

**351—4.35(68A) Permanent organizations forming temporary political committees; one-time contributor filing Form DR-OTC.** Pursuant to Iowa Code section 68A.402(9), a permanent organization temporarily engaging in activity that exceeds the \$1,000 financial filing threshold described in rule 351—4.1(68A,68B) is required to organize and register a political committee (PAC), file disclosure reports, and, upon completion of activity, file a notice of dissolution. A permanent organization that is temporarily a political committee shall comply with all of the campaign laws in Iowa Code chapter 68A and this chapter. A permanent organization that makes loans to a candidate or committee or that is owed debts from a candidate or committee is not deemed to be engaging in political activity requiring registration.

**4.35(1) Form DR-OTC.** A permanent organization that makes a one-time contribution in excess of \$1,000 to a committee may, in lieu of filing a statement of organization, disclosure reports, and a notice of dissolution, file Form DR-OTC. The following information shall be disclosed on Form DR-OTC:

- a. The name and address of the organization making the contribution.
- b. The name and address of a contact person for the organization making the contribution.
- c. The name and address of the campaign committee receiving the contribution. If the contribution is to a candidate or a candidate's committee, the source of the original funds used to make the contribution shall be disclosed.
- d. The date and amount of the contribution. If the contribution is an in-kind contribution, a description of the provided goods or services must be included.
- e. The date of election and the county in which the recipient committee is located if the committee is a county or local committee.
- f. The date and signature of the person filing Form DR-OTC. A Form DR-OTC that is filed electronically using the board's Web site is deemed signed when filed.

A permanent organization that makes more than one contribution is not eligible to file Form DR-OTC and is required to file a statement of organization, file disclosure reports, and file a notice of dissolution.

**4.35(2) Place of filing.** Form DR-OTC shall be filed electronically using the board's website at [ethics.iowa.gov](http://ethics.iowa.gov).

**4.35(3) Time of filing.** Form DR-OTC shall be filed with the board within ten days after the one-time contribution in excess of \$1,000 is made. The form must be submitted on or before 11:59 p.m. of the tenth day after the organization of the committee is required. If the tenth day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday on which the board office is closed, the filing deadline is extended to the next working day when the board office is open.

**4.35(4) Failure to register.** If the board discovers that a permanent organization has become subject to the provisions of Iowa Code Supplement chapter 68A but did not timely file a statement of organization or file Form DR-OTC, as applicable, the permanent organization is subject to the possible imposition of board sanctions.

**4.35(5) Partial refund of contribution.** A committee that receives a contribution from a permanent organization that causes the organization to become subject to the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 68A may refund all or part of a contribution to the organization so as to reduce the contribution to \$1,000 or less and remove the organization's filing obligations.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 68A.102(18) and 68A.402.

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