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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO ENACT THE UNIFORM LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
10 ACT (2001); TO PROVIDE TRANSITIONAL RULES; AND
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

13 TO ENACT THE UNIFORM LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
14 ACT (2001) AND TO PROVIDE TRANSITIONAL
15 RULES.
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 4 is amended to add an additional
22 chapter to read as follows:

23 CHAPTER 47 – Uniform Limited Partnership Act (2001)

24 Subchapter 1 – General Provisions

25 4-47-101. Short title.

26 This chapter may be cited as the Uniform Limited Partnership Act
27 (2001).
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29 4-47-102. Definitions.

30 In this chapter:

31 (1) “Certificate of limited partnership” means the certificate
32 required by § 4-47-201. The term includes the certificate as amended or
33 restated.

34 (2) “Contribution”, except in the phrase “right of
35 contribution,” means any benefit provided by a person to a limited
36 partnership in order to become a partner or in the person’s capacity as a



1 partner.

2 (3) "Debtor in bankruptcy" means a person that is the subject
3 of:

4 (A) an order for relief under Title 11 of the United
5 States Code or a comparable order under a successor statute of general
6 application; or

7 (B) a comparable order under federal, state, or foreign
8 law governing insolvency.

9 (4) "Designated office" means:

10 (A) with respect to a limited partnership, the office that
11 the limited partnership is required to designate and maintain under § 4-47-
12 114; and

13 (B) with respect to a foreign limited partnership, its
14 principal office.

15 (5) "Distribution" means a transfer of money or other property
16 from a limited partnership to a partner in the partner's capacity as a
17 partner or to a transferee on account of a transferable interest owned by the
18 transferee.

19 (6) "Foreign limited liability limited partnership" means a
20 foreign limited partnership whose general partners have limited liability for
21 the obligations of the foreign limited partnership under a provision similar
22 to § 4-47-404(c).

23 (7) "Foreign limited partnership" means a partnership formed
24 under the laws of a jurisdiction other than this State and required by those
25 laws to have one or more general partners and one or more limited partners.
26 The term includes a foreign limited liability limited partnership.

27 (8) "General partner" means:

28 (A) with respect to a limited partnership, a person that:
29 (i) becomes a general partner under § 4-47-401; or
30 (ii) was a general partner in a limited partnership
31 when the limited partnership became subject to this chapter under § 4-47-
32 1206(a) or (b); and

33 (B) with respect to a foreign limited partnership, a
34 person that has rights, powers, and obligations similar to those of a general
35 partner in a limited partnership.

36 (9) "Limited liability limited partnership", except in the

1 phrase “foreign limited liability limited partnership”, means a limited
2 partnership whose certificate of limited partnership states that the limited
3 partnership is a limited liability limited partnership.

4 (10) “Limited partner” means:

5 (A) with respect to a limited partnership, a person that:

6 (i) becomes a limited partner under § 4-47-301; or

7 (ii) was a limited partner in a limited partnership

8 when the limited partnership became subject to this chapter under § 4-47-
9 1206(a) or (b); and

10 (B) with respect to a foreign limited partnership, a
11 person that has rights, powers, and obligations similar to those of a limited
12 partner in a limited partnership.

13 (11) “Limited partnership”, except in the phrases “foreign
14 limited partnership” and “foreign limited liability limited partnership”,
15 means an entity, having one or more general partners and one or more limited
16 partners, which is formed under this chapter by two or more persons or
17 becomes subject to this chapter under subchapter 11 or § 4-47-1206(a) or (b).
18 The term includes a limited liability limited partnership.

19 (12) “Partner” means a limited partner or general partner.

20 (13) “Partnership agreement” means the partners’ agreement,
21 whether oral, implied, in a record, or in any combination, concerning the
22 limited partnership. The term includes the agreement as amended.

23 (14) “Person” means an individual, corporation, business trust,
24 estate, trust, partnership, limited liability company, association, joint
25 venture, government; governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality;
26 public corporation, or any other legal or commercial entity.

27 (15) “Person dissociated as a general partner” means a person
28 dissociated as a general partner of a limited partnership.

29 (16) “Principal office” means the office where the principal
30 executive office of a limited partnership or foreign limited partnership is
31 located, whether or not the office is located in this State.

32 (17) “Record” means information that is inscribed on a tangible
33 medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable
34 in perceivable form.

35 (18) “Required information” means the information that a limited
36 partnership is required to maintain under § 4-47-111.

1 (19) "Sign" means:

2 (A) to execute or adopt a tangible symbol with the present
 3 intent to authenticate a record; or

4 (B) to attach or logically associate an electronic symbol,
 5 sound, or process to or with a record with the present intent to authenticate
 6 the record.

7 (20) "State" means a State of the United States, the District of
 8 Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any territory or
 9 insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

10 (21) "Transfer" includes an assignment, conveyance, deed, bill
 11 of sale, lease, mortgage, security interest, encumbrance, gift, and transfer
 12 by operation of law.

13 (22) "Transferable interest" means a partner's right to receive
 14 distributions.

15 (23) "Transferee" means a person to which all or part of a
 16 transferable interest has been transferred, whether or not the transferor is
 17 a partner.

18
 19 4-47-103. Knowledge and notice.

20 (a) A person knows a fact if the person has actual knowledge of it.

21 (b) A person has notice of a fact if the person:

22 (1) knows of it;

23 (2) has received a notification of it;

24 (3) has reason to know it exists from all of the facts known to
 25 the person at the time in question; or

26 (4) has notice of it under subsection (c) or (d).

27 (c) A certificate of limited partnership on file in the office of the
 28 Secretary of State is notice that the partnership is a limited partnership
 29 and the persons designated in the certificate as general partners are general
 30 partners. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d), the certificate is
 31 not notice of any other fact.

32 (d) A person has notice of:

33 (1) another person's dissociation as a general partner, 90 days
 34 after the effective date of an amendment to the certificate of limited
 35 partnership which states that the other person has dissociated or 90 days
 36 after the effective date of a statement of dissociation pertaining to the

1 other person, whichever occurs first;

2 (2) a limited partnership's dissolution, 90 days after the
 3 effective date of an amendment to the certificate of limited partnership
 4 stating that the limited partnership is dissolved;

5 (3) a limited partnership's termination, 90 days after the
 6 effective date of a statement of termination;

7 (4) a limited partnership's conversion under subchapter 11, 90
 8 days after the effective date of the articles of conversion; or

9 (5) a merger under subchapter 11, 90 days after the effective
 10 date of the articles of merger.

11 (e) A person notifies or gives a notification to another person by
 12 taking steps reasonably required to inform the other person in ordinary
 13 course, whether or not the other person learns of it.

14 (f) A person receives a notification when the notification:

15 (1) comes to the person's attention; or

16 (2) is delivered at the person's place of business or at any
 17 other place held out by the person as a place for receiving communications.

18 (g) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (h), a person other
 19 than an individual knows, has notice, or receives a notification of a fact
 20 for purposes of a particular transaction when the individual conducting the
 21 transaction for the person knows, has notice, or receives a notification of
 22 the fact, or in any event when the fact would have been brought to the
 23 individual's attention if the person had exercised reasonable diligence. A
 24 person other than an individual exercises reasonable diligence if it
 25 maintains reasonable routines for communicating significant information to
 26 the individual conducting the transaction for the person and there is
 27 reasonable compliance with the routines. Reasonable diligence does not
 28 require an individual acting for the person to communicate information unless
 29 the communication is part of the individual's regular duties or the
 30 individual has reason to know of the transaction and that the transaction
 31 would be materially affected by the information.

32 (h) A general partner's knowledge, notice, or receipt of a
 33 notification of a fact relating to the limited partnership is effective
 34 immediately as knowledge of, notice to, or receipt of a notification by the
 35 limited partnership, except in the case of a fraud on the limited partnership
 36 committed by or with the consent of the general partner. A limited partner's

1 knowledge, notice, or receipt of a notification of a fact relating to the
2 limited partnership is not effective as knowledge of, notice to, or receipt
3 of a notification by the limited partnership.

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5 4-47-104. Nature, purpose, and duration of entity.

6 (a) A limited partnership is an entity distinct from its partners. A
7 limited partnership is the same entity regardless of whether its certificate
8 states that the limited partnership is a limited liability limited
9 partnership.

10 (b) A limited partnership may be organized under this chapter for any
11 lawful purpose.

12 (c) A limited partnership has a perpetual duration.

13
14 4-47-105. Powers.

15 A limited partnership has the powers to do all things necessary or
16 convenient to carry on its activities, including the power to sue, be sued,
17 and defend in its own name and to maintain an action against a partner for
18 harm caused to the limited partnership by a breach of the partnership
19 agreement or violation of a duty to the partnership.

20
21 4-47-106. Governing law.

22 The law of this State governs relations among the partners of a limited
23 partnership and between the partners and the limited partnership and the
24 liability of partners as partners for an obligation of the limited
25 partnership.

26
27 4-47-107. Supplemental principles of law – Rate of interest.

28 (a) Unless displaced by particular provisions of this chapter, the
29 principles of law and equity supplement this chapter.

30 (b) If an obligation to pay interest arises under this chapter and the
31 rate is not specified, the rate is that specified in Const. Ark., Art. 19, §
32 13 as amended by Amendment 60.

33
34 4-47-108. Name.

35 (a) The name of a limited partnership may contain the name of any
36 partner.

1 (b) The name of a limited partnership that is not a limited liability
2 limited partnership must contain the phrase "limited partnership" or the
3 abbreviation "L.P." or "LP" and may not contain the phrase "limited
4 liability limited partnership" or the abbreviation "LLLP" or "L.L.L.P.".

5 (c) The name of a limited liability limited partnership must contain
6 the phrase "limited liability limited partnership" or the abbreviation "LLLP"
7 or "L.L.L.P" and must not contain the abbreviation "L.P." or "LP".

8 (d) Unless authorized by subsection (e), the name of a limited
9 partnership must be distinguishable in the records of the Secretary of State
10 from:

11 (1) the name of each person other than an individual
12 incorporated, organized, or authorized to transact business in this State;
13 and

14 (2) each name reserved under § 4-47-109 or other state laws
15 allowing the reservation or registration of business names, including
16 fictitious name statutes.

17 (e) A limited partnership may apply to the Secretary of State for
18 authorization to use a name that does not comply with subsection (d). The
19 Secretary of State shall authorize use of the name applied for if, as to each
20 conflicting name:

21 (1) the present user, registrant, or owner of the conflicting
22 name consents in a signed record to the use and submits an undertaking in a
23 form satisfactory to the Secretary of State to change the conflicting name to
24 a name that complies with subsection (d) and is distinguishable in the
25 records of the Secretary of State from the name applied for;

26 (2) the applicant delivers to the Secretary of State a certified
27 copy of the final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction establishing
28 the applicant's right to use in this State the name applied for; or

29 (3) the applicant delivers to the Secretary of State proof
30 satisfactory to the Secretary of State that the present user, registrant, or
31 owner of the conflicting name:

32 (A) has merged into the applicant;

33 (B) has been converted into the applicant; or

34 (C) has transferred substantially all of its assets,
35 including the conflicting name, to the applicant.

36 (f) Subject to § 4-47-905, this section applies to any foreign limited

1 partnership transacting business in this State, having a certificate of
 2 authority to transact business in this State, or applying for a certificate
 3 of authority.

4
 5 4-47-109. Reservation of name.

6 (a) The exclusive right to the use of a name that complies with § 4-
 7 47-108 may be reserved by:

8 (1) a person intending to organize a limited partnership under
 9 this chapter and to adopt the name;

10 (2) a limited partnership or a foreign limited partnership
 11 authorized to transact business in this State intending to adopt the name;

12 (3) a foreign limited partnership intending to obtain a
 13 certificate of authority to transact business in this State and adopt the
 14 name;

15 (4) a person intending to organize a foreign limited partnership
 16 and intending to have it obtain a certificate of authority to transact
 17 business in this State and adopt the name;

18 (5) a foreign limited partnership formed under the name; or

19 (6) a foreign limited partnership formed under a name that does
 20 not comply with § 4-47-108(b) or (c), but the name reserved under this
 21 paragraph may differ from the foreign limited partnership's name only to the
 22 extent necessary to comply with § 4-47-108(b) and (c).

23 (b) A person may apply to reserve a name under subsection (a) by
 24 delivering to the Secretary of State for filing an application that states
 25 the name to be reserved and the paragraph of subsection (a) which applies.
 26 If the Secretary of State finds that the name is available for use by the
 27 applicant, the Secretary of State shall file a statement of name reservation
 28 and thereby reserve the name for the exclusive use of the applicant for 120
 29 days.

30 (c) An applicant that has reserved a name pursuant to subsection (b)
 31 may reserve the same name for additional 120-day periods. A person having a
 32 current reservation for a name may not apply for another 120-day period for
 33 the same name until 90 days have elapsed in the current reservation.

34 (d) A person that has reserved a name under this section may deliver
 35 to the Secretary of State for filing a notice of transfer that states the
 36 reserved name, the name and street and mailing address of some other person

1 to which the reservation is to be transferred, and the paragraph of
 2 subsection (a) which applies to the other person. Subject to § 4-47-206(c),
 3 the transfer is effective when the Secretary of State files the notice of
 4 transfer.

5
 6 4-47-110. Effect of partnership agreement – Nonwaivable provisions.

7 (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b), the partnership
 8 agreement governs relations among the partners and between the partners and
 9 the partnership. To the extent the partnership agreement does not otherwise
 10 provide, this chapter governs relations among the partners and between the
 11 partners and the partnership.

12 (b) A partnership agreement may not:

13 (1) vary a limited partnership’s power under § 4-47-105 to sue,
 14 be sued, and defend in its own name;

15 (2) vary the law applicable to a limited partnership under § 4-
 16 47-106;

17 (3) vary the requirements of § 4-47-204;

18 (4) vary the information required under § 4-47-111 or
 19 unreasonably restrict the right to information under § 4-47-304 or § 4-47-
 20 407, but the partnership agreement may impose reasonable restrictions on the
 21 availability and use of information obtained under those sections and may
 22 define appropriate remedies, including liquidated damages, for a breach of
 23 any reasonable restriction on use;

24 (5) eliminate the duty of loyalty under § 4-47-408, but the
 25 partnership agreement may:

26 (A) identify specific types or categories of activities
 27 that do not violate the duty of loyalty, if not manifestly unreasonable; and

28 (B) specify the number or percentage of partners which may
 29 authorize or ratify, after full disclosure to all partners of all material
 30 facts, a specific act or transaction that otherwise would violate the duty of
 31 loyalty;

32 (6) unreasonably reduce the duty of care under § 4-47-408(c);

33 (7) eliminate the obligation of good faith and fair dealing
 34 under §§ 4-47-305(b) and 4-47-408(d), but the partnership agreement may
 35 prescribe the standards by which the performance of the obligation is to be
 36 measured, if the standards are not manifestly unreasonable;

1 (8) vary the power of a person to dissociate as a general
2 partner under § 4-47-604(a) except to require that the notice under § 4-47-
3 603(1) be in a record;

4 (9) vary the power of a court to decree dissolution in the
5 circumstances specified in § 4-47-802;

6 (10) vary the requirement to wind up the partnership's business
7 as specified in § 4-47-803;

8 (11) unreasonably restrict the right to maintain an action under
9 subchapter 10;

10 (12) restrict the right of a partner under § 4-47-1110(a) to
11 approve a conversion or merger or the right of a general partner under § 4-
12 47-1110(b) to consent to an amendment to the certificate of limited
13 partnership which deletes a statement that the limited partnership is a
14 limited liability limited partnership; or

15 (13) restrict rights under this chapter of a person other than a
16 partner or a transferee.

17
18 4-47-111. Required information.

19 A limited partnership shall maintain at its designated office the
20 following information:

21 (1) a current list showing the full name and last known street
22 and mailing address of each partner, separately identifying the general
23 partners, in alphabetical order, and the limited partners, in alphabetical
24 order;

25 (2) a copy of the initial certificate of limited partnership and
26 all amendments to and restatements of the certificate, together with signed
27 copies of any powers of attorney under which any certificate, amendment, or
28 restatement has been signed;

29 (3) a copy of any filed articles of conversion or merger;

30 (4) a copy of the limited partnership's federal, state, and
31 local income tax returns and reports, if any, for the three most recent
32 years;

33 (5) a copy of any partnership agreement made in a record and any
34 amendment made in a record to any partnership agreement;

35 (6) a copy of any financial statement of the limited partnership
36 for the three most recent years;

1 (7) a copy of the three most recent annual reports delivered by
 2 the limited partnership to the Secretary of State pursuant to § 4-47-210;

3 (8) a copy of any record made by the limited partnership during
 4 the past three years of any consent given by or vote taken of any partner
 5 pursuant to this chapter or the partnership agreement; and

6 (9) unless contained in a partnership agreement made in a
 7 record, a record stating:

8 (A) the amount of cash, and a description and statement of
 9 the agreed value of the other benefits, contributed and agreed to be
 10 contributed by each partner;

11 (B) the times at which, or events on the happening of
 12 which, any additional contributions agreed to be made by each partner are to
 13 be made;

14 (C) for any person that is both a general partner and a
 15 limited partner, a specification of what transferable interest the person
 16 owns in each capacity; and

17 (D) any events upon the happening of which the limited
 18 partnership is to be dissolved and its activities wound up.

19
 20 4-47-112. Business transactions of partner with partnership.

21 A partner may lend money to and transact other business with the
 22 limited partnership and has the same rights and obligations with respect to
 23 the loan or other transaction as a person that is not a partner.

24
 25 4-47-113. Dual capacity.

26 A person may be both a general partner and a limited partner. A person
 27 that is both a general and limited partner has the rights, powers, duties,
 28 and obligations provided by this chapter and the partnership agreement in
 29 each of those capacities. When the person acts as a general partner, the
 30 person is subject to the obligations, duties and restrictions under this
 31 chapter and the partnership agreement for general partners. When the person
 32 acts as a limited partner, the person is subject to the obligations, duties
 33 and restrictions under this chapter and the partnership agreement for limited
 34 partners.

35
 36 4-47-114. Office and agent for service of process.

1 (a) A limited partnership shall designate and continuously maintain in
2 this State:

3 (1) an office, which need not be a place of its activity in this
4 State; and

5 (2) an agent for service of process.

6 (b) A foreign limited partnership shall designate and continuously
7 maintain in this State an agent for service of process.

8 (c) An agent for service of process of a limited partnership or
9 foreign limited partnership must be an individual who is a resident of this
10 State or other person authorized to do business in this State.

11
12 4-47-115. Change of designated office or agent for service of process.

13 (a) In order to change its designated office, agent for service of
14 process, or the address of its agent for service of process, a limited
15 partnership or a foreign limited partnership may deliver to the Secretary of
16 State for filing a statement of change containing:

17 (1) the name of the limited partnership or foreign limited
18 partnership;

19 (2) the street and mailing address of its current designated
20 office;

21 (3) if the current designated office is to be changed, the
22 street and mailing address of the new designated office;

23 (4) the name and street and mailing address of its current agent
24 for service of process; and

25 (5) if the current agent for service of process or an address of
26 the agent is to be changed, the new information.

27 (b) Subject to § 4-47-206(c), a statement of change is effective when
28 filed by the Secretary of State.

29
30 4-47-116. Resignation of agent for service of process.

31 (a) In order to resign as an agent for service of process of a limited
32 partnership or foreign limited partnership, the agent must deliver to the
33 Secretary of State for filing a statement of resignation containing the name
34 of the limited partnership or foreign limited partnership.

35 (b) After receiving a statement of resignation, the Secretary of State
36 shall file it and mail a copy to the designated office of the limited

1 partnership or foreign limited partnership and another copy to the principal
 2 office if the address of the office appears in the records of the Secretary
 3 of State and is different from the address of the designated office.

4 (c) An agency for service of process is terminated on the 31st day
 5 after the Secretary of State files the statement of resignation.

6
 7 4-47-117. Service of process.

8 (a) An agent for service of process appointed by a limited partnership
 9 or foreign limited partnership is an agent of the limited partnership or
 10 foreign limited partnership for service of any process, notice, or demand
 11 required or permitted by law to be served upon the limited partnership or
 12 foreign limited partnership.

13 (b) If a limited partnership or foreign limited partnership does not
 14 appoint or maintain an agent for service of process in this State or the
 15 agent for service of process cannot with reasonable diligence be found at the
 16 agent's address, the Secretary of State is an agent of the limited
 17 partnership or foreign limited partnership upon whom process, notice, or
 18 demand may be served.

19 (c) Service of any process, notice, or demand on the Secretary of
 20 State may be made by delivering to and leaving with the Secretary of State
 21 duplicate copies of the process, notice, or demand. If a process, notice, or
 22 demand is served on the Secretary of State, the Secretary of State shall
 23 forward one of the copies by registered or certified mail, return receipt
 24 requested, to the limited partnership or foreign limited partnership at its
 25 designated office.

26 (d) Service is effected under subsection (c) at the earliest of:

27 (1) the date the limited partnership or foreign limited
 28 partnership receives the process, notice, or demand;

29 (2) the date shown on the return receipt, if signed on behalf of
 30 the limited partnership or foreign limited partnership; or

31 (3) five days after the process, notice, or demand is deposited
 32 in the mail, if mailed postpaid and correctly addressed.

33 (e) The Secretary of State shall keep a record of each process,
 34 notice, and demand served pursuant to this section and record the time of,
 35 and the action taken regarding, the service.

36 (f) This section does not affect the right to serve process, notice,

1 or demand in any other manner provided by law.

3 4-47-118. Consent and proxies of partners.

4 Action requiring the consent of partners under this chapter may be
 5 taken without a meeting, and a partner may appoint a proxy to consent or
 6 otherwise act for the partner by signing an appointment record, either
 7 personally or by the partner's attorney in fact.

9 Subchapter 2 – Formation – Certificate of Limited Partnership and Other
 10 Filings

11 4-47-201. Formation of limited partnership – Certificate of limited
 12 partnership.

13 (a) In order for a limited partnership to be formed, a certificate of
 14 limited partnership must be delivered to the Secretary of State for filing.

15 The certificate must state:

16 (1) the name of the limited partnership, which must comply with
 17 § 4-47-108;

18 (2) the street and mailing address of the initial designated
 19 office and the name and street and mailing address of the initial agent for
 20 service of process;

21 (3) the name and the street and mailing address of each general
 22 partner;

23 (4) whether the limited partnership is a limited liability
 24 limited partnership; and

25 (5) any additional information required by subchapter 11.

26 (b) A certificate of limited partnership may also contain any other
 27 matters but may not vary or otherwise affect the provisions specified in § 4-
 28 47-110(b) in a manner inconsistent with that section.

29 (c) If there has been substantial compliance with subsection (a),
 30 subject to § 4-47-206(c) a limited partnership is formed when the Secretary
 31 of State files the certificate of limited partnership.

32 (d) Subject to subsection (b), if any provision of a partnership
 33 agreement is inconsistent with the filed certificate of limited partnership
 34 or with a filed statement of dissociation, termination, or change or filed
 35 articles of conversion or merger:

36 (1) the partnership agreement prevails as to partners and

1 transferees; and

2 (2) the filed certificate of limited partnership, statement of
 3 dissociation, termination, or change or articles of conversion or merger
 4 prevail as to persons, other than partners and transferees, that reasonably
 5 rely on the filed record to their detriment.

6
 7 4-47-202. Amendment or restatement of certificate.

8 (a) In order to amend its certificate of limited partnership, a
 9 limited partnership must deliver to the Secretary of State for filing an
 10 amendment or, pursuant to subchapter 11, articles of merger stating:

11 (1) the name of the limited partnership;

12 (2) the date of filing of its initial certificate; and

13 (3) the changes the amendment makes to the certificate as most
 14 recently amended or restated.

15 (b) A limited partnership shall promptly deliver to the Secretary of
 16 State for filing an amendment to a certificate of limited partnership to
 17 reflect:

18 (1) the admission of a new general partner;

19 (2) the dissociation of a person as a general partner; or

20 (3) the appointment of a person to wind up the limited
 21 partnership's activities under § 4-47-803(c) or (d).

22 (c) A general partner that knows that any information in a filed
 23 certificate of limited partnership was false when the certificate was filed
 24 or has become false due to changed circumstances shall promptly:

25 (1) cause the certificate to be amended; or

26 (2) if appropriate, deliver to the Secretary of State for filing
 27 a statement of change pursuant to § 4-47-115 or a statement of correction
 28 pursuant to § 4-47-207.

29 (d) A certificate of limited partnership may be amended at any time
 30 for any other proper purpose as determined by the limited partnership.

31 (e) A restated certificate of limited partnership may be delivered to
 32 the Secretary of State for filing in the same manner as an amendment.

33 (f) Subject to § 4-47-206(c), an amendment or restated certificate is
 34 effective when filed by the Secretary of State.

35
 36 4-47-203. Statement of termination.

1 A dissolved limited partnership that has completed winding up may
 2 deliver to the Secretary of State for filing a statement of termination that
 3 states:

- 4 (1) the name of the limited partnership;
- 5 (2) the date of filing of its initial certificate of limited
 6 partnership; and
- 7 (3) any other information as determined by the general partners
 8 filing the statement or by a person appointed pursuant to § 4-47-803(c) or
 9 (d).

10
 11 4-47-204. Signing of records.

12 (a) Each record delivered to the Secretary of State for filing
 13 pursuant to this chapter must be signed in the following manner:

14 (1) An initial certificate of limited partnership must be signed
 15 by all general partners listed in the certificate.

16 (2) An amendment adding or deleting a statement that the limited
 17 partnership is a limited liability limited partnership must be signed by all
 18 general partners listed in the certificate.

19 (3) An amendment designating as general partner a person
 20 admitted under § 4-47-801(3)(B) following the dissociation of a limited
 21 partnership's last general partner must be signed by that person.

22 (4) An amendment required by § 4-47-803(c) following the
 23 appointment of a person to wind up the dissolved limited partnership's
 24 activities must be signed by that person.

25 (5) Any other amendment must be signed by:

26 (A) at least one general partner listed in the
 27 certificate;

28 (B) each other person designated in the amendment as a new
 29 general partner; and

30 (C) each person that the amendment indicates has
 31 dissociated as a general partner, unless:

32 (i) the person is deceased or a guardian or general
 33 conservator has been appointed for the person and the amendment so states; or

34 (ii) the person has previously delivered to the
 35 Secretary of State for filing a statement of dissociation.

36 (6) A restated certificate of limited partnership must be signed

1 by at least one general partner listed in the certificate, and, to the extent
 2 the restated certificate effects a change under any other paragraph of this
 3 subsection, the certificate must be signed in a manner that satisfies that
 4 paragraph.

5 (7) A statement of termination must be signed by all general
 6 partners listed in the certificate or, if the certificate of a dissolved
 7 limited partnership lists no general partners, by the person appointed
 8 pursuant to § 4-47-803(c) or (d) to wind up the dissolved limited
 9 partnership's activities.

10 (8) Articles of conversion must be signed by each general
 11 partner listed in the certificate of limited partnership.

12 (9) Articles of merger must be signed as provided in § 4-47-
 13 1108(a).

14 (10) Any other record delivered on behalf of a limited
 15 partnership to the Secretary of State for filing must be signed by at least
 16 one general partner listed in the certificate.

17 (11) A statement by a person pursuant to § 4-47-605(a)(4)
 18 stating that the person has dissociated as a general partner must be signed
 19 by that person.

