

Florida Conference Treasurer's Seminar

Church Legal and Compliance Briefs:
Hot Topics



A Quick Rundown of Items of Concern around the Florida Conference Churches:

Corporations and Other Business Entities:

- Churches should not have separate corporations or other business entities. If yours does, please reach out for assistance in fixing this. These entities create real problems for the local church!

Affiliations with Non-Denominational Entities:

- Churches should not be affiliated with non-church entities, including member's businesses.
- Leases, MOUs, letters of support, endorsements, membership on outside boards, and financial support all create real or apparent affiliation that can leave the church with massive liability. All the above are limited by denominational policy.

Vehicle Registrations:

- If the local church owns a vehicle, it should be registered and titled in the local church's own name. If you have a vehicle that is registered in the Conference or the Association's name, work with us to try to get it changed as soon as practical, but at least for the next renewal.

Church Apps for Mobile Devices:

- Churches are running into issues with mobile apps and church-management programs like those offered by SubSplash. If your church is engaged with or thinking about these programs, please let us know so we can help keep you informed prior to any commitments.

Employment Issues:

- New FLSA requirements are forcing adjustments to some workers' status. Please be on the lookout for communication from HR if you have local employees.

