

(I) THE NAME OF ANY CORPORATION, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, OR LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS STATE;

(II) THE NAME OF ANY FOREIGN CORPORATION, FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, OR FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY REGISTERED OR QUALIFIED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE; OR

(III) ANY NAME WHICH IS RESERVED OR REGISTERED UNDER § 2-107, § 4A-209, § 7-101, § 10-103, OR § 10-904 OR RECORDED UNDER § 1-406 OF THIS ARTICLE.

(B) (1) EVERY 5 YEARS FOLLOWING THE YEAR IN WHICH THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY IS FORMED, EACH LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY SHALL FILE BY SEPTEMBER 15 A FORM PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT AFFIRMING THAT THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY IS ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS FOR WHICH IT WAS FORMED.

(2) A FAILURE TO FILE THE AFFIRMATION ON TIME SHALL RESULT IN FORFEITURE OF THE RIGHT TO USE THE NAME SET FORTH IN THE ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION.

4A-209. RESERVATION OF NAME; TRANSFER OF RESERVED NAME.

(A) THE EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO USE A SPECIFIED NAME FOR A DOMESTIC OR FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY MAY BE RESERVED BY:

(1) A PERSON WHO INTENDS TO ORGANIZE A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY;

(2) A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY THAT PROPOSES TO CHANGE ITS NAME;

(3) A FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY THAT INTENDS TO REGISTER TO DO BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND; OR

(4) A FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY REGISTERED TO DO BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND THAT PROPOSES TO CHANGE ITS NAME.

(B) (1) A PERSON MAY RESERVE A SPECIFIED NAME BY FILING A SIGNED APPLICATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT.

(2) IF THE DEPARTMENT FINDS THAT THE NAME IS AVAILABLE FOR USE BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL RESERVE THE NAME FOR 30 DAYS FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE APPLICANT.