



DEFINITIONS

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Applicant: An individual, business or other organization that requests registration of a domain name in .CPA.

Common Community Name: A frequently used word or phrase that many businesses or organizations in the Accounting, Public Accounting, and/or financial services communities have included either in whole or in part in that business or organization's trademark, trade name or service mark.

Consensus: The decision of a majority of Advisory Council members present at a meeting provided a quorum (defined as a number more than half the total membership) exists to take such a decision.

.CPA: the top-level domain (TLD) for the string .CPA

Forum: The National Arbitration Forum that administers Registry Operator's Registration Eligibility Dispute Resolution Policy, Reserved Names Challenge Policy and Sunrise Eligibility Dispute Resolution Policy.

Generic Name: A word or phrase commonly associated with goods/services in the accounting or financial services communities (e.g., audit(s), tax(es)).

Manager: The Registry Operator representative that will provide secretariat support to the Advisory Council.

Operating Manager: The American Bankers Association and the Financial Services Roundtable.

Panel/Panelist: The party responsible for rendering a decision in a complaint pursuant to Registry Operator's Registration Eligibility Dispute Resolution Policy, Reserved Names Challenge Policy or Sunrise Eligibility Dispute Resolution Policy.

Registrant: The holder of a domain-name registration in the .CPA.

Registration Eligibility Dispute Resolution Policy: The challenge process administered by the National Arbitration Forum for a domain name registration that was improperly granted/denied under AICPA's Registrant Eligibility Policy for the .CPA.

Registrar: An entity that has a Registrar Accreditation Agreement with ICANN and has a Registry-Registrar Agreement with AICPA for the distribution of domain names in .CPA.



Registrar Accreditation Agreement: The agreement between a Registrar and ICANN for the distribution of domain names.

Registration Agreement: The agreement between a Registrar and Registrant.

Registry Agreement: The agreement between AICPA and ICANN for the operation of the .CPA Top- Level Domain.

Registry Operator: American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, a not-for-profit corporation formed under the laws of the District of Columbia or (“AICPA”).

Registry Policy(ies): Policy(ies) that relate to the registration and use of domain names (e.g., acceptable use / anti-abuse, eligibility, name selection, name allocation). These Policy(ies) DO NOT include any corporate governance policies or operational practices (e.g., human resource) that are not specifically enumerated in the Registry Agreement.

Registry-Registrar Agreement: The agreement between a Registrar and AICPA for the distribution of domain names in .CPA.

Registry Service Provider: The entity that provides Registry System functionality for Registry Operator.
Registry System: The system for registered names in .CPA.

Report: The Issues Report developed for the Advisory Council to consider taking action on a current or proposed new Registry Policy.

Reserved Names Challenge Policy: The challenge process administered by the Forum to request allocation of a domain name on “AICPA’s” reserved names list or the allocation of a reserved name to a third party.

Standard Name: A word or phrase that corresponds to a trademark, trade name or service mark of a business or organization.

End-Date Sunrise: Domain names during this period are allocated at the end of the period. Allocation is determined based upon eligibility criteria and brand association.

Sunrise Dispute Resolution Policy: The challenge process administered by the Forum for a domain name registration that was improperly granted/denied during the Sunrise period. .TLD: includes .CPA only.

Trademark Clearinghouse (TMCH): The database of qualified trademarks that entitles a rights holder to a certain Rights Protection Mechanisms set forth in the Applicant Guidebook.