

**APPLICATION FOR TRADE
NAME (DBA)**

Form NR-3
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West Virginia Secretary of State
Business & Licensing Division
Tel: (304)558-8000
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Website: www.wvsos.gov

FILE ONE ORIGINAL

(Two if you want a filed stamped copy returned to you.)

FILING FEE: \$25

1. The **name of the company** applying to register a **Trade Name (DBA)** is: _____
2. The above company is applying to do business within West Virginia under the following **Trade Name (DBA)**: _____
3. The **address of the principal office**:
Address 1: _____
Address 2: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
4. The **name, address, signature** and **title** of the person having authority to make application:
Name: _____
Street: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
5. Is the company operating as a **franchise**? ☐ **Yes** (If "Yes," attach signature page(s) of the Franchise Agreement.)
☐ **No**
6. Contact Person Name: _____ Contact Phone #: _____
7. **Signature***: _____ **Title**: _____ **Date**: _____

****Important Legal Notice Regarding Signature:***

Corporations/Voluntary Associations/Business Trusts/Unincorporated Nonprofit Associations/Limited Partnerships - Per West Virginia Code [§31D-1-129](#). **Penalty for signing false document.** Any person who signs a document he or she knows is false in any material respect and knows that the document is to be delivered to the Secretary of State for filing is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars or confined in the county or regional jail not more than one year, or both. **Limited Liability Companies/Limited Liability Partnerships** - Per West Virginia Code [§31B-2-209](#). **Liability for false statement in filed record.** If a record authorized or required to be filed under this chapter contains a false statement, one who suffers loss by reliance on the statement may recover damages for the loss from a person who signed the record or caused another to sign it on the person's behalf and knew the statement to be false at the time the record was signed.

Franchises: If filing as part of a **Franchise**, you must include a copy of the first page of the **Franchise Agreement** along with the signature page(s). The application will be returned to you as incomplete if the signature page of the Franchise Agreement is not attached.

Important Note: This form is a public document. Please **do NOT** provide any personal identifiable information on this form such as social security number, bank account numbers, credit card numbers, tax identification or driver's license numbers.



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CUSTOMER ORDER REQUEST

INCLUDE THIS FORM WITH YOUR FILING

Name of Business on Filing: _____

Contact for Filing:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Order Description: Please Identify the type of filing or request being made.

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EXPEDITING SERVICE OPTIONS*

- ☐ Standard (5-10 business days) - No additional cost
- ☐ In-Person Same Day -\$25 in addition to filing fee
- ☐ Next Business Day - \$25 in addition to filing fee
- ☐ 2 Hour - \$250 in addition to filing fee
- ☐ 1 Hour - \$500 in addition to filing fee

Expediting Service is NOT AVAILABLE for:

- Dissolutions / Withdrawals of Corporations, Voluntary Associations, or Business Trusts
- Credit Service Organization Registrations
- Trademark Filings
- Sole Proprietor / General Partnership Trade Names

*Fees apply to each business. Time frame Indicates when the filing will be completed and registered in the Secretary of State database.

Return Information:

Method of Return:

- ☐ Hold for Pick Up
- ☐ Email: _____
- ☐ Specialty Carrier (Please provide return envelope & prepaid label)
- ☐ USPS Mail (standard)

Attention: _____

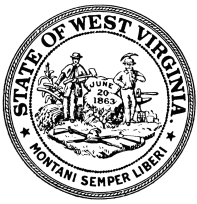
Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

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13 Kanawha Blvd. W.
Suite 201
Charleston, WV 25302

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153 West Main Street
Suite G - Third Floor
Clarksburg, WV 26301



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Next Business Day, 2-Hour, and 1-Hour Expedite Service Guidelines

NEXT BUSINESS DAY EXPEDITE SERVICE

The Secretary of State offers a 24-hour expedite service on most business organization filings processed by this office. If you choose to utilize this service, please enclose with your filing the additional expedite fee. Please note that this expedite fee is in addition to the standard fee charged on each filing and/or order. You must mark the document with your **"24-HOUR EXPEDITE"** request. If using a cover letter, note that you are requesting 24-hour expedited service, and include your telephone number and return information. Each filing will be returned by U.S.P.S. regular mail unless other arrangements are made. This office *does not* fax confirmation of a 24-hour expedite.

The fee for 24-hour handling is \$25.00 in addition to the usual fee for service. Please consult our fee schedules for the appropriate fee. If you require assistance, please contact this office.

Time Constraints: Under most circumstances, each filing submitted receives same day filing date and may be picked up in the office by the end of the same business day. Filings to be mailed the next business day if received by 2:00 pm of receipt date and no later than the 2nd business day if received after 2:00 pm. Expedite period begins when filing or service request is received in this office in acceptable fileable form.

2-HOUR EXPEDITE SERVICE

The Secretary of State offers a 2-hour expedite service on most filings processed by this office. If you choose to utilize the 2-hour expedite service, please enclose with your filing an additional \$250.00 per filing and/or order. Please note that this expedite fee is in addition to the standard fee charged on each filing and/or order. Complete and submit the 2-hour customer order instruction form. If not using our order form, state clearly in your cover letter that you are requesting 2-hour expedited service and include your telephone number and return information. Attach the order form or cover sheet to the *top* of your filing and submit to this office. Each filing will be returned by U.S.P.S. regular mail unless other arrangements are made.

1-HOUR EXPEDITE SERVICE

The Secretary of State offers a 1-hour expedite service on most filings processed by this office. If you choose to utilize the 1-hour expedite service, please enclose with your filing an additional \$500.00 per filing and/or order. Please note that this expedite fee is in addition to the standard fee charged on each filing and/or order. Complete and submit the 1-hour customer order instruction form. If not using our order form, state clearly in your cover letter that you are requesting 1-hour expedited service and include your telephone number and return information. Attach the order form or cover sheet to the *top* of your filing and submit to this office. Each filing will be returned by U.S.P.S. regular mail unless other arrangements are made.

1-Hour and 2-Hour Time Constraints: Each filing submitted for either 1-hour or 2-hour expedite receives same day filing date and will be acknowledged by fax or e-mail within expedite service time. Failure to indicate method of acknowledgment (fax or e-mail) or to provide a correct fax number or e-mail address may prevent the Secretary of State from acknowledging the filing of such documents. Filings may be picked up within the expedite service period. Filings to be mailed will be mailed out no later than the next business day following receipt. Expedite period begins when filing or service request is received in this office in fileable form.

The Secretary of State reserves the right to extend the expedite period in times of extreme volume, staff shortages or equipment malfunction. These extensions are few and will rarely extend more than a few hours.