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## New amnesty for 2019 annual reports and annual fees

## **January 20, 2021**

The Puerto Rico Department of State will eliminate fines and penalties to previous 2020 annual reports and annual fees.

The Secretary of State, Lawrence N. Seilhamer, issued **Administrative Order 2021-01** on January 16, 2021 with the purpose to align the amnesty deadline with the filing date of the 2020 annual reports and annual fees. From November 6, 2020 until December 31, 2020, there was an amnesty period which eliminated fines and penalties for annual reports and annual fees prior to 2019. This new order is similar to the previous amnesty but states the following:

- Is an amnesty that will eliminate the fines and penalties imposed to active entities for not filing annual reports or annual fees prior to 2020 on time, including 2019 Annual Reports and Annual Fees.
- 2. The amnesty will start on January 19, 2021 and will end on February 17, 2021.

Entities with an outstanding balance that previously requested a payment plan also qualify, only if the amount paid covers the corporate fee or annual fee. An entity with an eligible payment plan has no further actions. Payment plans will be subject to administrative review for the application of the amnesty approved herein.

This is the time to review your entity's status with the Department of State to clean up any fines or penalties assessed.

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Collaborated in the preparation of this article.



For your benefit, we included a summary of the due dates of the 2019 Annual Reports and Annual Fees:

Administrative	Original	Postponed due	Fees due	Amnesty periods
Order	due date	date		
2020-02	April 15,	July 15, 2020- no	N/A	N/A
	2020	extension filing		
		required		
2020-05	July 15,	July 31, 2020-	\$150 for	N/A
	2020	second extension	corporate	
		due August 17, 2020	and LLC fees	
		Annual fees due	\$5 Not for	
		date was July 15,	profits	
		2020	entities	
		2020	01111100	
			\$30	
			additional	
			extension	
2020-08	August 17,	October 31, 2020	\$150 for	N/A
	2020		corporate	
		Annual fee due	and LLC fees	
		date was August 17,		
		2020	\$5 Not for	
			profits	
			entities	
			¢20	
			\$30	
			additional	
2020-09	Ostalasa	J 1E 2021	extension	Flindants Caranas
2020-09	October	January 15, 2021	\$150 for	Eliminates fines and
	31, 2020	November 6, 2020	corporate and LLC fees	penalties for reports and annual
			and LLC rees	'
		to pay the	\$5 Not for	fees previous 2019.  Period: November
		corresponding fees	profits	6, 2020 until
			entities	o, 2020 until December 31, 2020.
			endues	Payment plans
			\$30	eligible if amount
			additional	
			extension	paid covers the
			extension	corporate fee or
				annual fee.

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