20 (12) A statement of withdrawal by a person pursuant to § 4-47-
 21 306 must be signed by that person.

22 (13) A record delivered on behalf of a foreign limited
 23 partnership to the Secretary of State for filing must be signed by at least
 24 one general partner of the foreign limited partnership.

25 (14) Any other record delivered on behalf of any person to the
 26 Secretary of State for filing must be signed by that person.

27 (b) Any person may sign by an attorney in fact any record to be filed
 28 pursuant to this Act.

29
 30 4-47-205. Signing and filing pursuant to judicial order.

31 (a) If a person required by this chapter to sign a record or deliver a
 32 record to the Secretary of State for filing does not do so, any other person
 33 that is aggrieved may petition the circuit court to order:

34 (1) the person to sign the record;

35 (2) deliver the record to the Secretary of State for filing; or

36 (3) the Secretary of State to file the record unsigned.

1 (b) If the person aggrieved under subsection (a) is not the limited
 2 partnership or foreign limited partnership to which the record pertains, the
 3 aggrieved person shall make the limited partnership or foreign limited
 4 partnership a party to the action. A person aggrieved under subsection (a)
 5 may seek the remedies provided in subsection (a) in the same action in
 6 combination or in the alternative.

7 (c) A record filed unsigned pursuant to this section is effective
 8 without being signed.

9
 10 4-47-206. Delivery to and filing of records by Secretary of State -
 11 Effective time and date.

12 (a) A record authorized or required to be delivered to the Secretary
 13 of State for filing under this chapter must be captioned to describe the
 14 record's purpose, be in a medium permitted by the Secretary of State, and be
 15 delivered to the Secretary of State. Unless the Secretary of State
 16 determines that a record does not comply with the filing requirements of this
 17 chapter, and if all filing fees have been paid, the Secretary of State shall
 18 file the record and:

19 (1) for a statement of dissociation, send:

20 (A) a copy of the filed statement and a receipt for the
 21 fees to the person which the statement indicates has dissociated as a general
 22 partner; and

23 (B) a copy of the filed statement and receipt to the
 24 limited partnership;

25 (2) for a statement of withdrawal, send:

26 (A) a copy of the filed statement and a receipt for the
 27 fees to the person on whose behalf the record was filed; and

28 (B) if the statement refers to an existing limited
 29 partnership, a copy of the filed statement and receipt to the limited
 30 partnership; and

31 (3) for all other records, send a copy of the filed record and a
 32 receipt for the fees to the person on whose behalf the record was filed.

33 (b) Upon request and payment of a fee, the Secretary of State shall
 34 send to the requester a certified copy of the requested record.

35 (c) Except as otherwise provided in §§ 4-47-116 and 4-47-207, a record
 36 delivered to the Secretary of State for filing under this chapter may specify

1 an effective time and a delayed effective date. Except as otherwise provided
 2 in this chapter, a record filed by the Secretary of State is effective:

3 (1) if the record does not specify an effective time and does
 4 not specify a delayed effective date, on the date and at the time the record
 5 is filed as evidenced by the Secretary of State's endorsement of the date and
 6 time on the record;

7 (2) if the record specifies an effective time but not a delayed
 8 effective date, on the date the record is filed at the time specified in the
 9 record;

10 (3) if the record specifies a delayed effective date but not an
 11 effective time, at 12:01 a.m. on the earlier of:

12 (A) the specified date; or

13 (B) the 90th day after the record is filed; or

14 (4) if the record specifies an effective time and a delayed
 15 effective date, at the specified time on the earlier of:

16 (A) the specified date; or

17 (B) the 90th day after the record is filed.

18
 19 4-47-207. Correcting filed record.

20 (a) A limited partnership or foreign limited partnership may deliver
 21 to the Secretary of State for filing a statement of correction to correct a
 22 record previously delivered by the limited partnership or foreign limited
 23 partnership to the Secretary of State and filed by the Secretary of State, if
 24 at the time of filing the record contained false or erroneous information or
 25 was defectively signed.

26 (b) A statement of correction may not state a delayed effective date
 27 and must:

28 (1) describe the record to be corrected, including its filing
 29 date, or attach a copy of the record as filed;

30 (2) specify the incorrect information and the reason it is
 31 incorrect or the manner in which the signing was defective; and

32 (3) correct the incorrect information or defective signature.

33 (c) When filed by the Secretary of State, a statement of correction is
 34 effective retroactively as of the effective date of the record the statement
 35 corrects, but the statement is effective when filed:

36 (1) for the purposes of § 4-47-103(c) and (d); and

1 (2) as to persons relying on the uncorrected record and
 2 adversely affected by the correction.

3
 4 4-47-208. Liability for false information in filed record.

5 (a) If a record delivered to the Secretary of State for filing under
 6 this chapter and filed by the Secretary of State contains false information,
 7 a person that suffers loss by reliance on the information may recover damages
 8 for the loss from:

9 (1) a person that signed the record, or caused another to sign
 10 it on the person's behalf, and knew the information to be false at the time
 11 the record was signed; and

12 (2) a general partner that has notice that the information was
 13 false when the record was filed or has become false because of changed
 14 circumstances, if the general partner has notice for a reasonably sufficient
 15 time before the information is relied upon to enable the general partner to
 16 effect an amendment under § 4-47-202, file a petition pursuant to § 4-47-205,
 17 or deliver to the Secretary of State for filing a statement of change
 18 pursuant to § 4-47-115 or a statement of correction pursuant to § 4-47-207.

19 (b) Signing a record authorized or required to be filed under this
 20 chapter constitutes an affirmation under the penalties of perjury that the
 21 facts stated in the record are true.

22
 23 4-47-209. Certificate of existence or authorization.

24 (a) The Secretary of State, upon request and payment of the requisite
 25 fee, shall furnish a certificate of existence for a limited partnership if
 26 the records filed in the office of the Secretary of State show that the
 27 Secretary of State has filed a certificate of limited partnership and has not
 28 filed a statement of termination. A certificate of existence must state:

29 (1) the limited partnership's name;

30 (2) that it was duly formed under the laws of this State and the
 31 date of formation;

32 (3) whether all fees, taxes, and penalties due to the Secretary
 33 of State under this chapter or other law have been paid;

34 (4) whether the limited partnership's most recent annual report
 35 required by § 4-47-210 has been filed by the Secretary of State;

36 (5) whether the Secretary of State has administratively

1 dissolved the limited partnership;

2 (6) whether the limited partnership's certificate of limited
 3 partnership has been amended to state that the limited partnership is
 4 dissolved;

5 (7) that a statement of termination has not been filed by the
 6 Secretary of State; and

7 (8) other facts of record in the office of the Secretary of
 8 State which may be requested by the applicant.

9 (b) The Secretary of State, upon request and payment of the requisite
 10 fee, shall furnish a certificate of authorization for a foreign limited
 11 partnership if the records filed in the office of the Secretary of State show
 12 that the Secretary of State has filed a certificate of authority, has not
 13 revoked the certificate of authority, and has not filed a notice of
 14 cancellation. A certificate of authorization must state:

15 (1) the foreign limited partnership's name and any alternate
 16 name adopted under § 4-47-905(a) for use in this State;

17 (2) that it is authorized to transact business in this State;

18 (3) whether all fees, taxes, and penalties due to the Secretary
 19 of State under this chapter or other law have been paid;

20 (4) whether the foreign limited partnership's most recent annual
 21 report required by § 4-47-210 has been filed by the Secretary of State;

22 (5) that the Secretary of State has not revoked its certificate
 23 of authority and has not filed a notice of cancellation; and

24 (6) other facts of record in the office of the Secretary of
 25 State which may be requested by the applicant.

26 (c) Subject to any qualification stated in the certificate, a
 27 certificate of existence or authorization issued by the Secretary of State
 28 may be relied upon as conclusive evidence that the limited partnership or
 29 foreign limited partnership is in existence or is authorized to transact
 30 business in this State.

31
 32 4-47-210. Annual report for Secretary of State.

33 (a) A limited partnership or a foreign limited partnership authorized
 34 to transact business in this State shall deliver to the Secretary of State
 35 for filing an annual report that states:

36 (1) the name of the limited partnership or foreign limited

1 partnership;

2 (2) the street and mailing address of its designated office and
 3 the name and street and mailing address of its agent for service of process
 4 in this State;

5 (3) in the case of a limited partnership, the street and mailing
 6 address of its principal office; and

7 (4) in the case of a foreign limited partnership, the State or
 8 other jurisdiction under whose law the foreign limited partnership is formed
 9 and any alternate name adopted under § 4-47-905(a).

10 (b) Information in an annual report must be current as of the date the
 11 annual report is delivered to the Secretary of State for filing.

12 (c) The first annual report must be delivered to the Secretary of
 13 State between January 1 and May 1 of the year following the calendar year in
 14 which a limited partnership was formed or a foreign limited partn ership was
 15 authorized to transact business. An annual report must be delivered to the
 16 Secretary of State between January 1 and May 1 of each subsequent calendar
 17 year.

18 (d) If an annual report does not contain the information required in
 19 subsection (a), the Secretary of State shall promptly notify the reporting
 20 limited partnership or foreign limited partnership and return the report to
 21 it for correction. If the report is corrected to contain the information
 22 required in subsection (a) and delivered to the Secretary of State within 30
 23 days after the effective date of the notice, it is timely delivered.

24 (e) If a filed annual report contains an address of a designated
 25 office or the name or address of an agent for service of process which
 26 differs from the information shown in the records of the Secretary of State
 27 immediately before the filing, the differing information in the annual report
 28 is considered a statement of change under § 4-47-115.

29
 30 Subchapter 3 – Limited Partners

31 4-47-301. Becoming limited partner.

32 A person becomes a limited partner:

33 (1) as provided in the partnership agreement;

34 (2) as the result of a conversion or merger under subchapter 11;

35 or

36 (3) with the consent of all the partners.

1
 2 4-47-302. No right or power as limited partner to bind limited
 3 partnership.

4 A limited partner does not have the right or the power as a limited
 5 partner to act for or bind the limited partnership.

6
 7 4-47-303. No liability as limited partner for limited partnership
 8 obligations.

9 An obligation of a limited partnership, whether arising in contract,
 10 tort, or otherwise, is not the obligation of a limited partner. A limited
 11 partner is not personally liable, directly or indirectly, by way of
 12 contribution or otherwise, for an obligation of the limited partnership
 13 solely by reason of being a limited partner, even if the limited partner
 14 participates in the management and control of the limited partnership.

15
 16 4-47-304. Right of limited partner and former limited partner to
 17 information.

18 (a) On 10 days' demand, made in a record received by the limited
 19 partnership, a limited partner may inspect and copy required information
 20 during regular business hours in the limited partnership's designated office.
 21 The limited partner need not have any particular purpose for seeking the
 22 information.

23 (b) During regular business hours and at a reasonable location
 24 specified by the limited partnership, a limited partner may obtain from the
 25 limited partnership and inspect and copy true and full information regarding
 26 the state of the activities and financial condition of the limited
 27 partnership and other information regarding the activities of the limited
 28 partnership as is just and reasonable if:

29 (1) the limited partner seeks the information for a purpose
 30 reasonably related to the partner's interest as a limited partner;

31 (2) the limited partner makes a demand in a record received by
 32 the limited partnership, describing with reasonable particularity the
 33 information sought and the purpose for seeking the information; and

34 (3) the information sought is directly connected to the limited
 35 partner's purpose.

36 (c) Within 10 days after receiving a demand pursuant to subsection

1 (b), the limited partnership in a record shall inform the limited partner
 2 that made the demand;

3 (1) what information the limited partnership will provide in
 4 response to the demand;

5 (2) when and where the limited partnership will provide the
 6 information; and

7 (3) if the limited partnership declines to provide any demanded
 8 information, the limited partnership's reasons for declining.

9 (d) Subject to subsection (f), a person dissociated as a limited
 10 partner may inspect and copy required information during regular business
 11 hours in the limited partnership's designated office if:

12 (1) the information pertains to the period during which the
 13 person was a limited partner;

14 (2) the person seeks the information in good faith; and

15 (3) the person meets the requirements of subsection (b).

16 (e) The limited partnership shall respond to a demand made pursuant to
 17 subsection (d) in the same manner as provided in subsection (c).

18 (f) If a limited partner dies, § 4-47-704 applies.

19 (g) The limited partnership may impose reasonable restrictions on the
 20 use of information obtained under this section. In a dispute concerning the
 21 reasonableness of a restriction under this subsection, the limited
 22 partnership has the burden of proving reasonableness.

23 (h) A limited partnership may charge a person that makes a demand
 24 under this section reasonable costs of copying, limited to the costs of labor
 25 and material.

26 (i) Whenever this chapter or a partnership agreement provides for a
 27 limited partner to give or withhold consent to a matter, before the consent
 28 is given or withheld, the limited partnership shall, without demand, provide
 29 the limited partner with all information material to the limited partner's
 30 decision that the limited partnership knows.

31 (j) A limited partner or person dissociated as a limited partner may
 32 exercise the rights under this section through an attorney or other agent.
 33 Any restriction imposed under subsection (g) or by the partnership agreement
 34 applies both to the attorney or other agent and to the limited partner or
 35 person dissociated as a limited partner.

36 (k) The rights stated in this section do not extend to a person as

1 transferee, but may be exercised by the legal representative of an individual
2 under legal disability who is a limited partner or person dissociated as a
3 limited partner.

4
5 4-47-305. Limited duties of limited partners.

6 (a) A limited partner does not have any fiduciary duty to the limited
7 partnership or to any other partner solely by reason of being a limited
8 partner.

9 (b) A limited partner shall discharge the duties to the partnership
10 and the other partners under this chapter or under the partnership agreement
11 and exercise any rights consistently with the obligation of good faith and
12 fair dealing.

13 (c) A limited partner does not violate a duty or obligation under this
14 chapter or under the partnership agreement merely because the limited
15 partner's conduct furthers the limited partner's own interest.

16
17 4-47-306. Person erroneously believing self to be limited partner.

18 (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b), a person that
19 makes an investment in a business enterprise and erroneously but in good
20 faith believes that the person has become a limited partner in the enterprise
21 is not liable for the enterprise's obligations by reason of making the
22 investment, receiving distributions from the enterprise, or exercising any
23 rights of or appropriate to a limited partner, if, on ascertaining the
24 mistake, the person:

25 (1) causes an appropriate certificate of limited partnership,
26 amendment, or statement of correction to be signed and delivered to the
27 Secretary of State for filing; or

28 (2) withdraws from future participation as an owner in the
29 enterprise by signing and delivering to the Secretary of State for filing a
30 statement of withdrawal under this section.

31 (b) A person that makes an investment described in subsection (a) is
32 liable to the same extent as a general partner to any third party that enters
33 into a transaction with the enterprise, believing in good faith that the
34 person is a general partner, before the Secretary of State files a statement
35 of withdrawal, certificate of limited partnership, amendment, or statement of
36 correction to show that the person is not a general partner.

1 (c) If a person makes a diligent effort in good faith to comply with
 2 subsection (a)(1) and is unable to cause the appropriate certificate of
 3 limited partnership, amendment, or statement of correction to be signed and
 4 delivered to the Secretary of State for filing, the person has the right to
 5 withdraw from the enterprise pursuant to subsection (a)(2) even if the
 6 withdrawal would otherwise breach an agreement with others that are or have
 7 agreed to become co-owners of the enterprise.

8
 9 Subchapter 4 – General Partners

10 4-47-401. Becoming general partner.

11 A person becomes a general partner:

12 (1) as provided in the partnership agreement;

13 (2) under § 4-47-801(3)(B) following the dissociation of a
 14 limited partnership’s last general partner;

15 (3) as the result of a conversion or merger under subchapter 11;

16 or

17 (4) with the consent of all the partners.

18
 19 4-47-402. General partner agent of limited partnership.

20 (a) Each general partner is an agent of the limited partnership for
 21 the purposes of its activities. An act of a general partner, including the
 22 signing of a record in the partnership’s name, for apparently carrying on in
 23 the ordinary course the limited partnership’s activities or activities of the
 24 kind carried on by the limited partnership binds the limited partnership,
 25 unless the general partner did not have authority to act for the limited
 26 partnership in the particular matter and the person with which the general
 27 partner was dealing knew, had received a notification, or had notice under §
 28 4-47-103(d) that the general partner lacked authority.

29 (b) An act of a general partner which is not apparently for carrying
 30 on in the ordinary course the limited partnership’s activities or activities
 31 of the kind carried on by the limited partnership binds the limited
 32 partnership only if the act was actually authorized by all the other
 33 partners.

34
 35 4-47-403. Limited partnership liable for general partner’s actionable
 36 conduct.

1 (a) A limited partnership is liable for loss or injury caused to a
 2 person, or for a penalty incurred, as a result of a wrongful act or omission,
 3 or other actionable conduct, of a general partner acting in the ordinary
 4 course of activities of the limited partnership or with authority of the
 5 limited partnership.

6 (b) If, in the course of the limited partnership's activities or while
 7 acting with authority of the limited partnership, a general partner receives
 8 or causes the limited partnership to receive money or property of a person
 9 not a partner, and the money or property is misapplied by a general partner,
 10 the limited partnership is liable for the loss.

11
 12 4-47-404. General partner's liability.

13 (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (b) and (c), all
 14 general partners are liable jointly and severally for all obligations of the
 15 limited partnership unless otherwise agreed by the claimant or provided by
 16 law.

17 (b) A person that becomes a general partner of an existing limited
 18 partnership is not personally liable for an obligation of a limited
 19 partnership incurred before the person became a general partner.

20 (c) An obligation of a limited partnership incurred while the limited
 21 partnership is a limited liability limited partnership, whether arising in
 22 contract, tort, or otherwise, is solely the obligation of the limited
 23 partnership. A general partner is not personally liable, directly or
 24 indirectly, by way of contribution or otherwise, for such an obligation
 25 solely by reason of being or acting as a general partner. This subsection
 26 applies despite anything inconsistent in the partnership agreement that
 27 existed immediately before the consent required to become a limited liability
 28 limited partnership under § 4-47-406(b)(2).

29
 30 4-47-405. Actions by and against partnership and partners.

31 (a) To the extent not inconsistent with § 4-47-404, a general partner
 32 may be joined in an action against the limited partnership or named in a
 33 separate action.

34 (b) A judgment against a limited partnership is not by itself a
 35 judgment against a general partner. A judgment against a limited partnership
 36 may not be satisfied from a general partner's assets unless there is also a

1 judgment against the general partner.

2 (c) A judgment creditor of a general partner may not levy execution
 3 against the assets of the general partner to satisfy a judgment based on a
 4 claim against the limited partnership, unless the partner is personally
 5 liable for the claim under § 4-47-404 and:

6 (1) a judgment based on the same claim has been obtained against
 7 the limited partnership and a writ of execution on the judgment has been
 8 returned unsatisfied in whole or in part;

9 (2) the limited partnership is a debtor in bankruptcy;

10 (3) the general partner has agreed that the creditor need not
 11 exhaust limited partnership assets;

12 (4) a court grants permission to the judgment creditor to levy
 13 execution against the assets of a general partner based on a finding that
 14 limited partnership assets subject to execution are clearly insufficient to
 15 satisfy the judgment, that exhaustion of limited partnership assets is
 16 excessively burdensome, or that the grant of permission is an appropriate
 17 exercise of the court's equitable powers; or

18 (5) liability is imposed on the general partner by law or
 19 contract independent of the existence of the limited partnership.

20
 21 4-47-406. Management rights of general partner.

22 (a) Each general partner has equal rights in the management and
 23 conduct of the limited partnership's activities. Except as expressly
 24 provided in this chapter, any matter relating to the activities of the
 25 limited partnership may be exclusively decided by the general partner or, if
 26 there is more than one general partner, by a majority of the general
 27 partners.

28 (b) The consent of each partner is necessary to:

29 (1) amend the partnership agreement;

30 (2) amend the certificate of limited partnership to add or,
 31 subject to § 4-47-1110, delete a statement that the limited partnership is a
 32 limited liability limited partnership; and

33 (3) sell, lease, exchange, or otherwise dispose of all, or
 34 substantially all, of the limited partnership's property, with or without the
 35 good will, other than in the usual and regular course of the limited
 36 partnership's activities.

1 (c) A limited partnership shall reimburse a general partner for
2 payments made and indemnify a general partner for liabilities incurred by the
3 general partner in the ordinary course of the activities of the partnership
4 or for the preservation of its activities or property.

5 (d) A limited partnership shall reimburse a general partner for an
6 advance to the limited partnership beyond the amount of capital the general
7 partner agreed to contribute.

8 (e) A payment or advance made by a general partner which gives rise to
9 an obligation of the limited partnership under subsection (c) or (d)
10 constitutes a loan to the limited partnership which accrues interest from the
11 date of the payment or advance.

12 (f) A general partner is not entitled to remuneration for services
13 performed for the partnership.

14
15 4-47-407. Right of general partner and former general partner to
16 information.

17 (a) A general partner, without having any particular purpose for
18 seeking the information, may inspect and copy during regular business hours:

19 (1) in the limited partnership's designated office, required
20 information; and

21 (2) at a reasonable location specified by the limited
22 partnership, any other records maintained by the limited partnership
23 regarding the limited partnership's activities and financial condition.

24 (b) Each general partner and the limited partnership shall furnish to
25 a general partner:

26 (1) without demand, any information concerning the limited
27 partnership's activities and activities reasonably required for the proper
28 exercise of the general partner's rights and duties under the partnership
29 agreement or this chapter; and

30 (2) on demand, any other information concerning the limited
31 partnership's activities, except to the extent the demand or the information
32 demand is unreasonable or otherwise improper under the circumstances.

33 (c) Subject to subsection (e), on 10 days' demand made in a record
34 received by the limited partnership, a person dissociated as a general
35 partner may have access to the information and records described in
36 subsection (a) at the location specified in subsection (a) if:

1 (1) the information or record pertains to the period during
 2 which the person was a general partner;

3 (2) the person seeks the information or record in good faith;
 4 and

5 (3) the person satisfies the requirements imposed on a limited
 6 partner by § 4-47-304(b).

7 (d) The limited partnership shall respond to a demand made pursuant to
 8 subsection (c) in the same manner as provided in § 4-47-304(c).

9 (e) If a general partner dies, § 4-47-704 applies.

10 (f) The limited partnership may impose reasonable restrictions on the
 11 use of information under this section. In any dispute concerning the
 12 reasonableness of a restriction under this subsection, the limited
 13 partnership has the burden of proving reasonableness.

14 (g) A limited partnership may charge a person dissociated as a general
 15 partner that makes a demand under this section reasonable costs of copying,
 16 limited to the costs of labor and material.

17 (h) A general partner or person dissociated as a general partner may
 18 exercise the rights under this section through an attorney or other agent.
 19 Any restriction imposed under subsection (f) or by the partnership agreement
 20 applies both to the attorney or other agent and to the general partner or
 21 person dissociated as a general partner.

22 (i) The rights under this section do not extend to a person as
 23 transferee, but the rights under subsection (c) of a person dissociated as a
 24 general partner may be exercised by the legal representative of an individual
 25 who dissociated as a general partner under § 4-47-603(7)(B) or (C).

26
 27 4-47-408. General standards of general partner's conduct.

28 (a) The only fiduciary duties that a general partner has to the
 29 limited partnership and the other partners are the duties of loyalty and care
 30 under subsections (b) and (c).

31 (b) A general partner's duty of loyalty to the limited partnership and
 32 the other partners is limited to the following:

33 (1) to account to the limited partnership and hold as trustee
 34 for it any property, profit, or benefit derived by the general partner in the
 35 conduct and winding up of the limited partnership's activities or derived
 36 from a use by the general partner of limited partnership property, including

1 the appropriation of a limited partnership opportunity;

2 (2) to refrain from dealing with the limited partnership in the
3 conduct or winding up of the limited partnership's activities as or on behalf
4 of a party having an interest adverse to the limited partnership; and

5 (3) to refrain from competing with the limited partnership in
6 the conduct or winding up of the limited partnership's activities.

7 (c) A general partner's duty of care to the limited partnership and
8 the other partners in the conduct and winding up of the limited partnership's
9 activities is limited to refraining from engaging in grossly negligent or
10 reckless conduct, intentional misconduct, or a knowing violation of law.

11 (d) A general partner shall discharge the duties to the partnership
12 and the other partners under this chapter or under the partnership agreement
13 and exercise any rights consistently with the obligation of good faith and
14 fair dealing.

15 (e) A general partner does not violate a duty or obligation under this
16 chapter or under the partnership agreement merely because the general
17 partner's conduct furthers the general partner's own interests.

18
19 Subchapter 5 – Contributions and Distributions

20 4-47-501. Form of contribution.

21 A contribution of a partner may consist of tangible or intangible
22 property or other benefit to the limited partnership, including money,
23 services performed, promissory notes, other agreements to contribute cash or
24 property, and contracts for services to be performed.

25
26 4-47-502. Liability for contribution.

27 (a) A partner's obligation to contribute money or other property or
28 other benefit to, or to perform services for, a limited partnership is not
29 excused by the partner's death, disability, or other inability to perform
30 personally.

31 (b) If a partner does not make a promised non-monetary contribution,
32 the partner is obligated at the option of the limited partnership to
33 contribute money equal to that portion of the value, as stated in the
34 required information, of the stated contribution which has not been made.

35 (c) The obligation of a partner to make a contribution or return money
36 or other property paid or distributed in violation of this chapter may be

1 compromised only by consent of all partners. A creditor of a limited
 2 partnership which extends credit or otherwise acts in reliance on an
 3 obligation described in subsection (a), without notice of any compromise
 4 under this subsection, may enforce the original obligation.

5
 6 4-47-503. Sharing of distributions.

7 A distribution by a limited partnership must be shared among the
 8 partners on the basis of the value, as stated in the required records when
 9 the limited partnership decides to make the distribution, of the
 10 contributions the limited partnership has received from each partner.

11
 12 4-47-504. Interim distributions.

13 A partner does not have a right to any distribution before the
 14 dissolution and winding up of the limited partnership unless the limited
 15 partnership decides to make an interim distribution.

16
 17 4-47-505. No distribution on account of dissociation.

18 A person does not have a right to receive a distribution on account of
 19 dissociation.

20
 21 4-47-506. Distribution in kind.

22 A partner does not have a right to demand or receive any distribution
 23 from a limited partnership in any form other than cash. Subject to § 4-47-
 24 812(b), a limited partnership may distribute an asset in kind to the extent
 25 each partner receives a percentage of the asset equal to the partner's share
 26 of distributions.

27
 28 4-47-507. Right to distribution.

29 When a partner or transferee becomes entitled to receive a
 30 distribution, the partner or transferee has the status of, and is entitled to
 31 all remedies available to, a creditor of the limited partnership with respect
 32 to the distribution. However, the limited partnership's obligation to make a
 33 distribution is subject to offset for any amount owed to the limited
 34 partnership by the partner or dissociated partner on whose account the
 35 distribution is made.

1 4-47-508. Limitations on distribution.

2 (a) A limited partnership may not make a distribution in violation of
3 the partnership agreement.

4 (b) A limited partnership may not make a distribution if after the
5 distribution:

6 (1) the limited partnership would not be able to pay its debts
7 as they become due in the ordinary course of the limited partnership's
8 activities; or

9 (2) the limited partnership's total assets would be less than
10 the sum of its total liabilities plus the amount that would be needed, if the
11 limited partnership were to be dissolved, wound up, and terminated at the
12 time of the distribution, to satisfy the preferential rights upon
13 dissolution, winding up, and termination of partners whose preferential
14 rights are superior to those of persons receiving the distribution.

