UNIFORM SECURITIES ACT (2002) (EXCERPT) Act 551 of 2008

451.2611 Service of process.

Sec. 611.

- (1) A consent to service of process complying with this section required by this act must be signed and filed in the form required by a rule or order under this act. A consent appointing the administrator the person's agent for service of process in a noncriminal action or proceeding against the person, or the person's successor, or personal representative under this act or a rule adopted or order issued by the administrator under this act after the consent is filed, has the same force and validity as if the service were made personally on the person filing the consent. A person that has filed a consent complying with this subsection in connection with a previous application for registration or notice filing need not file an additional consent.
- (2) If a person, including a nonresident of this state, engages in an act, practice, or course of business prohibited or made actionable by this act or a rule adopted or order issued by the administrator under this act and the person has not filed a consent to service of process under subsection (1), that act, practice, or course of business constitutes the appointment of the administrator as the person's agent for service of process in a noncriminal action or proceeding against the person, the person's successor, or personal representative.
- (3) Service under subsection (1) or (2) may be made by providing a copy of the process to the office of the administrator, but it is not effective unless both of the following are met:
- (a) The plaintiff, which may be the administrator, promptly sends notice of the service and a copy of the process, return receipt requested, to the defendant or respondent at the address given in the consent to service of process or, if a consent to service of process has not been filed, at the last known address, or takes other reasonable steps to give notice.
- (b) The plaintiff files an affidavit of compliance with this subsection in the action or proceeding on or before the return day of the process, if any, or within the time that the court or the administrator in a proceeding before the administrator allows.
- (4) Service as provided in subsection (3) may be used in a proceeding before the administrator or by the administrator in a civil action in which the administrator is the moving party.
- (5) If the process is served under subsection (3), the court or the administrator in a proceeding before the administrator shall order continuances as are necessary or appropriate to afford the defendant or respondent reasonable opportunity to defend.

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Compiler's Notes: For transfer of securities division of office of finance and insurance regulation from office of finance and insurance regulation to department of licensing and regulatory affairs, see E.R.O. No. 2012-6, compiled at MCL 445.2034.