

CHECKLIST SECTIONS

- General Information
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Instructions

When making changes to your record in NMLS, the Georgia Department of Banking and Finance requires advance notification for some changes. See the checklist below for details.

Uploading Agency-Specific Documents

If you are required to upload documents to NMLS for an Advance Change Notice (ACN), select "Advance Change Notice" for the document type in the NMLS Document Uploads section. If you are required to upload documents for an amendment that doesn't require ACN, select the applicable document type in the NMLS Document Uploads section.

Note: Use the recommended filing naming convention found on the <u>Document Upload Descriptions and Examples</u>.

Helpful Resources

- Amendments & Advance Change Notice
- Document Uploads Quick Guide
- Document Upload Descriptions and Examples

AMENDMENTS

- Change of Legal Name
- Change of Main Address
- Addition or Modification of Other Trade Name
- Deletion of Other Trade Name
- Change of Legal Status

Control Persons: Control means the direct or indirect possession of power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a person. The following persons must be separately identified and included in the Direct Owners/Executive Officers and Indirect Owners sections of the NMLS Company Form MU1:

- (1) Ultimate equitable owner:
 - a. Owns, directly or indirectly, a 10 percent or more interest in a corporation or any other form of business organization;
 - b. Owns, directly or indirectly, 10 percent or more of the voting shares of any corporation or any other form of business organization; or

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- c. Exerts control, directly or indirectly, over a corporation or any other form of business organization, regardless of whether such person owns or controls such interest through one or more natural persons or one or more proxies, powers of attorney, nominees, corporations, associations, limited liability companies, partnerships, trusts, joint stock companies, other entities or devices, or any combination thereof.
- (2) Executive officer: The chief executive officer, president, chief financial officer, chief operating officer, each vice president with responsibility involving policy-making functions for a significant aspect of a person's business, secretary, treasurer, or any other person performing similar managerial or supervisory functions with respect to any organization, whether incorporated or unincorporated.
- (3) Officers, directors, or other persons who direct the affairs of or control or establish policy for the applicant.

Each MU2/Control Person is required to authorize a FBI criminal background check (CBC) through NMLS. A criminal background increases the difficulty of making a favorable finding on an application. The Department shall not issue a license if the applicant or any of its MU2/Control Persons has been convicted of a felony and did not obtain a pardon or other remedy pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 7-1-703.

Addition or Modification of Executive Officers or Other Control Persons

Change in Management: \$500

Addition or Modification of Direct Owners/Indirect Owners

Change in Control: \$500

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- Addition or Modification of Affiliates/Subsidiaries
- Change of Disclosure Question(s)

Note: Information uploaded or filed in NMLS will not be viewable to the agency until the filing has been attested to and submitted through NMLS. Agency-specific requirements should be uploaded to the appropriate section in NMLS as indicated on the checklist below within five (5) business days of the electronic submission of your filing through NMLS.

Agency Contact Information

Contact NDFI licensing staff via email at NDFI@dbf.state.ga.us for additional assistance.

Website: https://dbf.georgia.gov

THE APPLICANT/LICENSEE IS FULLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LICENSE FOR WHICH THEY ARE APPLYING. THE AGENCY SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED HEREIN ARE FOR GUIDANCE ONLY TO FACILITATE APPLICATION THROUGH NMLS. SHOULD YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONSULT LEGAL COUNSEL.

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	Change of Legal Name Amendment Items	
	Change of Legal Name: Submit an ACN for a change of Legal Name through the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS. 5 days' notice must be provided for this change. Use of the of the words "bank", "credit union", "trust" or any variation thereof in Georgia is highly restricted by O.C.G.A. § 7-1-243. Generally, before the Secretary of State allows an entity to incorporate or register a name containing such restricted word(s), the entity will be required to obtain written permission from the Department to use such word(s). Use of the words "national" or "federal" in a name is restricted by Georgia law (O.C.G.A. § 7-1-130) and by federal law. Georgia law pertains specifically to financial institutions (which are defined in O.C.G.A. § 7-1-4(21)). The federal prohibition is found at 18 USC 709: False advertising or misuse of names to indicate Federal agency.	NMLS
Note	Change of Legal Name Fee: There is no fee for a change of legal name.	N/A
	Formation Documents: Determine classification of applicant's legal status and submit a State certified copy of the applicable documentation for the change in legal name. Please note that a Sole Proprietorship does not have to be registered with the Georgia Secretary of State; therefore, the applicant is not required to submit Articles of Amendment or Certificate of Authority but should ensure that the new business name is amended in the "Other Trade Name" section in NMLS.	Upload in NMLS: under the Document Type Formation Document in the Document Uploads section of the Company Form (MU1). This document should be named Formation Document Amendment [Date of Creation (MM-DD-YYYY)].
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	Change of Main Address Amendment Items	
	Change of Main Address: Submit an ACN for a change of Main (Corporate) Address through the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS. 5 days' notice must be provided for this change.	NMLS
Note	Change of Main Address: There is no fee for a change of main address.	N/A
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	Addition or Modification of Other Trade Name Amendment Items	
	Addition or Modification of Other Trade Name: Submit an ACN for an addition of or change to an Other Trade Name through the Company Form (MU1) in	NMLS

