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Primerus business law firms have collaborated to provide a legal opinion service that only the largest of law firms can offer, while providing "hands on" representation by **seasoned lawyers** without the large law firm price tag. We have assembled member firms, in **multiple states**, offering you access to legal opinions on your legal matter. Primerus member firms have been vetted for providing excellent legal representation through a rigorous application process.

Any participant in this national legal opinion service can arrange to provide you with the required opinions from all of the jurisdictions involved in a given transaction. Once you select a Primerus firm to assist you, they will serve as the primary point of contact and will coordinate the efforts of the attorneys at the members firms in the other applicable states. For instance, where practical, due diligence items, Certificates and other items to support the opinion will be shared by the participating firms to avoid duplicative effort. This 'one stop shopping' will save you time and money and increase the ability to get a timely closing. Following are examples of the types of transactions which opinions may be rendered by participating firms:

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- Equity Finance
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- Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) Compliance in International Projects and Sales
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- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Municipal Bonds
- Real Estate
- Structured Finance
- U.S. & International Embargoes and Boycotts (OFAC)
- Plus Much More



Many businesses find it increasingly difficult to maximize return on investment in large, sophisticated transactions due to substantial and often exorbitant legal fees. To be sure, companies are doing the right thing by seeking excellent outside legal counsel to protect their considerable interests in both large and smaller transactions. However, in seeking legal advice, many companies mistakenly believe that "bigger" must be "better" and routinely hire mega-law firms to handle their transactions. There is a better alternative.

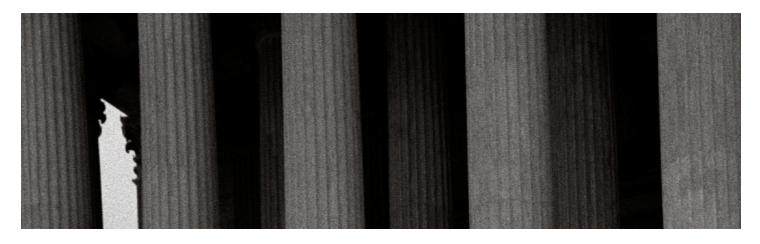
As in-house counsel or the owner of a business faced with a complex or multiple state transaction, how do you protect your company's legal interests while guarding the bottom line? The business law firms that have been granted membership in the International Society of Primerus Law Firms ("Primerus") are both a "safe choice" and an excellent alternative to hiring a big law firm.

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