

## Cheat Sheet #6

### Michigan LLC Formation Application Status Secrets

Your approved operating agreement becomes an internal document. It establishes who governs the LLC. So waiting around for information on the status of your filing may be frustrating.

We've uncovered three big application status-related secrets. Each one may make filing in Michigan worthwhile. Track the status of your application on the Internet regularly, and with ease.

#### **Secret #1: A mailed application takes the longest amount of time to process (even if you expedite it).**

Know that any application submitted by mail ends up delivered to a remote location, first. It will take a while to process your documents at this remote location. Your documents then get sent from the processing center to another office. Your application review actually takes place in Michigan's Corporate Division. Expedited service timers thus start after documents arrive in Michigan's Corporations Division office. To avoid such processing delays, walk your forms into the office or complete them online.

#### **Secret #2: There's a way to check a filed LLC form's status fast.**

The status of the documents you submit will be visible online after approval. So all you need to do is use the Corporate Division's "Search For a Business Entity" webpage to find your filing. Look up the company by entity or an individual's name on this page: [www.michigan.gov/corpenitysearch](http://www.michigan.gov/corpenitysearch)

#### **Secret #3: When too much waiting time has passed, check for failure.**

The state of Michigan offers a means to look up a failed application status as well. If one or more of the documents failed to pass Michigan's quality standards, a notice will be filed. All notices are indexed and available at Michigan's Rejected Filings Search page. Check to see if you've got a notice of refusal to file there: [www.michigan.gov/corprejectedsearch](http://www.michigan.gov/corprejectedsearch). You'll be able to review the documents that failed to form the LLC so that you can begin the process again.