

# Foster Garvey COVID-19 Resource Center

Client Resources  
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COVID-19 has affected all of us in some way, shape or form, and its implications will likely be felt by businesses and individuals everywhere for the foreseeable future. Our thoughts and hearts are with those who have been impacted by the coronavirus, as well as their loved ones.

Foster Garvey is closely monitoring the developing situation with COVID-19. The firm's priorities are the health, safety and well-being of its employees, clients, families and the community. Find out how Foster Garvey is taking steps to [minimize the spread of the coronavirus](#).

To help clients prepare for and navigate the issues or potential disruptions that may arise during these unsteady and challenging times, attorneys across our firm have assembled vital resources in the following areas:

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- [CARES Act / SBA Loan Programs](#)
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- [Creditors' Rights & Bankruptcy](#)
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## **Alcoholic Beverage & Cannabis**

[WSLCB Allows Restaurants to Deliver Pre-Mixed Cocktails During Pandemic](#)  
*May 7, 2020*

[Impact of "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" Order on Washington Wineries, Breweries and Distilleries](#)  
*March 24, 2020*

[Modifications to Help Liquor and Cannabis Board Licensees During COVID-19](#)  
*March 19, 2020*

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## **CARES Act / SBA Loan Programs**

[It Pays to be Small: New Guidance Gives PPP Loans Under \\$2 Million a Safe Harbor](#)  
*May 13, 2020*

[New Government Guidance Clarifies PPP Loan Eligibility, Promises Enforcement](#)  
*May 1, 2020; Updated May 7, 2020*

[The CARES Act and Portfolio Companies: Preliminary Guidance on Affiliation Rules](#)  
*April 3, 2020*

[Paycheck Protection Program: SBA Guidance and Application Available](#)  
*April 1, 2020; Updated April 6, 2020*

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### **Related Services**

Business & Corporate  
Finance  
Cannabis  
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Transactions  
Creditors' Rights &  
Bankruptcy  
Financial Services  
Food & Beverage  
Health Care  
Hospitality, Travel & Tourism  
Insurance Coverage  
IP & Technology  
Labor, Employment &  
Immigration  
Litigation  
Property Tax  
Real Estate, Land Use &  
Environmental  
Sports, Arts & Entertainment  
Tax  
Transportation & Logistics  
Trusts & Estates Litigation

[Congress Passes CARES Act: Stimulus Package Includes \\$349 Billion for SBA Guarantees of Forgivable Loans for Small and Medium Sized Businesses](#)

*March 27, 2020*

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## **Contract Enforcement and Avoidance**

[Enforcement and Avoidance of Contracts in New York After COVID-19 Events](#)

*March 25, 2020*

[Contractual and Extra-Contractual Defenses Implicated by Response to COVID-19 in Washington](#)

*March 23, 2020*

[Enforcement and Avoidance of Contracts in Oregon After COVID-19 Events](#)

*March 20, 2020*

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## **Creditors' Rights & Bankruptcy**

[Update to Small Business Reorganization Act and Chapter 11 Cases Due to COVID-19](#)

*May 7, 2020, RMA Portland Metro Chapter*

[\(Not-So\) Small Business Reorganization Act: CARES Act Expands SBRA Eligibility](#)

*April 6, 2020*

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## **Hospitality**

[Minimizing Hotel Liability in a COVID-19 World](#)

*January 2021, Today's Hotelier*

[Will COVID-19 Impact Hotel Business Insurance Claims?](#)

*May 13, 2020, Hotel-Online*

[The Potential New Normal for Restaurants](#)

*May 13, 2020, Cheers*

[Does Restaurant Business Insurance Cover COVID-19 Claims?](#)

*May 12, 2020, FSR Magazine*

[WEBINAR: Business Disruption Due to COVID-19: Possible Insurance Solutions for the Hospitality Industry](#)

*April 9, 2020*

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## Health Care

[Is It Time to Adjust Physician Compensation Models in Light of the COVID-19 Crisis?](#)

*April 1, 2020*

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## Insurance Coverage

[Maximizing Recovery From Insurance For Your COVID-19 Losses](#)

*March 18, 2020*

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## Intellectual Property

[The Impact of COVID-19 on IP Contracts](#)

*April 13, 2020, IPWatchdog*

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## Labor, Employment & Immigration

[FFCRA Update: Recent Court Decision Striking Key Portions of the DOL's Final Rule May Impact Employers](#)