15 (c) A limited partnership may base a determination that a distribution
16 is not prohibited under subsection (b) on financial statements prepared on
17 the basis of accounting practices and principles that are reasonable in the
18 circumstances or on a fair valuation or other method that is reasonable in
19 the circumstances.

20 (d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (g), the effect of a
21 distribution under subsection (b) is measured:

22 (1) in the case of distribution by purchase, redemption, or
23 other acquisition of a transferable interest in the limited partnership, as
24 of the date money or other property is transferred or debt incurred by the
25 limited partnership; and

26 (2) in all other cases, as of the date:

27 (A) the distribution is authorized, if the payment occurs
28 within 120 days after that date; or

29 (B) the payment is made, if payment occurs more than 120
30 days after the distribution is authorized.

31 (e) A limited partnership's indebtedness to a partner incurred by
32 reason of a distribution made in accordance with this section is at parity
33 with the limited partnership's indebtedness to its general, unsecured
34 creditors.

35 (f) A limited partnership's indebtedness, including indebtedness
36 issued in connection with or as part of a distribution, is not considered a

1 liability for purposes of subsection (b) if the terms of the indebtedness
 2 provide that payment of principal and interest are made only to the extent
 3 that a distribution could then be made to partners under this section.

4 (g) If indebtedness is issued as a distribution, each payment of
 5 principal or interest on the indebtedness is treated as a distribution, the
 6 effect of which is measured on the date the payment is made.

7
 8 4-47-509. Liability for improper distributions.

9 (a) A general partner that consents to a distribution made in
 10 violation of § 4-47-508 is personally liable to the limited partnership for
 11 the amount of the distribution which exceeds the amount that could have been
 12 distributed without the violation if it is established that in consenting to
 13 the distribution the general partner failed to comply with § 4-47-408.

14 (b) A partner or transferee that received a distribution knowing that
 15 the distribution to that partner or transferee was made in violation of § 4-
 16 47-508 is personally liable to the limited partnership but only to the extent
 17 that the distribution received by the partner or transferee exceeded the
 18 amount that could have been properly paid under § 4-47-508.

19 (c) A general partner against which an action is commenced under
 20 subsection (a) may:

21 (1) implead in the action any other person that is liable under
 22 subsection (a) and compel contribution from the person; and

23 (2) implead in the action any person that received a
 24 distribution in violation of subsection (b) and compel contribution from the
 25 person in the amount the person received in violation of subsection (b).

26 (d) An action under this section is barred if it is not commenced
 27 within two years after the distribution.

28
 29 Subchapter 6 – Dissociation

30 4-47-601. Dissociation as limited partner.

31 (a) A person does not have a right to dissociate as a limited partner
 32 before the termination of the limited partnership.

33 (b) A person is dissociated from a limited partnership as a limited
 34 partner upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

35 (1) the limited partnership's having notice of the person's
 36 express will to withdraw as a limited partner or on a later date specified by

1 the person;

2 (2) an event agreed to in the partnership agreement as causing
 3 the person's dissociation as a limited partner;

4 (3) the person's expulsion as a limited partner pursuant to the
 5 partnership agreement;

6 (4) the person's expulsion as a limited partner by the unanimous
 7 consent of the other partners if:

8 (A) it is unlawful to carry on the limited partnership's
 9 activities with the person as a limited partner;

10 (B) there has been a transfer of all of the person's
 11 transferable interest in the limited partnership, other than a transfer for
 12 security purposes, or a court order charging the person's interest, which has
 13 not been foreclosed;

14 (C) the person is a corporation and, within 90 days after
 15 the limited partnership notifies the person that it will be expelled as a
 16 limited partner because it has filed a certificate of dissolution or the
 17 equivalent, its charter has been revoked, or its right to conduct business
 18 has been suspended by the jurisdiction of its incorporation, there is no
 19 revocation of the certificate of dissolution or no reinstatement of its
 20 charter or its right to conduct business; or

21 (D) the person is a limited liability company or
 22 partnership that has been dissolved and whose business is being wound up;

23 (5) on application by the limited partnership, the person's
 24 expulsion as a limited partner by judicial order because:

25 (A) the person engaged in wrongful conduct that adversely
 26 and materially affected the limited partnership's activities;

27 (B) the person willfully or persistently committed a
 28 material breach of the partnership agreement or of the obligation of good
 29 faith and fair dealing under § 4-47-305(b); or

30 (C) the person engaged in conduct relating to the limited
 31 partnership's activities which makes it not reasonably practicable to carry
 32 on the activities with the person as limited partner;

33 (6) in the case of a person who is an individual, the person's
 34 death;

35 (7) in the case of a person that is a trust or is acting as a
 36 limited partner by virtue of being a trustee of a trust, distribution of the

1 trust's entire transferable interest in the limited partnership, but not
 2 merely by reason of the substitution of a successor trustee;

3 (8) in the case of a person that is an estate or is acting as a
 4 limited partner by virtue of being a personal representative of an estate,
 5 distribution of the estate's entire transferable interest in the limited
 6 partnership, but not merely by reason of the substitution of a successor
 7 personal representative;

8 (9) termination of a limited partner that is not an individual,
 9 partnership, limited liability company, corporation, trust, or estate;

10 (10) the limited partnership's participation in a conversion or
 11 merger under subchapter 11, if the limited partnership:

12 (A) is not the converted or surviving entity; or

13 (B) is the converted or surviving entity but, as a result
 14 of the conversion or merger, the person ceases to be a limited partner.

15
 16 4-47-602. Effect of dissociation as limited partner.

17 (a) Upon a person's dissociation as a limited partner:

18 (1) subject to § 4-47-704, the person does not have further
 19 rights as a limited partner;

20 (2) the person's obligation of good faith and fair dealing as a
 21 limited partner under § 4-47-305(b) continues only as to matters arising and
 22 events occurring before the dissociation; and

23 (3) subject to § 4-47-704 and subchapter 11, any transferable
 24 interest owned by the person in the person's capacity as a limited partner
 25 immediately before dissociation is owned by the person as a mere transferee.

26 (b) A person's dissociation as a limited partner does not of itself
 27 discharge the person from any obligation to the limited partnership or the
 28 other partners which the person incurred while a limited partner.

29
 30 4-47-603. Dissociation as general partner.

31 A person is dissociated from a limited partnership as a general partner
 32 upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

33 (1) the limited partnership's having notice of the person's
 34 express will to withdraw as a general partner or on a later date specified by
 35 the person;

36 (2) an event agreed to in the partnership agreement as causing

1 the person's dissociation as a general partner;

2 (3) the person's expulsion as a general partner pursuant to the
 3 partnership agreement;

4 (4) the person's expulsion as a general partner by the unanimous
 5 consent of the other partners if:

6 (A) it is unlawful to carry on the limited partnership's
 7 activities with the person as a general partner;

8 (B) there has been a transfer of all or substantially all
 9 of the person's transferable interest in the limited partnership, other than
 10 a transfer for security purposes, or a court order charging the person's
 11 interest, which has not been foreclosed;

12 (C) the person is a corporation and, within 90 days after
 13 the limited partnership notifies the person that it will be expelled as a
 14 general partner because it has filed a certificate of dissolution or the
 15 equivalent, its charter has been revoked, or its right to conduct business
 16 has been suspended by the jurisdiction of its incorporation, there is no
 17 revocation of the certificate of dissolution or no reinstatement of its
 18 charter or its right to conduct business; or

19 (D) the person is a limited liability company or
 20 partnership that has been dissolved and whose business is being wound up;

21 (5) on application by the limited partnership, the person's
 22 expulsion as a general partner by judicial determination because:

23 (A) the person engaged in wrongful conduct that adversely
 24 and materially affected the limited partnership activities;

25 (B) the person willfully or persistently committed a
 26 material breach of the partnership agreement or of a duty owed to the
 27 partnership or the other partners under § 4-47-408; or

28 (C) the person engaged in conduct relating to the limited
 29 partnership's activities which makes it not reasonably practicable to carry
 30 on the activities of the limited partnership with the person as a general
 31 partner;

32 (6) the person's:

33 (A) becoming a debtor in bankruptcy;

34 (B) execution of an assignment for the benefit of
 35 creditors;

36 (C) seeking, consenting to, or acquiescing in the

1 appointment of a trustee, receiver, or liquidator of the person or of all or
 2 substantially all of the person's property; or

3 (D) failure, within 90 days after the appointment, to have
 4 vacated or stayed the appointment of a trustee, receiver, or liquidator of
 5 the general partner or of all or substantially all of the person's property
 6 obtained without the person's consent or acquiescence, or failing within 90
 7 days after the expiration of a stay to have the appointment vacated;

8 (7) in the case of a person who is an individual:

9 (A) the person's death;

10 (B) the appointment of a guardian or general conservator
 11 for the person; or

12 (C) a judicial determination that the person has otherwise
 13 become incapable of performing the person's duties as a general partner under
 14 the partnership agreement;

15 (8) in the case of a person that is a trust or is acting as a
 16 general partner by virtue of being a trustee of a trust, distribution of the
 17 trust's entire transferable interest in the limited partnership, but not
 18 merely by reason of the substitution of a successor trustee;

19 (9) in the case of a person that is an estate or is acting as a
 20 general partner by virtue of being a personal representative of an estate,
 21 distribution of the estate's entire transferable interest in the limited
 22 partnership, but not merely by reason of the substitution of a successor
 23 personal representative;

24 (10) termination of a general partner that is not an individual,
 25 partnership, limited liability company, corporation, trust, or estate; or

26 (11) the limited partnership's participation in a conversion or
 27 merger under subchapter 11, if the limited partnership:

28 (A) is not the converted or surviving entity; or

29 (B) is the converted or surviving entity but, as a result
 30 of the conversion or merger, the person ceases to be a general partner.

31
 32 4-47-604. Person's power to dissociate as general partner – Wrongful
 33 dissociation.

34 (a) A person has the power to dissociate as a general partner at any
 35 time, rightfully or wrongfully, by express will pursuant to § 4-47-603(1).

36 (b) A person's dissociation as a general partner is wrongful only if:

1 (1) it is in breach of an express provision of the partnership
 2 agreement; or

3 (2) it occurs before the termination of the limited partnership,
 4 and:

5 (A) the person withdraws as a general partner by express
 6 will;

7 (B) the person is expelled as a general partner by
 8 judicial determination under § 4-47-603(5);

9 (C) the person is dissociated as a general partner by
 10 becoming a debtor in bankruptcy; or

11 (D) in the case of a person that is not an individual,
 12 trust other than a business trust, or estate, the person is expelled or
 13 otherwise dissociated as a general partner because it willfully dissolved or
 14 terminated.

15 (c) A person that wrongfully dissociates as a general partner is
 16 liable to the limited partnership and, subject to § 4-47-1001, to the other
 17 partners for damages caused by the dissociation. The liability is in
 18 addition to any other obligation of the general partner to the limited
 19 partnership or to the other partners.

20
 21 4-47-605. Effect of dissociation as general partner.

22 (a) Upon a person's dissociation as a general partner:

23 (1) the person's right to participate as a general partner in
 24 the management and conduct of the partnership's activities terminates;

25 (2) the person's duty of loyalty as a general partner under § 4-
 26 47-408(b)(3) terminates;

27 (3) the person's duty of loyalty as a general partner under § 4-
 28 47-408(b)(1) and (2) and duty of care under § 4-47-408(c) continue only with
 29 regard to matters arising and events occurring before the person's
 30 dissociation as a general partner;

31 (4) the person may sign and deliver to the Secretary of State
 32 for filing a statement of dissociation pertaining to the person and, at the
 33 request of the limited partnership, shall sign an amendment to the
 34 certificate of limited partnership which states that the person has
 35 dissociated; and

36 (5) subject to § 4-47-704 and subchapter 11, any transferable

1 interest owned by the person immediately before dissociation in the person's
 2 capacity as a general partner is owned by the person as a mere transferee.

3 (b) A person's dissociation as a general partner does not of itself
 4 discharge the person from any obligation to the limited partnership or the
 5 other partners which the person incurred while a general partner.

6
 7 4-47-606. Power to bind and liability to limited partnership before
 8 dissolution of partnership of person dissociated as general partner.

9 (a) After a person is dissociated as a general partner and before the
 10 limited partnership is dissolved, converted under subchapter 11, or merged
 11 out of existence under subchapter 11, the limited partnership is bound by an
 12 act of the person only if:

13 (1) the act would have bound the limited partnership under § 4-
 14 47-402 before the dissociation; and

15 (2) at the time the other party enters into the transaction:

16 (A) less than two years has passed since the dissociation;
 17 and

18 (B) the other party does not have notice of the
 19 dissociation and reasonably believes that the person is a general partner.

20 (b) If a limited partnership is bound under subsection (a), the person
 21 dissociated as a general partner which caused the limited partnership to be
 22 bound is liable:

23 (1) to the limited partnership for any damage caused to the
 24 limited partnership arising from the obligation incurred under subsection
 25 (a); and

26 (2) if a general partner or another person dissociated as a
 27 general partner is liable for the obligation, to the general partner or other
 28 person for any damage caused to the general partner or other person arising
 29 from the liability.

30
 31 4-47-607. Liability to other persons of person dissociated as general
 32 partner.

33 (a) A person's dissociation as a general partner does not of itself
 34 discharge the person's liability as a general partner for an obligation of
 35 the limited partnership incurred before dissociation. Except as otherwise
 36 provided in subsections (b) and (c), the person is not liable for a limited

1 partnership's obligation incurred after dissociation.

2 (b) A person whose dissociation as a general partner resulted in a
3 dissolution and winding up of the limited partnership's activities is liable
4 to the same extent as a general partner under § 4-47-404 on an obligation
5 incurred by the limited partnership under § 4-47-804.

6 (c) A person that has dissociated as a general partner but whose
7 dissociation did not result in a dissolution and winding up of the limited
8 partnership's activities is liable on a transaction entered into by the
9 limited partnership after the dissociation only if:

10 (1) a general partner would be liable on the transaction; and

11 (2) at the time the other party enters into the transaction:

12 (A) less than two years has passed since the dissociation;

13 and

14 (B) the other party does not have notice of the
15 dissociation and reasonably believes that the person is a general partner.

16 (d) By agreement with a creditor of a limited partnership and the
17 limited partnership, a person dissociated as a general partner may be
18 released from liability for an obligation of the limited partnership.

19 (e) A person dissociated as a general partner is released from
20 liability for an obligation of the limited partnership if the limited
21 partnership's creditor, with notice of the person's dissociation as a general
22 partner but without the person's consent, agrees to a material alteration in
23 the nature or time of payment of the obligation.

24
25 Subchapter 7 – Transferable Interests and Rights of Transferees and
26 Creditors

27 4-47-701. Partner's transferable interest.

28 The only interest of a partner which is transferable is the partner's
29 transferable interest. A transferable interest is personal property.

30
31 4-47-702. Transfer of partner's transferable interest.

32 (a) A transfer, in whole or in part, of a partner's transferable
33 interest:

34 (1) is permissible;

35 (2) does not by itself cause the partner's dissociation or a
36 dissolution and winding up of the limited partnership's activities; and

1 (3) does not, as against the other partners or the limited
 2 partnership, entitle the transferee to participate in the management or
 3 conduct of the limited partnership's activities, to require access to
 4 information concerning the limited partnership's transactions except as
 5 otherwise provided in subsection (c), or to inspect or copy the required
 6 information or the limited partnership's other records.

7 (b) A transferee has a right to receive, in accordance with the
 8 transfer:

9 (1) distributions to which the transferor would otherwise be
 10 entitled; and

11 (2) upon the dissolution and winding up of the limited
 12 partnership's activities the net amount otherwise distributable to the
 13 transferor.

14 (c) In a dissolution and winding up, a transferee is entitled to an
 15 account of the limited partnership's transactions only from the date of
 16 dissolution.

17 (d) Upon transfer, the transferor retains the rights of a partner
 18 other than the interest in distributions transferred and retains all duties
 19 and obligations of a partner.

20 (e) A limited partnership need not give effect to a transferee's
 21 rights under this section until the limited partnership has notice of the
 22 transfer.

23 (f) A transfer of a partner's transferable interest in the limited
 24 partnership in violation of a restriction on transfer contained in the
 25 partnership agreement is ineffective as to a person having notice of the
 26 restriction at the time of transfer.

27 (g) A transferee that becomes a partner with respect to a transferable
 28 interest is liable for the transferor's obligations under §§ 4-47-502 and 4-
 29 47-509. However, the transferee is not obligated for liabilities unknown to
 30 the transferee at the time the transferee became a partner.

31
 32 4-47-703. Rights of creditor of partner or transferee.

33 (a) On application to a court of competent jurisdiction by any
 34 judgment creditor of a partner or transferee, the court may charge the
 35 transferable interest of the judgment debtor with payment of the unsatisfied
 36 amount of the judgment with interest. To the extent so charged, the judgment

1 creditor has only the rights of a transferee. The court may appoint a
 2 receiver of the share of the distributions due or to become due to the
 3 judgment debtor in respect of the partnership and make all other orders,
 4 directions, accounts, and inquiries the judgment debtor might have made or
 5 which the circumstances of the case may require to give effect to the
 6 charging order.

7 (b) A charging order constitutes a lien on the judgment debtor's
 8 transferable interest. The court may order a foreclosure upon the interest
 9 subject to the charging order at any time. The purchaser at the foreclosure
 10 sale has the rights of a transferee.

11 (c) At any time before foreclosure, an interest charged may be
 12 redeemed:

13 (1) by the judgment debtor;

14 (2) with property other than limited partnership property, by
 15 one or more of the other partners; or

16 (3) with limited partnership property, by the limited
 17 partnership with the consent of all partners whose interests are not so
 18 charged.

19 (d) This chapter does not deprive any partner or transferee of the
 20 benefit of any exemption laws applicable to the partner's or transferee's
 21 transferable interest.

22 (e) This section provides the exclusive remedy by which a judgment
 23 creditor of a partner or transferee may satisfy a judgment out of the
 24 judgment debtor's transferable interest.

25
 26 4-47-704. Power of estate of deceased partner.

27 If a partner dies, the deceased partner's personal representative or
 28 other legal representative may exercise the rights of a transferee as
 29 provided in § 4-47-702 and, for the purposes of settling the estate, may
 30 exercise the rights of a current limited partner under § 4-47-304.

31
 32 Subchapter 8 – Dissolution

33 4-47-801. Nonjudicial dissolution.

34 Except as otherwise provided in § 4-47-802, a limited partnership is
 35 dissolved, and its activities must be wound up, only upon the occurrence of
 36 any of the following:

1 (1) the happening of an event specified in the partnership
 2 agreement;

3 (2) the consent of all general partners and of limited partners
 4 owning a majority of the rights to receive distributions as limited partners
 5 at the time the consent is to be effective;

6 (3) after the dissociation of a person as a general partner:

7 (A) if the limited partnership has at least one remaining
 8 general partner, the consent to dissolve the limited partnership given within
 9 90 days after the dissociation by partners owning a majority of the rights to
 10 receive distributions as partners at the time the consent is to be effective;
 11 or

12 (B) if the limited partnership does not have a remaining
 13 general partner, the passage of 90 days after the dissociation, unless before
 14 the end of the period:

15 (i) consent to continue the activities of the
 16 limited partnership and admit at least one general partner is given by
 17 limited partners owning a majority of the rights to receive distributions as
 18 limited partners at the time the consent is to be effective; and

19 (ii) at least one person is admitted as a general
 20 partner in accordance with the consent;

21 (4) the passage of 90 days after the dissociation of the limited
 22 partnership's last limited partner, unless before the end of the period the
 23 limited partnership admits at least one limited partner; or

24 (5) the signing and filing of a declaration of dissolution by
 25 the Secretary of State under § 4-47-809(c).

26
 27 4-47-802. Judicial dissolution.

28 On application by a partner the circuit court may order dissolution of
 29 a limited partnership if it is not reasonably practicable to carry on the
 30 activities of the limited partnership in conformity with the partnership
 31 agreement.

32
 33 4-47-803. Winding up.

34 (a) A limited partnership continues after dissolution only for the
 35 purpose of winding up its activities.

36 (b) In winding up its activities, the limited partnership:

1 (1) may amend its certificate of limited partnership to state
 2 that the limited partnership is dissolved, preserve the limited partnership
 3 business or property as a going concern for a reasonable time, prosecute and
 4 defend actions and proceedings, whether civil, criminal, or administrative,
 5 transfer the limited partnership's property, settle disputes by mediation or
 6 arbitration, file a statement of termination as provided in § 4-47-203, and
 7 perform other necessary acts; and

8 (2) shall discharge the limited partnership's liabilities,
 9 settle and close the limited partnership's activities, and marshal and
 10 distribute the assets of the partnership.

11 (c) If a dissolved limited partnership does not have a general
 12 partner, a person to wind up the dissolved limited partnership's activities
 13 may be appointed by the consent of limited partners owning a majority of the
 14 rights to receive distributions as limited partners at the time the consent
 15 is to be effective. A person appointed under this subsection:

16 (1) has the powers of a general partner under § 4-47-804; and

17 (2) shall promptly amend the certificate of limited partnership
 18 to state:

19 (A) that the limited partnership does not have a general
 20 partner;

21 (B) the name of the person that has been appointed to wind
 22 up the limited partnership; and

23 (C) the street and mailing address of the person.

24 (d) On the application of any partner, the circuit court may order
 25 judicial supervision of the winding up, including the appointment of a person
 26 to wind up the dissolved limited partnership's activities, if:

27 (1) a limited partnership does not have a general partner and
 28 within a reasonable time following the dissolution no person has been
 29 appointed pursuant to subsection (c); or

30 (2) the applicant establishes other good cause.

31
 32 4-47-804. Power of general partner and person dissociated as general
 33 partner to bind partnership after dissolution.

34 (a) A limited partnership is bound by a general partner's act after
 35 dissolution which:

36 (1) is appropriate for winding up the limited partnership's

1 activities; or

2 (2) would have bound the limited partnership under § 4-47-402
3 before dissolution, if, at the time the other party enters into the
4 transaction, the other party does not have notice of the dissolution.

5 (b) A person dissociated as a general partner binds a limited
6 partnership through an act occurring after dissolution if:

7 (1) at the time the other party enters into the transaction:

8 (A) less than two years has passed since the dissociation;

9 and

10 (B) the other party does not have notice of the
11 dissociation and reasonably believes that the person is a general partner;

12 and

13 (2) the act:

14 (A) is appropriate for winding up the limited
15 partnership's activities; or

16 (B) would have bound the limited partnership under § 4-47-
17 402 before dissolution and at the time the other party enters into the
18 transaction the other party does not have notice of the dissolution.

19
20 4-47-805. Liability after dissolution of general partner and person
21 dissociated as general partner to limited partnership, other general
22 partners, and persons dissociated as general partner.

23 (a) If a general partner having knowledge of the dissolution causes a
24 limited partnership to incur an obligation under § 4-47-804(a) by an act that
25 is not appropriate for winding up the partnership's activities, the general
26 partner is liable:

27 (1) to the limited partnership for any damage caused to the
28 limited partnership arising from the obligation; and

29 (2) if another general partner or a person dissociated as a
30 general partner is liable for the obligation, to that other general partner
31 or person for any damage caused to that other general partner or person
32 arising from the liability.

33 (b) If a person dissociated as a general partner causes a limited
34 partnership to incur an obligation under § 4-47-804(b), the person is liable:

35 (1) to the limited partnership for any damage caused to the
36 limited partnership arising from the obligation; and

1 (2) if a general partner or another person dissociated as a
 2 general partner is liable for the obligation, to the general partner or other
 3 person for any damage caused to the general partner or other person arising
 4 from the liability.

5
 6 4-47-806. Known claims against dissolved limited partnership.

7 (a) A dissolved limited partnership may dispose of the known claims
 8 against it by following the procedure described in subsection (b).

9 (b) A dissolved limited partnership may notify its known claimants of
 10 the dissolution in a record. The notice must:

11 (1) specify the information required to be included in a claim;

12 (2) provide a mailing address to which the claim is to be sent;

13 (3) state the deadline for receipt of the claim, which may not
 14 be less than 120 days after the date the notice is received by the claimant;

15 (4) state that the claim will be barred if not received by the
 16 deadline; and

17 (5) unless the limited partnership has been throughout its
 18 existence a limited liability limited partnership, state that the barring of
 19 a claim against the limited partnership will also bar any corresponding claim
 20 against any general partner or person dissociated as a general partner which
 21 is based on § 4-47-404.

22 (c) A claim against a dissolved limited partnership is barred if the
 23 requirements of subsection (b) are met and:

24 (1) the claim is not received by the specified deadline; or

25 (2) in the case of a claim that is timely received but rejected
 26 by the dissolved limited partnership, the claimant does not commence an
 27 action to enforce the claim against the limited partnership within 90 days
 28 after the receipt of the notice of the rejection.

29 (d) This section does not apply to a claim based on an event occurring
 30 after the effective date of dissolution or a liability that is contingent on
 31 that date.

32
 33 4-47-807. Other claims against dissolved limited partnership.

34 (a) A dissolved limited partnership may publish notice of its
 35 dissolution and request persons having claims against the limited partnership
 36 to present them in accordance with the notice.

1 (b) The notice must:

2 (1) be published at least once in a newspaper of general
 3 circulation in the county in which the dissolved limited partnership's
 4 principal office is located or, if it has none in this State, in the county
 5 in which the limited partnership's designated office is or was last located;

6 (2) describe the information required to be contained in a claim
 7 and provide a mailing address to which the claim is to be sent;

8 (3) state that a claim against the limited partnership is barred
 9 unless an action to enforce the claim is commenced within five years after
 10 publication of the notice; and

11 (4) unless the limited partnership has been throughout its
 12 existence a limited liability limited partnership, state that the barring of
 13 a claim against the limited partnership will also bar any corresponding claim
 14 against any general partner or person dissociated as a general partner which
 15 is based on § 4-47-404.

16 (c) If a dissolved limited partnership publishes a notice in
 17 accordance with subsection (b), the claim of each of the following claimants
 18 is barred unless the claimant commences an action to enforce the claim
 19 against the dissolved limited partnership within five years after the
 20 publication date of the notice:

21 (1) a claimant that did not receive notice in a record under §
 22 4-47-806;

23 (2) a claimant whose claim was timely sent to the dissolved
 24 limited partnership but not acted on; and

25 (3) a claimant whose claim is contingent or based on an event
 26 occurring after the effective date of dissolution.

27 (d) A claim not barred under this section may be enforced:

28 (1) against the dissolved limited partnership, to the extent of
 29 its undistributed assets;

30 (2) if the assets have been distributed in liquidation, against
 31 a partner or transferee to the extent of that person's proportionate share of
 32 the claim or the limited partnership's assets distributed to the partner or
 33 transferee in liquidation, whichever is less, but a person's total liability
 34 for all claims under this paragraph does not exceed the total amount of
 35 assets distributed to the person as part of the winding up of the dissolved
 36 limited partnership; or

1 (3) against any person liable on the claim under § 4-47-404.

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 3 4-47-808. Liability of general partner and person dissociated as
 4 general partner when claim against limited partnership barred.

5 If a claim against a dissolved limited partnership is barred under § 4-
 6 47-806 or § 4-47-807, any corresponding claim under § 4-47-404 is also
 7 barred.

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 9 4-47-809. Administrative dissolution.

