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(e) Nominations for accredited representatives of national service organizations are acceptable only if approved by the certifying officer, national headquarters, of the organization.

(f) Letters of recognition issued by the central office to national and field officers of recognized organizations constitute authorization for their recognition in claims or appeals in any regional office within their respective assignments. Letters of recognition issued by a regional director constitute authorization for the accredited representatives to present claims or appeals in any regional office within their respective assignments.

(g) When a representative has been recognized, a card shall be prepared in the office which approves the recognition, showing his name, address, organization, and date of recognition. Copies of this card shall be filed in the central office of OPM, and in the regional office by which he is recognized or in which he is authorized to act.

§ 990.105 Designation of service organizations as representatives.

(a) Before a service organization may be recognized in an individual claim or appeal, there shall be filed a designation duly executed by the claimant or appellant, specifically conferring on the organization the authority to represent him in the presentation of his claim or appeal, and to receive information in connection therewith. This designation shall be on the form prescribed by OPM (OPM Form 307) and shall be presented to the office concerned, to be filed in connection with the claim or appeal. The designation shall be signed by the claimant or appellant.

(b) On receipt and approval of the designation, the service organization named therein shall be recognized as the sole agency for the presentation of the claim or appeal covered thereby, and no other organization shall be recognized in the presentation of that claim or appeal. The designation made by the claimant may be revoked by him at any time and a subsequent designation made, naming another organization. A subsequently executed designation constitutes a revocation of any existing designation. A designation may also be revoked by the organization named therein.

§ 990.106 General provisions.

(a) Nothing in this subpart permits the unauthorized practice of law in any place or the giving of any service except the authorized participation in agency proceedings by agents or accredited representatives who have been approved by OPM.

(b) This subpart does not apply to adjudications of charges of political activity on the part of officers or employees in the competitive service, or of officers or employees of a State or local government, nor to adjudications of the existence of good cause for the removal of hearing examiners appointed under section 3105 of title 5 United States Code.