*August 12, 2020*

[Extended Rights for "High-Risk" Employees in Washington State](#)

*July 31, 2020*

[OSHA Imposes New Requirements on Employers to Investigate Potential Transmission of COVID-19 in the Workplace](#)

*May 20, 2020*

[Healthcare Workforce Resilience Act](#)

*May 14, 2020*

[Surging Unemployment Claims Pose New Challenges to Employers – Are You Ready?](#)

*April 24, 2020*

[New Proclamation from Governor Inslee Empowers "High-Risk" Employees and Creates New Duties for Washington Employers](#)

*April 16, 2020*

[Borrowers Beware: Some CARES Act Loans Require a Union Neutrality Pledge](#)

*April 1, 2020*

[Updates on the New Federal Paid Sick Leave and Paid Child Care Leave Laws](#)

*April 1, 2020*

[COVID-19 and the Workplace: What an Employer Should Know About the New Federal Leave Laws](#)

*March 24, 2020*

[COVID-19 Office Closures & H-1B Employees](#)

*March 19, 2020*

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## **Litigation / Alternative Dispute Resolution**

[Oregon Presses Pause on Statutes of Limitation During the Pandemic](#)

*July 17, 2020*

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## **Property Tax**

[Will 2021 Bring Property-Tax Relief?](#)

*January 6, 2021, Commercial Property Executive*

[Oregon: Property Tax Relief Not Expected for 2020](#)

*March 24, 2020, American Property Tax Counsel*

[Washington: COVID-19 Update](#)

*March 24, 2020, American Property Tax Counsel*

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## **Pro Bono**

[Washington State COVID-19 Benefits FAQs](#)

*March 18, 2020*

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## **Public Finance & Municipal Government**

[Bond Compliance: Important Reminders During COVID-19 Outbreak](#)

*April 15, 2020*

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## **Real Estate, Land Use & Environmental**

[Oregon Extends Eviction Ban, Allows Deferred Loan Payments and Prohibits Foreclosures](#)

*July 6, 2020*

Seattle City Council Adopts Multiple Ordinances for Rental Properties  
*May 19, 2020*

Washington Governor Extends Eviction Moratorium to June 4th and Prohibits Rent Increases for Commercial Leases  
*April 23, 2020*

Seattle City Council Rejects Emergency Legislation That Would Have Facilitated Permit Processing During COVID-19  
*April 21, 2020*

Oregon Governor Extends Eviction Moratorium to Commercial Leases  
*April 16, 2020*

Frustration of Purpose in New York Commercial Lease Disputes – What We Can Learn From Past Disasters  
*April 15, 2020*

Seattle Mayor's Office Proposes Emergency Action to Keep City's Land Use Process Moving During COVID-19 Slowdown  
*April 3, 2020*

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## State & Local Updates

Start Spreading the News: New York City Small Businesses May Be Eligible for NYC-Specific COVID-19 Relief Funds  
*April 6, 2020*

New York Permitting Online Notarizations in Light of COVID-19  
*March 25, 2020*

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## Tax

Eligibility for Federal Stimulus Benefits Appears to Be Benign, But When You Peel Away the Onion, a Major Flaw Appears  
*April 13, 2021*

There and Back Again: A Tax-Focused Tale of COVID Relief for Businesses  
*March 2021, Oregon Business Lawyer*

There Is a Santa Claus After All – Lawmakers Deliver a Wonderful Holiday Gift to Businesses and Their Owners in a Time of Need  
*December 22, 2020*

The Changing Face of Employer State Tax Reporting and Payment Obligations in the Coronavirus Telework "New Normal"

*October 2, 2020*

No Final Word From Congress – It Is Late in the Game and We Still Do Not Know If the Use of Forgiven PPP Loan Proceeds on Business Expenses Will End Up Being Deductible

*September 8, 2020*

Potential Payroll Tax Deferral Is Available – Employers Must Understand the Program and Use Extreme Caution Before Blindly Jumping Into the Deferral Pool

*September 1, 2020*

What House Bill 4212 and Chief Justice Order No. 20-027 Mean for Oregon Taxpayers

*July 28, 2020*

He Who Pays the Piper Calls the Tune – The IRS Announces in Notice 2020-142 That It Is Now Time for Taxpayers to Resume Paying Taxes

