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Class

ABPerson

An object that encapsulates all information about a person in the Address Book database.

macOS

```
class ABPerson
```

Overview

An ABPerson object corresponds to a single person record in the database. A person object contains the person's name, company, address, email addresses, and phone numbers.

The ABPerson class is “toll-free bridged” with its procedural C opaque-type counterpart. This means that the ABPersonRef type is interchangeable in function or method calls with instances of the ABPerson class.

Topics

Managing Properties

```
class func addPropertiesAndTypes([AnyHashable : Any]!) -> Int
```

Adds the given properties to all the records of this type in the Address Book database.

```
class func removeProperties([Any]!) -> Int
```

Removes the given properties from all the records of this type in the Address Book database.

```
class func properties() -> [Any]!
```

Returns an array of the names of all the properties for the record in the Address Book database.

```
class func type(ofProperty: String!) -> ABPropertyType
```

Returns the type of a given property.

Managing Linked People

```
func linkedPeople() -> [Any]!
```

Returns the array of all person records that are linked to the person this record represents.

Managing Groups

```
func parentGroups() -> [Any]!
```

Returns an array of the address book groups that this person belongs to.

Managing Images

```
class func cancelLoadingImageData(forTag: Int)
```

Cancels an asynchronous fetch of the images for a given tag.

```
func beginLoadingImageData(for: (any ABImageClient)!) -> Int
```

Starts an asynchronous fetch for image data in all locations

```
func imageData() -> Data!
```

Returns data that contains a picture of this person.

```
func setImageData(Data!) -> Bool
```

Sets the image for this person to the given data.

Searching

```
class func searchElement(forProperty: String!, label: String!, key: String!, value: Any!, comparison: ABSearchComparison) -> ABSearchElement!
```

Returns a search element object that specifies a query for records of this type.

Importing and Exporting vCard Formatted Files

```
init!(VCardRepresentation: Data!)
```

Returns an ABPerson instance initialized with the given data.

```
func vCardRepresentation() -> Data!
```

Returns the vCard representation of the person record as a data object in vCard format.

Constants

 Person Flags

Settings that determine how person records are displayed.

Relationships

Inherits From

ABRecord

Conforms To

CVarArg

CustomDebugStringConvertible

CustomStringConvertible

Equatable

Hashable

NSObjectProtocol

See Also

Data Types

```
class ABGroup
```

An object that represents a group of records in the Address Book database.

```
class ABMultiValue
```

An immutable representation of a property that might have multiple values.

`class ABMutableMultiValue`

A mutable representation of a property that might have multiple values.

`protocol ABImageClient`

Methods for responding to a request to load images associated with a contact.

`class ABRecord`

An abstract class that defines the common properties for all Address Book records.