

# **ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME ACT**

RE: 805 ILCS 405/0.01 et seq

No person or persons shall conduct or transact business in this state under an assumed name, or under any designation, name or style, corporate or otherwise, other than the real name or names of the individual or individuals conducting or transacting such business, unless such person or persons shall file in the office of the County Clerk of the county in which such person or persons conduct or transact or intend to conduct or transact such business, a certificate setting forth the name under which the business, is or is to be, conducted or transacted, and the true or real full name or names of the person or persons owning, conducting or transacting the same, with the post office address or addresses of such person or persons and every address where such business is, or is to be, conducted or transacted in the county. The certificate shall be executed and duly acknowledged by the person or persons conducting or intending to conduct the business.

Notice of the filing of such certificate shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation published within the county in which the certificate is filed. Such notice shall be published once a week for 3 consecutive weeks. The first publication shall be within 15 days after the certificate is filed in the office of the County Clerk. Proof of publication shall be filed with the County Clerk within 50 days from the date of filing the certificate. Upon receiving proof of publication, the clerk shall issue a receipt to the person filing such certificate but no additional charge shall be assessed by the clerk for giving such receipt. Unless proof of publication is made to the clerk the certificate of registration of the assumed name is void.

Any person or persons carrying on, conducting or transacting business aforesaid, who shall fail to comply with the provisions of this act, shall be guilty of a class "C" misdemeanor, and each day any person or persons conducts business in violation of this act shall be deemed a separate offense.

The State's Attorney has advised that such publication can be made only in the following:

- Journal Standard, email [freeportlegals@gannett.com](mailto:freeportlegals@gannett.com) (866-219-2216, prompt 3),
- Northwestern Illinois Farmer, P.O. Box 536 308 E. Lena St., Lena, IL 61048, (815-369-2811)
- Village Voices, 204 E. Main St., Lena, IL 61048, (815-238-5110).