§ 66-71.3. Definitions.

The following definitions apply in this Article:

- (1) Assumed business name.
 - a. In the case of an individual, any name other than a real name of the individual.
 - b. In the case of a partnership other than a limited liability partnership or limited partnership, any name other than a real name of each of the general partners of the partnership.
 - c. In the case of a limited liability partnership, any name other than the name registered with the Secretary of State.
 - d. In the case of a limited partnership, any name other than the name stated in its certificate of limited partnership filed with the Secretary of State.
 - e. In the case of a limited liability company, any name other than the name stated in its articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State.
 - f. In the case of a corporation, any name other than the corporate name stated in its articles of incorporation filed with the Secretary of State.
 - g. In the case of a trust, any name other than the name specified in the trust instrument or, if the trust instrument does not specify a name for the trust, any name other than the name of the trustee and a designation of the trust for which the trustee is acting.
 - h. In the case of any other person, any name other than a real name of the person.
- (2) Person. Includes an individual, partnership, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, corporation, association, society, organization, joint venture, business trust, trust, governmental entity, or any other legal or commercial entity. (2016-100, s. 2; 2017-23, s. 1.)

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