



## Litigation Series Focuses on the Ins & Outs of Lawsuits

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**LANSING, Mich.** – Lawsuits can take years to complete, are disruptive to business’ operations and key individuals’ lives and in extreme cases, may require a person to bet their life savings or a business to “bet the company” to reach a conclusion. Certainly a scenario to avoid at all costs. But when they become necessary, what are some of the things you should consider?

Foster Swift’s virtual Second Wednesday Lunch Break series will focus entirely on litigation for a three-part, multifaceted look at lawsuits.

- Part One of this series aired on July 13 and discussed ***What To Know If You Are Planning To Sue***. This session covers things you should consider before you sue somebody, including the different perspectives and considerations for individuals and businesses. In this segment, attorney Brandon Schumacher discusses some of the factors that should be considered before filing a lawsuit such as the differences in suing in a federal vs. state court and possible alternatives to filing a lawsuit.
  - If you missed this session, please visit the following recording: [https://youtu.be/ej6\\_U4jCIm4](https://youtu.be/ej6_U4jCIm4)
- Part Two of this series will discuss ***What To Do If You Are Being Sued***. Life is good and your business is thriving when suddenly you are handed a Summons and Complaint, indicating a lawsuit has been filed against you and/or your business. In this segment, litigator Hilary Stafford describes the steps that must be taken when you receive a Complaint and provides an overview of what to expect during the pre-trial phase of litigation.
  - **When:** Wednesday, August 10, from 12-12:30 pm

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- Part Three and the final segment of this series will discuss ***Benefits Of Alternative Dispute Resolution***. 99 out of 100 lawsuits settle. In most cases, the goal is to settle sooner rather than later before attorney fees and court costs add up. Attorney and experienced mediator Fred Dilley will discuss the process of ADR, the differences between arbitration and mediation along with the benefits of using ADR to resolve a lawsuit.
  - **When:** Wednesday, September 14 from 12-12:30 pm

All three virtual discussions are free to attend. Register at the following zoom link to attend one or all three: <https://bit.ly/3patyN9>. In the meantime, please use the following resources:

- Litigation 101 - What Happens in a Lawsuit?
- Video - Alternative Dispute Resolution: Selecting a Mediator
- Video - Alternative Dispute Resolution: Facilitative Mediation