# **OPENCORE: LINUX EFI LABELING ALTERNATIVE GUIDE**

**Warning:** This is an alternative method which recommends any Linux Distro is already installed. Exact EFI partition will be renamed. Use this method with precaution. Manual config.plist editing via ProperTree is recommended. This guide is not responsible if any issues occur. Storage is case sensitive, use the official support method if you are not confident through this process.

Reminder: This method doesn't require and depends on OpenLinuxBoot. Please read appropriately.

# Method 1: Linux - Using Gparted or KDE Partition Manager

#### Step 1

At first, boot to Linux using possible BIOS key without boot to OpenCore. Use list below as references. If not listed, please Google.

No.	MANUFACTURER	BIOS KEY	No.	MANUFACTURER	BIOS KEY
1.	ASUS	ESC, F2	5.	Intel	F10
2.	Gigabyte	F12	6.	Asrock	F11
3.	MSI	F11	7.	EVGA	F7
4.	IBM	F11	8.	Gateway	F11 or R

**Remark:** BIOS Key from table above is not really accurate. The key is depending on how the manufacturer designs the board. Please pay attention. This is basic knowledge to understand how your motherboard works. Better to refer to any source, especially your motherboard manufacturer, for better understanding.

#### Step 2

Edit config.plist by using Xplist or ProperTree for manual editing.

#### Step 3

Find Misc > Security > ScanPolicy on config.plist.

#### Step 4

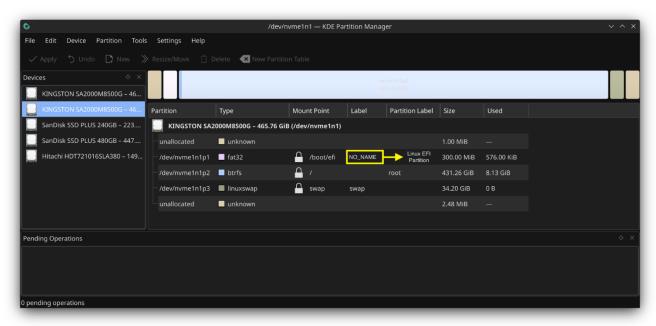
Change ScanPolicy value to 2690819 or Enable OC\_SCAN\_ALLOW\_FS\_ESP. Save config.plist and rehoot.



## Step 5

Use any Linux built-in partition manager such as **GParted** or **KDE** Partition Manager to find Linux EFI. As an example, "/dev/nvme1np1" will be chosen. Rename Linux EFI partition which labelled as NO NAME to any desired name i.e. Arch

# **Step 6** Reboot PC.



# Method 2: Linux Terminal - Using fdisk

#### Step 1

Same as Method 1, use sudo fdisk -I command on terminal to find EFI partition labeled as NO NAME. As example, /dev/nvme1np1.

# Output:

Disk /dev/nvme1n1: 465.76 GiB, 500107862016 bytes, 976773168 sectors

Disk model: KINGSTON SA2000M8500G Units: sectors of 1 \* 512 = 512 bytes

Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes

Disklabel type: gpt

Disk identifier: 945B20C6-EB46-234C-A4DC-A70A2985D995

Device Start End Sectors Size Type

/dev/nvme1n1p1 4096 618495 614400 300M EFI System <----- Linux EFI Partition

/dev/nvme1n1p2 618496 905040661 904422166 431.3G Linux filesystem /dev/nvme1n1p3 905040662 976768064 71727403 34.2G Linux swap

Disk /dev/nvme0n1: 465.76 GiB, 500107862016 bytes, 976773168 sectors

Disk model: KINGSTON SA2000M8500G Units: sectors of 1 \* 512 = 512 bytes

Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes

Disklabel type: gpt

Disk identifier: 4C938ED0-0EBB-41B1-A33A-6645E6CAAD62

Device Start End Sectors Size Type

/dev/nvme0n1p1 40 409639 409600 200M EFI System <----- MacOS EFI Partition

/dev/nvme0n1p2 409640 976773127 976363488 465.6G Apple APFS Disk /dev/sdb: 447.14 GiB, 480113590272 bytes, 937721856 sectors

Disk model: SanDisk SSD PLUS Units: sectors of 1 \* 512 = 512 bytes

Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes

Disklabel type: dos Disk identifier: 0x0778dc02

Device Boot Start End Sectors Size Id Type

/dev/sdb1 2048 937721855 937719808 447.1G af HFS / HFS+

Disk /dev/sda: 223.57 GiB, 240057409536 bytes, 468862128 sectors

Disk model: SanDisk SSD PLUS Units: sectors of 1 \* 512 = 512 bytes

Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes

Disklabel type: dos Disk identifier: 0x0778dc00

Device Boot Start End Sectors Size Id Type

/dev/sda1 2048 468860927 468858880 223.6G af HFS / HFS+

Disk /dev/sdc: 149.01 GiB, 159998918144 bytes, 312497887 sectors

Disk model: Hitachi HDT72101 Units: sectors of 1 \* 512 = 512 bytes

Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes

Disklabel type: dos

Disk identifier: 0x0778dc0c

Device Boot Start End Sectors Size Id Type

/dev/sdc1 2048 312496127 312494080 149G af HFS / HFS+

## Step 2

Type **sudo** (superuser do) to get root access. Use **fatlabel** command to label **NO NAME** EFI partition. I.e.: **sudo fatlabel /dev/nvme1np1 Arch** 

# Step 3

Press Enter/Return. Then, reboot and boot back to OpenCore. *Arch* EFI Partition now visible using OpenCore boot menu.

