

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL
Kentucky Office of Regulatory Relief
(Amendment)

40 KAR 12:400. Debt adjusters.

RELATES TO: KRS 380.010, 380.030, 380.040, 380.050, 380.060, 380.070, 380.080, 380.090, 380.100, 380.110, 380.120, 380.130, 380.990

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS ~~15.180, 367.150(4)~~, 380.040(5), 380.050

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT: This is to certify that this administrative regulation amendment complies with the requirements of 2025 RS HB 6, Section 8.

NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 15.180 authorizes the Attorney General to promulgate administrative regulations that will facilitate performing the duties and exercising the authority vested in the Attorney General and the Department of Law. KRS 367.150(4) requires the Department of Law to recommend administrative regulations in the consumers' interest ~~[KRS 380.050 requires the Attorney General to promulgate administrative regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of KRS Chapter 380, relating to debt adjusting].~~ KRS 380.040(5) requires the Attorney General to promulgate an administrative regulation to establish~~[a person to file]~~ a debt adjuster registration application~~[form developed by the Attorney General].~~ KRS 380.050 requires the Attorney General to promulgate administrative regulations to carry out the provisions of KRS 380.010 to 380.990, pertaining to debt adjusters. This administrative regulation establishes an online~~[the]~~ registration application, an online~~[and]~~ renewal application, surety bond form, and letter of credit form to be used by debt adjusters.~~[process and incorporates by reference the forms to be utilized by persons subject to registration].~~

Section 1. ~~[Definitions.]~~

~~[(1)] ["Debt Adjuster Bond" means the "Commonwealth of Kentucky Debt Adjuster Surety Bond, Form DA-3", incorporated by reference in this administrative regulation.]~~

~~[(2)] ["Debt Adjuster Irrevocable Letter of Credit" means the "Commonwealth of Kentucky Debt Adjuster Irrevocable Letter of Credit", Form DA-4, incorporated by reference in this administrative regulation.]~~

~~[(3)] ["Division" means the Office of the Attorney General, Consumer Protection Division.]~~

~~[(4)] ["Registrant" means a person filing the registration form required by KRS 380.040(5) and this administrative regulation.]~~

~~[(5)] ["Registration form" means the "Commonwealth of Kentucky Debt Adjuster Registration Statement".]~~

~~[Section 2.]~~ Debt Adjusters Registration Application.

(1) A debt adjuster shall not adjust debts of Commonwealth of Kentucky residents unless the Attorney General approves the debt adjuster's online registration application in accordance with this administrative regulation. An applicant shall submit an online registration application using the "Debt Adjuster Registration Application portal" available at <https://www.ag.ky.gov/Resources/Pages/Office-of-Regulatory-Relief.aspx>.

(2) When completing an online application, an applicant shall submit:

(a) Payment of the \$250.00 registration fee;

(b) The applicant's certificate of existence, authorization certificate from the Kentucky Secretary of State's office, or other evidence of the applicant's authority to transact business in Kentucky;

(c) Copies of all the applicant's debt adjusting contracts with debtors;

(d) Copies of the applicant's insurance policies evidencing required insurance coverages; and

(e) A completed Debt Adjuster Bond, form DA-1, a completed Debt Adjuster Irrevocable Letter of Credit, form DA-2, a completed surety bond complying with KRS 380.040; or a completed letter of credit complying with KRS 380.040.

(3)

(a) An applicant shall complete its application by submitting additional information or documents within thirty (30) days of a request by the Attorney General.

(b) The Attorney General may deny any application if an applicant fails to timely complete the application by not paying the application fee or providing requested information or documents.

