

Maryland, or organized under the laws of another state, which [or who] solicits contributions from people in this State is subject to the provisions of this subtitle and shall be deemed to have irrevocably appointed the Secretary of State as its [or his] agent upon whom may be served any summons, subpoena, subpoena duces tecum, or other process directed to the charitable organization, ~~professional~~ [fund-raiser] FUND-RAISING counsel, [or] professional solicitor, OR SOLICITOR, or any partner, principal officer, or director thereof in any action or proceeding brought under the provisions of this subtitle. Service of process upon the Secretary of State shall be made by personally delivering to and leaving [with him] a copy of [it] THE PROCESS WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE. Such service shall be sufficient service upon the charitable organization, ~~professional~~ [fund-raiser] FUND-RAISING counsel, [or] professional solicitor, OR SOLICITOR, provided a copy of it is sent by the Secretary of State to the charitable organization, ~~professional~~ [fund-raiser] FUND-RAISING counsel, [or] professional solicitor, OR SOLICITOR by registered or certified mail TO THE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS.

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(a) A charitable organization, ~~professional~~ [fund-raiser] FUND-RAISING counsel, [or] professional solicitor, OR SOLICITOR which wilfully fails to file a registration statement, report, or other information with the Secretary of State or wilfully files such a statement, report, or other information which is materially false, or otherwise wilfully violates the requirements of this subtitle, is guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than \$5,000 or sentenced to imprisonment for not more than one year, or be both fined and imprisoned. An officer, director, partner, or trustee of a charitable organization, ~~professional~~ [fund-raiser] FUND-RAISING counsel, [or] professional solicitor, OR SOLICITOR which is organized in corporate, partnership, or other organizational form who causes the entity to commit a wilful violation of this subtitle is also guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, is subject to the same penalties as the entity.

(b) The Secretary of State is authorized[, upon complaint or upon his own motion,] to investigate alleged violations of this subtitle. If [he finds] A FINDING IS MADE that a charitable organization, ~~professional~~ [fund-raiser] FUND-RAISING counsel, [or] professional solicitor, OR SOLICITOR has violated a provision of this subtitle, [he may] THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY TAKE 1 OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

- (1) Cancel and annul the registration of the violator;
- (2) Refer the matter to the Attorney General for civil enforcement under subsection (c); and
- (3) Refer the matter to the appropriate State's attorney for prosecution.