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	NMLS. 5 days' notice must be provided for this change. Applicants should not include "dba" in front of their Other Trade Name. The name input in NMLS should be exactly as it will be used in advertising, documents, etc. Applicants should indicate if the Other Trade Name is forced by a state by checking the box in the forced column. A forced Other Trade Name is one that is required to be used because the state's Secretary of State or other agency will not allow the company to use its legal name. Other Trade Names must not include the words "corporation, incorporated, etc." or any variation/abbreviation that would give the impression the entity is incorporated. NOTE: The only exception to this will be in the case where the Trade Name is a "forced" name for Georgia in instances where the name is not available. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 10-1-490, trade names are registered with the clerk of superior court of the county in which the business is chiefly carried on or, in the case of a domestic corporation using a trade name, in the county of its legal domicile.	
Note	Addition of Other Trade Name There is no fee for an addition or modification of Other Trade Name.	N/A

Complete	GA Check Casher License Deletion of Other Trade Name Amendment Items	Submitted via
	Deletion of Other Trade Name: Submit an ACN for a deletion an Other Trade Name through the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS. If deleting an Other Trade Name, this name must be removed from the Other Trade Names section of the Company Form (MU1).	NMLS

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	Change of Legal Status: Submit an ACN for a change of Legal Status within the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS. 30 days' notice must be provided for this change. Please note that a change in business structure (corporation to sole proprietor, etc. and/or a change in EIN) will require submission of a new Company MU1 form through NMLS.	NMLS
	Formation Documents: Determine classification of applicant's legal status and submit a State certified copy of the applicable documentation for the change in	Upload in NMLS: under the Document Type

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	Change of Legal Status Amendment Items	
	legal status. Please note that a Sole Proprietorship does not have to be registered with the Georgia Secretary of State; therefore, the applicant is not required to submit Articles of Amendment or Certificate of Authority.	Formation Document in the Document Uploads section of the Company Form (MU1).
	This document should be named <i>Legal Status Amendment</i> [Date of Creation (MM-DD-YYYY)].	

Complete	GA Check Casher License Addition or Modification of Executive Officers or Other Control Persons Amendment Items	Submitted via
	Addition or Modification of Executive Officers or Other Control Persons: Submit an ACN for an addition or change in Executive Officers or Other Control Persons listed in the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS. If the submitted change(s) to the Executive Officers also results in a change in ownership for the entity, additional documents will be required as noted below in the Addition or Modification of Direct Owners/Indirect Owners Amendment section below.	NMLS
	Change in Management: \$500 The Change in Management fee should be paid through NMLS with an Agency Fee Invoice and is NOT REFUNDABLE. The Agency Fee Invoice will be initiated by our Department at the time we begin our review of ACN in NMLS.	NMLS (Agency Fee Invoice)
	FBI Criminal Background Check for MU2 Individual: \$36.25 per person.	NMLS (Filing submission)
	MU2 Individual FBI Criminal Background Check Requirements: Ultimate equitable owners, executive officers, and other persons with control are required to authorize a FBI criminal background check (CBC) through NMLS. After authorizing a FBI criminal background check through the submission of the Company Form (MU1) and Individual Form (MU2), you must schedule an appointment to be fingerprinted if new prints are required. See the Criminal Background Check section of the NMLS Resource Center for more information. Note: If you are able to 'Use Existing Prints' to process the FBI criminal background check, you DO NOT have to schedule an appointment. NMLS will automatically submit the fingerprints on file.	NMLS
	State Background Check Authorization: Individuals identified as control persons listed on the Company Form (MU1) are required to upload an executed original copy of the <i>Background Check Authorization Form</i> consenting to a criminal history record check on the proposed control persons.	Upload in NMLS: under the Document Type State Background

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Complete	GA Check Casher License Addition or Modification of Executive Officers or Other Control Persons Amendment Items	Submitted via
	Click here to access the GA Background Authorization form. Note: This is separate from the NMLS federal background check for the submission of the Individual Form (MU2). This document should be named [State Abbreviation] – BC Authorization.	Check Authorization in the Document Uploads section of the Individual Form (MU2).
	Credit Report: \$15 per control person.	NMLS (Filing submission)
	Credit Report: Ultimate equitable owners, executive officers, and other persons with control are required to authorize a credit report through NMLS. Such individuals will be required to complete an Identity Verification Process (IDV) along with an individual attestation before a license request for your company can be filed through NMLS.	NMLS
	Credit Report Explanations: Any credit report filed with this Department containing tax liens, judgments, unpaid child support, bankruptcies, and/or charged off accounts will likely cause the processing of the application to be delayed or possibly cause the application to be denied. Outstanding derogatory credit issues or bankruptcies, which have not been discharged, will require satisfactory explanation. This document should be named Credit Report Explanations –Sub Name—	Upload in NMLS: under the Document Type Credit Report Explanations in the Document Uploads section of the Individual Form (MU2).
	Document Creation Date.	
Complete	GA Check Casher License Addition or Modification of Direct Owners/Indirect Owners Amendment Items	Submitted via
	Addition or Modification of Direct or Indirect Owners: Submit an ACN for an addition or change in Direct or Indirect Owners listed in the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS. 30 days' notice must be provided for this change. Change in Control/Ownership: Each new control person that is a Direct or	NMLS

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NMLS (Agency Fee

Invoice)

Indirect Owner of **10% or more** must be separately identified and included in the Direct Owners and Executive Officers and Indirect Owners sections of the

The Change in Control/Ownership fee should be paid through NMLS with an Agency Fee Invoice and is NOT REFUNDABLE. The Agency Fee Invoice will be initiated by our Department at the time we begin our review of ACN in NMLS.

