



do I need
to register
my business?

podcast episode 3 tip sheet

All the time I'm asked what you need to do to get a business started. Do I need to file any paperwork? Do I need to register my business? In this episode, we dive into answering that question.

We're talking mainly about Sole Proprietors in this podcast episode - but you also need to register your business if you already have a business entity set up like an LLC or S-Corp. (Get more info about LLCs in Episode 6 and in future podcasts.)

But wait...what's a Sole Proprietor?

When you give your business a name and start operating a business, instantly you're considered a Sole Proprietor. You don't have to do anything special to earn that title; you just start a business as a solopreneur and start selling your products or services.

**The First Step You Want to Take
as a Sole Proprietor is...
Business Registration.**

What you need to do for business registration is based on where you live, where your business is based, and the specific kind of business you have.

Not only that, but the law on the local, state and federal levels can change at any time, so the forms and the fees also may shift at any time.

You want to find out:

- WHAT forms you need to file – in your city, county and possibly the state level
- WHEN you need to file them
- If there's a FEE.

No matter whether you're a Sole Prop, LLC or S-Corp, or some other form of business entity, the documents you need can vary by location. What's required for you may not be required for someone else in your field who's in a different city.

Some cities require that you file a business license. Others require that you file certain documents if you have a home-based business. Still others require that you file the name of your business and business address, at the very least.

You also want to work with an accountant to find out if you need to file any special tax forms.

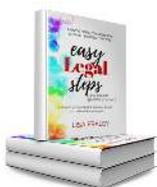


If you don't have an accountant and you need one - and you're wondering what questions to ask to see if they're a good fit, I have a FREE checklist for you:

Download
"Top 10 Question to Ask When You're Hiring an Accountant"
at lisafraley.com/accountant.



A funny thing happens when you register your business as a Solopreneur, you feel self-assured and confident that you're a "real" business owner which supports your **solar plexus chakra** AND helps you feel like a leader. And that's the whole goal!



Chapter 3 of my book called "Easy Legal Steps... That Are Also Good For Your Soul" is all about Business Registration & Taxes. (It's a #1 best-selling book on Amazon in 3 legal categories!) Get it at lisafraley.com/book.



Want more detail about how to register your business?

Learn more at lisafraley.com/bizregistration



Do you have questions or comments about this podcast episode or about registering your business? My team is here to love you up. Feel free to reach out at clientlove@lisafraley.com.

Kudos to you for listening to this episode and taking this step! Thanks for being part of the Legal Love tribe. Here's to getting legally enlightened!

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