

## **The Importance of Entity Maintenance**

Corporate compliance is an ongoing responsibility throughout the business lifecycle – starting, running, growing, and closing. Throughout each stage, your business must be proactive in managing these filing obligations and notifying state authorities.

### **Corporate Entity Management**

Errors in entity compliance can be damaging to a company and its brand. Missed deadlines, filings or payments can result in lost time and money, governmental penalties and bad public relations. It is important to keep your company in good standing and maintain accurate and current corporate books to preserve your limited liability.

### **Registered Agent Services**

Your registered agent is your point of contact with state agencies and courts and receives official legal documents on your company's behalf. It is critical that each official state document is handled correctly and delivered to you promptly, so that you are aware of filing deadlines and court proceedings that affect your business.

### **Annual Report Filing Services**

Annual report filings can be a time-consuming nuisance, especially when you are juggling all the demands of running your growing business. Plus, if you do business in more than one state, keeping track of the different due dates is a challenge, especially since many states no longer provide reminders. Yet, the timely filing of your annual reports enables you to keep your business in good standing with the state.

### **Foreign Qualification Is Required to Do Business in a New State**

If you are “doing business” in a state other than where you formed your company, you need to register as a foreign corporation or LLC. This process, which is often called foreign qualification, is not an option – it's a legal requirement. Failing to do so could result in fines and penalties, and a loss of access to the state's court system to enforce your company's rights.

Goosmann Law provides legal services to corporations, limited liability companies, general and limited partnerships and joint ventures in all stages of their development, whether as start-ups, growth companies, established private companies, or publicly held entities. We make our clients' goals our own, drawing on legal resources in all dimensions of corporate representation to deliver strategic business analysis as well as real legal approaches.

Goosmann Law takes care of its clients corporate needs through its Corporate Annual Maintenance Program. This program allows us to serve as your company's registered agent, receive legal notices and Secretary of State notices, file all mandatory Secretary of State reports on behalf of your company and keep your company's corporate book current through annual meeting minutes.

We serve as your eyes and ears in the state, monitoring developments that can impact your company. Plus, we stay on top of changing business compliance landscape. Our experience attorneys are ready to deliver Registered Agent services with the quality, value and convenience your business deserves, while simplifying your company's responsibilities.