

Why Are We Excellent Business Lawyers?

We are a business ourselves, so we get it! We apply proven business-building techniques and a focus on protecting your bottom-line to deliver legal solutions that are cost-effective up front as well as down the road. We focus on business start-ups, contracts, asset purchases, mergers and acquisitions, litigation, mediation, and requirements when employing workers and also in setting up tax exempt nonprofit organizations.

What are Contracts?

Contracts are a critical aspect in any business, and the careful drafting of these documents can assist business owners in avoiding costly disputes in the future. Preventing future problems and ensuring that if problems do arise that you or your business is protected in the contract is vital.

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Contract is Broken, Now What!?

You may have begun to deliver on a profitable contract. Then, the other party breaches the contract. Can you get them to continue performing on the contract? Can you recover money? How can you stop this from happening again? Using cost-effective methods, we have been able to resolve contract disputes. However, we are not afraid to litigate cases, and have done so, in the \$100,000+ range all the way to judgment. Each case is unique and we offer our clients multiple approaches to choose from in handling their issues.

Business, Corporate and Partnership Mediation, “The Last Chance”

Maintaining healthy communication and relationships within a business or corporate endeavor could not be more important to the success of a company. Unfortunately, many times a dispute will arise either externally or internally. Such matters, when not expediently and fully resolved, can lead to



the financial demise of an entity. Since business relationships are of such importance, gaining the assistance of Taylor Law Offices can be critical to your company’s success. Your attorney can alleviate a great deal of the stress involved in resolving conflicts and disagreements...and steer you clear of expensive litigation!

Employee or Independent Contractor, the Million-Dollar Question!

Taylor Law Office creates agreements for all levels of employees. It’s important to know that people who work for you may fall into different legal categories. A consultant, for example, is someone who gives expert or professional advice on a matter to the benefit of the company. An employee is someone who is hired by a company or person for a fixed amount of payment in exchange for his or her service at the company. An independent contractor is a precisely defined role in Idaho and not complying with the requirements of an independent contractor relationship can lead to extremely expensive fines from the Idaho Industrial Commission and potential civil litigation.

The Ins, Outs, and Creation of a Non-Profit

There is much confusion about the simplicity of creating a non-profit organization. The confusion is that it is actually simple! We offer a free consultation to discuss the requirements and where your organization

fits and how you can qualify for tax-exempt status. There are multiple requirements on both the state and federal level, which include specialized articles of incorporation, bylaws, conflict of interest policies, and numerous supplemental forms and requirements required by the Idaho Secretary of State and the IRS.

Having set up numerous non-profit entities, Taylor Law Offices will take the burden and confusion associated with this process and turn it into a breeze. The less you have to worry about this process, the more you can focus your time on fundraising and helping others!



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The State is Not Your Friend

If you have been arrested or are currently the subject of an investigation by law enforcement in Boise or the surrounding areas, your future and freedom may be on the line. What you do now will most likely have a significant impact on the outcome of your case. Gaining more information on the subject will help you make the right choices about retaining legal counsel and addressing your charges in general. While we all can agree that laws create a better society, how and why the state charges you is vital.

What are Crimes?

In every state, crimes are categorized. Typically, the categories include felonies (most serious) to infractions (least serious). Misdemeanors fall in between on that spectrum. Decisions on which crime meets the criteria for these classifications are made by the state pursuant to the applicable statutes.

I Have a Misdemeanor, Now What?

Misdemeanors can place you in jail for up to one year! Possession of a Controlled Substance in Idaho, possession of paraphernalia and minor in possession of alcohol or other drug/alcohol misdemeanors are the most frequent in Idaho.

Usually, when charged with a misdemeanor you are released and not taken to jail. But you will be given a court appearance date, which is called an arraignment. Don't make the mistake of thinking that, because you were not taken to jail, you have only been given a ticket. Missing a court date or getting a second misdemeanor before your arraignment can lead to serious legal ramifications.

I Have a Felony, Now What?

Felonies are serious offenses which can place you in jail for over one year. If you find



Amendment VIII to the US Constitution: Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

yourself charged with a felony, legal representation is a must. Drugs, Property crimes, DUI excessive, Larceny (theft), assault and disorderly crimes are the most frequent felonies in Idaho.

