## Module 1B

# **Business Organization**



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## Limited Liability or LLC

#### **Advantages:**

Combines the advantages of a sole proprietorship with the protection of a corporation;

No formalities or requirements like a corporation;

Flexibility in management and organization;

Flexibility in allocating income to the members;

No annual requirements, paperwork and fees (in some states;)

Easy dissolution.

#### **Disadvantages:**

More difficult to raise capital with an LLC than a corporation entity;

Operating agreement is suggested, but not required;

Organization sometimes confusing.



## Corporation

#### **Advantages:**

Limited liability – self standing legal entity;

Corporate tax treatment separate from the owners;

Attractive to investors for stock ownership possibility;

Owner/Employee – deductions, benefits;

Operational organization structure;

Easily transferrable through shares.

#### **Disadvantages:**

Fees;

Formalities and Paperwork;

Dissolution Formalities;

Tax Consequences – double taxation for C Corporations.



## My Suggestions for RE Investing

- LLC or Corporation
   Secretary of State Website or See Internet Resource
- Elect Your Entity as an S-Corp
- Form One LLC or Corp per RE Niche

## ... in order to be in "business"

- Form an LLC or Corporation
   Secretary of State Website or See Internet Resource
- Obtain your FED ID # or EIN
   See link in Module 1 to apply online
- Operating Agreement
   Optional, but some banks require it to
   open a business account (see sample in Module 1)