§ 173-b. Professional solicitor. 1. Registration required. No person shall act as a professional solicitor in the employ of a professional fund raiser required to register pursuant to section one hundred seventy-three of this article before he or she has registered with the attorney general or after the expiration or cancellation of such registration or any renewal thereof. Application for registration or re-registration shall be in writing and signed under penalties for perjury in the form prescribed by the attorney general and shall be accompanied by a fee in the sum of eighty dollars. Such registration or re-registration when effected shall be for a period of one year, expiring one year from the date of such registration or re-registration, and may be renewed upon written application, signed under penalties for perjury, in the form prescribed by the attorney general and the payment of the fee prescribed herein, for additional one year periods. Applications for registration and re-registration, when filed with the attorney general, shall become public records in the office of the attorney general.

2. Limitations upon professional solicitors for law enforcement support organizations. No person or professional solicitor, in the course of soliciting or collecting funds on behalf of any law enforcement support organization, shall engage in any acts prohibited by subdivision seventeen of section one hundred seventy-two-d of this article, or by paragraph (h) of subdivision two of section one hundred seventy-five of this article, provided, however, that no criminal liability shall attach to any law enforcement support organization or its officers because of the activities of any professional solicitor employed on behalf of such organization.

3. Violations. Any person who wilfully violates the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.