304, and amendments thereto.

(d) Any covered entity affected by the filing of a certificate under this section shall not be required to take any further action to amend its public organic documents to reflect a change of registered office or resident agent.

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