10 (a) The Secretary of State may dissolve a limited partnership
 11 administratively if the limited partnership does not, within 60 days after
 12 the due date:

13 (1) pay any fee, tax, or penalty due to the Secretary of State
 14 under this chapter or other law; or

15 (2) deliver its annual report to the Secretary of State.

16 (b) If the Secretary of State determines that a ground exists for
 17 administratively dissolving a limited partnership, the Secretary of State
 18 shall file a record of the determination and serve the limited partnership
 19 with a copy of the filed record.

20 (c) If within 60 days after service of the copy the limited
 21 partnership does not correct each ground for dissolution or demonstrate to
 22 the reasonable satisfaction of the Secretary of State that each ground
 23 determined by the Secretary of State does not exist, the Secretary of State
 24 shall administratively dissolve the limited partnership by preparing, signing
 25 and filing a declaration of dissolution that states the grounds for
 26 dissolution. The Secretary of State shall serve the limited partnership with
 27 a copy of the filed declaration.

28 (d) A limited partnership administratively dissolved continues its
 29 existence but may carry on only activities necessary to wind up its
 30 activities and liquidate its assets under §§ 4-47-803 and 4-47-812 and to
 31 notify claimants under §§ 4-47-806 and 4-47-807.

32 (e) The administrative dissolution of a limited partnership does not
 33 terminate the authority of its agent for service of process.

34
 35 4-47-810. Reinstatement following administrative dissolution.

36 (a) A limited partnership that has been administratively dissolved may

1 apply to the Secretary of State for reinstatement within two years after the
2 effective date of dissolution. The application must be delivered to the
3 Secretary of State for filing and state:

4 (1) the name of the limited partnership and the effective date
5 of its administrative dissolution;

6 (2) that the grounds for dissolution either did not exist or
7 have been eliminated; and

8 (3) that the limited partnership's name satisfies the
9 requirements of § 4-47-108.

10 (b) If the Secretary of State determines that an application contains
11 the information required by subsection (a) and that the information is
12 correct, the Secretary of State shall prepare a declaration of reinstatement
13 that states this determination, sign, and file the original of the
14 declaration of reinstatement, and serve the limited partnership with a copy.

15 (c) When reinstatement becomes effective, it relates back to and takes
16 effect as of the effective date of the administrative dissolution and the
17 limited partnership may resume its activities as if the administrative
18 dissolution had never occurred.

19
20 4-47-811. Appeal from denial of reinstatement.

21 (a) If the Secretary of State denies a limited partnership's
22 application for reinstatement following administrative dissolution, the
23 Secretary of State shall prepare, sign and file a notice that explains the
24 reason or reasons for denial and serve the limited partnership with a copy of
25 the notice.

26 (b) Within 30 days after service of the notice of denial, the limited
27 partnership may appeal from the denial of reinstatement by petitioning the
28 circuit court to set aside the dissolution. The petition must be served on
29 the Secretary of State and contain a copy of the Secretary of State's
30 declaration of dissolution, the limited partnership's application for
31 reinstatement, and the Secretary of State's notice of denial.

32 (c) The court may summarily order the Secretary of State to reinstate
33 the dissolved limited partnership or may take other action the court
34 considers appropriate.

35
36 4-47-812. Disposition of assets – When contributions required.

1 (a) In winding up a limited partnership's activities, the assets of
2 the limited partnership, including the contributions required by this
3 section, must be applied to satisfy the limited partnership's obligations to
4 creditors, including, to the extent permitted by law, partners that are
5 creditors.

6 (b) Any surplus remaining after the limited partnership complies with
7 subsection (a) must be paid in cash as a distribution.

8 (c) If a limited partnership's assets are insufficient to satisfy all
9 of its obligations under subsection (a), with respect to each unsatisfied
10 obligation incurred when the limited partnership was not a limited liability
11 limited partnership, the following rules apply:

12 (1) Each person that was a general partner when the obligation
13 was incurred and that has not been released from the obligation under § 4-47-
14 607 shall contribute to the limited partnership for the purpose of enabling
15 the limited partnership to satisfy the obligation. The contribution due from
16 each of those persons is in proportion to the right to receive distributions
17 in the capacity of general partner in effect for each of those persons when
18 the obligation was incurred.

19 (2) If a person does not contribute the full amount required
20 under paragraph (1) with respect to an unsatisfied obligation of the limited
21 partnership, the other persons required to contribute by paragraph (1) on
22 account of the obligation shall contribute the additional amount necessary to
23 discharge the obligation. The additional contribution due from each of those
24 other persons is in proportion to the right to receive distributions in the
25 capacity of general partner in effect for each of those other persons when
26 the obligation was incurred.

27 (3) If a person does not make the additional contribution
28 required by paragraph (2), further additional contributions are determined
29 and due in the same manner as provided in that paragraph.

30 (d) A person that makes an additional contribution under subsection
31 (c)(2) or (3) may recover from any person whose failure to contribute under
32 subsection (c)(1) or (2) necessitated the additional contribution. A person
33 may not recover under this subsection more than the amount additionally
34 contributed. A person's liability under this subsection may not exceed the
35 amount the person failed to contribute.

36 (e) The estate of a deceased individual is liable for the person's

1 obligations under this section.

2 (f) An assignee for the benefit of creditors of a limited partnership
 3 or a partner, or a person appointed by a court to represent creditors of a
 4 limited partnership or a partner, may enforce a person's obligation to
 5 contribute under subsection (c).

6
 7 Subchapter 9 – Foreign Limited Partnerships
 8 4-47-901. Governing law.

9 (a) The laws of the State or other jurisdiction under which a foreign
 10 limited partnership is organized govern relations among the partners of the
 11 foreign limited partnership and between the partners and the foreign limited
 12 partnership and the liability of partners as partners for an obligation of
 13 the foreign limited partnership.

14 (b) A foreign limited partnership may not be denied a certificate of
 15 authority by reason of any difference between the laws of the jurisdiction
 16 under which the foreign limited partnership is organized and the laws of this
 17 State.

18 (c) A certificate of authority does not authorize a foreign limited
 19 partnership to engage in any business or exercise any power that a limited
 20 partnership may not engage in or exercise in this State.

21
 22 4-47-902. Application for certificate of authority.

23 (a) A foreign limited partnership may apply for a certificate of
 24 authority to transact business in this State by delivering an application to
 25 the Secretary of State for filing. The application must state:

26 (1) the name of the foreign limited partnership and, if the name
 27 does not comply with § 4-47-108, an alternate name adopted pursuant to § 4-
 28 47-905(a);

29 (2) the name of the State or other jurisdiction under whose law
 30 the foreign limited partnership is organized;

31 (3) the street and mailing address of the foreign limited
 32 partnership's principal office and, if the laws of the jurisdiction under
 33 which the foreign limited partnership is organized require the foreign
 34 limited partnership to maintain an office in that jurisdiction, the street
 35 and mailing address of the required office;

36 (4) the name and street and mailing address of the foreign

1 limited partnership's initial agent for service of process in this State;

2 (5) the name and street and mailing address of each of the
 3 foreign limited partnership's general partners; and

4 (6) whether the foreign limited partnership is a foreign limited
 5 liability limited partnership.

6 (b) A foreign limited partnership shall deliver with the completed
 7 application a certificate of existence or a record of similar import signed
 8 by the Secretary of State or other official having custody of the foreign
 9 limited partnership's publicly filed records in the State or other
 10 jurisdiction under whose law the foreign limited partnership is organized.

11
 12 4-47-903. Activities not constituting transacting business.

13 (a) Activities of a foreign limited partnership which do not
 14 constitute transacting business in this State within the meaning of this
 15 chapter include:

16 (1) maintaining, defending, and settling an action or
 17 proceeding;

18 (2) holding meetings of its partners or carrying on any other
 19 activity concerning its internal affairs;

20 (3) maintaining accounts in financial institutions;

21 (4) maintaining offices or agencies for the transfer, exchange,
 22 and registration of the foreign limited partnership's own securities or
 23 maintaining trustees or depositories with respect to those securities;

24 (5) selling through independent contractors;

25 (6) soliciting or obtaining orders, whether by mail or
 26 electronic means or through employees or agents or otherwise, if the orders
 27 require acceptance outside this State before they become contracts;

28 (7) creating or acquiring indebtedness, mortgages, or security
 29 interests in real or personal property;

30 (8) securing or collecting debts or enforcing mortgages or other
 31 security interests in property securing the debts, and holding, protecting,
 32 and maintaining property so acquired;

33 (9) conducting an isolated transaction that is completed within
 34 30 days and is not one in the course of similar transactions of a like
 35 manner; and

36 (10) transacting business in interstate commerce.

1 (b) For purposes of this chapter, the ownership in this State of
 2 income-producing real property or tangible personal property, other than
 3 property excluded under subsection (a), constitutes transacting business in
 4 this State.

5 (c) This section does not apply in determining the contacts or
 6 activities that may subject a foreign limited partnership to service of
 7 process, taxation, or regulation under any other law of this State.

8
 9 4-47-904. Filing of certificate of authority.

10 Unless the Secretary of State determines that an application for a
 11 certificate of authority does not comply with the filing requirements of this
 12 chapter, the Secretary of State, upon payment of all filing fees, shall file
 13 the application, prepare, sign and file a certificate of authority to
 14 transact business in this State, and send a copy of the filed certificate,
 15 together with a receipt for the fees, to the foreign limited partnership or
 16 its representative.

17
 18 4-47-905. Noncomplying name of foreign limited partnership.

19 (a) A foreign limited partnership whose name does not comply with § 4-
 20 47-108 may not obtain a certificate of authority until it adopts, for the
 21 purpose of transacting business in this State, an alternate name that
 22 complies with § 4-47-108. A foreign limited partnership that adopts an
 23 alternate name under this subsection and then obtains a certificate of
 24 authority with the name need not comply with § 4-32-108. After obtaining a
 25 certificate of authority with an alternate name, a foreign limited
 26 partnership shall transact business in this State under the name unless the
 27 foreign limited partnership is authorized under § 4-32-108 to transact
 28 business in this State under another name.

29 (b) If a foreign limited partnership authorized to transact business
 30 in this State changes its name to one that does not comply with § 4-47-108,
 31 it may not thereafter transact business in this State until it complies with
 32 subsection (a) and obtains an amended certificate of authority.

33
 34 4-47-906. Revocation of certificate of authority.

35 (a) A certificate of authority of a foreign limited partnership to
 36 transact business in this State may be revoked by the Secretary of State in

1 the manner provided in subsections (b) and (c) if the foreign limited
 2 partnership does not:

3 (1) pay, within 60 days after the due date, any fee, tax or
 4 penalty due to the Secretary of State under this chapter or other law;

5 (2) deliver, within 60 days after the due date, its annual
 6 report required under § 4-47-210;

7 (3) appoint and maintain an agent for service of process as
 8 required by § 4-47-114(b); or

9 (4) deliver for filing a statement of a change under § 4-47-115
 10 within 30 days after a change has occurred in the name or address of the
 11 agent.

12 (b) In order to revoke a certificate of authority, the Secretary of
 13 State must prepare, sign, and file a notice of revocation and send a copy to
 14 the foreign limited partnership's agent for service of process in this State,
 15 or if the foreign limited partnership does not appoint and maintain a proper
 16 agent in this State, to the foreign limited partnership's designated office.

17 The notice must state:

18 (1) the revocation's effective date, which must be at least 60
 19 days after the date the Secretary of State sends the copy; and

20 (2) the foreign limited partnership's failures to comply with
 21 subsection (a) which are the reason for the revocation.

22 (c) The authority of the foreign limited partnership to transact
 23 business in this State ceases on the effective date of the notice of
 24 revocation unless before that date the foreign limited partnership cures each
 25 failure to comply with subsection (a) stated in the notice. If the foreign
 26 limited partnership cures the failures, the Secretary of State shall so
 27 indicate on the filed notice.

28
 29 4-47-907. Cancellation of certificate of authority – Effect of failure
 30 to have certificate.

31 (a) In order to cancel its certificate of authority to transact
 32 business in this State, a foreign limited partnership must deliver to the
 33 Secretary of State for filing a notice of cancellation. The certificate is
 34 canceled when the notice becomes effective under § 4-47-206.

35 (b) A foreign limited partnership transacting business in this State
 36 may not maintain an action or proceeding in this State unless it has a

1 certificate of authority to transact business in this State.

2 (c) The failure of a foreign limited partnership to have a certificate
 3 of authority to transact business in this State does not impair the validity
 4 of a contract or act of the foreign limited partnership or prevent the
 5 foreign limited partnership from defending an action or proceeding in this
 6 State.

7 (d) A partner of a foreign limited partnership is not liable for the
 8 obligations of the foreign limited partnership solely by reason of the
 9 foreign limited partnership's having transacted business in this State
 10 without a certificate of authority.

11 (e) If a foreign limited partnership transacts business in this State
 12 without a certificate of authority or cancels its certificate of authority,
 13 it appoints the Secretary of State as its agent for service of process for
 14 rights of action arising out of the transaction of business in this State.

15
 16 4-47-908. Action by Attorney General.

17 The Attorney General may maintain an action to restrain a foreign
 18 limited partnership from transacting business in this State in violation of
 19 this chapter.

20
 21 Subchapter 10 – Actions by Partners

22 4-47-1001. Direct action by partner.

23 (a) Subject to subsection (b), a partner may maintain a direct action
 24 against the limited partnership or another partner for legal or equitable
 25 relief, with or without an accounting as to the partnership's activities, to
 26 enforce the rights and otherwise protect the interests of the partner,
 27 including rights and interests under the partnership agreement or this
 28 chapter or arising independently of the partnership relationship.

29 (b) A partner commencing a direct action under this section is
 30 required to plead and prove an actual or threatened injury that is not solely
 31 the result of an injury suffered or threatened to be suffered by the limited
 32 partnership.

33 (c) The accrual of, and any time limitation on, a right of action for
 34 a remedy under this section is governed by other law. A right to an
 35 accounting upon a dissolution and winding up does not revive a claim barred
 36 by law.

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4-47-1002. Derivative action.

A partner may maintain a derivative action to enforce a right of a limited partnership if:

(1) the partner first makes a demand on the general partners, requesting that they cause the limited partnership to bring an action to enforce the right, and the general partners do not bring the action within a reasonable time; or

(2) a demand would be futile.

4-47-1003. Proper plaintiff.

A derivative action may be maintained only by a person that is a partner at the time the action is commenced and:

(1) that was a partner when the conduct giving rise to the action occurred; or

(2) whose status as a partner devolved upon the person by operation of law or pursuant to the terms of the partnership agreement from a person that was a partner at the time of the conduct.

4-47-1004. Pleading.

In a derivative action, the complaint must state with particularity:

(1) the date and content of plaintiff's demand and the general partners' response to the demand; or

(2) why demand should be excused as futile.

4-47-1005. Proceeds and expenses.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b):

(1) any proceeds or other benefits of a derivative action, whether by judgment, compromise, or settlement, belong to the limited partnership and not to the derivative plaintiff;

(2) if the derivative plaintiff receives any proceeds, the derivative plaintiff shall immediately remit them to the limited partnership.

(b) If a derivative action is successful in whole or in part, the court may award the plaintiff reasonable expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, from the recovery of the limited partnership.

1 Subchapter 11 – Conversion and Merger

2 4-47-1101. Definitions.

3 In this subchapter:

4 (1) “Constituent limited partnership” means a constituent
 5 organization that is a limited partnership.

6 (2) “Constituent organization” means an organization that is
 7 party to a merger.

8 (3) “Converted organization” means the organization into which a
 9 converting organization converts pursuant to §§ 4-47-1102 through 4-47-1105.

10 (4) “Converting limited partnership” means a converting
 11 organization that is a limited partnership.

12 (5) “Converting organization” means an organization that
 13 converts into another organization pursuant to § 4-47-1102.

14 (6) “General partner” means a general partner of a limited
 15 partnership.

16 (7) “Governing statute” of an organization means the statute
 17 that governs the organization’s internal affairs.

18 (8) “Organization” means a general partnership, including a
 19 limited liability partnership; limited partnership, including a limited
 20 liability limited partnership; limited liability company; business trust;
 21 corporation; or any other person having a governing statute. The term
 22 includes domestic and foreign organizations whether or not organized for
 23 profit.

24 (9) “Organizational documents” means:

25 (A) for a domestic or foreign general partnership, its
 26 partnership agreement;

27 (B) for a limited partnership or foreign limited
 28 partnership, its certificate of limited partnership and partnership
 29 agreement;

30 (C) for a domestic or foreign limited liability company,
 31 its articles of organization and operating agreement, or comparable records
 32 as provided in its governing statute;

33 (D) for a business trust, its agreement of trust and
 34 declaration of trust;

35 (E) for a domestic or foreign corporation for profit, its
 36 articles of incorporation, bylaws, and other agreements among its

1 shareholders which are authorized by its governing statute, or comparable
 2 records as provided in its governing statute; and

3 (F) for any other organization, the basic records that
 4 create the organization and determine its internal governance and the
 5 relations among the persons that own it, have an interest in it, or are
 6 members of it.

7 (10) "Personal liability" means personal liability for a debt,
 8 liability, or other obligation of an organization which is imposed on a
 9 person that co-owns, has an interest in, or is a member of the organization:

10 (A) by the organization's governing statute solely by
 11 reason of the person co-owning, having an interest in, or being a member of
 12 the organization; or

13 (B) by the organization's organizational documents under a
 14 provision of the organization's governing statute authorizing those documents
 15 to make one or more specified persons liable for all or specified debts,
 16 liabilities, and other obligations of the organization solely by reason of
 17 the person or persons co-owning, having an interest in, or being a member of
 18 the organization.

19 (11) "Surviving organization" means an organization into which
 20 one or more other organizations are merged. A surviving organization may
 21 preexist the merger or be created by the merger.

22
 23 4-47-1102. Conversion.

24 (a) An organization other than a limited partnership may convert to a
 25 limited partnership, and a limited partnership may convert to another
 26 organization pursuant to this section and §§ 4-47-1103 through 4-47-1105 and
 27 a plan of conversion, if:

28 (1) the other organization's governing statute authorizes the
 29 conversion;

30 (2) the conversion is not prohibited by the law of the
 31 jurisdiction that enacted the governing statute; and

32 (3) the other organization complies with its governing statute
 33 in effecting the conversion.

34 (b) A plan of conversion must be in a record and must include:

35 (1) the name and form of the organization before conversion;

36 (2) the name and form of the organization after conversion; and

1 (3) the terms and conditions of the conversion, including the
 2 manner and basis for converting interests in the converting organization into
 3 any combination of money, interests in the converted organization, and other
 4 consideration; and

5 (4) the organizational documents of the converted organization.
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7 4-47-1103. Action on plan of conversion by converting limited
 8 partnership.

9 (a) Subject to § 4-47-1110, a plan of conversion must be consented to
 10 by all the partners of a converting limited partnership.

11 (b) Subject to § 4-47-1110 and any contractual rights, after a
 12 conversion is approved, and at any time before a filing is made under § 4-47-
 13 1104, a converting limited partnership may amend the plan or abandon the
 14 planned conversion:

15 (1) as provided in the plan; and

16 (2) except as prohibited by the plan, by the same consent as was
 17 required to approve the plan.
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19 4-47-1104. Filings required for conversion – Effective date.

20 (a) After a plan of conversion is approved:

21 (1) a converting limited partnership shall deliver to the
 22 Secretary of State for filing articles of conversion, which must include:

23 (A) a statement that the limited partnership has been
 24 converted into another organization;

25 (B) the name and form of the organization and the
 26 jurisdiction of its governing statute;

27 (C) the date the conversion is effective under the
 28 governing statute of the converted organization;

29 (D) a statement that the conversion was approved as
 30 required by this chapter;

31 (E) a statement that the conversion was approved as
 32 required by the governing statute of the converted organization; and

33 (F) if the converted organization is a foreign
 34 organization not authorized to transact business in this State, the street
 35 and mailing address of an office which the Secretary of State may use for the
 36 purposes of § 4-47-1105(c); and

1 (2) if the converting organization is not a converting limited
 2 partnership, the converting organization shall deliver to the Secretary of
 3 State for filing a certificate of limited partnership, which must include, in
 4 addition to the information required by § 4-47-201:

5 (A) a statement that the limited partnership was converted
 6 from another organization;

7 (B) the name and form of the organization and the
 8 jurisdiction of its governing statute; and

9 (C) a statement that the conversion was approved in a
 10 manner that complied with the organization’s governing statute.

11 (b) A conversion becomes effective:

12 (1) if the converted organization is a limited partnership, when
 13 the certificate of limited partnership takes effect; and

14 (2) if the converted organization is not a limited partnership,
 15 as provided by the governing statute of the converted organization.

16
 17 4-47-1105. Effect of conversion.

18 (a) An organization that has been converted pursuant to this
 19 subchapter is for all purposes the same entity that existed before the
 20 conversion.

21 (b) When a conversion takes effect:

22 (1) all property owned by the converting organization remains
 23 vested in the converted organization;

24 (2) all debts, liabilities, and other obligations of the
 25 converting organization continue as obligations of the converted
 26 organization;

27 (3) an action or proceeding pending by or against the converting
 28 organization may be continued as if the conversion had not occurred;

29 (4) except as prohibited by other law, all of the rights,
 30 privileges, immunities, powers, and purposes of the converting organization
 31 remain vested in the converted organization;

32 (5) except as otherwise provided in the plan of conversion, the
 33 terms and conditions of the plan of conversion take effect; and

34 (6) except as otherwise agreed, the conversion does not dissolve
 35 a converting limited partnership for the purposes of subchapter 8.

36 (c) A converted organization that is a foreign organization consents

1 to the jurisdiction of the courts of this State to enforce any obligation
2 owed by the converting limited partnership, if before the conversion the
3 converting limited partnership was subject to suit in this State on the
4 obligation. A converted organization that is a foreign organization and not
5 authorized to transact business in this State appoints the Secretary of State
6 as its agent for service of process for purposes of enforcing an obligation
7 under this subsection. Service on the Secretary of State under this
8 subsection is made in the same manner and with the same consequences as in §
9 4-47-117(c) and (d).

10
11 4-47-1106. Merger.

12 (a) A limited partnership may merge with one or more other constituent
13 organizations pursuant to this section and §§ 4-47-1107 through 4-47-1109 and
14 a plan of merger, if:

15 (1) the governing statute of each of the other organizations
16 authorizes the merger;

17 (2) the merger is not prohibited by the law of a jurisdiction
18 that enacted any of those governing statutes; and

19 (3) each of the other organizations complies with its governing
20 statute in effecting the merger.

21 (b) A plan of merger must be in a record and must include:

22 (1) the name and form of each constituent organization;

23 (2) the name and form of the surviving organization and, if the
24 surviving organization is to be created by the merger, a statement to that
25 effect;

26 (3) the terms and conditions of the merger, including the manner
27 and basis for converting the interests in each constituent organization into
28 any combination of money, interests in the surviving organization, and other
29 consideration;

30 (4) if the surviving organization is to be created by the
31 merger, the surviving organization's organizational documents; and

32 (5) if the surviving organization is not to be created by the
33 merger, any amendments to be made by the merger to the surviving
34 organization's organizational documents.

35
36 4-47-1107. Action on plan of merger by constituent limited

1 partnership.

2 (a) Subject to § 4-47-1110, a plan of merger must be consented to by
3 all the partners of a constituent limited partnership.

4 (b) Subject to § 4-47-1110 and any contractual rights, after a merger
5 is approved, and at any time before a filing is made under § 4-47-1108, a
6 constituent limited partnership may amend the plan or abandon the planned
7 merger:

8 (1) as provided in the plan; and

9 (2) except as prohibited by the plan, with the same consent as
10 was required to approve the plan.

11
12 4-47-1108. Filings required for merger – Effective date.

13 (a) After each constituent organization has approved a merger,
14 articles of merger must be signed on behalf of:

15 (1) each preexisting constituent limited partnership, by each
16 general partner listed in the certificate of limited partnership; and

17 (2) each other preexisting constituent organization, by an
18 authorized representative.

19 (b) The articles of merger must include:

20 (1) the name and form of each constituent organization and the
21 jurisdiction of its governing statute;

22 (2) the name and form of the surviving organization, the
23 jurisdiction of its governing statute, and, if the surviving organization is
24 created by the merger, a statement to that effect;

25 (3) the date the merger is effective under the governing statute
26 of the surviving organization;

27 (4) if the surviving organization is to be created by the
28 merger:

29 (A) if it will be a limited partnership, the limited
30 partnership’s certificate of limited partnership; or

31 (B) if it will be an organization other than a limited
32 partnership, the organizational document that creates the organization;

33 (5) if the surviving organization preexists the merger, any
34 amendments provided for in the plan of merger for the organizational document
35 that created the organization;

36 (6) a statement as to each constituent organization that the

1 merger was approved as required by the organization's governing statute;

2 (7) if the surviving organization is a foreign organization not
 3 authorized to transact business in this State, the street and mailing address
 4 of an office which the Secretary of State may use for the purposes of § 4-47-
 5 1109(b); and

6 (8) any additional information required by the governing statute
 7 of any constituent organization.

8 (c) Each constituent limited partnership shall deliver the articles of
 9 merger for filing in the office of the Secretary of State.

10 (d) A merger becomes effective under this subchapter:

11 (1) if the surviving organization is a limited partnership, upon
 12 the later of:

13 (A) compliance with subsection (c); or

14 (B) subject to § 4-47-206(c), as specified in the articles
 15 of merger; or

16 (2) if the surviving organization is not a limited partnership,
 17 as provided by the governing statute of the surviving organization.

18
 19 4-47-1109. Effect of merger.

20 (a) When a merger becomes effective:

21 (1) the surviving organization continues or comes into
 22 existence;

23 (2) each constituent organization that merges into the surviving
 24 organization ceases to exist as a separate entity;

25 (3) all property owned by each constituent organization that
 26 ceases to exist vests in the surviving organization;

27 (4) all debts, liabilities, and other obligations of each
 28 constituent organization that ceases to exist continue as obligations of the
 29 surviving organization;

30 (5) an action or proceeding pending by or against any
 31 constituent organization that ceases to exist may be continued as if the
 32 merger had not occurred;

33 (6) except as prohibited by other law, all of the rights,
 34 privileges, immunities, powers, and purposes of each constituent organization
 35 that ceases to exist vest in the surviving organization;

36 (7) except as otherwise provided in the plan of merger, the

1 terms and conditions of the plan of merger take effect; and

2 (8) except as otherwise agreed, if a constituent limited
3 partnership ceases to exist, the merger does not dissolve the limited
4 partnership for the purposes of subchapter 8;

5 (9) if the surviving organization is created by the merger:

6 (A) if it is a limited partnership, the certificate of
7 limited partnership becomes effective; or

8 (B) if it is an organization other than a limited
9 partnership, the organizational document that creates the organization
10 becomes effective; and

11 (10) if the surviving organization preexists the merger, any
12 amendments provided for in the articles of merger for the organizational
13 document that created the organization become effective.

14 (b) A surviving organization that is a foreign organization consents
15 to the jurisdiction of the courts of this State to enforce any obligation
16 owed by a constituent organization, if before the merger the constituent
17 organization was subject to suit in this State on the obligation. A
18 surviving organization that is a foreign organization and not authorized to
19 transact business in this State appoints the Secretary of State as its agent
20 for service of process for the purposes of enforcing an obligation under this
21 subsection. Service on the Secretary of State under this subsection is made
22 in the same manner and with the same consequences as in § 4-47-117(c) and
23 (d).