~~{(1)} [The initial registration, or a renewal of registration, for a person engaging in debt adjusting pursuant to KRS Chapter 380 shall be made on the "Commonwealth of Kentucky Debt Adjuster Registration Statement". Each person engaging in debt adjusting shall register by:]~~

~~{(a)} [Completing the information required by the registration form and submitting:]~~

~~{1.} [The legal name of the registrant;]~~

~~{2.} [Whether the registration is an initial or renewal registration;]~~

~~{3.} [The registrant's contact person, including name, title, telephone number, fax number, and, optionally, e-mail address;]~~

~~{4.} [Other names under which the registrant conducts business, and provide copies of all filings in Kentucky regarding the use of an assumed name or names;]~~

~~{5.} [The registrant's principal physical business location, which shall not be a post office box, including street address, city, state, and zip code;]~~

~~{6.} [The registrant's mailing address if different from the principal physical business location, including address, city, state, and zip code;]~~

~~{7.} [The registrant's telephone number;]~~

~~{8.} [The registrant's fax number;]~~

~~{9.} [The registrant's Web site;]~~

~~{10.} [The registrant's agent for service of process in Kentucky, including name, address, city, state, and zip code;]~~

~~{11.} [The location where the registrant keeps or maintains records of its customers who reside in Kentucky if different from the principal physical business location, including address, city, state, and zip code;]~~

~~{12.} [The registrant's type of business structure, indicating whether it is a corporation, limited liability company, general partnership or joint venture, limited partnership, natural person, or other type of structure and describing such other type, the state under the laws of which the business structure was formed, and including a copy of registrant's certificate of authority to transact business in the Commonwealth of Kentucky issued by the Kentucky Secretary of State or other evidence of authority to transact business in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and describing this other evidence;]~~

~~{13.} [A description of the debt adjusting services the registrant will offer, sell or provide to Kentucky residents, and identifying whether the registrant engages in debt adjusting in relation to any debt that is primarily for personal, family, or household use that is secured by a mortgage, deed of trust, other equivalent consensual security interest on residential real property, or collateral that has a mortgage lien interest in residential real property;]~~

~~{14.} [The registrant's fee schedule, indicating the amount of the fee for initial set-up, the amount of the consultation fee, the amount and frequency of the service fee or other periodic fee, the amount of the bad check charge, and the amount and frequency of any other fee or fees and describing these other fee or fees;]~~

~~{15.} [The registrant's officers, directors, trustees, general partners, and sole proprietor, as applicable, and any person having management responsibilities in the~~

~~registrant's business activities, including name, address, telephone number, title or position held, and percentage of ownership interest;]~~

~~[16.] [The financial institution in which the registrant will maintain a trust account into which Kentucky consumer funds will be deposited and withdrawn to pay respective creditors, including the name, address, city, state, zip code, telephone number, and fax number;]~~

~~[17.] [A sample of each type of contract or agreement for the registrant's debt adjuster services with Kentucky residents;]~~

~~[18.] [The aggregate amount of all deposits made with the registrant by all debtors in each of the six (6) months preceding the filing of this registration;]~~

~~[19.] [The aggregate amount of all deposits made with the registrant by all Kentucky residents in each of the twelve (12) months preceding the filing of this registration;]~~

~~[20.] [Information regarding each applicable insurance policy, including policy number, the name of the insurer that issued the policy, whether the division is named as an additional interested party, whether the insurance policy covers errors and omissions, employee dishonesty, depositor's forgery, computer fraud, or violations of KRS Chapter 380, the policy amount, the deductible amount, the insurer's rating and the rating organization, and including a complete copy of the insurance policy and declarations or, if a complete copy of the insurance policy and declarations was previously provided to the division, a copy of the current declarations or certificate of coverage applicable to the policy;]~~

~~[21.] [A completed Debt Adjuster Bond, or, in lieu thereof, a completed Debt Adjuster Irrevocable Letter of Credit;]~~

~~[22.] [A list of each state in which the registrant is registered or licensed to provide debt adjuster services and the time of filing the registration;]~~

~~[23.] [The signature and oath of the registrant, using the following oath: "I hereby swear or affirm that I am an authorized representative of the registrant set forth above, and that the statements contained herein and attachments hereto are true and correct", and including the printed name and title of the person signing the oath;]~~

~~[24.] [A completed notarization of the signature and oath of the registrant, including the seal of the notary public;]~~

~~[(b)] [Filing the original of the registration form and accompanying documentation with the Office of the Attorney General, Consumer Protection Division, 1024 Capital Center Drive, Suite 200, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601; and]~~

~~[(c)] [Paying the fee required by KRS 380.040(5).]~~

Section 2. Debt Adjuster Renewal Applications.

