



## Preparing Women Business Leaders for 2024 Legal Challenges

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**LANSING, Mich.** – Back for its third year, Foster Swift Collins & Smith’s “Legal Strategies for Women Leaders” webinar series is a program crafted to help women business leaders stay abreast of new laws, regulations and other beneficial resources. Each session will begin at 9 am EST and will last roughly 30 minutes.

With 2024 being an election year, the first session is scheduled for Tuesday, March 5 and will feature Municipal & Election Law attorney Mallory Reader. Mallory will be discussing the topic of “campaign financing” and what businesses are allowed and not allowed to do when contributing to a campaign.

**To register for any of 2024’s sessions, please use the following Zoom link: [bit.ly/2024WomenLeaders](https://bit.ly/2024WomenLeaders)**

These sessions will provide ample opportunities for participants to ask questions and discuss the legal opportunities and challenges that women leaders face. These sessions will be moderated by business attorneys, Amanda Dernovshek and Mindi Johnson.

Other topics to be covered in 2024 include:

- Tuesday, June 4 – Business & IP attorney, Lindsey Mead, will be discussing Artificial Intelligence (AI) and how it is being used by businesses along with the opportunities/risks of using AI. Lindsey will also include some current trends that she is seeing such as copyright infringement claims and the use of AI by financial institutions to review/approve financing.
- Wednesday, August 7 - Family law and estate planning attorney Gabrielle Lawrence will discuss potential legal issues that working parents may face with children returning to school including:
  - Practical guidance to separated parents on co-parenting/coordinating schedules/etc.

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- Addressing Power of Attorney and other important legal documents for adult children that are going to college for the first time.
- Discussing the importance of women business leaders having estate planning documents in place (such as trusts) after they begin to acquire assets.
- Wednesday, October 16 - Litigator Kelly Reed Lucas will be discussing the topic of "mediation" i.e. what it is, when to do it, why to do it, and what to expect in the process.

Recordings of previous sessions can be found here: [fosterswift.com/communications-videos.html](http://fosterswift.com/communications-videos.html). **Contact [info@fosterswift.com](mailto:info@fosterswift.com) if you have further questions about this program.**

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Insurance Defense

Insurance Law

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