NMLS Form MU1.

Change in Control: \$500

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	Addition or Modification of Direct Owners/Indirect Owners Amendment Items	
	FBI Criminal Background Check for MU2 Individual: \$36.25 per person.	NMLS (Filing submission)
	MU2 Individual FBI Criminal Background Check Requirements: When added to the Company Form (MU1), new control persons/owners of 10% or more are required to authorize a FBI criminal background check (CBC) through NMLS.	NMLS
	After authorizing a FBI criminal background check through the submission of the Company Form (MU1) and Individual Form (MU2), you must schedule an appointment to be fingerprinted if new prints are required .	
	See the <u>Criminal Background Check section</u> of the NMLS Resource Center for more information.	
	Note: If you are able to 'Use Existing Prints' to process the FBI criminal background check, you DO NOT have to schedule an appointment. NMLS will automatically submit the fingerprints on file.	
	State Background Check Authorization: Individuals identified as control persons listed on the Company Form (MU1) are required to upload an executed original copy of the <i>Background Check Authorization Form</i> consenting to a criminal history record check on the proposed control persons.	Upload in NMLS: under the Document Type State Background Check Authorization in
	Click here to access the GA Background Authorization form.	the <i>Document Uploads</i> section of the Individual
	Note: This is separate from the NMLS federal background check for the submission of the Individual Form (MU2).	Form (MU2).
	This document should be named [State Abbreviation] – BC Authorization.	
	Credit Report: \$15 per control person.	NMLS (Filing submission)
	Credit Report: Ultimate equitable owners, executive officers, and other persons with control are required to authorize a credit report through NMLS. Such individuals will be required to complete an Identity Verification Process (IDV) along with an individual attestation before a license request for your company can be filed through NMLS.	NMLS
	Credit Report Explanations: Any credit report filed with this Department containing tax liens, judgments, unpaid child support, bankruptcies, and/or charged off accounts will likely cause the processing of the application to be delayed or possibly cause the application to be denied. Outstanding derogatory credit issues or bankruptcies, which have not been discharged, will require satisfactory explanation.	Upload in NMLS: under the Document Type Credit Report Explanations in the Document Uploads section of the Individual Form (MU2).
	This document should be named <i>Credit Report Explanations – Sub Name – Document Creation Date.</i>	FOITH (MIOZ).

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	Description of the Transaction : For changes in ownership, applicants should submit a written statement giving details of the nature and scope of the proposed acquisition/change in ownership and the anticipating closing date must be submitted related to this change type. This document should be named ACN - [State Abbreviation] — [Document Type].	Upload in NMLS under the Document Type ACN Related Documents in the Document Uploads section of the Company Form (MU1).
	Signed Sale Authorization: A Signed and notarized copy of the form by both the acquiring and selling parties must be submitted related to this change type. Click to download the Signed Sale Authorization form Note: Both parties to the transaction MUST SIGN and form must be notarized. This document should be named ACN – [Document Type].	Upload in NMLS: under the Document Type ACN Related Documents in the Document Uploads section of the Company Form (MU1).

Complete	GA Check Casher License Addition or Modification of Affiliates/Subsidiaries Amendment Items	Submitted via
	Addition or Modification of Affiliates/Subsidiaries: Submit an amendment for an addition or change in Affiliates/Subsidiaries within the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS.	NMLS

Complete	GA Check Casher License Change of Disclosure Question(s) Amendment Items	Submitted via
	Change of Disclosure Question(s): Submit an amendment for a change to Disclosure Question response(s) through the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS.	NMLS
	Changing a Response from No to Yes: Provide a complete and detailed explanation and document upload for each response that changes from "No" to "Yes" for company or each control person. See the Company Disclosure Explanations Quick Guide for instructions.	Upload in NMLS in the Disclosure Explanations section of the Company Form (MU1) or Individual Form (MU2).
	Changing a Response from Yes to No: When changing a Disclosure Question response from Yes to No, you will be required to remove the question from the associated Disclosure Explanation and provide an Amendment Reason.	NMLS
	You may select "Add Explanation for "No" Responses" and provide an explanation for each response that changes from "Yes" to "No" for company or	

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Complete	GA Check Casher License Change of Disclosure Question(s) Amendment Items	Submitted via
	each control person. You may also upload a document (PDF) related to the explanation.	
	See the <u>Company Disclosure Explanations Quick Guide</u> for instructions.	

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