(1) An approved debt adjuster registration or renewal shall be valid for one (1) year from the written confirmation date of registration or renewal approval provided by the Attorney General.

(2) Thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of a current registration, a registered debt adjuster may renew its registration. Registration renewal shall be accomplished by submitting an online renewal application using the "Debt Adjuster Renewal Application portal" available at <https://www.ag.ky.gov/Resources/Pages/Office-of-Regulatory-Relief.aspx>.

(3) When submitting an online renewal application, each registrant shall submit:

(a) Payment of the \$250.00 registration renewal fee;

(b) A completed annual audit in accordance with Section 3 of this administrative regulation; and

(c) A completed Debt Adjuster Bond, form DA-1, a completed Debt Adjuster Irrevocable Letter of Credit, form DA-2, a completed surety bond complying with KRS 380.040; or a completed letter of credit complying with KRS 380.040, when a

prior submitted surety bond or letter of credit is no longer current or the surety amount is insufficient.

(4)

(a) A registrant shall complete its renewal application by submitting additional information or documents for its application within thirty (30) days of a request by the Attorney General.

(b) The Attorney General may deny any renewal application if a registrant fails to timely complete the application by not paying the renewal application fee or not submitting requested information or documents.

(5) Any registration renewal by the Attorney General shall not be construed to waive or condone any violation of law that occurred prior to any registration renewal and shall not prevent subsequent proceedings against a registrant.

~~[(2)] [Registration shall be valid for one (1) year from the effective date stated in the written confirmation of registration provided by the division, and may be renewed annually by making the required filing and paying the renewal fee.]~~

~~[(3)] [Deadline for filing.]~~

~~[(a)] [The initial registration form and fee shall be filed with the division prior to the date the registrant will engage in debt adjusting pursuant to KRS Chapter 380.]~~

~~[(b)] [The renewal registration form and fee shall be filed with the division at least four (4) weeks prior to the expiration of the registration.]~~

~~[(c)] [The registration form shall be considered filed as of the date it is:]~~

~~[1.] [Delivered to the Division; or]~~

~~[2.] [Deposited in the mail or with a commercial postal service on or before the due date, as indicated by the postmark applied by the U.S. Postal Service or official mark applied by a commercial postal service. The mark made by a privately held postage meter shall not be considered in determining the date of filing.]~~

~~[(4)]~~

~~[(a)] [If the Division determines that the registration form or the materials submitted with the registration form do not comply with KRS Chapter 380 or contain all information or materials required by KRS Chapter 380 or this administrative regulation, the division shall notify the registrant in writing, specifying the noncompliance or the information or materials that were not completed in or provided with the registration form.]~~

~~[(b)] [The registration shall not be effective until a registration form or an amended registration form is filed with the division that contains all information and materials required by KRS Chapter 380 and this administrative regulation.]~~

~~[(c)] [The division shall provide a written confirmation of registration.]~~

~~Section 3. [A person shall not engage in debt adjusting prior to the timely filing of a complete and accurate registration which has been confirmed by the division pursuant to Section 2(4)(e) of this administrative regulation.]~~

~~[Section 4.] Annual Audit.~~

(1) An independent, third party certified public accountant shall conduct an annual audit of a registered debt adjuster's business.

