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A Professional Corporation

Business Corporate Law Attorney



"Do you know where your business is most vulnerable? Financially? Legally? My expertise in Law and Finance has provided Clients with answers to their Business questions and legal conflicts, while providing them the peace of mind and time to work with *their* clients and customers."

Business Introduction

As a Business & Corporate Law Attorney and an Adjunct Professor of Finance, I have developed a unique practice style aimed at protecting my Clients' legal interests by considering their financial exposure. Third-party adversaries as well as unforeseen economic conditions can alter a business' ability to reach its full potential. I take a proactive approach to assist business owners to minimize those and other risks before they have a negative impact on their business. In State compliance, I work with Clients to bring current their account status with the Texas State Comptroller's Office, update their business entity structures to meet their future business goals and objectives, and protect the increased liability exposure that inevitably comes with growth, expansion and diversification.

PRIMARY PRACTICE

- Business Law
- Corporate Law and Outside In-House Counsel
- Business Consulting
- Expert Witness
- Fashion Law
- Small Business Advising
- Securities Law

Other Practice Areas

- Contract Law
- Hospitality Law
- Estate Planning and Probate
- Employment Law
- Mediation

Whether you are considering incorporation or partnership options, I can assist you by answering the questions pertinent to business development.

- Which business entity to select?
- Which entity is better suited to the type of product and/or service your business offers?
- Which business form protects you the most from personal liability?
- How is your tax liability impacted by the entity structure you select?
- Should your workers be "employees" or "independent contractors?"
- Have you maintained compliance with State/Federal filing requirements?
- Who maintains your business entity with the Texas Offices of the
- Secretary of State and Texas Comptroller?
- Have you properly planned for the Federal and State tax and sales liability?
- Are there ways to minimize your business' exposure to various taxes and economic risks?
- In which state should you incorporate your business?
- Is it best to incorporate your business in the State of Texas? Will you be conducting business outside the State of Texas?
- Have you been unsuccessful at your attempt to reinstate an involuntary tax forfeiture?
- Has your entity's corporate status been forfeited? Do you have an ongoing tax/sales liability with the State as a result of the forfeiture? Does your company's status need to be reinstated?
- Do you have a Third Party as your Registered Agent? Are they statutory compliant?
- Are you aware of the investment, tax and insurance benefits applicable to some of the recognized business entity forms in the State of Texas?



Do you know....

The 2018 Tax Reform Act

It has been thirty (30) years since a significant tax reform was enacted in the United States, and the effect of that reform were realized immediately through payroll tax reduction benefitting workers and employers alike. These reforms impact all business entities and solo practitioners. My Law Firm can assist with the application of these new tax reforms and the impact on operations, fiscal budgeting and tax liability.



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About My Practice...

My Law Firm represents businesses that operate as sole proprietorships and those already in structured business entities. These businesses are of varying sizes and in a wide array of industries, including individuals holding professional licenses. Legal and financial questions are often interrelated and tend to distract business owners from making the most of everyday opportunities. In these abundant financial times and robust economic conditions, balancing the quality of business with fiscal responsibility presents unprecedented opportunities.

Does your business maintain its statutory record compliance? My Law Firm offers an extensive list of Business and Corporate services, including documentation for Corporate Record Books, from the initial Organizational documents to annual maintenance. I also work to bring current financial management programs and Hand-

books, Employee documents, Buy-Sell Agreements, Stock Purchase Agreements succession plans, to name a few.

As a boutique Firm, my job is to deliver a unique client experience operating on the premise that no two businesses are alike, working meticulously to address each Client's needs with the same dedication that built my own practice. Capitalizing on the entrepreneurial spirit, harnessing that motivation to drive my Clients' efforts to find their road less traveled.

Education Background

Attorney LoRusso earned a Juris Doctorate Degree from St. Mary's University School of Law. During her education she received the American Jurisprudence Award for Corporate Planning and Corporate Finance.

She has been licensed to practice law by the Supreme Court in the State of Texas, and the United States District Court, for the Western District of Texas. She is certified by the State as a mediator in Alternative Dispute Resolution matters. She has been practicing law for over twenty-eight years.

She earned a Master of Business Administration Degree in Finance graduating with high honors and was a graduate assistant in Finance during her education from the Greehey Graduate School of Business St. Mary's University. She has served as a Professor of Finance for the University of Texas for over twenty seven years. Attorney LoRusso also serves as an Expert Witness in Business and Corporate Law Cases. She has served on a number of Non-Profit Corporation Board of Directors, usually as the Treasurer.





The Unique Entrepreneurial Experience Testimonials

- “We wanted to thank you for your thorough and insightful review along with the sound advice you provided to us yesterday. As you could tell, we were not at all in tune with the legal aspects of the dissolution of our partner’s membership, but now understand the path forward to protect all of our interests. We appreciate your candid explanations, actionable recommendations, and patience. We have made no better investment than your counsel—thank you again.”
- “ Thank you for everything. You are dedicated to your profession and a tireless worker who I’m glad to have working for us. You have ALL my respect and gratitude. “
- “Thank you for all you did for us. Most of all, thank you for thinking ‘out of the box’ to a quick resolution of our legal problem.”
- “Her integrity is above reproach and over the years, I have come to respect and value her forthright opinions, as they have been a foundation to mold my future endeavors. Her humility and understated demeanor keep her out of the limelight, which she prefers. However, I feel she rightfully deserves recognition on behalf of her work for her, me, and her other successful Clients. Maria is devoted to her career and her Clients. No matter the situation, she makes herself approachable and accessible leading me to value her not only as my Lawyer but as my confidant, in the true spirit of her profession; a Lawyer and a Counselor.”

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Maria T. LoRusso, P.C. is a full service sophisticated boutique business Law Firm.

The Firm provides business, corporate, finance, fashion, transaction, contract, consulting and expert services.

Hours of Operation

Weekdays

Traditional Weekday

Business Hours

By Appointment Only



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