*July 8, 2020*

Required Minimum Distributions From Retirement Plans Have Been Waived for 2020 – IRS Notice 2020-51 May Give Taxpayers That Have Already Received Distributions a “Mulligan” If They Act Timely

*July 2, 2020*

We Can Work It Out: The SBA Continues Providing Guidance on the PPP and Loan Forgiveness

*June 23, 2020*

Taxpayers May Want to Wait to File Their PPP Loan Forgiveness Applications

*June 19, 2020*

The Oregon Department of Revenue Formalizes Guidance on Estimated Tax Penalties Under the Oregon Corporate Activity Tax

*June 10, 2020*

Paycheck Protection Program Alert – Application Deadline Remains June 30, 2020

*June 9, 2020*

The Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act of 2020 Is Now Law

*June 5, 2020*

Lawmakers May Not Have Abandoned Small Businesses After All – The Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act of 2020 May Be Just What the Doctor Ordered

*May 28, 2020*

Let the Good Times Roll – The SBA Issues Interim Final Rules on PPP Loan Forgiveness, Including Guidance on the Payment of Bonuses and Hazard Pay, Loan Prepayments and the Loan Forgiveness Application

*May 28, 2020*

Having Employees Working Remotely May Become the New Norm – There May Be Tax and Other Traps Lurking Out There for Unwary Employers

*May 26, 2020*

Love Thy Landlord – Prepayment of Rent with PPP Loan Proceeds May Not Be a Good Idea

*May 21, 2020*

News From the Washington Department of Revenue to Taxpayers Subject to Its Business and Occupations Tax – Whether It Is Welcome News Is Yet to Be Determined

*May 18, 2020*

PPP Loans May Not Be as Advertised for Businesses Shut Down During the COVID-19 Pandemic

*May 13, 2020*

More Good News for Oregon Taxpayers – The Oregon Department of Revenue Got It Right

*May 7, 2020*

Taxpayers May Get to Have Their Cake and Eat It Too After All – Senate Bill 3612 Could Be the Silver Bullet That Makes Things Right After the IRS Issued Notice 2020-32

*May 6, 2020*

The IRS Has Determined That Taxpayers Who Obtain PPP Loan Forgiveness Cannot Have Their Cake and Eat It Too

*May 1, 2020*

The CAT Still Has Sharp Teeth, but the Oregon Department of Revenue Has Temporarily Dulled Them a Bit

*April 30, 2020*

A Taxpayer's Ability to Use Net Operating Losses Was Significantly Restricted by the TCJA, but the CARES Act Temporarily Loosens Things up – The Proper Use of NOLs Could Prove To Be an Important Strategy in Your Game Plan During These Challenging Times

*April 16, 2020*

The IRS and Treasury Are Working Overtime to Provide Taxpayers with Joy, Hope and Optimism During These Trying Times

*April 13, 2020*



[Some Clarity to the Murky: Temporary Rules Relative to the Families First Coronavirus Response Act Have Been Issued](#)

*April 7, 2020*

[Tax Aspects of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act](#)

*April 6, 2020, Tax Notes State (Virtual Voice)*

[The Cavalry Has Arrived – Congress Passed and President Trump Signed Into Law the CARES Act](#)

*March 30, 2020*

[Treasury Delivers Some More Good News – Notice 2020-20](#)

*March 27, 2020*

[The Oregon Department of Revenue Has Now Granted Relief to Oregon Taxpayers](#)

*March 25, 2020*

[The IRS Will Put the American People First — No, Really \(But Only for a Limited Time\)](#)

*March 25, 2020*

[Important Update: Families First Coronavirus Response Act](#)

*March 25, 2020*

[Tax Aspects of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act](#)

*March 24, 2020*

[Positive Tax News Keeps Rolling In – Treasury Provides Expanded Tax Relief With Notice 2020-18](#)

*March 20, 2020*

[Treasury Delivers Some Good News in a Time When Good News Is Rare](#)

*March 19, 2020*

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## **Transportation & Logistics**

[COVID-19 as a Force Majeure: Likely Impacts of the Coronavirus Spread on Transportation Contracts](#)

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## Trusts & Estates

Trusts & Estates Cases in the COVID-19 Era – An Update on the Courts

*April 28, 2020*

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We strongly encourage everyone to keep current with updates by state and local public health departments in your area, and view the [CDC's guidance](#) on what you need to know about COVID-19 and what to do if you are sick with coronavirus.

If you have any questions or concerns related to COVID-19, please do not hesitate to reach out to our team.