(2) ~~[(1)]~~ The annual audit shall not be older than (12) twelve months prior to the filing of a renewal application in accordance with Section 2 of this administrative regulation and ~~[required by KRS 380.040(6)]~~ shall include an audit of:

(a) The registrant's financial statements and records;

(b) The trust accounts required by KRS 380.040(1)(b);

(c) The registrant's compliance with the requirements of KRS Chapter 380; and

(d) The registrant's compliance with the requirements of this administrative regulation.

~~[(2)] [The Commonwealth of Kentucky Debt Adjuster Audit Checklist, Form DA-2, shall be used for purposes of the annual audit and filed with the results of the annual audit.]~~

(3) The audit results ~~[of the audit]~~ and the auditor's opinion ~~[filed with the division]~~ shall be accompanied by a certification from each individual auditor joining in the opinion. The certification shall include:

- (a) The auditor is an independent, third-party certified public accountant;
- (b) The states in which the auditor is licensed as a certified public accountant; and
- (c) The identification number for each license.

~~[(4)] A registrant shall submit the audit results, the auditor's opinion, and the certification by each auditor to the Attorney General when it renews its registration in accordance with Section 2 of this administrative regulation. [The results of the audit and the auditor's opinion, and the certification by each auditor, shall be filed with each renewal registration form, and shall be no older than twelve (12) months prior to the date of filing of the renewal registration form.]~~

Section 4. [Section 5.] Trust Accounts. The trust accounts required by KRS 380.040(1)(b) shall be maintained in a federally insured financial institution.

Section 5. [Section 6.] Written notification of material changes. A registered debt adjuster shall notify the Attorney General, in writing, within fourteen (14) days of any material change to information provided in the registrant's original application, any renewal application, application attachments, or written notices.

~~[(1)] [A person engaged in debt adjusting shall notify the division in writing at the address shown in Section 2(1)(b) of this administrative regulation, or by electronic mail or fax with prior approval of the division, within five (5) business days of any cancellation, nonrenewal, modification, or change, or receipt of notice of any cancellation, nonrenewal, modification, or change of, the insurance coverage required by KRS 380.040(7), the bond required by KRS 380.040(8) and this regulation, or the irrevocable letter of credit accepted in lieu of the bond pursuant to KRS 380.040(8) and this administrative regulation.]~~

~~[(2)] [Except as required by subsection (1) of this section, within thirty (30) days of any material change in the information provided on or submitted with the registration form, a registrant shall notify the division in writing at the address shown in Section 2(1)(b) of this administrative regulation, or by electronic mail or fax with prior approval of the division, of each change and submit an updated registration form. The annual renewal date for the registrant shall not be affected by the filing required by this section.]~~

~~[(3)] [A notice or letter from the division to a registrant may be sent by first class regular mail to a last known address as shown in the registrant's last filing with the division.]~~

Section 6. Record Requests. A debt adjuster shall make requested business records and documents and information related to an investigation or inquiry readily available to the Attorney General for inspection and copying upon request.

Section 7. Incorporation by Reference.

(1) The following material is incorporated by reference:

- (a) ~~[The "Commonwealth of Kentucky "]~~ "Debt Adjuster Registration application portal", February 2026~~[Statement", Form DA-1, July 2010];~~
- (b) "Debt Adjuster Renewal application portal", Feb. 2026 ~~[The "Commonwealth of Kentucky Debt Adjuster Audit Checklist", Form DA-2, July 2010];~~
- (c) ~~[The "Commonwealth of Kentucky "]~~ "Debt Adjuster Surety Bond", Form DA-1~~[3], February 2026[July 2010];~~ and
- (d) ~~[The "Commonwealth of Kentucky "]~~ "Debt Adjuster Irrevocable Letter of Credit with Demand for Payment letter", Form DA-2~~[4], February 2026;[July 2010.]~~

(2) This material may be inspected, copied, or obtained, subject to applicable copyright law, at the Office of the Attorney General, Capital Complex East, ~~Consumer Protection Division,~~ 1024 Capital Center Drive, Suite 200, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. This material is also available on the Attorney General's website, <https://ag.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx>.

