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VCB structure

#include < Files.h >

typedef struct VCB {		Size	Offset	Description
struct QElem *	-	4	0	Address of next queue element
	•			(0=last)
<u>short</u>	qType;	2	4	Always <u>fsQType</u> (5)
short	vcbFlags;	2	6	Bit 15=1 when volume needs
<u> </u>	rear large,	_		flushing (dirty)
unsigned short	vcbSigWord;	2	8	File sys signature: 0x4244=HFS,
				0xD2D7 = flat
unsigned long	vcbCrDate;	4	10	Date/Time of initialization
unsigned long	vcbLsMod;	4	14	Date/Time of last modification *
<u>short</u>	vcbAtrb;	2	18	Volume Attributes
unsigned short	vcbNmFls;	2	20	Number of files in the root directory
short	vcbVBMSt;	2	22	Sector of start of volume bit map *
short	vcbAllocPtr;	2	24	(internal: start looking for free
SHORE	voor moor tr,	_	2-1	space here) *
unsigned short	vcbNmAlBlks;	2	26	Total allocation blocks on volume *
long	vcbAlBlkSiz;	4	28	Size of an allocation block, in bytes
long	vcbClpSiz;	4	32	Default clump size, in bytes
short	vcbAlBlSt;	2	36	First sector represented in bit map
<u> </u>		_		(flat vols)
<u>long</u>	vcbNxtCNID;	4	38	Next serial number for new file or
<u></u>	,	•		dir *
unsigned short	vcbFreeBks:	2	42	Number of unused allocation blocks
<u>Str27</u>	vcbVN;	28	44	Length-prefixed volume name
short	vcbDrvNum;	2	72	Drive number
short	vcbDRefNum;	2	74	Driver reference number
short	vcbFSID;	2	76	File system ID (0=native;
<u>511511.</u>	702. 0.2,	_	. 0	else=external)
<u>short</u>	vcbVRefNum;	2	78	Volume reference number
<u>Ptr</u>	vcbMAdr;	4	80	Address in memory of block bit map
<u>Ptr</u>	vcbBufAdr;	4	84	Address of volume I/O buffer
<u>short</u>	vcbMLen;	2	88	Size of block bit map, in bytes
<u>short</u>	vcbDirIndex;	2	90	(used internally)
<u>short</u>	vcbDirBlk;	2	92	(used internally) (* last field if
				MSF present)
unsigned long	vcbVolBkUp;	4	94	Date/Time of last backup
unsigned short	vcbVSeqNum;	2	98	Sequence number (if this is a backup
				diskette)
<u>long</u>	vcbWrCnt;	4	100	Volume write count
<u>long</u>	vcbXTClpSiz;	4	104	Clump size of extents tree file
<u>long</u>	vcbCTClpSiz;	4	108	Clump size of catalog tree file
unsigned short	vcbNmRtDirs;	2	112	Number of directories in the root
<u>long</u>	vcbFilCnt;	4	114	Total number of files on the volume
<u>long</u>	vcbDirCnt;	4	118	Total number of directories on the volume
<u>long</u>	vcbFndrInfo[8];	32	122	Data used by Finder
10119	voor nammoloj,	02	122	(long) dirID of the 'blessed folder'
			126	(long) dirID of directory of startup
			120	application
			130	(long) dirID of first folder in Finder
				chain

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				(other undocumented fields)
unsigned short	vcbVCSize;	2	154	Size of volume cache
				(undocumented)
unsigned short	vcbVBMCSiz;	2	156	Size of vol block map cache
				(undocumented)
unsigned short	vcbCtlCSiz;	2	158	Size of common cache for vol info
				(undoc'ed)
unsigned short	vcbXTAlBlks;	2	160	Size of extents tree file, in blocks
unsigned short	vcbCTAlBlks;	2	162	Size of catalog tree file, in blocks
<u>short</u>	vcbXTRef;	2	164	Path reference number of extents
				tree file
<u>short</u>	vcbCTRef;	2	166	Path reference number of catalog
				tree file
<u>Ptr</u>	vcbCtlBuf;	4	168	Address of extents and catalog tree
				caches
<u>long</u>	vcbDirIDM;	4	172	dirID of directory last searched
<u>short</u>	vcbOffsM;	2	176	Offspring index at last search
} VCB ;		178		

Notes: The states of vcbDRefNum and vcbDrvNum can be used to see if a volume is currently on-line, off-line, or ejected:

On-line: vcbDRefNum < 0 and vcbDrvNum > 0
Off-line: vcbVDRefNum < 0 and vcbDrvNum = 0
Ejected: vcbVDRefNum = 0 and vcbDrvNum > 0

The 'blessed' folder for this volume, found at vcbFndrInfo[0], is the folder which contains the system resource file and the Finder. Use **SysEnvirons** or **FindFolder** to find the 'blessed' folder which contains the *currently open* system resource file.

The global variable <u>VCBQHdr</u> contains the queue header for the chain of volume control blocks. The global variable <u>DefVCBPtr</u> points to the VCB of the current default volume (see <u>PBSetVol</u>).

Use <u>GetVCBQHdr</u> to access the start of the volume queue. We are encouraged to avoid 'walking' the VCB queue since you can use <u>PBGetVInfo</u> to index through all volumes.

64K ROM Note: A volume control block created for a flat volume is a subset of the above structure. It's actually smaller and contains only the fields up to and including vcbDirBlk. In addition, the names of several fields have been changed to reflect the fact that they contain different information on hierarchical volumes: vcbLsBkUp, vcbDirSt, vcbBlLn, vcbNumBlks, and vcbNexFNum have been changed to vcbLsMod, vcbVBMSt, vcbAllocPtr, vcbNmAlBlks, and vcbNxtCNID, respectively. The name vcbLsBkUp was actually a misnomer; this field has always contained the date and time of the last modification, not the last backup. Another field, vcbVolBkUp, contains the date and time of the last backup.