Show Me the Money: How to Raise Investment Capital for Your Brewery...Legally

Midwest Craft Brewers Conference August 1, 2016

Jeff O'Brien



LOMMEN ABDO

I. A W FIRM

When to Focus on Financing:

- 1. Business Plan
- 2. Entity Formation
- Trademark (Secure the Brewery Name)
- 4. Location (Lease or Buy) AND Financing
- Purchase
 Equipment, Build Out and Licensing
 (TTB, State, Local)



Sources of Funds for Your Brewery Business

Your own funds

Debt (bank financing, likely SBA)

"Gap"
financing
(EDA, other
local
programs)

"Rewards"
(Kickstarter,
membership
programs)

Investors (i.e. sale of securities)



Bank Financing

Gap Financing

Rewards



Why do we have securities laws?

Fair, eligibility reader transport. Priday No. Freet

BROOKLYN DAILY EAGLE

LATE NEWS 1-11 FREELS * *

89th YEAR-No. 250.

* NEW YORK CITY, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1929. *

THEIR CLENTS

WALL ST. IN PANIC AS STOCKS CRASH

Attempt Made to Kill Italy's Crown Prince STOCKS CRASH IN RUSH TO SELL.

known Soldiers' Tomb.

Princess, Deeply Moved, Falls Into Finner's Arms and Kisses Him.

ASSASSIN GAUGHT Hollywood Fire Worth Millions FERRY IS MISSING

Royal Subor Was About ATTEMPT NADEONLIFE Considered Studies Are Wreckage Picked Up In: Black and Orange Wreck- Grandy Agrees Raise West FOR MORE LORSYISTS to Lay Wreath on Un-

Saupt by Flames Fatal Grates Craft West age Indicates Daring

Propter Decades Sale.

Replace War, On. 48 at 250.

Replace War, On. 48 at 250.

The RE Kink is permantially the second Symbol Sale (18 at 250.

The RE Kink is presented by the second Symbol Sale (18 at 250.

The RE Kink is presented by the second Second Sale Sale (18 at 250.

The Record on Cale Sale (18 a

Specific States and American problems of the States of the

to One-Master Pictures Down With All Aboard. Filer West to Death.

FEAR 52 PERISHED PIECE OF PLANE High Duty Group Destroys Films INLAKE MICHIGAN: LIKE DITEMAN'S Gave \$700,000 to Coolidge Drive

Up Due to His Activ-Him to Propagandist.

the Cone—Market Pictures

Burn and Incident Many

New Table Productions

Burn and incident Many

Show Table Productions

Burn and incident Many

Burn and the belonged that he was to be

WARDER SOUGHT



west taken, with no our combad to to 10 month to estraption fronts. burdet in Chicago an Autree witne Manhaus are afterny over my part, but nomined the

Check Rosh to Unload

Chartes # 100-240. morney of the believed to the after at 2 f. the gan & Co. II was ender-

N was after an determed the Matgan parters by been fulling to consume with I f. Watgon to how for all worning

Perforance will be a series bull that the country

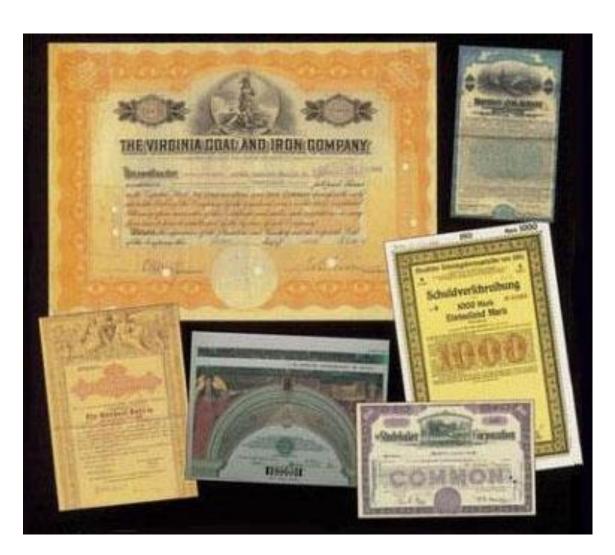


What laws do you have to be concerned with?

- Securities Act of 1933
- Securities and Exchange Act of 1934
- State "Blue Sky"
 Laws



What is a security?



Investment Capital – Private Offerings of Securities

- 1933 Act default requires registration of any securities offering
- Alternative: find an applicable exemption from registration
- Also need to find an exemption from registration under state Blue Sky laws (each state where an investor resides)



Key Concept – Accredited Investors



Section 4(2)

Regulation D

- Rule 504
- Rule 505
- Rule 506 (now 506(b))



JOBS Act: a Game Changer for Startups

JOBS Act eases some of the most onerous restrictions on raising capital

- General Solicitation (506(c))
- Equity Crowdfunding
- Regulation A+



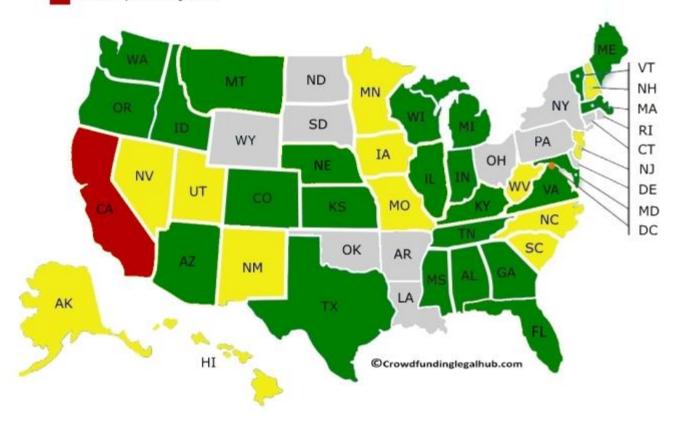
State Equity Crowdfunding Exemptions

INTRASTATE CROWDFUNDING EXEMPTIONS (as of May, 2015)

- Exemption Enacted

Exemption In Progress

Exemption Rejected



Structuring a Private Offering

- What percentage of ownership to sell?
- Difference between voting and financial rights
- Preferred distributions
- "Sunset" provisions call rights, put rights, etc.





LAW FIRM

For more information:

jobrien@lommen.com 612.336.9317

http://site.jeffreyobrienesq.com/Beer.html