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APPROVED BY AGENCY: February 20, 2026

FILED WITH LRC: February 24, 2026 at 1:04 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT PERIOD: A public hearing on this proposed administrative regulation shall be held on May 21, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time at the Office of Administrative Hearings, Conference Room B, 105 Sea Hero Road, Suite 2, Conference Room B, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Individuals interested in being heard at this hearing shall notify the Attorney General in writing at least five (5) working days prior to the hearing of their intent to attend. If no notification of intent to attend the hearing is received by that date, the hearing may be canceled. This hearing is open to the public. Any person who wishes to be heard will be given an opportunity to comment on the proposed administrative regulation. A transcript of the public hearing will not be made unless a written request for a transcript is made. If you do not wish to be heard at the public hearing, you may submit written comments on the proposed administrative regulation. Written comments shall be accepted through 11:59 p.m. on May 31, 2026. Send written notification of intent to be heard at the public hearing or written comments on the proposed administrative regulation to the contact person.

CONTACT PERSON: Stephen B. Humphress, Executive Director, Kentucky Office of Regulatory Relief, Kentucky Office of Attorney General, 1024 Capital Center Drive, Suite 200, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, phone: 502-696-5408, fax: (502) 573-8317, email: steve.humphress@ky.gov.

REGULATORY IMPACT ANALYSIS AND TIERING STATEMENT

Contact Person: Stephen B. Humphress

Subject Headings: Attorney General; Occupations and Professions; Bonds

(1) Provide a brief summary of:

(a) What this administrative regulation does:

This administrative regulation establishes the online registration application form, online renewal application form, and other forms to be used by debt adjusters.

(b) The necessity of this administrative regulation:

This regulation is necessary since it allows the Office of Attorney General ("Attorney General"), to perform its statutory mandates. The regulation is needed so that debt adjusters can comply with statutory requirements.

(c) How this administrative regulation conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes:

KRS 15.180 directs the Attorney General to promulgate administrative regulations that will facilitate the performance of duties vested in the Attorney General and the Department of Law. KRS 367.150(4) requires the Department of Law to study the operation of all laws, rules, administrative regulations, orders, and state policies affecting consumers and to recommend administrative regulations in the consumers' interest. KRS 380.050 requires the Attorney General to promulgate administrative regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of KRS Chapter 380, relating to debt adjusting. KRS 380.040(5) requires the Attorney General to promulgate an administrative regulation to establish a registration application for debt adjusters.

(d) How this administrative regulation currently assists or will assist in the effective administration of the statutes:

This administrative regulation establishes the online registration application form, online renewal application form, bond form and letter of credit form to be used by debt adjusters. This administrative regulation establishes the annual audit requirements for debt adjusters.

(2) If this is an amendment to an existing administrative regulation, provide a brief summary of:

(a) How the amendment will change this existing administrative regulation:

This amendment makes changes to comply with KRS Chapter 13A drafting requirements. This amendment removes unnecessary language from the regulation as duplicative and already incorporated by reference in incorporated application processes. The amendment updates the incorporated forms so that they are easier to understand and consistent in appearance. The amended regulation provides better notice about when regulated businesses must file required renewals and reports.

(b) The necessity of the amendment to this administrative regulation:

The Attorney General needs to update its regulation to conform to KRS Chapter 13A drafting requirements. The Attorney General needs to update its regulation so that it is easier to understand. The Attorney General needs to update the forms incorporated by the regulation so that they are easier to understand. The Attorney General needs to modernize application and payment processes by providing for online processes.

(c) How the amendment conforms to the content of the authorizing statutes:

As previously explained, KRS 15.180, KRS 367.150(4), KRS 380.040 and KRS 380.050 authorize the administrative regulation amendments.

