

Larry's Tax Law

## **Announcement About Garvey Schubert Barer**

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I want to share some exciting news with you.

Our firm, over the years, has explored mergers with other law firms, both medium and large. We never completed a merger, however, due in most part to cultural differences. Our firm is not and probably never will be “big law.” Instead, as you know, we partner/collaborate with our clients in a manner to bring about the best results for clients, give back to our community in a big and meaningful way, and create an environment for our attorneys and staff that is as nonhierarchical as possible. “Big law” is generally not consistent with that approach to practicing law and, as a consequence, we have stayed the course alone for over 50 years.

Things are changing! For the past eight months, I have been on a GSB committee exploring a merger with another Pacific Northwest law firm. This time, we found a great firm to partner with, a law firm with consistent values and culture, and great attorneys and staff. The firm is [Foster Pepper, PLLC](#).

I am excited to inform you that, effective September 1, 2019, we will be Foster Garvey, PC. Our firm will be comprised of approximately 180 attorneys and we will have offices in Seattle, Spokane, Portland, New York City, Washington D.C. and Beijing, China.

I sincerely value my relationship with you, and I wanted you to hear the news immediately and directly from me. I am confident that my team in the combined firm will continue to provide clients with quality, prompt and cost-efficient legal services as we have provided historically. The key difference is that we will add much more bench strength to our already strong and effective team.

Everyone at both firms is excited for what this combination will do for our clients and for our community.

Foster Garvey will be one of the region’s premier law firms. The combination brings together the best in the Pacific Northwest with an emphasis on industries that excel in this market, including construction, transportation and logistics, personal services such as law and accounting, healthcare, hospitality, public infrastructure finance, real estate, environmental, land use, and technology.

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You can still expect to receive the same high level of commitment and service as you have come to know from us. Our mission and values will not change. We remain dedicated to our clients, attorneys and staff, and community.

Thank you for your support.

Best,

Larry