Stages of a Criminal Case:

- Arraignment – When you appear before the court to enter a plea of no contest, guilty or not guilty
- Discovery – When evidence against you is presented
- Entering a Plea – When you declare your guilt or innocence
- Release & Bail Reduction – Petition for being released from jail or for having your amount of bail reduced
- Preliminary Hearings – When the court hears evidence to determine whether a jury case should take place

Almost 1/3 of Individuals have been Detained by Police

We can assist in all stages of your court case. Public Defenders in Boise or the Treasure Valley typically have a huge case load and often have difficulty in giving your case

the attention and effort required to fight a criminal charge. Taylor Law Offices is an experienced Boise-based law firm you can rely on if you are having trouble navigating the court system.

We approach each client in a very distinct and unique way that best suits his or her specific case. Our attorneys can also help in the event you have missed payment on your fines. In this event, it's always best to contact Taylor Law Offices sooner than later.



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E-Commerce and the Law

For businesses, having an online marketplace or informational website is critical. Taylor Law Offices is not an old, stodgy law firm that only understands the brick-and-mortar world. Not only are we leaders in this topic area, but we apply what we teach to our clients to our own business. Google a wide variety of Boise legal terms and you will find Taylor Law at the top of Google. Our attorneys understand how the laws of the real-time impact the virtual world!

Because the Internet was once the 'wild west' of business, there are now legal aspects to all websites and web-based businesses. Taylor Law Offices can help your business stay within regulatory compliance when it comes to the content published and the product or service sold on your website. We also can advise you on protecting your intellectual property, the ins and outs of e-sales, and abiding by all laws protecting your customers' privacy.

A well-drafted website is covered legally on a variety of issues: Disclosures, Licensing, Liability, Product and Service Distribution are all issues that we cover with new website owners.

Policies on purchase/sale of goods, copyrights/trademarks, and privacy are critical to have in place on a website. Taylor Law Offices has staff attorneys who are knowledgeable in business law and are capable of blending our real world experience with online business strategy. More importantly, our lawyers have a thorough knowledge of

Your website policies should protect your intellectual property, promote e-sales, and abide by all laws protecting your customers' privacy.



technology, software, apps, social media and even search engine optimization. Don't rely on a brick-and-mortar firm from the days past to handle website matters for you. Rely on us instead.

Terms and Conditions

It's a scary thought: The only thing that protects your rights as a business owner is the fine print no one takes the time to read. Don't be one of those people who ignores your terms and conditions. Contact Taylor Law Offices to write them or review the ones you have been using. We recommend creating a list of topics you want to cover in your terms and conditions section:

- Why do you store their personal information and how do you use it?
- When do you contact the customer?

- What are your policies when it comes to things that impact the customer experience: deliveries, returns, complaints?
- Do you have intellectual property, copyright, trademarks to protect?



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4 = 9 1/2 inches tall

Protect What's Most Important to You While It's Still in Your Hands.

At Taylor Law Offices, we understand the desire to protect your assets and your loved ones. We are passionate about our ability to help you make this a reality so that you can take comfort in your future.

Planning for the End of Life

Facing the idea of your own demise is never easy. But, dealing with the consequences of not planning for the end of your life is even more difficult.

By deciding now what end-of-life care best suits your wishes, you can help your loved ones make the choices you want them to when the time comes. This not only respects your values,

but also allows those closest to you the comfort of feeling as though they can be helpful. Taylor Law Offices can help guide you through this process. It is, after all, a matter of life and death.

We can answer your questions as to what documents are appropriate for your situation whether it is a will, a living will, a living trust, and/or powers of attorney.

What Is a Will?

A will is a legal declaration by which a person names one or more other persons to manage his or her estate and provide for the distribution of his or her property after they die. Often the document is called a "last will and testament." Its provisions are triggered



These documents speak for you when you're not able to speak for yourself.

by the death of the testator (the person whose will it is).

this is carried out by you when you are alive and by the person you chose to be your successor trustee upon your death.

Living Wills and Advance Directives

Living wills are typically incorporated into something called an advance directive (or advance medical directive). This document spells out who and when a person you designate can make health care decisions on your behalf. It is critical to use the correct form and review it carefully. An incorrect form can result in the improper care and treatment against the will of the individual. At Taylor Law Offices, we strive to ensure this does not happen to you and your loved ones.

What is a Living Trust?

Living trusts place your assets into an account you can access during your lifetime, and then transfer those assets to your designated beneficiaries upon your passing. All



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