(d) How the amendment will assist in the effective administration of the statutes:

The regulation amendments will cause the regulation to be more easily understood by regulated entities and consumers. The regulation amendments will provide online application and renewal processes for regulated entities and cause the forms used by regulated entities to be more easily understood and completed. In addition, it is intended that the regulation amendments will result in saved administrative resources and provide quicker processing time by Attorney General staff.

(3) Does this administrative regulation or amendment implement legislation from the previous five years? No

(4) List the type and number of individuals, businesses, organizations, or state and local governments affected by this administrative regulation:

This regulation amendment affects approximately fifty (50) registered debt adjusters, the Attorney General, and unknown future applicants.

(5) Provide an analysis of how the entities identified in question (4) will be impacted by either the implementation of this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change, if it is an amendment, including:

(a) List the actions that each of the regulated entities identified in question (4) will have to take to comply with this administrative regulation or amendment:

Future applicants will be required to use the online application processes and updated forms incorporated into this regulation. Registered debt adjusters will be required to use the new online processes incorporated into this regulation. Attorney General staff will review and process the new online submissions and new forms for compliance with law.

(b) In complying with this administrative regulation or amendment, how much will it cost each of the entities identified in question (4):

Applicants and registered debt adjusters will bear no additional costs since they will be able to download the updated forms and use the online processes available on the Attorney General's website at no cost. The Attorney General will incur no additional costs to review the online application submissions.

(c) As a result of compliance, what benefits will accrue to the entities identified in question (4):

The regulation amendments are intended to make the regulation and incorporated forms to be more easily understood and completed. The online application and reporting processes will make it easier for applicants and regulated entities to apply, renew registrations, and provide required documentation. In addition, it is intended that the regulation amendments will result in saved administrative resources and time and provide quicker processing time by Attorney General staff.

(6) Provide an estimate of how much it will cost the administrative body to implement this administrative regulation:

(a) Initially:

There are no costs to implement this administrative regulation amendment.

(b) On a continuing basis:

There are no continuing costs to implement this administrative regulation amendment.

(7) What is the source of the funding to be used for the implementation and enforcement of this administrative regulation or this amendment:

There are no additional costs associated with implementing this administrative regulation amendment, so no funding is needed.

(8) Provide an assessment of whether an increase in fees or funding will be necessary to implement this administrative regulation, if new, or by the change if it is an amendment:

There is no anticipated increase in fees or funding necessary to amend this administrative regulation.

(9) State whether or not this administrative regulation establishes any fees or directly or indirectly increases any fees:

This administrative regulation amendment does not directly or indirectly increase any fees.

(10) TIERING: Is tiering applied?

No. This administrative regulation applies equally to all debt adjusters.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

(1) Identify each state statute, federal statute, or federal regulation that requires or authorizes the action taken by the administrative regulation:

KRS 15.180, 367.150(4), 380.050, 380.040(5)

(2) State whether this administrative regulation is expressly authorized by an act of the General Assembly, and if so, identify the act:

This administrative regulation amendment was expressly authorized by 1960 Ky. Acts ch. 68, Art. II, sec. 1; 1972 Ky. Acts ch. 4, sec. 4; and 2005 Ky. Acts ch. 38, sec. 3.

(3)(a) Identify the promulgating agency and any other affected state units, parts, or divisions:

The Office of Attorney General, Kentucky Office of Regulatory Relief ("Attorney General") is the promulgating agency. The regulation does not affect any other state agencies. (b) Estimate the following for each affected state unit, part, or division in (3) (a):

(b) Estimate the following for each affected state unit, part, or division identified in (3)(a):

1. Expenditures:

For the first year: There are no expenditures to administer this administrative regulation amendment for the first year.

For subsequent years: There will be no expenditures to administer the administrative regulation amendment in subsequent years.

2. Revenues:

For the first year: The administrative regulation amendment will generate no revenues to the Attorney General in the first year.

