

Why You Need a Lawyer to Represent Your LLC or Corporation in Court

If you own an LLC or corporation, you might assume you can represent your business in court just like you would represent yourself. Unfortunately, that's not the case. In most situations, the law requires LLCs and corporations to have a lawyer if they go to court.

Why Can't You Represent Your Business?

Legally, LLCs and corporations are considered separate entities from their owners. This means they have their own rights and responsibilities, just like a person does. Because of this, courts usually require these entities to have a licensed attorney represent them.

This rule is in place to ensure cases are handled properly. Lawsuits can be complicated, and courts want to make sure businesses are represented by someone trained in legal procedures and rules.

What Happens If You Try to Represent Your Business?

If you try to represent your LLC or corporation without a lawyer, the court may dismiss your case or prevent you from defending against a lawsuit. This can result in costly judgments or missed opportunities to protect your business.

Bottom Line

If your LLC or corporation is involved in a legal dispute, make sure to hire an experienced attorney. It's an investment that protects your business and ensures you comply with the law.

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