24
25 4-47-1110. Restrictions on approval of conversions and mergers and on
26 relinquishing limited liability limited partnership status.

27 (a) If a partner of a converting or constituent limited partnership
28 will have personal liability with respect to a converted or surviving
29 organization, approval and amendment of a plan of conversion or merger are
30 ineffective without the consent of the partner, unless:

31 (1) the limited partnership's partnership agreement provides for
32 the approval of the conversion or merger with the consent of fewer than all
33 the partners; and

34 (2) the partner has consented to the provision of the
35 partnership agreement.

36 (b) An amendment to a certificate of limited partnership which deletes

1 a statement that the limited partnership is a limited liability limited
 2 partnership is ineffective without the consent of each general partner
 3 unless:

4 (1) the limited partnership's partnership agreement provides for
 5 the amendment with the consent of less than all the general partners; and

6 (2) each general partner that does not consent to the amendment
 7 has consented to the provision of the partnership agreement.

8 (c) A partner does not give the consent required by subsection (a) or
 9 (b) merely by consenting to a provision of the partnership agreement which
 10 permits the partnership agreement to be amended with the consent of fewer
 11 than all the partners.

12
 13 4-47-1111. Liability of general partner after conversion or merger.

14 (a) A conversion or merger under this chapter does not discharge any
 15 liability under §§ 4-47-404 and 4-47-607 of a person that was a general
 16 partner in or dissociated as a general partner from a converting or
 17 constituent limited partnership, but:

18 (1) the provisions of this chapter pertaining to the collection
 19 or discharge of the liability continue to apply to the liability;

20 (2) for the purposes of applying those provisions, the converted
 21 or surviving organization is deemed to be the converting or constituent
 22 limited partnership; and

23 (3) if a person is required to pay any amount under this
 24 subsection:

25 (A) the person has a right of contribution from each other
 26 person that was liable as a general partner under § 4-47-404 when the
 27 obligation was incurred and has not been released from the obligation under §
 28 4-47-607; and

29 (B) the contribution due from each of those persons is in
 30 proportion to the right to receive distributions in the capacity of general
 31 partner in effect for each of those persons when the obligation was incurred.

32 (b) In addition to any other liability provided by law:

33 (1) a person that immediately before a conversion or merger
 34 became effective was a general partner in a converting or constituent limited
 35 partnership that was not a limited liability limited partnership is
 36 personally liable for each obligation of the converted or surviving

1 organization arising from a transaction with a third party after the
 2 conversion or merger becomes effective, if, at the time the third party
 3 enters into the transaction, the third party:

4 (A) does not have notice of the conversion or merger; and

5 (B) reasonably believes that:

6 (i) the converted or surviving business is the
 7 converting or constituent limited partnership;

8 (ii) the converting or constituent limited
 9 partnership is not a limited liability limited partnership; and

10 (iii) the person is a general partner in the
 11 converting or constituent limited partnership; and

12 (2) a person that was dissociated as a general partner from a
 13 converting or constituent limited partnership before the conversion or merger
 14 became effective is personally liable for each obligation of the converted or
 15 surviving organization arising from a transaction with a third party after
 16 the conversion or merger becomes effective, if:

17 (A) immediately before the conversion or merger became
 18 effective the converting or surviving limited partnership was not a limited
 19 liability limited partnership; and

20 (B) at the time the third party enters into the
 21 transaction less than two years have passed since the person dissociated as a
 22 general partner and the third party:

23 (i) does not have notice of the dissociation;

24 (ii) does not have notice of the conversion or
 25 merger; and

26 (iii) reasonably believes that the converted or
 27 surviving organization is the converting or constituent limited partnership,
 28 the converting or constituent limited partnership is not a limited liability
 29 limited partnership, and the person is a general partner in the converting or
 30 constituent limited partnership.

31
 32 4-47-1112. Power of general partners and persons dissociated as
 33 general partners to bind organization after conversion or merger.

34 (a) An act of a person that immediately before a conversion or merger
 35 became effective was a general partner in a converting or constituent limited
 36 partnership binds the converted or surviving organization after the

1 conversion or merger becomes effective, if:

2 (1) before the conversion or merger became effective, the act
 3 would have bound the converting or constituent limited partnership under § 4-
 4 47-402; and

5 (2) at the time the third party enters into the transaction, the
 6 third party:

7 (A) does not have notice of the conversion or merger; and

8 (B) reasonably believes that the converted or surviving
 9 business is the converting or constituent limited partnership and that the
 10 person is a general partner in the converting or constituent limited
 11 partnership.

12 (b) An act of a person that before a conversion or merger became
 13 effective was dissociated as a general partner from a converting or
 14 constituent limited partnership binds the converted or surviving organization
 15 after the conversion or merger becomes effective, if:

16 (1) before the conversion or merger became effective, the act
 17 would have bound the converting or constituent limited partnership under § 4-
 18 47-402 if the person had been a general partner; and

19 (2) at the time the third party enters into the transaction,
 20 less than two years have passed since the person dissociated as a general
 21 partner and the third party:

22 (A) does not have notice of the dissociation;

23 (B) does not have notice of the conversion or merger; and

24 (C) reasonably believes that the converted or surviving
 25 organization is the converting or constituent limited partnership and that
 26 the person is a general partner in the converting or constituent limited
 27 partnership.

28 (c) If a person having knowledge of the conversion or merger causes a
 29 converted or surviving organization to incur an obligation under subsection
 30 (a) or (b), the person is liable:

31 (1) to the converted or surviving organization for any damage
 32 caused to the organization arising from the obligation; and

33 (2) if another person is liable for the obligation, to that
 34 other person for any damage caused to that other person arising from the
 35 liability.

36

1 4-47-1113. Chapter not exclusive.

2 This chapter does not preclude an entity from being converted or merged
 3 under other law.

4
 5 Subchapter 12 – Miscellaneous Provisions

6 4-47-1201. Uniformity of application and construction.

7 In applying and construing this Uniform Act, consideration must be
 8 given to the need to promote uniformity of the law with respect to its
 9 subject matter among States that enact it.

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 11 4-47-1202. Severability clause.

12 If any provision of this chapter or its application to any person or
 13 circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions
 14 or applications of this chapter which can be given effect without the invalid
 15 provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this chapter are
 16 severable.

17
 18 4-47-1203. Relation to electronic signatures in Global and National
 19 Commerce Act.

20 This chapter modifies, limits, or supersedes the federal Electronic
 21 Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, 15 U.S.C. § 7001 et seq., but
 22 this chapter does not modify, limit, or supersede § 101(c) of that Act or
 23 authorize electronic delivery of any of the notices described in § 103(b) of
 24 that Act.

25
 26 4-47-1204. Effective date.

27 This chapter takes effect on September 1, 2007.

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 29 4-47-1205. [Reserved.]

30
 31 4-47-1206. Application to existing relationships.

32 (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b), on and after
 33 September 1, 2007, this chapter governs all limited partnerships.

34 (b) With respect to a limited partnership formed before this chapter
 35 takes effect, the following rules apply except as the partners otherwise
 36 elect in the manner provided in the partnership agreement or by law for

1 amending the partnership agreement:

2 (1) section 4-47-104(c) does not apply and the limited
3 partnership has whatever duration it had under the law applicable immediately
4 before the limited partnership became subject to this chapter;

5 (2) the limited partnership is not required to amend its
6 certificate of limited partnership to comply with § 4-47-201(a)(4);

7 (3) sections 4-47-601 and 4-47-602 do not apply and a limited
8 partner has the same right and power to dissociate from the limited
9 partnership, with the same consequences, as existed immediately before the
10 limited partnership became subject to this chapter;

11 (4) section 4-47-603(4) does not apply;

12 (5) section 4-47-603(5) does not apply and a court has the same
13 power to expel a general partner as the court had immediately before the
14 limited partnership became subject to this chapter; and

15 (6) section 4-47-801(3) does not apply and the connection
16 between a person's dissociation as a general partner and the dissolution of
17 the limited partnership is the same as existed immediately before the limited
18 partnership became subject to this chapter;

19 (c) If subsection (a) causes a limited partnership that was a limited
20 liability limited partnership under § 4-43-1110 to become subject to this
21 chapter:

22 (1) if immediately before it became subject to this chapter its
23 name complied with § 4-43-1110, the affected limited partnership may maintain
24 its name even if the name does not comply with § 4-47-108(c); and

25 (2) the application to register the limited partnership that was
26 a limited liability limited partnership under § 4-43-1110 on file with the
27 Secretary of State pursuant to § 4-43-1110 is deemed to amend the limited
28 partnership's certificate of limited partnership to state that the limited
29 partnership is a limited liability limited partnership.

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31 4-47-1207. Savings clause.

32 This chapter does not affect an action commenced, proceeding brought,
33 or right accrued before this chapter takes effect.

34
35 4-47-1208. Effect of designation.

36 Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, a limited partnership

1 remains the same entity for purposes of holding title to or conveying an
2 interest in real or personal property and for all other purposes:

3 (1) During the winding up of the limited partnership following
4 its dissolution;

5 (2) Whether the certificate of limited partnership is amended to
6 add or delete a statement that the limited partnership is a limited liability
7 limited partnership pursuant to § 4-47-406(b)(2); and

8 (3) Regardless of whether the words "limited partnership",
9 "limited liability limited partnership", or the designation "LP", "L.P.",
10 "LLLP", or "L.L.L.P." are used in an instrument conveying an interest in real
11 or personal property to or from the limited partnership or in any other
12 writing.

13
14 4-47-1209. Formation of future limited partnerships.

15 Beginning on the effective date of this chapter, no person may form an
16 entity under the Revised Limited Partnership Act of 1991, § 4-43-101 et seq.

17
18 Subchapter 13 – Filing Fees.

19 4-47-1301. Fees for limited partnerships.

20 (a) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees when the
21 documents described in this subsection (a) are delivered to him or her for
22 filing by a domestic or foreign limited partnership:

<u>Document</u>	<u>Fee</u>
<u>(1) Registration of certificate of domestic limited partnership.....</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>
<u>(2) Registration of certificate of foreign limited partnership</u>	<u>300.00</u>
<u>(3) Amendment of certificate of limited partnership</u>	<u>15.00</u>
<u>(4) Change of agent for service</u>	<u>15.00</u>
<u>(5) Cancellation or dissolution of certificate of limited partnership</u> <u>.....</u>	<u>15.00</u>

- 1 (6) Assignment of limited partnership interest15.00
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- 3 (7) Withdrawal of general partner15.00
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- 5 (8) Admission of new general partner15.00
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- 7 (9) Merger or consolidation of limited partnership with limited liability
- 8 company15.00
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10 (b) The Secretary of State shall collect a fee of twenty-five dollars
 11 (\$25.00) each time process is served on him or her under this chapter. The
 12 party to a proceeding causing service of process is entitled to recover the
 13 service of process fee as costs if the party prevails in the proceeding.

14 (c) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees for
 15 copying and certifying the copy of any filed document relating to a domestic
 16 or foreign limited liability limited partnership:

17 (1) Fifty cents (\$.50) per page for copying; and

18 (2) Five dollars (\$5.00) for the certificate.

19 (d) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees when the
 20 documents described in this subsection are delivered to him by electronic
 21 means:

<u>Document</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Processing fee</u>
25 <u>(1) Application for fictitious name for domestic limited partnership</u>		
26 <u>.....</u>	<u>\$ 9.50</u>	<u>\$ 4.00</u>
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28 <u>(2) Application for fictitious name of foreign limited partnership</u>		
29 <u>.....</u>	<u>\$ 9.50</u>	<u>\$ 4.00</u>

31 4-47-1302. Fees for limited liability limited partnerships.

32 (a) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees when the
 33 documents described in this subsection (a) are delivered to him or her for
 34 filing:

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- (1) Application for Registration of Limited Liability Limited Partnership.....\$50.00
- (2) Amendment of Certificate of Limited Liability Limited Partnership (includes change or withdrawal of general partner).....25.00
- (3) Restatement of Certificate of Limited Liability Limited Partnership.25.00
- (4) Withdrawal of Domestic Limited Liability Limited Partnership.....25.00
- (5) Application for Certificate of Authority by Foreign Limited Liability Limited Partnership.....300.00
- (6) Application for Amended Certificate of Authority by Foreign Limited Liability Limited Partnership (includes change or withdrawal or general partner)300.00
- (7) Application for Certificate of Withdrawal by Foreign Limited Liability Limited Partnership25.00
- (8) Application for Certificate of Existence or Authorization by Domestic Limited Liability Limited Partnership15.00
- (9) Application for Registration as a Limited Partnership and Limited Liability Limited Partnership50.00
- (10) Any other document required or permitted to be filed by this chapter15.00

(b) The Secretary of State shall collect a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) each time process is served on him or her under this section. The party to a proceeding causing service of process is entitled to recover the service of process fee as costs if the party prevails in the proceeding.

(c) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees for

1 copying and certifying the copy of any filed document relating to a domestic
2 or foreign limited liability limited partnership:

- 3 (1) Fifty cents (\$.50) per page for copying; and
- 4 (2) Five dollars (\$5.00) for the certificate.

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6 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 15-4-1002(a)(3), concerning definitions
7 under the Arkansas Capital Development Act, is amended to read as follows:

8 (3) "Business law" means:

9 (A) The Arkansas Business Corporation Act, § 4-27-101 et
10 seq.;

11 (B) The Small Business Entity Tax Pass Through Act, § 4-
12 32-101 et seq.;

13 (C) The Uniform Partnership Act, § 4-46-101 et seq.;

14 (D) The ~~Revised~~ Uniform Limited Partnership Act ~~of 1991~~
15 (2001), § ~~4-43-101~~ 4-47-101 et seq.;

16 (E) The Arkansas Nonprofit Corporation Act of 1993, § 4-
17 33-101 et seq.; or

18 (F) Any other laws related to the formation of business
19 entities;

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21 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 4-32-108(b), concerning the use of
22 fictitious names, is amended to read as follows:

23 (b) Each such form shall be executed, without verification, in
24 duplicate and filed with the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall
25 retain one (1) counterpart; and the other counterpart, bearing the file marks
26 of the Secretary of State, shall be returned to the limited liability
27 company. However, the Secretary of State shall not accept such filing if the
28 proposed fictitious name is the same as, or confusingly similar to, the name
29 of any domestic corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership,
30 limited liability partnership or any other entity registered with the
31 Secretary of State, or any foreign entity authorized to do business in the
32 state or any name reserved or registered under §§ 4-27-402, 4-27-403, 4-32-
33 104 or ~~4-43-103~~ 4-47-109.

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35 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 4-42-707(b), concerning the use of
36 fictitious names, is amended to read as follows:

1 (b) Each such form shall be executed, without verification, in
 2 duplicate and filed with the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall
 3 retain one (1) counterpart and the other counterpart, bearing the file marks
 4 of the Secretary of State, shall be returned to the registered limited
 5 liability partnership. However, the Secretary of State shall not accept such
 6 filing if the proposed fictitious name is the same as, or confusingly similar
 7 to, the name of any domestic corporation, limited liability company, limited
 8 partnership, limited liability partnership, or any other entity registered
 9 with the Secretary of State, or any such foreign entity authorized to do
 10 business in the state or any name reserved or registered under §§ 4-27-402,
 11 4-27-403, 4-32-104 or ~~4-43-103~~ 4-47-109.

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 13 SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 4-46-901 is amended to read as follows:
 14 4-46-901. Definitions.

15 In this subchapter:

16 (1) "General partner" means a partner in a partnership and a
 17 general partner in a limited partnership.

18 (2) "Limited partner" means a limited partner in a limited
 19 partnership.

20 (3) "Limited partnership" means a limited partnership created
 21 under the ~~Revised~~ Uniform Limited Partnership Act ~~of 1991~~ (2001), § ~~4-43-101~~
 22 4-47-101 et seq., predecessor law, or comparable law of another jurisdiction.

23 (4) "Partner" includes both a general partner and a limited
 24 partner.

25
 26 SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 4-46-902 is amended to read as follows:
 27 4-46-902. Conversion of partnership to limited partnership.

28 (a) A partnership may be converted to a limited partnership pursuant
 29 to this section.

30 (b) The terms and conditions of a conversion of a partnership to a
 31 limited partnership must be approved by all of the partners or by a number or
 32 percentage specified for conversion in the partnership agreement.

33 (c) After the conversion is approved by the partners, the partnership
 34 shall file a certificate of limited partnership in the jurisdiction in which
 35 the limited partnership is to be formed. The certificate must include:

36 (1) a statement that the partnership was converted to a limited

1 partnership from a partnership;

2 (2) its former name; and

3 (3) a statement of the number of votes cast by the partners for
 4 and against the conversion and, if the vote is less than unanimous, the
 5 number or percentage required to approve the conversion under the partnership
 6 agreement.

7 (d) The conversion takes effect when the certificate of limited
 8 partnership is filed or at any later date specified in the certificate.

9 (e) A general partner who becomes a limited partner as a result of the
 10 conversion remains liable as a general partner for an obligation incurred by
 11 the partnership before the conversion takes effect. If the other party to a
 12 transaction with the limited partnership reasonably believes when entering
 13 the transaction that the limited partner is a general partner, the limited
 14 partner is liable for an obligation incurred by the limited partnership
 15 within ninety (90) days after the conversion takes effect. The limited
 16 partner's liability for all other obligations of the limited partnership
 17 incurred after the conversion takes effect is that of a limited partner as
 18 provided in the ~~Revised~~ Uniform Limited Partnership Act ~~of 1991~~ (2001), § 4-
 19 ~~43-101~~ 4-47-101 et seq.

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 21 SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 4-70-201 is amended to read as follows:

22 4-70-201. Applicability of subchapter.

23 (a) This subchapter shall not apply to any limited partnership which
 24 has filed its certificate of limited partnership with the Secretary of State
 25 pursuant to § ~~4-43-201~~ 4-47-201 or any successor law.

26 (b) This subchapter shall not apply to any domestic or foreign
 27 corporation or to any domestic or foreign limited partnership or limited
 28 liability company lawfully doing business in this state.

29 (c) This subchapter shall not apply to any limited liability company
 30 which has filed its articles of organization with the Secretary of State
 31 pursuant to § 4-32-202.

32 ~~(d) This subchapter shall not apply to any registered limited~~
 33 ~~liability partnership which has filed its application with the Secretary of~~
 34 ~~State pursuant to § 4-42-703.~~

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 36 SECTION 8. Effective September 1, 2007, Arkansas Code §§ 4-42-703

1 through 4-42-706 are repealed.

2 ~~4-42-703. Registered limited liability partnerships.~~

3 ~~(a)(1) To become and continue as a registered limited liability~~
 4 ~~partnership, a partnership shall file with the Secretary of State an~~
 5 ~~application stating:~~

6 ~~(A) The name of the partnership;~~

7 ~~(B) The address of its principal office;~~

8 ~~(C) If the partnership's principal office is not located~~
 9 ~~in this state, the address of a registered office and the name and address of~~
 10 ~~a registered agent for service of process in this state, which the~~
 11 ~~partnership shall be required to maintain;~~

12 ~~(D) A brief statement of the business in which the~~
 13 ~~partnership engages; and~~

14 ~~(E) That the partnership thereby applies for status as a~~
 15 ~~registered limited liability partnership.~~

16 ~~(2)(A) The application shall be executed by one (1) or more~~
 17 ~~partners authorized to execute an application.~~

18 ~~(B) The application shall be accompanied by a filing fee~~
 19 ~~of fifty dollars (\$50.00).~~

20 ~~(C) The Secretary of State shall register as a registered~~
 21 ~~limited liability partnership any partnership that submits a completed~~
 22 ~~application with the required filing fee.~~

23 ~~(D) Registration is effective after the date an~~
 24 ~~application is filed unless it is voluntarily withdrawn by filing with the~~
 25 ~~Secretary of State a written withdrawal notice executed by one (1) or more~~
 26 ~~partners authorized to execute a withdrawal notice.~~

27 ~~(E) An amended filing with the Secretary of State shall be~~
 28 ~~required in the event a registered limited liability partnership changes:~~

29 ~~(i) Its name;~~

30 ~~(ii) The address of its principal office; or~~

31 ~~(iii) The name and address of the registered agent~~
 32 ~~for service of process in this state.~~

33 ~~(b) In the event the requirements in subsection (a) of this section~~
 34 ~~are not complied with, service of process may be made by serving the~~
 35 ~~Secretary of State in the name of the partnership in its most recent filing~~
 36 ~~or in the name under which it is currently transacting business if there is~~

1 no filing with that name.

2 (c)(1) A partnership continues as a registered limited liability
 3 partnership if there has been substantial compliance with the requirements of
 4 this chapter.

5 (2) The status of a partnership as a registered limited
 6 liability partnership and the liability of the partners thereof shall not be
 7 affected by:

8 (A) Errors in the information stated in an application
 9 under subdivision (a)(1) of this section or a notice under subdivision
 10 (a)(2)(D) of this section;

11 (B) Changes after the filing of such an application or
 12 notice in the information stated in the application or notice; or

13 (C) Failure to file with the Secretary of State the
 14 information required under subdivision (a)(2)(E) of this section.

15 (d)(1) A partnership that registers as a registered limited liability
 16 partnership shall not be deemed to have dissolved as a result thereof and is
 17 for all purposes the same partnership that existed before the registration
 18 and continues to be a partnership under the laws of this state.

19 (2) If a registered limited liability partnership dissolves, a
 20 partnership which is a successor to such registered limited liability
 21 partnership and which intends to be a registered limited liability
 22 partnership shall not be required to file a new application and shall be
 23 deemed to have filed any documents required or permitted under this chapter
 24 which were filed by the predecessor partnership.

25 (e) Any registered limited liability partnership formed pursuant to an
 26 agreement governed by this chapter shall be exempt from the filing
 27 requirements of § 4-70-201 et seq.

28 (f) The Secretary of State may provide forms for application under
 29 subdivision (a)(1) of this section.

30 (g) A suit may be brought by or against a registered limited liability
 31 partnership in its own name.

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33 ~~4-42-704. Name of registered limited liability partnerships.~~

34 The name of a registered limited liability partnership shall contain
 35 the words "Registered Limited Liability Partnership" or the abbreviations
 36 "L.L.P." or "LLP" as the last words or letters of its name, and the word

1 ~~"Limited" may be abbreviated as "Ltd."~~

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3 ~~4-42-705. Applicability of chapter to foreign and interstate commerce.~~

4 ~~(a) A partnership, including a registered limited liability~~
5 ~~partnership, formed and existing pursuant to an agreement governed by this~~
6 ~~chapter, may conduct its business, carry on its operations, and have and~~
7 ~~exercise the powers granted by this chapter in any state, territory,~~
8 ~~district, or possession of the United States or in any foreign country.~~

9 ~~(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the legal existence~~
10 ~~of registered limited liability partnerships formed and existing pursuant to~~
11 ~~an agreement governed by this chapter shall be recognized outside the~~
12 ~~boundaries of this state and that the laws of this state governing such~~
13 ~~registered limited liability partnerships transacting business outside this~~
14 ~~state be granted the protection of full faith and credit under the~~
15 ~~Constitution of the United States.~~

16 ~~(c) The internal affairs of a partnership, including registered~~
17 ~~limited liability partnerships, formed and existing pursuant to an agreement~~
18 ~~governed by this chapter, including the liability of partners for debts,~~
19 ~~obligations, and liabilities of or chargeable to the partnership, shall be~~
20 ~~subject to and governed by the laws of this state.~~

21 ~~(d) Before transacting business in this state, a foreign registered~~
22 ~~limited liability partnership shall file a notice with the Secretary of~~
23 ~~State, on such forms as the Secretary of State shall provide, stating the~~
24 ~~name of the partnership, the jurisdiction the laws of which govern its~~
25 ~~partnership agreement and under which it is registered as a limited liability~~
26 ~~partnership, the address of its principal office, if the partnership's~~
27 ~~principal office is not located in this state, the address of a registered~~
28 ~~office and the name and address of a registered agent for service of process~~
29 ~~in this state, a brief statement of the business in which the partnership~~
30 ~~engages, any other information that the partnership determines to include,~~
31 ~~and a statement that the partnership is a registered limited liability~~
32 ~~partnership. Such notice shall be accompanied by a fee of three hundred~~
33 ~~dollars (\$300). Such notice shall be effective until withdrawn or cancelled.~~
34 ~~The filing of such notice with the Secretary of State shall make it~~
35 ~~unnecessary to file any other documents under § 4-70-201 et seq.~~

36 ~~(e) A foreign registered limited liability partnership shall file an~~

1 amended notice within ninety (90) days of a change in its name or registered
 2 office, or in the name or address of the registered agent. The amended notice
 3 shall be accompanied by a fee of fifty dollars (\$50).

4 (f) ~~The failure of a foreign registered limited liability partnership~~
 5 ~~to file a notice or to appoint and maintain a registered agent in this state~~
 6 ~~shall not affect the liability of the partners or impair the validity of any~~
 7 ~~contract or act of the foreign registered limited liability partnership and~~
 8 ~~shall not prevent the foreign registered limited liability partnership from~~
 9 ~~defending any action or proceeding in any court of this state, but the~~
 10 ~~foreign registered limited liability partnership shall not maintain any~~
 11 ~~action or proceeding in any court of this state until it has filed such~~
 12 ~~notice. A foreign registered limited liability partnership, by transacting~~
 13 ~~business in this state without filing a notice, appoints the Secretary of~~
 14 ~~State as its agent for service of process with respect to causes of action~~
 15 ~~arising out of the transaction of business in this state.~~

16 (g) ~~It is the policy of this state that the internal affairs of~~
 17 ~~foreign registered limited liability partnerships, including the liability of~~
 18 ~~partners for debts, obligations, and liabilities of or chargeable to a~~
 19 ~~foreign registered limited liability partnership or another partner or~~
 20 ~~partners, shall be subject to and governed by the laws of the jurisdiction~~
 21 ~~pursuant to the laws of which the foreign registered limited liability~~
 22 ~~partnership is governed.~~

23 (h) ~~The name of a foreign registered limited liability partnership~~
 24 ~~doing business in this state shall contain the words "Registered Limited~~
 25 ~~Liability Partnership" or the abbreviation "L.L.P." or "LLP", or such other~~
 26 ~~similar words or abbreviation as may be required or authorized by the laws of~~
 27 ~~the state where the partnership is registered, as the last words or letters~~
 28 ~~of its name.~~

29
 30 ~~4-42-706. Limited partnerships as registered limited liability limited~~
 31 ~~partnerships.~~

32 ~~A domestic limited partnership may become a registered limited~~
 33 ~~liability limited partnership by complying with the applicable provisions of~~
 34 ~~the Arkansas Revised Limited Partnership Act of 1991, § 4-43-101 et seq.~~
 35

36 SECTION 9. Effective September 1, 2007, Arkansas Code §§ 4-42-801

1 through 4-42-806 are repealed.

