§ 1.501(c)(9)–7 Voluntary employees' beneficiary associations; section 3(4) of ERISA.

The term voluntary employees' beneficiary association in section 501(c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code is not necessarily coextensive with the term employees' beneficiary association as used in section 3(4) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. 1002(4), and the requirements which an organization must meet to be an employees' beneficiary association as used in section 3(4) of ERISA are not necessarily identical to the requirements that an organization must meet in order to be a voluntary employees' beneficiary association within the meaning of section 501(c)(9) of the Code.


§ 1.501(c)(10)–1 Certain fraternal beneficiary societies.

(a) For taxable years beginning after December 31, 1969, an organization will qualify for exemption under section 501(c)(10) if it:

(1) Is a domestic fraternal beneficiary society order, or association, described in section 501(c)(8) and the regulations thereunder except that it does not provide for the payment of life, sick, accident, or other benefits to its members, and

(2) Devotes its net earnings exclusively to religious, charitable, scientific, literary, educational, and fraternal purposes

Any organization described in section 501(c)(7), such as, for example, a national college fraternity, is not described in section 501(c)(10) and this section.

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§ 1.501(c)(12)–1 Local benevolent life insurance associations, mutual irrigation and telephone companies, and like organizations.

(a) An organization described in section 501(c)(12) must receive at least 85 percent of its income from amounts