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UCC E-Filing System Search Rules

Following is information about the Revised Article 9 Standard Search Rules which may be helpful to you and your organization. If you have questions about Article 9 Rules, please refer to the Official Rules and Regulations filed at the Secretary of State's Office. If you have any questions that are not answered here, please contact our office.

The search logic is the standard RA9 search logic promulgated by the International Association of Corporate Administrators.

Search requests are used to find initial financing statements, amendments, debtor correction statements, federal tax liens, and other lien notices. The search screen provides this capability on the Internet.

Searches are performed on the name requested. The search will not find other versions of the name such as assumed names or nicknames.

Search results are created by applying standardized search rules to the name presented for searching.

- There is no limit to the number of matches that may be returned in response to the search criteria.
- No distinction is made between upper and lower case letters.
- Punctuation marks and accents are disregarded.
- The last word or abbreviation at the end of a name that indicates the existence or nature of an organization as set forth in the "Ending Noise Words" is disregarded if the user selects to omit noise words from his search.
- The word "the" at the beginning of the search criteria is disregarded.
- All spaces are disregarded.

There are special rules for names of individuals.

- If a first name is provided, a match will be found on that name and any other first name starting with the same first letter.
- If only an initial is provided, a match will be found on any first name starting with the same letter.
- If a middle name is provided, a match will be found on the middle name and any other middle name starting with the same first letter, or names having no middle name or initial.
- If only an initial is given, a match will be found on any middle name starting with the same letter.

Examples are as follows:

A search request for John A. Smith will retrieve:

- John A. Smith
- J. Smith
- J.A. Smith
- John Smith
- J. Alexander Smith
- John Alexander Smith

A search request for John Paul Adams will retrieve:

- John Paul Adams
- John P. Adams
- J. Paul Adams
- J. P. Adams
- John Adams
- J. Adams

A search request for John Smith will retrieve:

- John Smith
- John A. Smith
- J. Smith
- J. R. Smith
- John Robert Smith

Suffixes of individual names, such as "Jr." and "III" will be disregarded.

One word names: A one word name is entered as a last name (e.g. "Cher" is treated as a last name.) The lack of a first name shall be designated with an *.

When parts of the individual name are missing, these rules apply:

- Absence of the last name - Not allowed.
- Absence of the first name - Finds all names matching the last name and middle name specified.
- Absence of the middle name - Finds all names matching the last and first name specified.

"Noise Words" are those words at the end of organization names which indicate a business type. For example, "Inc", "LLC", "Co" are just a few. Selecting the "Omit Noise Words" option in a search causes the system to remove the last "noise word" phrase from the end of your search criteria. For a complete list of "Noise Words," see the [Search Rules](#) web page.

Wyoming Uniform Commercial Code	W.S. 34.1-9-101 through 34.1-9-507
Transmitting Utility Act	W.S. 37-4-101 through 37-4-104
Agricultural Producer's Liens	W.S. 29-8-101 through 29-8-203
Severance Tax Liens	W.S. 39-14-108 through 39-14-708

Noise Word Listing

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AGENCY	NATIONAL BANK
AS TRUSTEE	PA
ASSC	PARTNERS
ASSN	PARTNERSHIP
ASSOC	PC
ASSOCIATES	PLLC
ASSOCIATION	PROF ASSN
ATTORNEYS AT LAW	PROF CORP
BANK	PROF LLC
BUSINESS TRUST	PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION
CHAPTER S CORP	PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION
CHAPTER S CORPORATION	PROFESSIONAL LIMITED LIABILITY CO
CHARTER	PROFESSIONAL LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
CHARTERED	RAILROAD
CO	REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST
COMPANY	REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP
CORP	REIT
CORPORATION	RR
CREDIT UNION	RRLP
CU	S-CORPORATION
FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK	SA
FSB	SAVINGS ASSOCIATION
GEN PART	SC
GENERAL PARTNERSHIP	SERVICE CORPORATION
GP	SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP
INC	SP
INCORPORATED	SPA
JOINT VENTURE	TRUST
LC	TRUSTEE
LIMITED	
LIMITED COMPANY	
LIMITED LIABILITY CO	
LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	
LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP	
LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	
LLC	
LLP	
LP	
LTD	
LTD LIABILITY CO	
LTD LIABILITY COMPANY	
LTEE	
MDPA	
MDPC	
MEDICAL DOCTORS PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION	
MEDICAL DOCTORS PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION	
NA	
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	