2 ~~4-42-801. Conversion of partnership to limited liability company.~~

3 ~~(a) A partnership may be converted to a limited liability company~~
 4 ~~pursuant to this section.~~

5 ~~(b) The terms and conditions of a conversion of a partnership to a~~
 6 ~~limited liability company must be approved by all of the partners or by a~~
 7 ~~number or percentage of the partners specified for conversion in the~~
 8 ~~partnership agreement.~~

9 ~~(c) An agreement of conversion must set forth the terms and conditions~~
 10 ~~of the conversion of the interest of partners of a partnership into interests~~
 11 ~~in the converted limited liability company or the cash or other consideration~~
 12 ~~to be paid or delivered as a result of the conversion of the interests of the~~
 13 ~~partners, or a combination thereof.~~

14 ~~(d) After a conversion is approved under subsection (b) of this~~
 15 ~~section, the partnership shall file articles of organization in the office of~~
 16 ~~the Secretary of State which satisfy the requirements of § 4-32-202 and~~
 17 ~~include:~~

18 ~~(1) A statement that the partnership was converted to a limited~~
 19 ~~liability company from a partnership;~~

20 ~~(2) Its former name; and~~

21 ~~(3) A statement of the number of votes cast by the partners~~
 22 ~~entitled to vote for and against the conversion and, if the vote is less than~~
 23 ~~unanimous, the number or percentage required to approve the conversion under~~
 24 ~~subsection (b) of this section.~~

25 ~~(e) A conversion takes effect when the articles of organization are~~
 26 ~~filed in the office of the Secretary of State or at any later date specified~~
 27 ~~in the articles of organization.~~

28 ~~(f) A general partner who becomes a member of a limited liability~~
 29 ~~company as a result of a conversion remains liable as a partner for any~~
 30 ~~obligation incurred by the partnership before the conversion takes effect.~~

31 ~~(g) A partner's liability for all obligations of the limited liability~~
 32 ~~company incurred after the conversion takes effect is that of a member of a~~
 33 ~~limited liability company.~~

34
 35 ~~4-42-802. Effect of conversion—Entity unchanged.~~

36 ~~(a) A partnership that has been converted to a limited liability~~

1 ~~company is for all purposes, except for any differences caused by being~~
 2 ~~governed under the limited liability company statutes, the same entity that~~
 3 ~~existed before the conversion.~~

4 ~~(b) When a conversion takes effect:~~

5 ~~(1) All property owned by the converting partnership is vested~~
 6 ~~in the limited liability company;~~

7 ~~(2) All debts, liabilities, and other obligations of the~~
 8 ~~converting partnership continue as obligations of the limited liability~~
 9 ~~company;~~

10 ~~(3) An action or proceeding pending by or against the converting~~
 11 ~~partnership may be continued as if the conversion had not occurred;~~

12 ~~(4) Except as prohibited by other law, all the rights,~~
 13 ~~privileges, immunities, powers, and purposes of the converting partnership~~
 14 ~~are vested in the limited liability company; and~~

15 ~~(5) Except as otherwise provided in the agreement of conversion~~
 16 ~~under § 4-42-801(c), all of the partners of the converting partnership~~
 17 ~~continue as members of the limited liability company.~~

18
 19 ~~4-42-803. Merger or consolidation.~~

20 ~~(a) Unless otherwise provided in writing in a partnership agreement,~~
 21 ~~and subject to any law applicable to business entities other than~~
 22 ~~partnerships, one (1) or more partnerships may merge or consolidate with or~~
 23 ~~into one (1) or more other business entities with the partnership or other~~
 24 ~~business entity as the merger or consolidation agreement shall provide being~~
 25 ~~the surviving or resulting partnership or other business entity.~~

26 ~~(b) Rights or securities of or interests in a business entity that is~~
 27 ~~a party to the merger or consolidation may be exchanged for or converted into~~
 28 ~~cash, property, obligations, or rights or securities of or interests in the~~
 29 ~~surviving or resulting business entity or of any other business entity.~~

30 ~~(c) As used in this subchapter, "business entity" or "business~~
 31 ~~entities" shall mean domestic and foreign limited liability companies.~~

32
 33 ~~4-42-804. Approval of merger or consolidation.~~

34 ~~(a) Unless otherwise provided in writing in a partnership agreement, a~~
 35 ~~partnership that is a party to a proposed merger or consolidation shall~~
 36 ~~approve the merger or consolidation agreement by the consent of all the~~

1 partners.

2 (b) ~~Each business entity that is a party to a proposed merger or~~
3 ~~consolidation shall approve the merger or consolidation in the manner and by~~
4 ~~the vote required by the laws applicable to such business entity.~~

5 (c) ~~Each business entity that is a party to the merger or~~
6 ~~consolidation shall have such rights to abandon the merger as are provided~~
7 ~~for in the merger or consolidation agreement or in the laws applicable to the~~
8 ~~business entity.~~

9

10 ~~4-42-805. Articles of merger or consolidation.~~

11 (a) ~~The business entity surviving or resulting from the merger or~~
12 ~~consolidation shall deliver to the Secretary of State articles of merger or~~
13 ~~consolidation executed by each constituent entity setting forth:~~

14 (1) ~~The name and jurisdiction of formation or organization of~~
15 ~~each business entity which is to merge or consolidate;~~

16 (2) ~~That an agreement of merger or consolidation has been~~
17 ~~approved and executed by each business entity which is a party to the merger~~
18 ~~or consolidation;~~

19 (3) ~~The name of the surviving or resulting entity;~~

20 (4) ~~The future effective date of the merger or consolidation,~~
21 ~~which shall be a date or time certain, if it is not to be effective upon the~~
22 ~~filing of the articles of merger or consolidation;~~

23 (5) ~~That the agreement of merger or consolidation is on file at~~
24 ~~a place of business of the surviving or resulting entity, and the address of~~
25 ~~that place of business;~~

26 (6) ~~That a copy of the agreement of merger or consolidation will~~
27 ~~be furnished by the surviving or resulting business entity, on request and~~
28 ~~without cost, to any person holding an interest in any business entity which~~
29 ~~is to merge or consolidate; and~~

30 (7) ~~If the surviving or resulting entity is not a business~~
31 ~~entity organized under the laws of this state, a statement that such~~
32 ~~surviving or resulting business entity:~~

33 (A) ~~Agrees that it may be served with process in this~~
34 ~~state in any proceeding for enforcement of any obligation of any business~~
35 ~~entity party to the merger or consolidation that was organized under the laws~~
36 ~~of this state, as well as for enforcement of any obligation of the surviving~~

1 ~~business entity or the new business entity arising from the merger or~~
2 ~~consolidation; and~~

3 ~~(B) Appoints the Secretary of State as its agent for~~
4 ~~service of process in any such proceeding, and the surviving business entity~~
5 ~~shall specify the address to which a copy of the process shall be mailed to~~
6 ~~it by the Secretary of State.~~

7 ~~(b) A merger or consolidation takes effect upon the later of the~~
8 ~~effective date of the filing of the articles of merger or consolidation or~~
9 ~~the date set forth in the articles of merger or consolidation.~~

10 ~~(c) The articles of merger or consolidation shall be executed by a~~
11 ~~partnership that is a party to the merger or consolidation, and be filed with~~
12 ~~the Secretary of State, in the manner provided for by the law applicable to~~
13 ~~the other business entity to the merger or consolidation.~~

14 ~~(d) An agreement of merger or consolidation approved in accordance~~
15 ~~with § 4-42-804 may effect any amendment to a partnership agreement or effect~~
16 ~~the adoption of a new partnership agreement for a partnership if it is the~~
17 ~~surviving or resulting entity in the merger or consolidation. An approved~~
18 ~~agreement of merger or consolidation may also provide that the partnership~~
19 ~~agreement of any constituent partnership to the merger or consolidation,~~
20 ~~including a partnership formed for the purpose of consummating a merger or~~
21 ~~consolidation, shall be the agreement of the surviving or resulting entity.~~
22 ~~Any amendment to a partnership agreement or adoption of a new agreement made~~
23 ~~pursuant to this subsection shall be effective at the time or date of the~~
24 ~~merger or consolidation. The provisions of this subsection shall not be~~
25 ~~construed to limit the accomplishment of a merger or of any of the matters~~
26 ~~referred to herein by any other means provided for in a partnership agreement~~
27 ~~or other agreement or as otherwise permitted by law.~~

28
29 ~~4-42-806. Effects of merger or consolidation.~~

30 ~~A merger or consolidation has the following effects:~~

31 ~~(1) The business entities that are parties to the merger or~~
32 ~~consolidation agreement shall become a single entity, which, in the case of a~~
33 ~~merger, shall be the entity designated in the plan of merger as the surviving~~
34 ~~entity, and, in the case of a consolidation, shall be the new entity provided~~
35 ~~for in the plan of consolidation;~~

36 ~~(2) Each party to the merger or consolidation agreement, except~~

1 ~~the surviving entity or the new entity, shall cease to exist;~~

2 ~~(3) The surviving entity or the new entity shall thereupon and~~
 3 ~~thereafter possess all the rights, privileges, immunities, and powers of each~~
 4 ~~constituent entity and shall be subject to all the restrictions,~~
 5 ~~disabilities, and duties of each of the constituent entities to the extent~~
 6 ~~such rights, privileges, immunities, powers, franchises, restrictions,~~
 7 ~~disabilities, and duties are applicable to the type of business entity that~~
 8 ~~is the surviving entity or the new entity;~~

9 ~~(4) All property, real, personal, and mixed, and all debts due~~
 10 ~~on whatever account, including promises to make capital contributions and~~
 11 ~~subscriptions for shares, and all other choses in action, and all and every~~
 12 ~~other interest of or belonging to or due to each of the constituent entities~~
 13 ~~shall be vested in the surviving entity or the new entity without further act~~
 14 ~~or deed;~~

15 ~~(5) The title to all real estate and any interest therein vested~~
 16 ~~in any such constituent entity shall not revert or be in any way impaired by~~
 17 ~~reason of such merger or consolidation;~~

18 ~~(6) The surviving entity of the new entity shall thenceforth be~~
 19 ~~liable for all liabilities of each of the constituent entities so merged or~~
 20 ~~consolidated, and any claim existing or action or proceeding pending by or~~
 21 ~~against any such constituent entity may be prosecuted as if such merger or~~
 22 ~~consolidation had not taken place, or the surviving entity or the new entity~~
 23 ~~may be substituted in the action;~~

24 ~~(7) Neither the rights of the creditors nor any liens on the~~
 25 ~~property of any constituent entity shall be impaired by the merger or~~
 26 ~~consolidation; and~~

27 ~~(8) The interests in a partnership that are to be converted or~~
 28 ~~exchanged into interests, shares or other securities, cash, obligations, or~~
 29 ~~other property under the terms of the merger or consolidation agreement are~~
 30 ~~so converted, and the former holders thereof are entitled only to the rights~~
 31 ~~provided in the merger or consolidation agreement or the rights otherwise~~
 32 ~~provided by law.~~

33
 34 SECTION 10. Effective September 1, 2007, Arkansas Code §§ 4-43-101
 35 through 4-43-1206 are repealed.

36 ~~4-43-101. Definitions.~~

1 ~~As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:~~

2 ~~(1) "Certificate of limited partnership" means the certificate~~
 3 ~~referred to in § 4-43-201, and the certificate as amended or restated.~~

4 ~~(2) "Contribution" means any cash, property, services rendered,~~
 5 ~~or a promissory note or other binding obligation to contribute cash or~~
 6 ~~property or to perform services which a partner contributes to a limited~~
 7 ~~partnership in his capacity as a partner.~~

8 ~~(3) "Event of withdrawal of a general partner" means an event~~
 9 ~~that causes a person to cease to be a general partner as provided in § 4-43-~~
 10 ~~402.~~

11 ~~(4) "Foreign limited partnership" means a partnership formed~~
 12 ~~under the laws of any state other than this state and having as partners one~~
 13 ~~or more general partners and one or more limited partners.~~

14 ~~(5) "General partner" means a person who has been admitted to a~~
 15 ~~limited partnership as a general partner in accordance with the partnership~~
 16 ~~agreement and named in the certificate of limited partnership as a general~~
 17 ~~partner.~~

18 ~~(6) "Limited partner" means a person who has been admitted to a~~
 19 ~~limited partnership as a limited partner in accordance with the partnership~~
 20 ~~agreement.~~

21 ~~(7) "Limited partnership" and "domestic limited partnership"~~
 22 ~~mean a partnership formed by two or more persons under the laws of this State~~
 23 ~~and having one or more general partners and one or more limited partners.~~

24 ~~(8) "Partner" means a limited or general partner.~~

25 ~~(9) "Partnership agreement" means any agreement, written or~~
 26 ~~oral, of the partners as to the affairs of a limited partnership and the~~
 27 ~~conduct of its business.~~

28 ~~(10) "Partnership interest" means a partner's share of the~~
 29 ~~profits and losses of a limited partnership and the right to receive~~
 30 ~~distributions of partnership assets.~~

31 ~~(11) "Person" means a natural person, partnership, limited~~
 32 ~~partnership (domestic or foreign), trust, estate, association, or~~
 33 ~~corporation.~~

34 ~~(12) "State" means a state, territory, or possession of the~~
 35 ~~United States, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.~~

36 ~~(13) "Registered limited liability limited partnership" means a~~

1 partnership formed pursuant to the laws of this state and registered pursuant
 2 to §§ 4-43-1110 and 4-42-703.

3
 4 ~~4-43-102. Name.~~

5 ~~The name of each limited partnership as set forth in its certificate of~~
 6 ~~limited partnership;~~

7 ~~(1) shall contain without abbreviation the words "limited~~
 8 ~~partnership";~~

9 ~~(2) may not contain the name of a limited partner unless (i) it~~
 10 ~~is also the name of a general partner or the corporate name of a corporate~~
 11 ~~general partner, or (ii) the business of the limited partnership had been~~
 12 ~~carried on under that name before the admission of that limited partner;~~

13 ~~(3) must be distinguishable upon the records of the Secretary of~~
 14 ~~State from the name of any corporation or limited partnership organized under~~
 15 ~~the laws of this state or licensed or registered as a foreign corporation or~~
 16 ~~limited partnership in this state.~~

17
 18 ~~4-43-103. Reservation of name.~~

19 ~~(a) The exclusive right to the use of a name may be reserved by:~~

20 ~~(1) any person intending to organize a limited partnership under~~
 21 ~~this chapter and to adopt that name;~~

22 ~~(2) any domestic limited partnership or any foreign limited~~
 23 ~~partnership registered in this State which, in either case, intends to adopt~~
 24 ~~that name;~~

25 ~~(3) any foreign limited partnership intending to register in~~
 26 ~~this State and adopt that name; and~~

27 ~~(4) any person intending to organize a foreign limited~~
 28 ~~partnership and intending to have it register in this State and adopt that~~
 29 ~~name.~~

30 ~~(b) The reservation shall be made by filing with the Secretary of~~
 31 ~~State an application, executed by the applicant, to reserve a specified name.~~
 32 ~~If the Secretary of State finds that the name is available for use by a~~
 33 ~~domestic or foreign limited partnership, he shall reserve the name for the~~
 34 ~~exclusive use of the applicant for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days.~~
 35 ~~Once having so reserved a name, the same applicant may not again reserve the~~
 36 ~~same name until more than sixty (60) days after the expiration of the last~~

1 ~~one hundred twenty day period for which that applicant reserved that name.~~

2 ~~(c) The right to the exclusive use of a reserved name may be~~
 3 ~~transferred to any other person by filing in the office of the Secretary of~~
 4 ~~State a notice of the transfer, executed by the applicant for whom the name~~
 5 ~~was reserved and specifying the name and address of the transferee.~~

6
 7 ~~4-43-104. Specified office and agent.~~

8 ~~Each limited partnership shall continuously maintain in this state:~~

9 ~~(1) an office which may but need not be a place of its business~~
 10 ~~in this State, at which shall be kept the records required by § 4-43-105 to~~
 11 ~~be maintained; and~~

12 ~~(2) an agent for service of process on the limited partnership,~~
 13 ~~which agent must be an individual resident of this State, a domestic~~
 14 ~~corporation, or a foreign corporation authorized to do business in this~~
 15 ~~State.~~

16
 17 ~~4-43-105. Records to be kept.~~

18 ~~(a) Each limited partnership shall keep at the office referred to in §~~
 19 ~~4-43-104(1) the following:~~

20 ~~(1) a current list of the full name and last known business~~
 21 ~~address of each partner, separately identifying the general partners (in~~
 22 ~~alphabetical order) and the limited partners (in alphabetical order);~~

23 ~~(2) a copy of the certificate of limited partnership and all~~
 24 ~~certificates of amendment thereto, together with executed copies of any~~
 25 ~~powers of attorney pursuant to which any certificate has been executed;~~

26 ~~(3) copies of the limited partnership's federal, state, and~~
 27 ~~local income tax returns and reports, if any, for the three (3) most recent~~
 28 ~~years;~~

29 ~~(4) copies of any then effective written partnership agreements~~
 30 ~~and of any financial statements of the limited partnership for the three (3)~~
 31 ~~most recent years; and~~

32 ~~(5) unless contained in a written partnership agreement, a~~
 33 ~~writing setting out:~~

34 ~~(i) the amount of cash and a description and statement of~~
 35 ~~the agreed value of the other property or services contributed by each~~
 36 ~~partner and which each partner has agreed to contribute;~~

1 (ii) ~~the times at which or events upon the happening of~~
 2 ~~which any additional contributions agreed to be made by each partner are to~~
 3 ~~be made;~~

4 (iii) ~~any right of a partner to receive, or of a general~~
 5 ~~partner to make, distributions to a partner which include a return of all or~~
 6 ~~any part of the partner's contribution; and~~

7 (iv) ~~any events upon the happening of which the limited~~
 8 ~~partnership is to be dissolved and its affairs wound up.~~

9 (b) ~~Records kept under this section are subject to inspection and~~
 10 ~~copying at the reasonable request and at the expense of any partner during~~
 11 ~~normal business hours.~~

12
 13 4-43-106. ~~Nature of business.~~

14 A ~~limited partnership may carry on any business that a partnership~~
 15 ~~without limited partners may carry on except any business prohibited by law.~~

16
 17 4-43-107. ~~Business transactions of partner with partnership.~~

18 ~~Except as provided in the partnership agreement, a partner may lend~~
 19 ~~money to and transact other business with the limited partnership and,~~
 20 ~~subject to other applicable law, has the same rights and obligations with~~
 21 ~~respect thereto as a person who is not a partner.~~

22
 23 4-43-108. ~~Use of fictitious names.~~

24 (a) ~~No limited partnership, domestic or foreign, shall conduct any~~
 25 ~~business in this state under a fictitious name unless it first files with the~~
 26 ~~Secretary of State a form supplied or approved by the Secretary of State~~
 27 ~~giving the following information:~~

28 (1) ~~The fictitious name under which business is being or will be~~
 29 ~~conducted by the applicant limited partnership;~~

30 (2) ~~A brief statement of the character of business to be~~
 31 ~~conducted under the fictitious name; and~~

32 (3) ~~The name of the limited partnership, state of organization,~~
 33 ~~and location, giving city and street address, of the registered office in the~~
 34 ~~state of the applicant limited partnership.~~

35 (b) ~~Each such form shall be executed, without verification, in~~
 36 ~~duplicate and filed with the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall~~

1 ~~retain one (1) counterpart; and the other counterpart, bearing the file marks~~
 2 ~~of the Secretary of State, shall be returned to the limited partnership.~~
 3 ~~However, the Secretary of State shall not accept such filing if the proposed~~
 4 ~~fictitious name is the same as, or confusingly similar to, the name of any~~
 5 ~~domestic corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, limited~~
 6 ~~liability partnership or any other entity registered with the Secretary of~~
 7 ~~State, or any such foreign entity authorized to do business in the state or~~
 8 ~~any name reserved or registered under §§ 4-27-402, 4-27-403, 4-32-104, or 4-~~
 9 ~~43-103.~~

10 ~~(c) Copies of such filed forms, certified by the respective filing~~
 11 ~~officers, shall be admitted in evidence where the question of filing may be~~
 12 ~~material.~~

13 ~~(d) If, after a filing hereunder, the applicant limited partnership is~~
 14 ~~dissolved, or, being a foreign limited partnership, surrenders or forfeits~~
 15 ~~its right to do business in Arkansas or, whether a domestic or foreign~~
 16 ~~limited partnership, ceases to do business in Arkansas under the specified~~
 17 ~~fictitious name, such limited partnership shall be obligated to file with the~~
 18 ~~Secretary of State a cancellation of its privilege hereunder. If such~~
 19 ~~cancellation is not filed, the Secretary of State, upon satisfactory~~
 20 ~~evidence, may cancel such privilege.~~

21 ~~(e) If a limited partnership which has not filed hereunder has~~
 22 ~~heretofore or shall hereafter become a party to any contract, deed,~~
 23 ~~conveyance, assignment or instrument of encumbrance in which such limited~~
 24 ~~partnership is referred to exclusively by a fictitious name, the obligations~~
 25 ~~imposed upon such limited partnership under said instrument and the right~~
 26 ~~sought to be conferred upon third parties thereunder may be enforced against~~
 27 ~~it; but the rights accruing to such limited partnership under said instrument~~
 28 ~~may not be enforced by the limited partnership in the courts of this state~~
 29 ~~until it complies with this section and pays to the Treasurer of State a~~
 30 ~~civil penalty of three hundred dollars (\$300); and in any suit by a limited~~
 31 ~~partnership upon an instrument which identified it exclusively by a~~
 32 ~~fictitious name, the limited partnership shall be required to allege~~
 33 ~~compliance with this section.~~

34 ~~(f) Compliance with this section does not give a limited partnership~~
 35 ~~an exclusive right to the use of the fictitious name; and the registration of~~
 36 ~~a fictitious name hereunder will not bar the use of the same name as the name~~

1 of any domestic entity or any foreign entity authorized to do business in
 2 this state. But this chapter is not intended to bar any aggrieved party, in
 3 such a situation, from applying for equitable relief under principles of fair
 4 trade law.

5
 6 ~~4-43-201. Certificate of limited partnership.~~

7 ~~(a) In order to form a limited partnership, a certificate of limited~~
 8 ~~partnership must be executed and filed in the office of the Secretary of~~
 9 ~~State. The certificate shall set forth:~~

10 ~~(1) the name of the limited partnership;~~

11 ~~(2) the address of the office and the name and address of the~~
 12 ~~agent for service of process required to be maintained by § 4-43-104;~~

13 ~~(3) the name and the business address of each general partner;~~

14 ~~(4) the latest date upon which the limited partnership is to~~
 15 ~~dissolve; and~~

16 ~~(5) any other matters the general partners determine to include~~
 17 ~~therein.~~

18 ~~(b) A limited partnership is formed at the time of the filing of the~~
 19 ~~certificate of limited partnership in the office of the Secretary of State or~~
 20 ~~at any later time specified in the certificate of limited partnership if, in~~
 21 ~~either case, there has been substantial compliance with the requirements of~~
 22 ~~this section.~~

23
 24 ~~4-43-202. Amendment to certificate.~~

25 ~~(a) A certificate of limited partnership is amended by filing a~~
 26 ~~certificate of amendment thereto in the office of the Secretary of State. The~~
 27 ~~certificate shall set forth:~~

28 ~~(1) the name of the limited partnership;~~

29 ~~(2) the date of filing the certificate; and~~

30 ~~(3) the amendment to the certificate.~~

31 ~~(b) Within thirty (30) days after the happening of any of the~~
 32 ~~following events, an amendment to a certificate of limited partnership~~
 33 ~~reflecting the occurrence of the event or events shall be filed:~~

34 ~~(1) the admission of a new general partner;~~

35 ~~(2) the withdrawal of a general partner; or~~

36 ~~(3) the continuation of the business under § 4-43-801 after an~~

1 ~~event of withdrawal of a general partner.~~

2 ~~(c) A general partner who becomes aware that any statement in a~~
3 ~~certificate of limited partnership was false when made or that any~~
4 ~~arrangements or other facts described have changed, making the certificate~~
5 ~~inaccurate in any respect, shall promptly amend the certificate.~~

6 ~~(d) A certificate of limited partnership may be amended at any time~~
7 ~~for any other proper purpose the general partners determine.~~

8 ~~(e) No person has any liability because an amendment to a certificate~~
9 ~~of limited partnership has not been filed to reflect the occurrence of any~~
10 ~~event referred to in subsection (b) of this section if the amendment is filed~~
11 ~~within the thirty day period specified in subsection (b).~~

12 ~~(f) A restated certificate of limited partnership may be executed and~~
13 ~~filed in the same manner as a certificate of amendment.~~

14
15 ~~4-43-203. Cancellation of certificate.~~

16 ~~A certificate of limited partnership shall be cancelled upon the~~
17 ~~dissolution and the commencement of winding up of the partnership or at any~~
18 ~~other time there are no limited partners. A certificate of cancellation shall~~
19 ~~be filed in the office of the Secretary of State and set forth:~~

20 ~~(1) the name of the limited partnership;~~

21 ~~(2) the date of filing of its certificate of limited~~
22 ~~partnership;~~

23 ~~(3) the reason for filing the certificate of cancellation;~~

24 ~~(4) the effective date (which shall be a date certain) of~~
25 ~~cancellation if it is not to be effective upon the filing of the certificate;~~
26 ~~and~~

27 ~~(5) any other information the general partners filing the~~
28 ~~certificate determine.~~

29
30 ~~4-43-204. Execution of certificates.~~

31 ~~(a) Each certificate required by this subchapter to be filed in the~~
32 ~~office of the Secretary of State shall be executed in the following manner:~~

33 ~~(1) an original certificate of limited partnership must be~~
34 ~~signed by all general partners;~~

35 ~~(2) a certificate of amendment must be signed by at least one~~
36 ~~(1) general partner and by each other general partner designated in the~~

1 ~~certificate as a new general partner; and~~

2 ~~(3) a certificate of cancellation must be signed by all general~~
 3 ~~partners.~~

4 ~~(b) Any person may sign a certificate by an attorney in fact, but a~~
 5 ~~power of attorney to sign a certificate relating to the admission of a~~
 6 ~~general partner must specifically describe the admission.~~

7 ~~(c) The execution of a certificate by a general partner constitutes an~~
 8 ~~affirmation under the penalties of perjury that the facts stated therein are~~
 9 ~~true.~~

10
 11 ~~4-43-205. Execution by judicial act.~~

12 ~~If a person required by § 4-43-204 to execute any certificate fails or~~
 13 ~~refuses to do so, any other person who is adversely affected by the failure~~
 14 ~~or refusal may petition the circuit court having jurisdiction thereof to~~
 15 ~~direct the execution of the certificate. If the court finds that it is~~
 16 ~~proper for the certificate to be executed and that any person so designated~~
 17 ~~has failed or refused to execute the certificate, it shall order the~~
 18 ~~Secretary of State to record an appropriate certificate.~~

19
 20 ~~4-43-206. Filing in office of Secretary of State.~~

21 ~~(a) Two signed copies of the certificate of limited partnership and of~~
 22 ~~any certificates of amendment or cancellation (or of any judicial decree of~~
 23 ~~amendment or cancellation) shall be delivered to the Secretary of State. A~~
 24 ~~person who executes a certificate as an agent or fiduciary need not exhibit~~
 25 ~~evidence of his authority as a prerequisite to filing. Unless the Secretary~~
 26 ~~of State finds that any certificate does not conform to law, upon receipt of~~
 27 ~~all filing fees required by law he shall:~~

28 ~~(1) endorse on each duplicate original the word "Filed" and the~~
 29 ~~day, month and year of the filing thereof;~~

30 ~~(2) file one (1) duplicate original in his office; and~~

31 ~~(3) return the other duplicate original to the person who filed~~
 32 ~~it or his representative.~~

33 ~~(b) Upon the filing of a certificate of amendment (or judicial decree~~
 34 ~~of amendment) in the office of the Secretary of State, the certificate of~~
 35 ~~limited partnership shall be amended as set forth therein, and upon the~~
 36 ~~effective date of a certificate of cancellation (or a judicial decree~~

1 ~~thereof), the certificate of limited partnership is cancelled.~~

2
3 ~~4-43-207. Liability for false statement in certificate.~~

4 ~~If any certificate of limited partnership or certificate of amendment~~
5 ~~or cancellation contains a false statement, one who suffers loss by reliance~~
6 ~~on the statement may recover damages for the loss from:~~

7 ~~(1) any person who executes the certificate, or causes another~~
8 ~~to execute it on his behalf, and knew, and any general partner who knew or~~
9 ~~should have known, the statement to be false at the time the certificate was~~
10 ~~executed; and~~

11 ~~(2) any general partner who thereafter knows or should have~~
12 ~~known that any arrangement or other fact described in the certificate has~~
13 ~~changed, making the statement inaccurate in any respect within a sufficient~~
14 ~~time before the statement was relied upon reasonably to have enabled that~~
15 ~~general partner to cancel or amend the certificate or to file a petition for~~
16 ~~its cancellation or amendment under § 4-43-205.~~

17
18 ~~4-43-208. Notice.~~

19 ~~The fact that a certificate of limited partnership is on file in the~~
20 ~~office of the Secretary of State is notice that the partnership is a limited~~
21 ~~partnership and the persons designated therein as general partners are~~
22 ~~general partners, but it is not notice of any other fact.~~

23
24 ~~4-43-209. Delivery of certificates to limited partners.~~

25 ~~Upon the return by the Secretary of State pursuant to § 4-43-206 of a~~
26 ~~certificate marked "Filed", the general partners shall promptly deliver or~~
27 ~~mail a copy of the certificate of limited partnership and each certificate of~~
28 ~~amendment or cancellation to each limited partner unless the partnership~~
29 ~~agreement provides otherwise.~~

30
31 ~~4-43-301. Admission of limited partners.~~

32 ~~(a) A person becomes a limited partner:~~

33 ~~(1) at the time the limited partnership is formed; or~~

34 ~~(2) at any later time specified in the records of the limited~~
35 ~~partnership for becoming a limited partner.~~

36 ~~(b) After the filing of a limited partnership's original certificate~~

1 of limited partnership, a person may be admitted as an additional limited
 2 partner;

3 (1) in the case of a person acquiring a partnership interest
 4 directly from the limited partnership, upon the compliance with the
 5 partnership agreement or, if the partnership agreement does not so provide,
 6 upon the written consent of all partners; and

7 (2) in the case of an assignee of a partnership interest of a
 8 partner who has the power, as provided in § 4-43-704, to grant the assignee
 9 the right to become a limited partner, upon the exercise of that power and
 10 compliance with any conditions limiting the grant or exercise of the power.

