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## Publication of Membership Status Policy

When the membership status of an ECFA member changes, ECFA may publish such change using one of the following descriptors, as applicable, to explain the reason for the change in status:

- “Suspension while under review of compliance with Standard x.x: Title” for an organization suspended according to the ECFA bylaws while under review<sup>1</sup> of compliance with ECFA Standards.
- “Voluntary resignation” for an organization that indicated its decision not to renew or to resign at a time when a review<sup>1</sup> of a potential violation of ECFA Standards had not been initiated.
- “Resignation while under review of compliance with Standard x.x: Title” for an organization that resigned at a time when a review<sup>1</sup> of compliance with ECFA Standards had been initiated by ECFA.
- “Terminated for failure to provide complete renewal information” for an organization that did not provide complete renewal information on the annual renewal date and did not proactively indicate a decision to resign.
- “Terminated for failure to complete an ECFA standards check-in” for an organization that did not cooperate in a check-in initiated to confirm compliance with ECFA Standards.
- “Terminated for failure to comply with Standard x.x: Title” for an organization terminated according to the ECFA bylaws for failure to comply with ECFA Standards.
- “Terminated for merger with a nonmember” for an organization that has merged into an entity that is not an ECFA member.
- “Terminated for Dissolution” for an organization that did not resign and has either dissolved or substantially ceased operations.
- “Merged with another ECFA member” for an organization where a member has merged into an entity that is an ECFA member.

The above terminology can be made plural in the event that there are multiple standards violations cited or under review.

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<sup>1</sup> “Review” refers to when a member has been notified that either ECFA staff have initiated a preliminary review of an organization’s compliance with the Standards or the ECFA board has opened a compliance review process.