AGENCY: N.C. Department of Secretary of State

RULE CITATION: 18 NCAC 07B .0204

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

I noticed that in 07B .0203, you eliminated money orders as a method of in person payment. Just wanted to make sure you didn't leave it here unintentionally.

1 18 NCAC 07B .0204 is adopted with changes as published in 38:04 NCR 193-194 as follows: 2 3 18 NCAC 07B .0204 FEES PAID BY USPS OR BY DELIVERY SERVICE 4 Filers who tender fees through delivery by United States Postal Service (USPS) or by a designated delivery service 5 authorized pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 7502(f)(2) shall pay with using one of the following types of checks, methods, made 6 payable to the N.C. Department of the Secretary of State: 7 (1) a personal or business check; 8 (2) a money order; or 9 a cashier's check. (3) 10 11 Authority G.S. 10B-4; 10B-13; 10B-14(b); 10B-108; 10B-134.19(b), (f), (g); 25-3-506; 147-37; History Note: 12 Eff. July 1, 2024.

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Please add G.S. 25-3-506 back into your History Note.

1 2 18 NCAC 07B .0205 is amended with changes as published in 38:04 NCR 194 as follows:

3	18 NCAC 07B .	0205 UNPAID FEES FEE FOR DISHONORED PAYMENT
		. 25-3-506, the Department may charge a thirty-five dollar (\$35.00) processing fee to a filer if a
4	Fulsually to 0.5.	. 25-5-500, the Department may charge a time unity-live donal (\$55.00) processing fee to a fifer if a
5	tendered paymer	nt is dishonored by a bank or financial institution. If a fee is paid with a check or other instrument
6	which is returned	t by the institution upon which it was issued for "insufficient funds" or for other similar reason:
7	(1)	The Division shall issue a notice of intent to deny the application or revoke the commission; and
8	(2)	The Division shall issue a denial or revocation if the fee is not paid in full within 10 business days
9		after the date on the notice of intent to deny or revoke.
10	(3)	The Division shall charge a twenty five dollar (\$25.00) fee for which payment has been refused by
11	the payer's bank	for insufficient funds or for no account.
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13	History Note:	Authority G.S. 10B-4; [ <mark><del>10B-13; 10B-14(b);</del>] <del>10B-14(f);</del> [<del>10B-108; 10B-134.19(b), (f), (g);</del>] <del>25-3-</del></mark>
14		<del>506; 147-37;</del>
15		Eff. April 1, 2007;
16		Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December
17		6, 2016;
18		Transferred from 18 NCAC 07B .0105(c) Eff. June 1, <del>2023.</del> <u>2023;</u>
19		<u>Amended Eff. July 1, 2024.</u>

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What is the scope of "filings" here?

What must a filer do if there is no form in Section .0400?

1	18 NCAC 07B .	0301 is adopted with changes as published in 38:04 NCR 194 as follows:			
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3	SECTION .0300 – FILING, SIGNATURES ON FILINGS, AND RESPONSES TO REQUESTS FOR				
4		INFORMATION			
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6	18 NCAC 07B	0301 FORM USE REQUIRED			
7	A filer shall use a form in Section .0400 of this Subchapter unless: unless				
8	(1)	there is not a form for the filer's purpose in Section .0400 of this Subchapter; or Subchapter.			
9	(2)	there is an exception in Chapter 10B of the General Statutes or a rule in this Chapter.			
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11	History Note:	Authority G.S. 10B-4; 10B-14(a), (f); 10B-106; 10B-125; 10B-126; 10B-134.15; 10B-134.17; <u>10B-</u>			
12		<u>134.19;</u> 10B-134.21; 10B-134.23;			
13		Eff. July 1, 2024.			

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In your History Note, why is 10B-134.19 included here? Also, why is 10B-134.21 deleted? Was this a typo?

Please omit the citation to Myers. I see what you're driving at with the case, but it doesn't specifically mention the Department of the Secretary of State, doesn't interpret Chapter 10B, and ultimately, doesn't confer statutory authority on the Department. As such, it's inappropriate in the History Note.

Based on your pre-review responses, I see that G.S. 10B-126 and 10B-134.17 do confer statutory authority, but the scope of those provisions is limited to e-notaries. Is there a similar statute for traditional notaries?

1	18 NCAC 07B .0305 is adopted with changes as published in 38:04 NCR 195 as follows:		
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3	18 NCAC 07B .	0305 RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION	
4	A filer shall res	pond to departmental requests for information within the time and in the manner specified by the	
5	Department, after based upon the Department's consideration of:		
6	(1)	the nature of the information requested;	
7	(2)	the urgency of the Department's need for the information; and	
8	(3)	the ease of production by the recipient of the request.	
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10	History Note:	Authority G.S. 10B-4; 10B-14; 10B-106; 10B-125; 10B-126; 10B-134.15; 10B-134.17; 10B-	
11		134.19; <del>10B-134.21; 10B-134.123;</del> <u>Myers v. Holshouser, 25 N.C. App. 683, 214 S.E.2d 630 (1975);</u>	
12		<u>cert den. 287 N.C. 664 (1975);</u>	
13		Eff. July 1, 2024.	

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On line 4, deemed complete by whom, and according to what standards?

1 18 NCAC 07B .0312 is adopted <u>with changes</u> as published in 38:04 NCR 195 as follows:

#### 3 18 NCAC 07B .0312 FILING DATE OF DOCUMENT

4 A form or document is deemed filed on the day that it is deemed complete pursuant to Section .0200 of the Rules in

5 this Chapter and this Section and shall not relate back to the date the filing was received.

History Note: Authority G.S. 1

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8 9 Authority G.S. 10B-4; <del>10B-14; 10B-106; 10B-125; 10B-126; 10B-134.15; 10B-134.17; 10B-134.19; 10B-134.21; 10B-134.23; 147-36; 150B-2(8a)(d);</del> Eff. July 1, 2024.