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To the Colorado Secretary of State - the Honorable Wayne Williams

The following general comments regarding 8 CCR 1505-9 are respectfully submitted:

I sit on the boards of three non-profit organizations – two 501(c)3 corporations and one 501(c)6 chamber of commerce. In reviewing the Rules for Charitable Organizations, it appears that the rules most effectively address those organizations with larger, employed staff whose primary function is fund-raising.

But with regard to smaller non-profits with functioning boards and little or no hired staff, the rules present an unfair burden (in my opinion), and may limit potential donors who cautiously only contribute to registered organizations. It seems to me that the IRS regulations governing the conduct of exempt corporations would suffice in instances where small non-profits are involved.

Perhaps, Colorado's rules should be amended to pertain strictly to larger non-profits/charitable entities who employ a minimum level of staff and/or raise a minimum level of funds per year.

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