11
 12 ~~4-43-302. Voting.~~

13 Subject to § 4-43-303, the partnership agreement may grant to all or a
 14 specified group of the limited partners the right to vote (on a per capita or
 15 other basis) upon any matter. Any such right to vote may be exercised in
 16 person by a limited partner or by a limited partner's attorney-in-fact
 17 pursuant to a power of attorney.

18
 19 ~~4-43-303. Liability to third parties.~~

20 (a) Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, a limited
 21 partner is not liable for the obligations of a limited partnership unless he
 22 is also a general partner or, in addition to the exercise of his rights and
 23 powers as a limited partner, he participates in the control of the business.
 24 However, if the limited partner participates in the control of the business,
 25 he is liable only to persons who transact business with the limited
 26 partnership reasonably believing, based upon the limited partner's conduct,
 27 that the limited partner is a general partner.

28 (b) A limited partner does not participate in the control of the
 29 business within the meaning of subsection (a) of this section solely by doing
 30 one (1) or more of the following:

31 (1) being a contractor for or an agent or employee of the
 32 limited partnership or of a general partner or being an officer, director, or
 33 shareholder of a general partner that is a corporation;

34 (2) consulting with and advising a general partner with respect
 35 to the business of the limited partnership;

36 (3) acting as surety for the limited partnership or guaranteeing

~~1 or assuming one (1) or more specific obligations of the limited partnership;~~
~~2 (4) taking any action required or permitted by law to bring or~~
~~3 pursue a derivative action in the right of the limited partnership;~~
~~4 (5) requesting or attending a meeting of partners;~~
~~5 (6) proposing, approving, or disapproving, by voting or~~
~~6 otherwise, one (1) or more of the following matters:~~
~~7 (i) the dissolution and winding up of the limited~~
~~8 partnership;~~
~~9 (ii) the sale, exchange, lease, mortgage, pledge, or other~~
~~10 transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of the limited~~
~~11 partnership;~~
~~12 (iii) the incurrence of indebtedness by the limited~~
~~13 partnership other than in the ordinary course of its business;~~
~~14 (iv) a change in the nature of the business;~~
~~15 (v) the admission or removal of a general partner;~~
~~16 (vi) the admission or removal of a limited partner;~~
~~17 (vii) a transaction involving an actual or potential~~
~~18 conflict of interest between a general partner and the limited partnership or~~
~~19 the limited partners;~~
~~20 (viii) an amendment to the partnership agreement or~~
~~21 certificate of limited partnership; or~~
~~22 (ix) matters related to the business of the limited~~
~~23 partnership not otherwise enumerated in this subsection (b), which the~~
~~24 partnership agreement states in writing may be subject to the approval or~~
~~25 disapproval of limited partners;~~
~~26 (7) winding up the limited partnership pursuant to § 4-43-803;~~
~~27 or~~
~~28 (8) exercising any right or power permitted to limited partners~~
~~29 under this chapter and not specifically enumerated in this subsection (b).~~
~~30 (c) The enumeration in subsection (b) of this section does not mean~~
~~31 that the possession or exercise of any other powers by a limited partner~~
~~32 constitutes participation by him in the business of the limited partnership.~~
~~33 (d) A limited partner who knowingly permits his name to be used in the~~
~~34 name of the limited partnership, except under circumstances permitted by § 4-~~
~~35 43-102(2), is liable to creditors who extend credit to the limited~~
~~36 partnership without actual knowledge that the limited partner is not a~~

1 ~~general partner.~~

2
3 ~~4-43-304. Person erroneously believing himself limited partner.~~

4 ~~(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a person who~~
5 ~~makes a contribution to a business enterprise and erroneously but in good~~
6 ~~faith believes that he has become a limited partner in the enterprise is not~~
7 ~~a general partner in the enterprise and is not bound by its obligations by~~
8 ~~reason of making the contribution, receiving distributions from the~~
9 ~~enterprise, or exercising any rights of a limited partner, if, on~~
10 ~~ascertaining the mistake, he:~~

11 ~~(1) causes an appropriate certificate of limited partnership or~~
12 ~~a certificate of amendment to be executed and filed; or~~

13 ~~(2) withdraws from future equity participation in the enterprise~~
14 ~~by executing and filing in the office of the Secretary of State a certificate~~
15 ~~declaring withdrawal under this section.~~

16 ~~(b) A person who makes a contribution of the kind described in~~
17 ~~subsection (a) of this section is liable as a general partner to any third~~
18 ~~party who transacts business with the enterprise (i) before the person~~
19 ~~withdraws and an appropriate certificate is filed to show withdrawal, or (ii)~~
20 ~~before an appropriate certificate is filed to show that he is not a general~~
21 ~~partner, but in either case only if the third party actually believed in good~~
22 ~~faith that the person was a general partner at the time of the transaction.~~

23
24 ~~4-43-305. Information.~~

25 ~~Each limited partner has the right to:~~

26 ~~(1) inspect and copy, at his own expense, any of the partnership~~
27 ~~records required to be maintained by § 4-43-105; and~~

28 ~~(2) obtain from the general partners from time to time upon~~
29 ~~reasonable demand (i) true and full information regarding the state of the~~
30 ~~business and financial condition of the limited partnership, (ii) promptly~~
31 ~~after becoming available, a copy of the limited partnership's federal, state,~~
32 ~~and local income tax returns for each year, and (iii) other information~~
33 ~~regarding the affairs of the limited partnership as is just and reasonable.~~

34
35 ~~4-43-401. Admission of additional general partners.~~

36 ~~After the filing of a limited partnership's original certificate of~~

1 ~~limited partnership, additional general partners may be admitted as provided~~
 2 ~~in writing in the partnership agreement or, if the partnership agreement does~~
 3 ~~not provide in writing for the admission of additional general partners, with~~
 4 ~~the written consent of all partners.~~

5
 6 ~~4-43-402. Events of withdrawal.~~

7 ~~Except as approved by the specific written consent of all partners at~~
 8 ~~the time, a person ceases to be a general partner of a limited partnership~~
 9 ~~upon the happening of any of the following events:~~

10 ~~(1) the general partner withdraws from the limited partnership~~
 11 ~~as provided in § 4-43-602;~~

12 ~~(2) the general partner ceases to be a member of the limited~~
 13 ~~partnership as provided in § 4-43-702;~~

14 ~~(3) the general partner is removed as a general partner in~~
 15 ~~accordance with the partnership agreement;~~

16 ~~(4) unless otherwise provided in writing in the partnership~~
 17 ~~agreement, the general partner: (i) makes an assignment for the benefit of~~
 18 ~~creditors; (ii) files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy; (iii) is~~
 19 ~~adjudicated a bankrupt or insolvent; (iv) files a petition or answer seeking~~
 20 ~~for himself any reorganization, arrangement, composition, readjustment,~~
 21 ~~liquidation, dissolution, or similar relief under any statute, law, or~~
 22 ~~regulation; (v) files an answer or other pleading admitting or failing to~~
 23 ~~contest the material allegations of a petition filed against him in any~~
 24 ~~proceeding of this nature; or (vi) seeks, consents to, or acquiesces in the~~
 25 ~~appointment of a trustee, receiver, or liquidator of the general partner or~~
 26 ~~of all or any substantial part of his properties;~~

27 ~~(5) unless otherwise provided in writing in the partnership~~
 28 ~~agreement, one hundred twenty (120) days after the commencement of any~~
 29 ~~proceeding against the general partner seeking reorganization, arrangement,~~
 30 ~~composition, readjustment, liquidation, dissolution, or similar relief under~~
 31 ~~any statute, law, or regulation, the proceeding has not been dismissed, or if~~
 32 ~~within ninety (90) days after the appointment without his consent or~~
 33 ~~acquiescence of a trustee, receiver, or liquidator of the general partner or~~
 34 ~~of all or any substantial part of his properties, the appointment is not~~
 35 ~~vacated or stayed or within ninety (90) days after the expiration of any such~~
 36 ~~stay, the appointment is not vacated;~~

1 ~~(6) in the case of a general partner who is a natural person,~~
 2 ~~(i) his death; or (ii) the entry of an order by a court of competent~~
 3 ~~jurisdiction adjudicating him incompetent to manage his person or his estate;~~

4 ~~(7) in the case of a general partner who is acting as a general~~
 5 ~~partner by virtue of being a trustee of a trust, the termination of the trust~~
 6 ~~(but not merely the substitution of a new trustee);~~

7 ~~(8) in the case of a general partner that is a separate~~
 8 ~~partnership, the dissolution and commencement of winding up of the separate~~
 9 ~~partnership;~~

10 ~~(9) in the case of a general partner that is a corporation, the~~
 11 ~~filing of a certificate of dissolution, or its equivalent, for the~~
 12 ~~corporation or the revocation of its charter; or~~

13 ~~(10) in the case of an estate, the distribution by the fiduciary~~
 14 ~~of the estate's entire interest in the partnership.~~

15
 16 ~~4-43-403. General powers and liabilities.~~

17 ~~(a) Except as provided in this chapter or in the partnership~~
 18 ~~agreement, a general partner of a limited partnership has the rights and~~
 19 ~~powers and is subject to the restrictions of a partner in a partnership~~
 20 ~~without limited partners.~~

21 ~~(b) Except as provided in this chapter, a general partner of a limited~~
 22 ~~partnership has the liabilities of a partner in a partnership without limited~~
 23 ~~partners to persons other than the partnership and the other partners. Except~~
 24 ~~as provided in this chapter or in the partnership agreement, a general~~
 25 ~~partner of a limited partnership has the liabilities of a partner in a~~
 26 ~~partnership without limited partners to the partnership and to the other~~
 27 ~~partners.~~

28
 29 ~~4-43-404. Contributions by general partner.~~

30 ~~A general partner of a limited partnership may make contributions to~~
 31 ~~the partnership and share in the profits and losses of and in distributions~~
 32 ~~from the limited partnership as a general partner. A general partner also may~~
 33 ~~make contributions to and share in profits, losses, and distributions as a~~
 34 ~~limited partner. A person who is both a general partner and a limited partner~~
 35 ~~has the rights and powers, and is subject to the restrictions and~~
 36 ~~liabilities, of a general partner and, except as provided in the partnership~~

1 ~~agreement, also has the powers, and is subject to the restrictions, of a~~
 2 ~~limited partner to the extent of his participation in the partnership as a~~
 3 ~~limited partner.~~

4
 5 ~~4-43-405. Voting.~~

6 ~~The partnership agreement may grant to all or certain identified~~
 7 ~~general partners the right to vote (on a per capita or any other basis),~~
 8 ~~separately or with all or any class of the limited partners, on any matter.~~

9
 10 ~~4-43-501. Form of contribution.~~

11 ~~The contribution of a partner may be in cash, property, or services~~
 12 ~~rendered or a promissory note or other obligation to contribute cash or~~
 13 ~~property or to perform services.~~

14
 15 ~~4-43-502. Liability for contribution.~~

16 ~~(a) A promise by a limited partner to contribute to the limited~~
 17 ~~partnership is not enforceable unless set out in a writing signed by the~~
 18 ~~limited partner.~~

19 ~~(b) Except as provided in the partnership agreement, a partner is~~
 20 ~~obligated to the limited partnership to perform any enforceable promise to~~
 21 ~~contribute cash or property or to perform services, even if he is unable to~~
 22 ~~perform because of death, disability, or any other reason. If a partner does~~
 23 ~~not make the required contribution of property or services, he is obligated~~
 24 ~~at the option of the limited partnership to contribute cash equal to that~~
 25 ~~portion of the value as stated in the partnership records required to be kept~~
 26 ~~pursuant to § 4-43-105, of the stated contribution which has not been made.~~

27 ~~(c) Unless otherwise provided in the partnership agreement, the~~
 28 ~~obligation of a partner to make a contribution or return money or other~~
 29 ~~property paid or distributed in violation of this chapter may be compromised~~
 30 ~~only by consent of all the partners. Notwithstanding the compromise, a~~
 31 ~~creditor of a limited partnership who extends credit, or otherwise acts in~~
 32 ~~reliance on that obligation after the partner signs a writing which reflects~~
 33 ~~the obligation, and before the amendment or cancellation thereof to reflect~~
 34 ~~the compromise, may enforce the original obligation.~~

35
 36 ~~4-43-503. Sharing of profits and losses.~~

1 ~~The profits and losses of a limited partnership shall be allocated~~
 2 ~~among the partners, and among classes of partners, in the manner provided in~~
 3 ~~writing in the partnership agreement. If the partnership agreement does not~~
 4 ~~so provide in writing, profits and losses shall be allocated on the basis of~~
 5 ~~the value, as stated in the partnership records required to be kept pursuant~~
 6 ~~to § 4-43-105, of the contributions made by each partner to the extent they~~
 7 ~~have been received by the partnership and have not been returned.~~

8
 9 ~~4-43-504. Sharing of distributions.~~

10 ~~Distributions of cash or other assets of a limited partnership shall be~~
 11 ~~allocated among the partners, and among classes of partners, in the manner~~
 12 ~~provided in writing in the partnership agreement. If the partnership~~
 13 ~~agreement does not so provide in writing, distributions shall be made on the~~
 14 ~~basis of the value, as stated in the partnership records required to be kept~~
 15 ~~pursuant to § 4-43-105 of the contributions made by each partner to the~~
 16 ~~extent they have been received by the partnership and have not been returned.~~

17
 18 ~~4-43-601. Interim distributions.~~

19 ~~Except as provided in this subchapter, a partner is entitled to receive~~
 20 ~~distributions from a limited partnership before his withdrawal from the~~
 21 ~~limited partnership and before the dissolution and winding up thereof to the~~
 22 ~~extent and at the times or upon the happening of the events specified in the~~
 23 ~~partnership agreement.~~

24
 25 ~~4-43-602. Withdrawal of general partner.~~

26 ~~A general partner may withdraw from a limited partnership at any time~~
 27 ~~by giving written notice to the other partners, but if the withdrawal~~
 28 ~~violates the partnership agreement, the limited partnership may recover from~~
 29 ~~the withdrawing general partner damages for breach of the partnership~~
 30 ~~agreement and offset the damages against the amount otherwise distributable~~
 31 ~~to him.~~

32
 33 ~~4-43-603. Withdrawal of limited partner.~~

34 ~~A limited partner may withdraw from a limited partnership at the time~~
 35 ~~or upon the happening of events specified in writing in the partnership~~
 36 ~~agreement. If the agreement does not specify in writing the time or the~~

1 ~~events upon the happening of which a limited partner may withdraw or a~~
 2 ~~definite time for the dissolution and winding up of the limited partnership,~~
 3 ~~a limited partner may withdraw upon not less than six (6) months' prior~~
 4 ~~written notice to each general partner at his address on the books of the~~
 5 ~~limited partnership at its office in this state.~~

6
 7 ~~4-43-604. Distribution upon withdrawal.~~

8 ~~Except as provided in this subchapter, upon withdrawal any withdrawing~~
 9 ~~partner is entitled to receive any distribution to which he is entitled under~~
 10 ~~the partnership agreement and, if not otherwise provided in the agreement, he~~
 11 ~~is entitled to receive, within a reasonable time after withdrawal, the fair~~
 12 ~~value of his interest in the limited partnership as of the date of withdrawal~~
 13 ~~based upon his right to share in distributions from the limited partnership.~~

14
 15 ~~4-43-605. Distribution in kind.~~

16 ~~Except as provided in writing in the partnership agreement, a partner,~~
 17 ~~regardless of the nature of his contribution, has no right to demand and~~
 18 ~~receive any distribution from a limited partnership in any form other than~~
 19 ~~cash. Except as provided in writing in the partnership agreement, a partner~~
 20 ~~may not be compelled to accept a distribution of any asset in kind from a~~
 21 ~~limited partnership to the extent that the percentage of the asset~~
 22 ~~distributed to him exceeds a percentage of that asset which is equal to the~~
 23 ~~percentage in which he shares in distributions from the limited partnership.~~

24
 25 ~~4-43-606. Right to distribution.~~

26 ~~At the time a partner becomes entitled to receive a distribution, he~~
 27 ~~has the status of, and is entitled to all remedies available to, a creditor~~
 28 ~~of the limited partnership with respect to the distribution.~~

29
 30 ~~4-43-607. Limitations of distribution.~~

31 ~~A partner may not receive a distribution from a limited partnership to~~
 32 ~~the extent that, after giving effect to the distribution, all liabilities of~~
 33 ~~the limited partnership, other than liabilities to partners on account of~~
 34 ~~their partnership interests, exceed the fair value of the partnership assets.~~

35
 36 ~~4-43-608. Liability upon return of contribution.~~

1 ~~(a) If a partner has received the return of any part of his~~
 2 ~~contribution without violation of the partnership agreement or this chapter,~~
 3 ~~he is liable to the limited partnership for a period of one (1) year~~
 4 ~~thereafter for the amount of the returned contribution, but only to the~~
 5 ~~extent necessary to discharge the limited partnership's liabilities to~~
 6 ~~creditors who extended credit to the limited partnership during the period~~
 7 ~~the contribution was held by the partnership.~~

8 ~~(b) If a partner has received the return of any part of his~~
 9 ~~contribution in violation of the partnership agreement or this chapter, he is~~
 10 ~~liable to the limited partnership for a period of six (6) years thereafter~~
 11 ~~for the amount of the contribution wrongfully returned.~~

12 ~~(c) A partner receives a return of his contribution to the extent that~~
 13 ~~a distribution to him reduces his share of the fair value of the net assets~~
 14 ~~of the limited partnership below the value, as set forth in the partnership~~
 15 ~~records required to be kept pursuant to § 4-43-105, of his contribution which~~
 16 ~~has not been distributed to him.~~

17
 18 ~~4-43-701. Nature of partnership interest.~~

19 ~~A partnership interest is personal property.~~

20
 21 ~~4-43-702. Assignment of partnership interest.~~

22 ~~Except as provided in the partnership agreement, a partnership interest~~
 23 ~~is assignable in whole or in part. An assignment of a partnership interest~~
 24 ~~does not dissolve a limited partnership or entitle the assignee to become or~~
 25 ~~to exercise any rights of a partner. An assignment entitles the assignee to~~
 26 ~~receive, to the extent assigned, only the distribution to which the assignor~~
 27 ~~would be entitled. Except as provided in the partnership agreement, a partner~~
 28 ~~ceases to be a partner upon assignment of all his partnership interest.~~

29
 30 ~~4-43-703. Rights of creditor.~~

31 ~~On application to a court of competent jurisdiction by any judgment~~
 32 ~~creditor of a partner, the court may charge the partnership interest of the~~
 33 ~~partner with payment of the unsatisfied amount of the judgment with interest.~~
 34 ~~To the extent so charged, the judgment creditor has only the rights of an~~
 35 ~~assignee of the partnership interest. This chapter does not deprive any~~
 36 ~~partner of the benefit of any exemption laws applicable to his partnership~~

1 interest.

2

3 ~~4-43-704. Right of assignee to become limited partner.~~

4 ~~(a) An assignee of a partnership interest, including an assignee of a~~
 5 ~~general partner, may become a limited partner if and to the extent that (i)~~
 6 ~~the assignor gives the assignee that right in accordance with authority~~
 7 ~~described in the partnership agreement, or (ii) all other partners consent.~~

8 ~~(b) An assignee who has become a limited partner has, to the extent~~
 9 ~~assigned, the rights and powers, and is subject to the restrictions and~~
 10 ~~liabilities, of a limited partner under the partnership agreement and this~~
 11 ~~chapter. An assignee who becomes a limited partner also is liable for the~~
 12 ~~obligations of his assignor to make and return contributions as provided in~~
 13 ~~§§ 4-43-501 et seq. and 4-43-601 et seq. However, the assignee is not~~
 14 ~~obligated for liabilities unknown to the assignee at the time he became a~~
 15 ~~limited partner.~~

16 ~~(c) If an assignee of a partnership interest becomes a limited~~
 17 ~~partner, the assignor is not released from his liability to the limited~~
 18 ~~partnership under §§ 4-43-207 and 4-43-502.~~

19

20 ~~4-43-705. Power of estate of deceased or incompetent partner.~~

21 ~~If a partner who is an individual dies or a court of competent~~
 22 ~~jurisdiction adjudges him to be incompetent to manage his person or his~~
 23 ~~property, the partner's executor, administrator, guardian, conservator, or~~
 24 ~~other legal representative may exercise all the partner's rights for the~~
 25 ~~purpose of settling his estate or administering his property, including any~~
 26 ~~power the partner had to give an assignee the right to become a limited~~
 27 ~~partner. If a partner is a corporation, trust, or other entity and is~~
 28 ~~dissolved or terminated, the powers of that partner may be exercised by its~~
 29 ~~legal representative or successor.~~

30

31 ~~4-43-801. Nonjudicial dissolution.~~

32 ~~A limited partnership is dissolved and its affairs shall be wound up~~
 33 ~~upon the happening of the first to occur of the following:~~

34 ~~(1) at the time specified in the certificate of limited~~
 35 ~~partnership;~~

36 ~~(2) upon the happening of events specified in writing in the~~

1 ~~partnership agreement;~~

2 ~~(3) the written consent of all partners;~~

3 ~~(4) an event of withdrawal of a general partner unless at the~~
 4 ~~time there is at least one other general partner and written provisions of~~
 5 ~~the partnership agreement permit the business of the limited partnership to~~
 6 ~~be carried on by the remaining general partner and that partner does so, but~~
 7 ~~the limited partnership is not dissolved and is not required to be wound up~~
 8 ~~by reason of any event of withdrawal, if, within ninety (90) days after the~~
 9 ~~withdrawal, all partners agree in writing to continue the business of the~~
 10 ~~limited partnership and to the appointment of one or more additional general~~
 11 ~~partners if necessary or desired; or~~

12 ~~(5) entry of a decree of judicial dissolution under § 4-43-802.~~

13
 14 ~~4-43-802. Judicial dissolution.~~

15 ~~On application by or for a partner, the circuit court of the county in~~
 16 ~~which the partnership's principal place of business is located (and if no~~
 17 ~~principal place of business, then the Circuit Court of Pulaski County) may~~
 18 ~~decree dissolution of a limited partnership whenever it is not reasonably~~
 19 ~~practicable to carry on the business in conformity with the partnership~~
 20 ~~agreement.~~

21
 22 ~~4-43-803. Winding up.~~

23 ~~Except as provided in the partnership agreement, the general partners~~
 24 ~~who have not wrongfully dissolved a limited partnership or, if none, the~~
 25 ~~limited partners, may wind up the limited partnership's affairs, but the~~
 26 ~~court having jurisdiction thereof may wind up the limited partnership's~~
 27 ~~affairs upon application of any partner, his legal representative, or~~
 28 ~~assignee.~~

29
 30 ~~4-43-804. Distribution of assets.~~

31 ~~Upon the winding up of a limited partnership, the assets shall be~~
 32 ~~distributed as follows:~~

33 ~~(1) to creditors, including partners who are creditors, to the~~
 34 ~~extent permitted by law, in satisfaction of liabilities of the limited~~
 35 ~~partnership other than liabilities for distributions to partners under § 4-~~
 36 ~~43-601 or § 4-43-604;~~

1 ~~(2) except as provided in the partnership agreement, to partners~~
 2 ~~and former partners in satisfaction of liabilities for distributions under §~~
 3 ~~4-43-601 or § 4-43-604; and~~

4 ~~(3) except as provided in the partnership agreement, to partners~~
 5 ~~first for the return of their contributions and secondly respecting their~~
 6 ~~partnership interests, in the proportions in which the partners share in~~
 7 ~~distributions.~~

8
 9 ~~4-43-901. Law governing.~~

10 ~~Subject to the Constitution of this State, (i) the laws of the state~~
 11 ~~under which a foreign limited partnership is organized govern its~~
 12 ~~organization and internal affairs and the liability of its limited partners,~~
 13 ~~and (ii) a foreign limited partnership may not be denied registration by~~
 14 ~~reason of any difference between those laws and the laws of this State.~~

15
 16 ~~4-43-902. Registration.~~

17 ~~Before transacting business in this State, a foreign limited~~
 18 ~~partnership shall register with the Secretary of State. In order to~~
 19 ~~register, a foreign limited partnership shall submit to the Secretary of~~
 20 ~~State, in duplicate, an application for registration as a foreign limited~~
 21 ~~partnership, signed and sworn to by a general partner and setting forth:~~

22 ~~(1) the name of the foreign limited partnership and, if~~
 23 ~~different, the name under which it proposes to register and transact business~~
 24 ~~in this State;~~

25 ~~(2) the state and date of its formation;~~

26 ~~(3) the name and address of any agent for service of process on~~
 27 ~~the foreign limited partnership whom the foreign limited partnership elects~~
 28 ~~to appoint; the agent must be an individual resident of this State, a~~
 29 ~~domestic corporation, or a foreign corporation having a place of business in,~~
 30 ~~and authorized to do business in, this State;~~

