



## Small Business

Foster Swift's Small Business Team provides legal services to more than 500 Michigan-based small businesses that operate in a wide range of industries. A common misconception among non-clients is that our firm is "too big" to handle small business matters. Our small business clients benefit from the collective knowledge of attorneys dedicated to crafting tailor-made solutions for each client's unique circumstances. The Small Business Team provides affordable and effective legal counsel at competitive rates, which provides a great value for small businesses.

The Small Business Team also offers an innovative Virtual Corporate Counsel service that allows clients to pay a modest monthly fee for access to the Small Business Team's advice and support without the fear of incurring legal fees for every call. While controlling costs, the Virtual Corporate Counsel service allows clients to proactively tackle legal needs and avoid problems.

Our small business clients benefit from the fact that Foster Swift is a full-service law firm, and that we are able to provide the following services: Asset protection strategies Intellectual property Business planning International expansion Corporate governance International trade Cybersecurity Internet and social media Drafting and reviewing contracts Litigation E-commerce Mergers and acquisitions Employee benefits Real estate transactions Employment law Succession planning Entity formation Tax planning Environmental Technology law Financing

Please contact us to find out how we can assist your small business.

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### PUBLICATIONS & ALERTS

Federal Trade Commission Prohibits Noncompete Agreements for Almost All U.S. Workers, Legal Challenges Expected, *Foster Swift Labor & Employment Law News E-blast*, April 24, 2024

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### ATTORNEYS

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State of Michigan Issues New Guidance on "Rolling Stock" Exemption for Interstate Motor Carriers, *Foster Swift Agricultural Law News*, April 8, 2024

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Business Update: How will the CTA affect your business?, *Business & Tax Law News E-blast*, January 16, 2024

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Implications of the Forthcoming Corporate Transparency Act, *Foster Swift Business & Tax Law News*, May 10, 2022

## NEWS

Dora Brantley Receives "Excellence in Defense" Award, *Michigan Defense Trial Counsel*, March 21, 2024

Dernovshek Named to ICBA's "Top 5 under 35" Attorneys, *Ingham County Bar Association*, March 15, 2024

Foster Swift Elects EC Officers for 2024, *Ingham County Legal News*, February 21, 2024

Fortune 500 Defense Litigator Joins Foster Swift, *Detroit Legal News*, June 1, 2023

Returning in 2023: Legal Strategies for Women Business Leaders, *EIN Newswire*, March 28, 2023

Hamor Named an "Up and Coming Lawyer" by Michigan Lawyers Weekly, *Michigan Lawyers Weekly*, February 15, 2023

MBN Speakers Series: NSBA Todd McCracken & Foster Swift's Robert Hamor Discuss the CTA, *Michigan Business Network*, October 13, 2022

What Is The Corporate Transparency Act?, *Michigan Business Network*, July 29, 2022

## EVENTS

2024 AI Predictions and Legal Strategies for Women Leaders, *Legal Strategies for Women Leaders*, June 4, 2024

What AI Legal Issues Can Impact Your Business?, *Second Wednesday Sessions*, March 13, 2024

What Can My Business Contribute to a Campaign?, *Legal Strategies for Women Leaders*, March 5, 2024

Watching Out for Trademark Trolls, *Michigan Business Network*, February 16, 2024

How Will the CTA Affect Your Business?, *Second Wednesday Sessions*, February 14, 2024

The Latest on the Corporate Transparency Act, *Michigan Business Network: Michigan Business Beat*, December 12, 2023

10 Most Common Mistakes Entrepreneurs Make, *Mid-Michigan Innovation Club for Entrepreneurs*

Choice of Entity in Michigan, *Michigan Small Business and Technology Development Center's FastTrac Program*

What Happens if My Business Gets Sued?, *Legal Strategies for Women Leaders*, October 18, 2023



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Panel Discussion on the Corporate Transparency Act, *Michigan Business Network Speaker Series*, October 13, 2022

Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB) Certification: Process, Requirements and Benefits, *Foster Swift Legal Strategies for Women Leaders*, April 19, 2022

Learn Key Considerations for Selling a Business, *Foster Swift 2nd Wednesday Morning Break*, April 13, 2022

Five Things to Know Before Launching a Business in 2022, *mConnexions: Expert Connexions*, December 20, 2021

TV Show Highlights Junior Entrepreneurs & Business Lessons for Parents, *mConnexions: Expert Connexions*, December 13, 2021

SBRA Deep Dive, *Federal Bar Association's Bankruptcy Seminar*, September 24, 2021

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