For subsequent years: The administrative regulation amendment will generate no revenues to the Attorney General in subsequent years.

3. Cost Savings:

For the first year: In the first year, the administrative regulation amendment will cause the Attorney General to receive cost savings from efficient and quicker processing of the online applications, which are difficult to estimate at this time, but estimated to be de minimis.

For subsequent years: In subsequent years, the administrative regulation amendment will cause the Attorney General to receive cost savings from efficient and quicker processing of the online applications, which are difficult to estimate at this time, but estimated to be de minimis.

(4)(a) Identify affected local entities (for example: cities, counties, fire departments, school districts):

The administrative regulation amendment will not affect any local entities.

(b) Estimate the following for each affected local entity identified in (4)(a):

1. Expenditures:

For the first year: This administrative regulation amendment will not cause expenditures by local entities for the first year.

For subsequent years:This administrative regulation amendment will not cause expenditures by local entities in subsequent years.

2. Revenues:

For the first year:Local entities will receive no revenues from this administrative regulation amendment for the first year.

For subsequent years:Local entities will receive no revenues from this administrative regulation amendment in subsequent years.

3. Cost Savings:

For the first year:Local entities will receive no cost savings from this administrative regulation amendment for the first year.

For subsequent years:Local entities will receive no cost savings from this administrative regulation amendment in subsequent years.

(5)(a) Identify any affected regulated entities not listed in (3)(a) or (4)(a):

Applicants and registered debt adjusters will be affected by this administrative regulation amendment.

(b) Estimate the following for each regulated entity identified in (5)(a):

1. Expenditures:

For the first year:This administrative regulation amendment will not cause registered debt adjusters to have any additional expenditures for the first year.

For subsequent years:This administrative regulation amendment will not cause registered debt adjusters s to have any additional expenditures for the first year.

2. Revenues:

For the first year:Registered debt adjusters will not receive any revenues from this administrative regulation amendment for the first year.

For subsequent years:Registered debt adjusters will not receive any revenues from this administrative regulation amendment for the first year.

3. Cost Savings:

For the first year:The administrative regulation amendment is intended to cause applicants and debt adjusters to receive cost savings from quicker processing of online application and document submissions, which are difficult to estimate at this time, but estimated to be de minimis, for the first year.

For subsequent years:The administrative regulation amendment is intended to cause applicants and debt adjusters to receive cost savings from quicker processing of online application and document submissions, which are difficult to estimate at this time, but estimated to be de minimis, in subsequent years.

(6) Provide a narrative to explain the following for each entity identified in (3)(a), (4)(a), and (5)(a)

(a) Fiscal impact of this administrative regulation:

This administrative regulation amendment will have no fiscal impact. The regulation amendment merely updates current forms used by applicants and registered debt adjusters. The amendment creates an online application process for applicants and an online renewal application process for registered debt adjusters. The forms and online

processes are available at no cost. The Attorney General receives no fees. For these reasons, the regulation amendments are not expected to have any significant fiscal impact.

(b) Methodology and resources used to reach this conclusion:

The Attorney General used a quantitative methodology analysis based on history of administrative agencies which license or register businesses in a specific subject area and the resulting facts from this regulation. The Attorney General used staff resources in determining the fiscal impact.

(7) Explain, as it relates to the entities identified in (3)(a), (4)(a), and (5)(a):

(a) Whether this administrative regulation will have a "major economic impact", as defined by KRS 13A.010(14):

There is not an expected "major economic impact" from this regulation amendment for the Attorney General, any local entities, or affected regulated entities.

(b) The methodology and resources used to reach this conclusion:

The Attorney General used a quantitative methodology analysis based on history of administrative agencies which license or register businesses in a specific subject area and resulting facts from this regulation. The Attorney General used staff resources in reaching the conclusion that no overall negative or adverse major economic impact results from this administrative regulation.