1 SCOPE AND APPLICATION. This rule interprets the provisions of §49-1450, R.R.S. 1943, pertaining to the contents of statements of organization of independent committees, including separate segregated political funds, and ballot question committees. Its purpose is to require the identification of persons organizing or soliciting contributions for independent committee and ballot question committees, the identification of the corporation, labor organization or industry, trade or professional association which establishes and administers a separate segregated political fund and such other identifying information as herein set forth.

2 DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this rule, unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions set forth in §49-1404 to 49-1444 and §49-1469(2), R.R.S. 1943 shall be used.

3 IDENTIFICATION OF SEPARATE SEGREGATED POLITICAL FUNDS. Each separate segregated political fund established and administered by a corporation, labor organization or industry, trade or professional association shall be specifically identified as a separate segregated political fund in its statement of organization, and such statement of organization shall include the name and street address of the corporation, labor organization, or industry trade, or professional association establishing and administering such fund.

4 IDENTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT COMMITTEES AND BALLOT QUESTION COMMITTEES. The statement of organization of a ballot question committee and an independent committee, other than a separate segregated political fund, shall include the name, street address, and telephone number, if any, of each person, as defined in §49-1438, R.R.S., 1943, who has organized such committee or caused a solicitation of contributions to be made to such committee, and in the event any individual organized such committee or made such a solicitation on behalf of any other person, the full name, street address, and telephone number, if any, of that person. The Statement of Organization shall also include the full name, street address, and telephone number, if any, of the treasurer and other principal officers of such committee.

5 NAMES AND ACRONYMS. The name of a ballot question committee or an independent committee, other than a separate segregated political fund, shall include the full name of the primary person, as defined in §49-1438, R.R.S., 1943, who has organized such committee or caused a solicitation of contributions to be made to such committee. The name of a separate segregated political fund shall include the full name of the corporation, labor organization, or industry, trade or professional association establishing and administering such fund. Such committee or fund may use a clearly recognized abbreviation or acronym by which such person or corporation, labor organization, or industry, trade or professional association is commonly known. Both the full name and such abbreviation or acronym shall be included in its statement of organization. Such committee or fund may make contributions using its acronym or abbreviated name. A fund established and administered by a corporation which has a number of subsidiaries need not include the name of each subsidiary in its name. Similarly, a fund established by a subsidiary need not include in its name the name of its parent or other subsidiary of its parent.
6 CONTROLLING INDIVIDUALS. Such statement of organization shall include the full name and street address of the individual or individuals who determine to which candidates and ballot questions the committee or fund makes contributions or, in lieu thereof, a description of the manner in which such determinations are made.

7 DUTY TO AMEND STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION ON FILE. All statements of organization on file at the time this rule becomes effective shall be amended to include the information required by this rule when the next Campaign Statement for such committee is required to be filed. Pursuant to §49-1451, R.R.S., 1943, any person who fails to report such information or change thereof shall pay to the Commission a late filing fee of $10.00 for each day such information or change remains not reported in violation of this rule not to exceed $300.00.

8 STATUTORY AUTHORITY. This rule is adopted pursuant to the provisions of §49-1450(7) and §49-14,123(1) and (2), R.R.S., 1943.