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**Division 50—Missouri Ethics Commission
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Reporting**

1 CSR 50-5.010 Definitions

PURPOSE: This rule sets out the definitions of terms used in Chapter 1 CSR 50-5 of Missouri Ethics Commission to clarify registration and reporting requirements for certain types of committees.

(1) As used in this chapter, the following terms mean:

(A) Committee domiciled outside of this state - a campaign finance committee registered according to the campaign finance disclosure laws of a state, other than the State of Missouri, or as a federal political action committee, as defined in this rule, which is registered and reporting with the Federal Election Commission;

(B) Federal political action committee - a political committee under 52 U.S.C. 30101(4) that is not an authorized committee of a federal candidate under 52 U.S.C. 30101(6) or a federal committee of a national, state, or local political party under 52 U.S.C. 30101(4)(C), (14), or (15);

(C) Commission - The Missouri Ethics Commission;

(D) Continuing committee/Political action committee - a committee defined as a continuing committee under Mo. Const. Art. VIII, section 23.7(6)(c) and section 130.011(10), RSMo, and Mo. Const. Art. VIII, section 23.7(20), or a political action committee under Mo. Const. Art. VIII, section 23.7(20);

(E) Domicile - the address of a committee listed on a statement of organization as defined in section 130.026.6, RSMo; and

(F) Out-of-state committee - a campaign finance committee registered according to the campaign finance disclosure laws of a state, other than the State of Missouri, or a federal political action committee as defined in this rule, which is registered and reporting with the Federal Election Commission.

AUTHORITY: sections 105.955.14(7) and 105.961.3, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed Feb. 7, 2018, effective Aug. 30, 2018.*

**Original authority: 105.955, RSMo 1991, amended 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1999, 2010, 2015 and 105.961, RSMo 1991, amended 1997, 2010.*

1 CSR 50-5.020 Registration Requirements for Committees Domiciled Outside the State of Missouri and Out-of-State Committees

PURPOSE: This rule clarifies and makes consistent the rules requiring committees domiciled outside the state of Missouri and out-of-state committees, including certain federal committees, to register and file campaign finance disclosure reports with the Missouri Ethics Commission. The rule also clarifies federal committees which qualify as federal political action committees for purposes of contributions to Missouri committees under the Missouri Constitution.

(1) Committees domiciled outside the State of Missouri and out-of-state committees which meet the conditions of section 130.021.10, RSMo shall be required to register as a Missouri continuing committee/political action committee with the commission.

(2) Committees falling within the requirements of section (1) shall be required to—

(A) Appoint a treasurer who is a resident of the State of Missouri;

(B) Have a single official fund depository within the State of Missouri as defined in section 130.021.4(1), RSMo and shall maintain at least one (1) official depository account in the committee's name;

(C) Include the words "federal committee" in the committee name in order to identify themselves as a federal political action committee under Mo. Const. Art. VIII, section 23.3(12); and

(D) File a statement of organization identified as a continuing/political action committee no later than sixty (60) days prior to the election for which the committee receives contributions or make expenditures, and prior to making a contribution or expenditure in the State of Missouri.

(3) A committee domiciled outside the State of Missouri or an out-of-state committee which does not meet the conditions of section 130.021.10, RSMo shall be required to comply with out-of-state reporting requirements under sections 130.049 and 130.050, RSMo.

(4) Federal political action committees domiciled within the State of Missouri shall be required to follow the requirements of section (2) if they meet the definition of a continuing committee/political action committee under Mo. Const. Art. VIII, Section 23.7(6)(c) and Mo. Const. Art. VIII, Section 23.7(20); and section 130.011(10), RSMo.

(5) A federal political action committee meeting the requirements of this rule shall be considered a "federal political action committee" for purposes of contributing to Missouri continuing committees/political action commit-

tees pursuant to Mo. Const. Art VIII, Section 23.

(6) Any committee required to file statements of organization under this rule shall be required to follow all reporting and record-keeping requirements under Chapter 130, RSMo.

AUTHORITY: Mo. Const. Art VIII, Section 23.7(6)(c) and Mo. Const. Art. VIII, Section 23.7(20); and sections 105.955.14(7), 105.961.3, 130.011(10), 130.021.4, and 130.021.5, RSMo 2016. Original rule filed Feb. 7, 2018, effective Aug. 30, 2018.*

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