#### **CHECKLIST SECTIONS**

- General Information
- Amendments

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### **Instructions**

MD does not require advance notice for any changes; make the changes in NMLS as of the effective date and submit supporting documentation as instructed in the checklist below.

## **Uploading Agency-Specific Documents**

If you are required to upload documents to NMLS for an Advance Change Notice (ACN), select "Advance Change Notice" for the document type in the NMLS Document Uploads section. If you are required to upload documents for an amendment that doesn't require ACN, select the applicable document type in the NMLS Document Uploads section.

**Note:** Use the recommended filing naming convention found on the <u>Document Upload Descriptions and Examples</u>.

## **Helpful Resources**

- Amendments & Advance Change Notice
- Document Uploads Quick Guide
- <u>Document Upload Descriptions and Examples</u>

# **Agency Contact Information**

Contact <u>Maryland Commissioner of Financial Regulation</u> licensing staff by phone at <u>(410)230-6100 or toll free at</u> 888-784-0136 or send your questions via email to <u>finreg.licensing@maryland.gov</u> for additional assistance.

For U.S. Postal Service or Overnight Delivery:

Maryland
Office Of the Commissioner Of Financial
Regulation
Attn. Licensing Unit
1100 N. Eutaw Street/Suite 611
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

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THE APPLICANT/LICENSEE IS FULLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LICENSE FOR WHICH THEY ARE APPLYING. THE AGENCY SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED HEREIN ARE FOR GUIDANCE ONLY TO FACILITATE APPLICATION THROUGH NMLS. SHOULD YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONSULT LEGAL COUNSEL.

### **AMENDMENTS**

- Change of Legal Name
- Change of Main Address
- Addition or Modification of Other Trade Name
- Deletion of Other Trade Name
- Change of Legal Status
- Addition or Modification of Affiliates/Subsidiaries
- Addition or Modification of Direct Owners/Executive Officers
- Addition or Modification of Indirect Owners
- Change of Disclosure Question(s)

**Note:** Information uploaded or filed in NMLS will not be viewable to the agency until the filing has been attested to and submitted through NMLS. Agency-specific requirements that should be emailed or mailed to the agency on the checklist below must be received with the appropriate checklist within five (5) business days of the electronic submission of your filing through NMLS.

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Complete	MD Debt Settlement Services Provider Registration Change of Legal Name Amendment Items	Submitted via
	Change of Legal Name: Submit an amendment for a change of Legal Name through the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS.	NMLS
Note	Change of Legal Name Fee: \$0 per license	N/A
	<ol> <li>Surety Bond Rider: Licensees may submit their surety bond to MD in one of the ways listed below.</li> <li>If you have an Electronic Surety Bond, contact the surety bond producer to inform them of the change and effective date so the producer can initiate the Surety Bond Rider Process in NMLS. Visit the ESB for NMLS Licensees page of the NMLS Resource Center for more information about the Electronic Surety Bond process.</li> <li>If you have a paper Surety Bond, upload the Surety Bond Rider that reflects the change of name in NMLS under the Document Type Surety Bond in the Document Uploads section of the Company Form (MU1) AND mail the original copy to the address listed above. The name of the principal insured on the bond must match exactly the full legal name of applicant, including any Other Trade Names.</li> </ol>	Electronic Surety Bond in NMLS  Or;  Upload in NMLS: under the Document Type Surety Bond in the Document Uploads section of the Company Form (MU1). This document should be named [License Type] Surety Bond.
	Formation Documents: Formation Documents must be submitted related to this change type.  Determine classification of applicant's legal status and submit a State certified copy of the requested applicable documentation detailed below. Original formation documents and all subsequent amendments, thereto including a list of any name changes.  Sole Proprietor  No information is required.  Unincorporated Association: By-Laws or constitution (including all amendments).  General Partnership: Certificate of Limited Liability Partnership; and Partnership Agreement (including all amendments).  Limited Liability Partnership: Certificate of Limited Partnership; and Partnership Agreement (including all amendments).  Limited Liability Limited Partnership: Certificate of Limited Liability Limited Partnership; and Partnership Agreement (including all amendments).  Limited Liability Company ("LLC"): Articles of Organization (including all amendments); RF Form 2553 or IRS Form 8832 if S-corp treatment elected; and LLC resolution if authority not in operating agreement.	Upload in NMLS: under the Document Type Formation Document in the Document Uploads section of the Company Form (MU1).

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Complete	MD Debt Settlement Services Provider Registration	Submitted via
	Change of Legal Name Amendment Items	
	<ul> <li>Corporation:         <ul> <li>Articles of Incorporation (including all amendments);</li> <li>By-laws (including all amendments), if applicable;</li> <li>Shareholder Agreement (including all amendments), if applicable;</li> <li>IRS Form 2553 if S-corp treatment elected; and</li> <li>Corporate resolution if authority to complete application not in By-Laws or Shareholder Agreement, as amended, as applicable.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Not for Profit Corporation         <ul> <li>Documents requested of a Corporation; and</li> <li>Proof of nonprofit status</li> <li>Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") 501(c)(3) designation letter; or</li> <li>Statement from a State taxing body or the State attorney general certifying that: (i) the entity is a nonprofit organization operating within the State; and (ii) no part of the entity's net earnings may lawfully benefit any private shareholder or individual; or</li> <li>Entity's certificate of incorporation or similar document if it clearly establishes the nonprofit status of the applicant; or</li> <li>Any of the three preceding items described, if that item applies to a State or national parent organization, together with a statement by the State or parent organization that the applicant is a local nonprofit affiliate.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	Trust (Statutory)  Certificate of Trust; and Governing instrument (all amendments).	

