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Foster Garvey Adds Accomplished Regulatory Lawyer Brian A. Fink in New York, Bolsters Food and Alcoholic Beverage Capabilities

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Foster Garvey proudly announces the arrival of Brian A. Fink as an associate in the firm's New York office. Brian is an accomplished regulatory and transactional attorney who provides strategic counsel to the food, cannabis and alcoholic beverage industries.

Brian brings extensive industry knowledge to the firm and has helped numerous businesses navigate complex compliance issues involving laws and regulations from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB) and Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

His experience extends to handling alcoholic beverage licensing and compliance among all tiers of the industry - producers, distributors and retailers - across multiple jurisdictions and collaborating on various transactions, including acquisitions, leasing, service contracts, distributorship agreements and other corporate matters, as well as civil litigation.

"Foster Garvey prides itself on staying at the forefront of developments impacting alcoholic beverage and cannabis businesses," said Emily Gant, the firm's Commercial, IP & Tech Transactions practice leader. "Brian's deep understanding of the intricacies of licensing and compliance will be invaluable as we continue to provide tailored, up-to-date guidance to our clients in these dynamic industries."

Brian joins Foster Garvey from The Danow Group, a New York City-based boutique law firm serving the alcohol, food and beverage, and cannabis industries.

An avid contributor to legal scholarship, Brian frequently writes about the laws and policies affecting food and alcoholic beverage companies. His comprehensive legal handbook, "FSMA on the Farm," has been a valuable resource for agribusinesses navigating FDA food safety rules. His thought leadership has been featured in the *Journal of Food Law and Policy*, and he is a frequent contributing author in *Beverage Media*.

"We are excited to welcome Brian to the team," said Hillary Hughes, leader of Foster Garvey's Business & Corporate Finance and Food & Beverage practices. "His unique combination of legal, business and policy perspectives is a tremendous asset that will further strengthen our ability to provide innovative legal and

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regulatory solutions to emerging and established brands and investors in the consumer products arena."

Prior to entering private practice, Brian honed his legal skills by completing clinical fellowships at both Yale Law School and Harvard Law School. He earned his J.D. from UCLA School of Law, specializing in business law and policy, where he also served as an editor for the *UCLA Law Review* and gained practical experience as a judicial extern to Hon. Kim McLane Wardlaw of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. He also holds a B.A. from the University of Washington.

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