

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §29-19-14

## **§29-19-14. Nonresident charitable organizations, professional fund-raising counsel and solicitors; designation of Secretary of State as agent for service of process; notice of such service by Attorney General.**

Any charitable organization or professional fund-raising counsel or professional solicitor having its or his or her principal place of business without the state, or organized under and by virtue of the laws of a foreign state, which or who shall solicit contributions from people in this state, is subject to the provisions of this article and shall be deemed to have irrevocably appointed the Secretary of State as its or his or her agent upon whom may be served any summons, subpoena, subpoena duces tecum or other process directed to such charitable organization, professional fund-raising counsel or professional solicitor or any partner, principal officer or director thereof in any action or proceeding brought under the provisions of this article. Service of such process upon the Secretary of State shall be made by personally delivering to and leaving with him a copy thereof along with the fee required by section two, article one, chapter fifty-nine of this code, and such service shall be sufficient service: Provided, That notice of such service and a copy of such process are forthwith sent by the Secretary of State to such charitable organization or professional fund-raising counsel or professional solicitor by registered or certified mail with return receipt requested at its or his or her office, as set forth in the registration form required to be filed with the Secretary of State pursuant to this article or in default of the filing of such form, at the last address known to the Secretary of State.