# Method 3: Using DiskGenius - Windows Only

# Step 1

**Boot to Windows** 

## Step 2

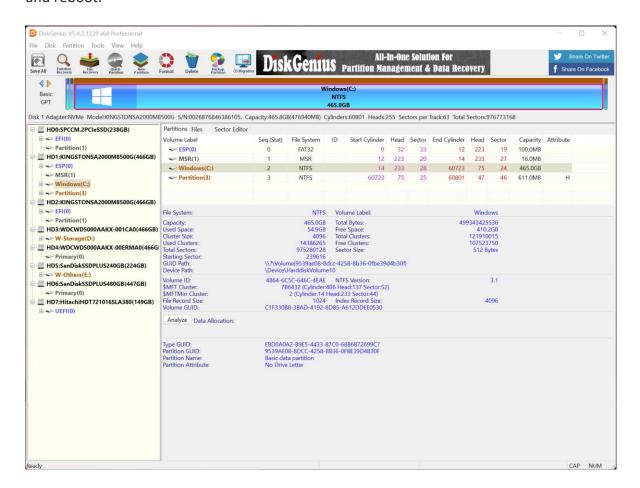
Download DiskGenius

#### Step 3

Edit "config.plist" in by using Xplist or ProperTree for manual editing

## Step 4

Change **ScanPolicy** value to **2690819** or **Enable OC\_SCAN\_ALLOW\_FS\_ESP**. Save config.plist and reboot.



## 4.1 Before

# Set Volume Name No NAME BPB(DBR) Label: OK Cancel

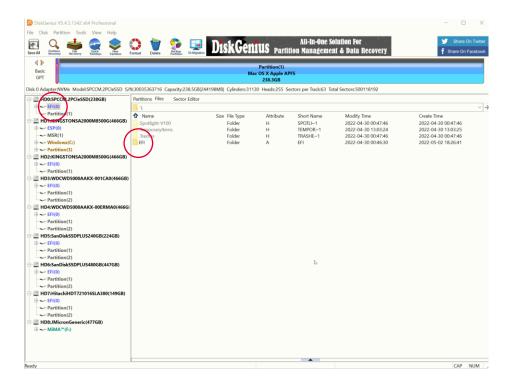
## 4.2 After

Set Volume Name		×
✓ Normal Label:	Arch	
BPB(DBR) Label:	EFI	
0	K Cancel	

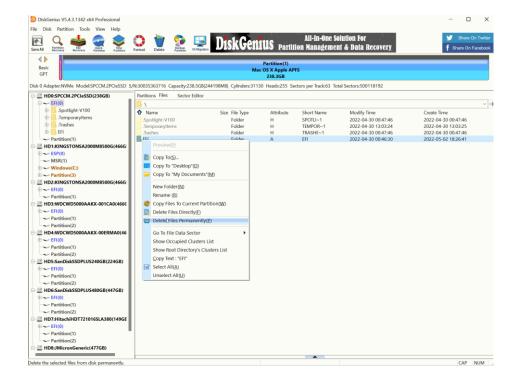
## Step 5

Launch DiskGenius, and select any Linux EFI, right click and Select Volume Name. Rename Normal Label. I.e.: NO NAME to any desired name. As an example, Arch.

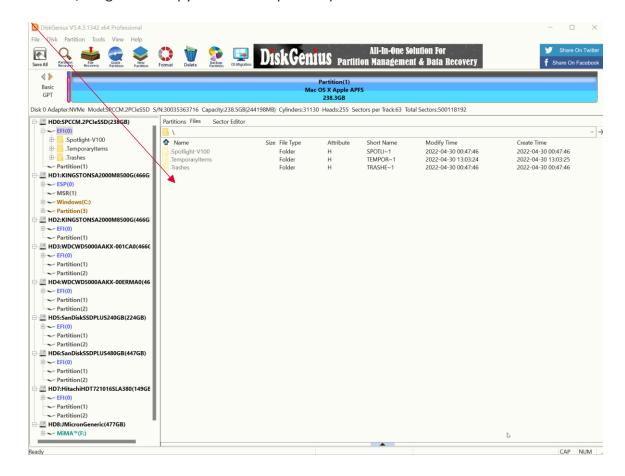
5.1 Copy to Desktop (Right Click on folder to reveal option)



5.2 Delete current EFI from partition and edit the copy on Desktop using ProperTree or Xplist



# 5.3 Move/Drag edited copy from Desktop to EFI partition



# Step 6

Close the application, and reboot. Arch EFI partition now visible on OpenCore boot menu. *Arch* EFI Partition now visible using OpenCore boot menu.

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