31 ~~(4) a statement that the Secretary of State is appointed the~~
 32 ~~agent of the foreign limited partnership for service of process if no agent~~
 33 ~~has been appointed under subdivision (3) or, if appointed, the agent's~~
 34 ~~authority has been revoked or if the agent cannot be found or served with the~~
 35 ~~exercise of reasonable diligence;~~

36 ~~(5) the address of the office required to be maintained in the~~

1 ~~state of its organization by the laws of that state or, if not so required,~~
 2 ~~of the principal office of the foreign limited partnership;~~

3 ~~(6) the name and business address of each general partner; and~~

4 ~~(7) the address of the office at which is kept a list of the~~
 5 ~~names and addresses of the limited partners and their capital contributions,~~
 6 ~~together with an undertaking by the foreign limited partnership to keep those~~
 7 ~~records until the foreign limited partnership's registration in this State is~~
 8 ~~cancelled or withdrawn.~~

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 10 ~~4-43-903. Issuance of registration.~~

11 ~~(a) If the Secretary of State finds that an application for~~
 12 ~~registration conforms to law and all requisite fees have been paid, he shall:~~

13 ~~(1) endorse on the application the word "Filed," and the month,~~
 14 ~~day, and year of the filing thereof;~~

15 ~~(2) file in his office a duplicate original of the application;~~

16 ~~and~~

17 ~~(3) issue a certificate of registration to transact business in~~
 18 ~~this State.~~

19 ~~(b) The certificate of registration, together with a duplicate~~
 20 ~~original of the application, shall be returned to the person who filed the~~
 21 ~~application or his representative.~~

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 23 ~~4-43-904. Name.~~

24 ~~A foreign limited partnership may register with the Secretary of State~~
 25 ~~under any name, whether or not it is the name under which it is registered in~~
 26 ~~its state of organization, that includes without abbreviation the words~~
 27 ~~"limited partnership" and that could be registered by a domestic limited~~
 28 ~~partnership.~~

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 30 ~~4-43-905. Changes and amendments.~~

31 ~~If any statement in the application for registration of a foreign~~
 32 ~~limited partnership was false when made or any arrangements or other facts~~
 33 ~~described have changed, making the application inaccurate in any respect, the~~
 34 ~~foreign limited partnership shall promptly file in the office of the~~
 35 ~~Secretary of State a certificate, signed and sworn to by a general partner,~~
 36 ~~correcting such statement.~~

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~~4-43-906. Cancellation of registration.~~

~~A foreign limited partnership may cancel its registration by filing with the Secretary of State a certificate of cancellation signed and sworn to by a general partner. A cancellation does not terminate the authority of the Secretary of State to accept service of process on the foreign limited partnership with respect to causes of action arising out of the transaction of business in this state.~~

~~4-43-907. Transaction of business without registration.~~

~~(a) A foreign limited partnership transacting business in this State may not maintain any action, suit, or proceeding in any court of this State until it has registered in this State.~~

~~(b) The failure of a foreign limited partnership to register in this State does not impair the validity of any contract or act of the foreign limited partnership or prevent the foreign limited partnership from defending any action, suit, or proceeding in any court of this State.~~

~~(c) A limited partner of a foreign limited partnership is not liable as a general partner of the foreign limited partnership solely by reason of having transacted business in this State without registration.~~

~~(d) A foreign limited partnership, by transacting business in this State without registration, appoints the Secretary of State as its agent for service of process with respect to causes of action arising out of the transaction of business in this State.~~

~~4-43-908. Action by Secretary of State.~~

~~The Secretary of State may bring an action to restrain a foreign limited partnership from transacting business in this state in violation of this subchapter.~~

~~4-43-1001. Right of action.~~

~~A limited partner may bring an action in the right of a limited partnership to recover a judgment in its favor if general partners with authority to do so have refused to bring the action or if an effort to cause those general partners to bring the action is not likely to succeed.~~

~~4-43-1002. Proper plaintiff.~~

~~In a derivative action, the plaintiff must be a partner at the time of bringing the action and (i) must have been a partner at the time of the transaction of which he complains or (ii) his status as a partner must have devolved upon him by operation of law or pursuant to the terms of the partnership agreement from a person who was a partner at the time of the transaction.~~

~~4-43-1003. Pleading.~~

~~In a derivative action, the complaint shall set forth with particularity the effort of the plaintiff to secure initiation of the action by a general partner or the reasons for not making the effort.~~

~~4-43-1004. Expenses.~~

~~If a derivative action is successful, in whole or in part, or if anything is received by the plaintiff as a result of a judgment, compromise, or settlement of an action or claim, the court may award the plaintiff reasonable expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, and shall direct him to remit to the limited partnership the remainder of those proceeds received by him.~~

~~4-43-1101. Construction and application.~~

~~This chapter shall be so applied and construed to effectuate its general purpose to make uniform the law with respect to the subject of this chapter.~~

~~4-43-1102. Short title.~~

~~This chapter may be cited as the "Revised Limited Partnership Act of 1991".~~

~~4-43-1103. Severability.~~

~~If any provision of this chapter or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the chapter which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this chapter are~~

1 severable.

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3 ~~4-43-1104. Fees for domestic limited partnerships.~~

4 ~~(a) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees when the~~
5 ~~documents described in this subsection are delivered to him for filing.~~

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7 Documents Fees

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9 ~~(1) Registration of certificate of limited partnership.....\$50.00~~

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11 ~~(2) Amendment of certificate of limited.....15.00~~

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13 ~~(3) Change of agent for service5.00~~

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15 ~~(4) Cancellation of certificate of limited partnership5.00~~

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17 ~~(5) Assignment of limited partnership interest.....5.00~~

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19 ~~(6) Withdrawal of general partner5.00~~

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21 ~~(7) Admission of new general partner.....5.00~~

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23 ~~(8) Merger or consolidation of limited partnership with limited liability~~
24 ~~company.....5.00~~

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26 ~~(9) Dissolution of limited partnership15.00~~

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28 ~~(10) Registration of certificate of foreign limited partnership.....300.00~~

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30 ~~(11) Amendment of certificate of limited partnership15.00~~

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32 ~~(12) Change of agent for service15.00~~

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34 ~~(13) Cancellation of certificate of limited partnership15.00~~

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36 ~~(14) Assignment of limited partnership interest15.00~~

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~~(15) Withdrawal of general partner.....15.00~~

~~(16) Admission of new general partner.....15.00~~

~~(17) Merger or consolidation of limited partnership with limited liability company.....15.00~~

~~(18) Dissolution of limited partnership.....15.00~~

~~(b) The Secretary of State shall collect a fee of twenty five dollars (\$25.00) each time process is served on him or her under this chapter. The party to a proceeding causing service of process is entitled to recover this fee as costs if the party prevails in the proceeding.~~

~~(c) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees for copying and certifying the copy of any filed document relating to a domestic or foreign limited liability limited partnership:~~

- ~~(1) Fifty cents (\$.50) a page for copying; and~~
- ~~(2) Five dollars (\$5.00) for the certificate.~~

~~(d) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees when the documents described in this subsection are delivered to him by electronic means:~~

DOCUMENT FEE	PROCESSING FEE
(1) Application for fictitious name for domestic limited partnership	
\$ 9.50	\$ 4.00
(2) Application for fictitious name of foreign limited partnership	
\$ 9.50	\$ 4.00

~~4-43-1105. Elimination of certificate of assumed name.~~

~~Any partnership which meets the filing requirements of this chapter shall not be required to file a certificate of assumed name as required by § 4-70-201 et seq. For other purposes of this chapter, this provision shall be construed as an amendment to § 4-70-201 et seq. insofar as partnerships~~

1 ~~subject to this chapter are concerned.~~

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3 ~~4-43-1106. Provisions for existing limited partnership.~~

4 ~~(1) A limited partnership formed under any statute of this state~~
5 ~~prior to the adoption of this chapter may become a limited partnership under~~
6 ~~this chapter by complying with the provisions of § 4-43-201 provided the~~
7 ~~property of the partnership exceeds the amount sufficient to discharge its~~
8 ~~liabilities to persons not claiming as general or limited partners by an~~
9 ~~amount greater than the sum of the contribution of its limited partners.~~

10 ~~(2) A limited partnership formed under any statute of this state~~
11 ~~prior to the adoption of this chapter, until or unless it becomes a limited~~
12 ~~partnership under this chapter, shall continue to be governed by the~~
13 ~~provisions of Rev. Stat. Ch. 108 [repealed] or § 4-44-101 et seq. [repealed],~~
14 ~~as appropriate.~~

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16 ~~4-43-1107. Application of other laws.~~

17 ~~(a) In any case not provided for in this chapter, the provisions of~~
18 ~~the Uniform Partnership Act (1996), § 4-46-101 et seq., and § 4-42-703—4-~~
19 ~~42-708 and § 4-42-801 et seq. govern.~~

20 ~~(b) Subsection (a) of this section is curative and shall apply~~
21 ~~retroactively to January 1, 2005.~~

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23 ~~4-43-1108. Supersession.~~

24 ~~(1) The effective date of this chapter shall be July 1, 1979,~~
25 ~~and it shall apply to limited partnerships thereafter formed. The provisions~~
26 ~~under prior law for execution and filing of certificates of limited~~
27 ~~partnership and amendments thereunder and cancellation thereof continue in~~
28 ~~effect until midnight, June 30, 1979.~~

29 ~~(2) Section 4-43-402, specifying the conditions under which a~~
30 ~~general partner ceases to be a member of a limited partnership, is not~~
31 ~~effective until the effective date, and the applicable provisions of existing~~
32 ~~law continue to govern until the effective date.~~

33 ~~(3) Sections 4-43-501, 4-43-502, and 4-43-608 apply only to~~
34 ~~contributions and distributions made after the effective date of this~~
35 ~~chapter.~~

36 ~~(4) Section 4-43-704 applies only to assignments made after the~~

1 ~~effective date of this chapter.~~

2 ~~(5) Section 4-43-901 et seq., dealing with registration of~~
 3 ~~foreign limited partnerships, is not effective until the effective date.~~

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 5 ~~4-43-1109. Emergency clause.~~

6 ~~It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Second General~~
 7 ~~Assembly, that the effectiveness of this chapter on July 1, 1979, is~~
 8 ~~essential to the orderly legal status of limited partnerships now formed or~~
 9 ~~to be formed and that in the event of an extension of the Regular Session,~~
 10 ~~the delay in the effective date of this chapter beyond July 1, 1979, could~~
 11 ~~work irreparable harm to the legal status of all Arkansas limited~~
 12 ~~partnerships. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this~~
 13 ~~chapter being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace,~~
 14 ~~health, and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1,~~
 15 ~~1979.~~

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 17 ~~4-43-1110. Limited partnerships as registered limited liability limited~~
 18 ~~partnerships.~~

19 ~~(a) To become and continue as a registered limited liability limited~~
 20 ~~partnership, a limited partnership shall, in addition to complying with the~~
 21 ~~requirements of this chapter:~~

22 ~~(1) File an application as provided in § 4-42-703 as permitted~~
 23 ~~by the limited partnership's partnership agreement or if the limited~~
 24 ~~partnership's partnership agreement does not provide for the limited~~
 25 ~~partnership's becoming a registered limited liability limited partnership,~~
 26 ~~with the approval (i) by all general partners, and (ii) by the limited~~
 27 ~~partners or if there is more than one (1) class or group of limited partners,~~
 28 ~~by each class or group of limited partners, and in either case, by limited~~
 29 ~~partners who own more than fifty percent (50%) of the then current percentage~~
 30 ~~or other interest in the profits of the limited partnership owned by all of~~
 31 ~~the limited partners or by the limited partners in each class or group, as~~
 32 ~~appropriate; and~~

33 ~~(2)(A) Have as the last words or letters of its name the words~~
 34 ~~"Registered Limited Liability Limited Partnership" or the abbreviation~~
 35 ~~"L.L.L.P." or "LLLP".~~

36 ~~(B) The word "Limited" may be abbreviated as "Ltd."~~

1 ~~(b) In applying § 4-42-703 to a limited partnership:~~

2 ~~(1) An application to become a registered limited liability~~
 3 ~~limited partnership or a withdrawal notice shall be executed by at least one~~
 4 ~~(1) general partner of the limited partnership;~~

5 ~~(2) All references to partners mean general partners only; and~~

6 ~~(3) With respect to the initial filing of a certificate of~~
 7 ~~limited partnership by a limited partnership that also files an application~~
 8 ~~as provided in § 4-42-703 to become a registered limited liability limited~~
 9 ~~partnership, there shall be only one (1) filing fee, which shall equal the~~
 10 ~~greater of the filing fee under this chapter or the filing fee provided in §~~
 11 ~~4-42-703.~~

12 ~~(c) If a limited partnership is a registered limited liability limited~~
 13 ~~partnership, its partners who are liable for the debts, liabilities, and~~
 14 ~~other obligations of the limited partnership shall:~~

15 ~~(1)(A) Not be liable directly or indirectly or by way of~~
 16 ~~indemnification, contribution, assessment, or otherwise for debts,~~
 17 ~~obligations, and liabilities of or chargeable to the partnership arising~~
 18 ~~whether in tort, contract, or otherwise from errors, omissions, negligence,~~
 19 ~~incompetence, or misconduct committed in the course of the partnership~~
 20 ~~business by another partner or by an employee, agent, or representative of~~
 21 ~~the partnership for debts, obligations, and liabilities accruing before March~~
 22 ~~22, 2005.~~

23 ~~(B) Subdivision (c)(1)(A) of this section is curative and~~
 24 ~~shall apply retroactively to all debts, obligations, and liabilities accruing~~
 25 ~~before March 22, 2005; and~~

26 ~~(2) Have the limitation on liability afforded to partners of~~
 27 ~~limited liability partnerships under § 4-46-306 for obligations accruing on~~
 28 ~~and after March 22, 2005.~~

29 ~~(d) With respect to a limited partnership which is simultaneously~~
 30 ~~filing a certificate of limited partnership along with an application to~~
 31 ~~become a registered limited liability limited partnership, the name used in~~
 32 ~~the certificate of limited partnership may contain the words designating the~~
 33 ~~limited partnership as a registered limited liability limited partnership as~~
 34 ~~indicated in subdivision (a)(2) of this section.~~

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 36 ~~4-43-1111. Fees for limited liability limited partnerships.~~

1 ~~(a) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees when the~~
2 ~~documents described in this subsection are delivered to him or her for~~
3 ~~filing:~~

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5 Document Fee

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7 ~~1. Application for Registration of Limited Liability Limited Partnership~~
8 ~~.....\$50.00~~

9
10 ~~2. Amendment of Certificate of Limited Liability Limited Partnership~~
11 ~~(includes change or withdrawal of general partner)25.00~~

12
13 ~~3. Restatement of Certificate of Limited Liability Limited Partnership~~
14 ~~.....25.00~~

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16 ~~4. Withdrawal of Domestic Limited Liability Limited Partnership~~
17 ~~.....25.00~~

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19 ~~5. Application for Certificate of Authority by Foreign Limited Liability~~
20 ~~Limited Partnership300.00~~

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22 ~~6. Application for Amended Certificate of Authority by Foreign Limited~~
23 ~~Liability Limited Partnership (includes change or withdrawal or general~~
24 ~~partner)300.00~~

25
26 ~~7. Application for Certificate of Withdrawal by Foreign Limited Liability~~
27 ~~Limited Partnership25.00~~

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29 ~~8. Application for Certificate of Existence or Authorization by Domestic~~
30 ~~Limited Liability Limited Partnership15.00~~

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32 ~~9. Application for Registration as a Limited Partnership and Limited~~
33 ~~Liability Limited Partnership50.00~~

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35 ~~10. Any other document required or permitted to be filed by this chapter~~
36 ~~.....15.00~~

1 ~~(b) The Secretary of State shall collect a fee of twenty five dollars~~
 2 ~~(\$25.00) each time process is served on him or her under this section. The~~
 3 ~~party to a proceeding causing service of process is entitled to recover this~~
 4 ~~fee as costs if the party prevails in the proceeding.~~

5 ~~(c) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees for~~
 6 ~~copying and certifying the copy of any filed document relating to a domestic~~
 7 ~~or foreign limited liability limited partnership:~~

- 8 ~~(1) Fifty cents (\$.50) a page for copying; and~~
- 9 ~~(2) Five dollars (\$5.00) for the certificate.~~

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 11 ~~4-43-1201. Conversion of limited partnership to limited liability~~
 12 ~~company.~~

13 ~~(a) A limited partnership may be converted to a limited liability~~
 14 ~~company pursuant to this section.~~

15 ~~(b) The terms and conditions of a conversion of a limited partnership~~
 16 ~~to a limited liability company must be approved by all of the partners, or by~~
 17 ~~a number or percentage of the partners specified for conversion in the~~
 18 ~~partnership agreement.~~

19 ~~(c) An agreement of conversion must set forth the terms and conditions~~
 20 ~~of the conversion of the interests of partners of a limited partnership into~~
 21 ~~interests in the converted limited liability company or the cash or other~~
 22 ~~consideration to be paid or delivered as a result of the conversion of the~~
 23 ~~interests of the partners, or a combination thereof.~~

24 ~~(d) After a conversion is approved under subsection (b) of this~~
 25 ~~section, the limited partnership shall file articles of organization in the~~
 26 ~~office of the Secretary of State which satisfy the requirements of § 4-32-202~~
 27 ~~and include:~~

- 28 ~~(1) A statement that the limited partnership was converted to a~~
 29 ~~limited liability company from a limited partnership;~~
- 30 ~~(2) Its former name;~~
- 31 ~~(3) A statement of the number of votes cast by the partners~~
 32 ~~entitled to vote for and against the conversion and, if the vote is less than~~
 33 ~~unanimous, the number or percentage required to approve the conversion under~~
 34 ~~subsection (b) of this section; and~~
- 35 ~~(4) A statement that the certificate of limited partnership is~~
 36 ~~anceled.~~

1 ~~(e) The filing of articles of organization under subsection (d) of~~
2 ~~this section cancels the certificate of limited partnership as of the date on~~
3 ~~which the conversion takes effect.~~

4 ~~(f) A conversion takes effect when the articles of organization are~~
5 ~~filed in the office of the Secretary of State or at any later date specified~~
6 ~~in the articles of organization.~~

7 ~~(g) A general partner who becomes a member of a limited liability~~
8 ~~company as a result of a conversion remains liable as a partner for any~~
9 ~~obligation incurred by the limited partnership before the conversion takes~~
10 ~~effect.~~

11 ~~(h) A partner's liability for all obligations of the limited liability~~
12 ~~company incurred after the conversion takes effect is that of a member of a~~
13 ~~limited liability company. A limited partner who becomes a member as a result~~
14 ~~of a conversion remains liable only to the extent the limited partner was~~
15 ~~liable for an obligation incurred by the limited partnership before the~~
16 ~~conversion takes effect.~~

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18 ~~4-43-1202. Effect of conversion—Entity unchanged.~~

19 ~~(a) A limited partnership that has been converted to a limited~~
20 ~~liability company is for all purposes, except for any differences caused by~~
21 ~~being governed under the limited liability company statutes, the same entity~~
22 ~~that existed before the conversion.~~

23 ~~(b) When a conversion takes effect:~~

24 ~~(1) All property owned by the converting limited partnership is~~
25 ~~vested in the limited liability company;~~

26 ~~(2) All debts, liabilities, and other obligations of the~~
27 ~~converting limited partnership continue as obligations of the limited~~
28 ~~liability company;~~

29 ~~(3) An action or proceeding pending by or against the converting~~
30 ~~limited partnership may be continued as if the conversion had not occurred;~~

31 ~~(4) Except as prohibited by other law, all the rights,~~
32 ~~privileges, immunities, powers, and purposes of the converting limited~~
33 ~~partnership are vested in the limited liability company; and~~

34 ~~(5) Except as otherwise provided in the agreement of conversion~~
35 ~~under § 4-43-1201(c), all of the partners of the converting limited~~
36 ~~partnership continue as members of the limited liability company.~~

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~~4-43-1203. Merger or consolidation.~~

~~(a) Unless otherwise provided in writing in a partnership agreement, and subject to any law applicable to business entities other than limited partnerships, one (1) or more limited partnerships may merge or consolidate with or into one (1) or more other business entities with the limited partnership or other business entity as the merger or consolidation agreement shall provide being the surviving or resulting limited partnership or other business entity.~~

~~(b) Rights or securities of or interests in a business entity that is a party to the merger or consolidation may be exchanged for or converted into cash, property, obligations, rights or securities of or interests in the surviving or resulting business entity or of any other business entity.~~

~~(c) As used in this subchapter, "business entity" or "business entities" shall mean domestic and foreign limited liability companies.~~

~~4-43-1204. Approval of merger or consolidation.~~

~~(a) Unless otherwise provided in writing in a partnership agreement, a limited partnership that is a party to a proposed merger or consolidation shall approve the merger or consolidation agreement by the consent of all the partners.~~

~~(b) Each business entity that is a party to a proposed merger or consolidation shall approve the merger or consolidation in the manner and by the vote required by the laws applicable to such business entity.~~

~~(c) Each business entity that is a party to the merger or consolidation shall have such rights to abandon the merger as are provided for in the merger or consolidation agreement or in the laws applicable to the business entity.~~

~~4-43-1205. Articles of merger or consolidation.~~

~~(a) The business entity surviving or resulting from the merger or consolidation shall deliver to the Secretary of State articles of merger or consolidation executed by each constituent entity setting forth:~~

~~(1) The name and jurisdiction of formation or organization of each business entity which is to merge or consolidate;~~

~~(2) That an agreement of merger or consolidation has been~~

1 ~~approved and executed by each business entity which is a party to the merger~~
 2 ~~or consolidation;~~

3 ~~(3) The name of the surviving or resulting entity;~~

4 ~~(4) The future effective date of the merger or consolidation~~
 5 ~~(which shall be a date or time certain) if it is not to be effective upon the~~
 6 ~~filing of the articles of merger or consolidation;~~

7 ~~(5) That the agreement of merger or consolidation is on file at~~
 8 ~~a place of business of the surviving or resulting entity, and the address of~~
 9 ~~that place of business;~~

10 ~~(6) That a copy of the agreement of merger or consolidation will~~
 11 ~~be furnished by the surviving or resulting business entity, on request and~~
 12 ~~without cost, to any person holding an interest in any business entity which~~
 13 ~~is to merge or consolidate; and~~

14 ~~(7) If the surviving or resulting entity is not a business~~
 15 ~~entity organized under the laws of this state, a statement that such~~
 16 ~~surviving or resulting business entity:~~

17 ~~(i) Agrees that it may be served with process in this~~
 18 ~~state in any proceeding for enforcement of any obligation of any business~~
 19 ~~entity party to the merger or consolidation that was organized under the laws~~
 20 ~~of this state, as well as for enforcement of any obligation of the surviving~~
 21 ~~business entity or the new business entity arising from the merger or~~
 22 ~~consolidation; and~~

23 ~~(ii) Appoints the Secretary of State as its agent for~~
 24 ~~service of process in any such proceeding, and the surviving business entity~~
 25 ~~shall specify the address to which a copy of the process shall be mailed to~~
 26 ~~it by the Secretary of State.~~

27 ~~(b) A merger or consolidation takes effect upon the later of the~~
 28 ~~effective date of the filing of the articles of merger or consolidation or~~
 29 ~~the date set forth in the articles of merger or consolidation.~~

30 ~~(c) The articles of merger or consolidation shall be executed by a~~
 31 ~~limited partnership that is a party to the merger or consolidation in the~~
 32 ~~manner provided for in § 4-43-204, and shall be filed with the Secretary of~~
 33 ~~State in the manner provided for in § 4-43-206.~~

34 ~~(d) Articles of merger or consolidation shall constitute articles of~~
 35 ~~dissolution for a limited partnership which is not the surviving or resulting~~
 36 ~~business entity in the merger or consolidation.~~

1 ~~(e) An agreement of merger or consolidation approved in accordance~~
 2 ~~with § 4-43-1204 may effect any amendment to a partnership agreement or~~
 3 ~~effect the adoption of a new partnership agreement for a limited partnership~~
 4 ~~if it is the surviving or resulting entity in the merger or consolidation. An~~
 5 ~~approved agreement of merger or consolidation may also provide that the~~
 6 ~~partnership agreement of any constituent limited partnership to the merger or~~
 7 ~~consolidation (including a limited partnership formed for the purpose of~~
 8 ~~consummating a merger or consolidation), shall be the agreement of the~~
 9 ~~surviving or resulting entity. Any amendment to a partnership agreement or~~
 10 ~~adoption of a new agreement made pursuant to this subsection (e) shall be~~
 11 ~~effective at the time or date of the merger or consolidation. The provisions~~
 12 ~~of this subsection shall not be construed to limit the accomplishment of a~~
 13 ~~merger or of any of the matters referred to herein by any other means~~
 14 ~~provided for in a partnership agreement or other agreement or as otherwise~~
 15 ~~permitted by law.~~

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 17 ~~4-43-1206. Effects of merger or consolidation.~~

18 ~~A merger or consolidation has the following effects:~~

19 ~~(a) The business entities that are parties to the merger or~~
 20 ~~consolidation agreement shall become a single entity, which, in the case of a~~
 21 ~~merger, shall be the entity designated in the plan of merger as the surviving~~
 22 ~~entity, and, in the case of a consolidation, shall be the new entity provided~~
 23 ~~for in the plan of consolidation;~~

24 ~~(b) Each party to the merger or consolidation agreement, except the~~
 25 ~~surviving entity or the new entity, shall cease to exist;~~

26 ~~(c) The surviving entity or the new entity shall thereupon and~~
 27 ~~thereafter possess all the rights, privileges, immunities, and powers of each~~
 28 ~~constituent entity and shall be subject to all the restrictions, disabilities~~
 29 ~~and duties of each of the constituent entities to the extent that such~~
 30 ~~rights, privileges, immunities, powers, franchises, restrictions,~~
 31 ~~disabilities and duties are applicable to the type of business entity that is~~
 32 ~~the surviving entity or the new entity;~~

33 ~~(d) All property, real, personal and mixed, and all debts due on~~
 34 ~~whatever account, including promises to make capital contributions and~~
 35 ~~subscriptions for shares, and all other choses in action, and all and every~~
 36 ~~other interest of or belonging to or due to each of the constituent entities~~

1 shall be vested in the surviving entity or the new entity without further act
2 or deed;

3 (e) ~~The title to all real estate and any interest therein vested in~~
4 ~~any such constituent entity shall not revert or be in any way impaired by~~
5 ~~reason of such merger or consolidation;~~

6 (f) ~~The surviving entity or the new entity shall thenceforth be liable~~
7 ~~for all liabilities of each of the constituent entities so merged or~~
8 ~~consolidated, and any claim existing or action or proceeding pending by or~~
9 ~~against any such constituent entity may be prosecuted as if such merger or~~
10 ~~consolidation had not taken place, or the surviving entity or the new entity~~
11 ~~may be substituted in the action;~~

12 (g) ~~Neither the rights of the creditors nor any liens on the property~~
13 ~~of any constituent entity shall be impaired by the merger or consolidations;~~
14 ~~and~~

15 (h) ~~The interests in a limited partnership that are to be converted or~~
16 ~~exchanged into interests, shares or other securities, cash, obligations or~~
17 ~~other property under the terms of the merger or consolidation agreement are~~
18 ~~so converted, and the former holders thereof are entitled only to the rights~~
19 ~~provided in the merger or consolidation agreement or the rights otherwise~~
20 ~~provided by law.~~

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