Complete	MD Debt Settlement Services Provider Registration Change of Main Address Amendment Items	Submitted via
	Change of Main Address: Submit an amendment for a change of Main (Corporate) Address through the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS.	NMLS
Note	Change of Main Address: \$0 per license	N/A
	<ol> <li>Surety Bond Rider: Registrants may submit their surety bond to [State] in one of the ways listed below.</li> <li>If you have an Electronic Surety Bond, no further action is required to process this change.</li> <li>If you have a paper Surety Bond, upload the Surety Bond Rider that reflects the change of address in NMLS under the Document Type Surety Bond in the Document Uploads section of the Company Form (MU1) AND mail the original copy to the address listed above.</li> </ol>	Upload in NMLS: under the Document Type Surety Bond in the Document Uploads section of the Company Form (MU1). This document should be named [License Type] Surety Bond.

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Complete	MD Debt Settlement Services Provider Registration  Addition or Modification of Other Trade Name Amendment Items	Submitted via
	Addition or Modification of Other Trade Name: Submit an amendment for an addition of or change to an Other Trade Name through the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS.	NMLS
Note	Addition of Other Trade Name \$0 per license.	N/A
	Trade Name/Assumed Name Registration Certificates: Trade Name/Assumed Name Registration Certificates must be submitted related to this change type.	Upload in NMLS: under the Document Type Trade Name/Assumed Name Registration Certificates in the Document Uploads section of the Company Form (MU1).
Complete	MD Debt Settlement Services Provider Registration  Deletion of Other Trade Name Amendment Items	Submitted via
	<b>Deletion of Other Trade Name:</b> Submit an amendment for deletion of an Other Trade Name through the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS.	NMLS
Complete	MD Debt Settlement Services Provider Registration Change of Legal Status Amendment Items	Submitted via
has been for	ny cases, a change to the Fiscal Year End, Legal Status, and State or Date of Format rmed and a new NMLS record is required. This includes the creation of a new NMLS mpany Form (MU1).	•
	Change of Legal Status: Submit an amendment for a change in Legal Status within the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS.	NMLS
	Third Party Legal Opinion: Provide third party legal opinion to the licensee, on which the Agency may rely, from attorney authorized to practice in the licensee's state of formation, that confirms that the change of legal status is not considered a new entity in the state of formation.	Upload in NMLS: under the Document Type Advance Change Notice in the Document Uploads section of the Company Form (MU1).

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Complete	MD Debt Settlement Services Provider Registration Change of Legal Status Amendment Items	Submitted via
	Formation Documents: Provide all applicable amended, supplemented or modified formation documents	Upload in NMLS: under the Document Type Formation Document in the Document Uploads section of the Company Form (MU1).
Complete	MD Debt Settlement Services Provider Registration Addition or Modification of Affiliates/Subsidiaries Amendment Items	Submitted via
	Addition or Modification of Affiliates/Subsidiaries: Submit an amendment for an addition or change in Affiliates/Subsidiaries within the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS.	NMLS
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Complete	MD Debt Settlement Services Provider Registration  Addition or Modification of Direct Owners/Executive Officers  Amendment Items	Submitted via
	Addition or Modification of Direct Owners/Executive Officers: Submit an amendment for an addition or change in Direct Owners/Executive Officers within the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS.	NMLS
Note	Credit Report: Credit Reports and authorizations for credit report through NMLS are not required.	N/A
Note	MU2 Individual FBI Criminal Background Check Not Required Through NMLS: Direct Owners and Executive Officers are NOT required to authorize a FBI criminal background check (CBC) through NMLS.	N/A
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Complete	MD Debt Settlement Services Provider Registration Addition or Modification of Indirect Owners Amendment Items	Submitted via
	Addition or Modification of Indirect Owners: Submit an amendment for an addition or change in Indirect Owners within the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS.	NMLS
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Credit Report: Credit Reports and authorizations for credit report through

N/A

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Complete	MD Debt Settlement Services Provider Registration Addition or Modification of Indirect Owners Amendment Items	Submitted via
	NMLS are not required.	
Note	MU2 Individual FBI Criminal Background Check Not Required Through NMLS: Indirect Owners are NOT required to authorize a FBI criminal background check (CBC) through NMLS.	N/A

Complete	MD Debt Settlement Services Provider Registration Change of Disclosure Question(s) Amendment Items	Submitted via
	Change of Disclosure Question(s): Submit an amendment for a change to Disclosure Question response(s) through the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS.	NMLS
	Changing a Response from No to Yes: Provide a complete and detailed explanation and document upload for each response that changes from "No" to "Yes" for company or each control person.  See the Company Disclosure Explanations Quick Guide for instructions.	Upload in NMLS in the Disclosure Explanations section of the Company Form (MU1) or Individual Form (MU2).
	Changing a Response from Yes to No: When changing a Disclosure Question response from Yes to No, you will be required to remove the question from the associated Disclosure Explanation and provide an Amendment Reason.  You may select "Add Explanation for "No" Responses" and provide an explanation for each response that changes from "Yes" to "No" for company or each control person. You may also upload a document (PDF) related to the explanation.  See the Company Disclosure Explanations Quick Guide for instructions.	NMLS

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