

# Your Top Questions About COVID-19 Liability Shield Laws: Answered

“Liability shield laws take different forms, but typically, they raise the threshold for anyone who wants to bring a lawsuit in connection with the COVID-19 outbreak, or eliminate the ability to bring a suit entirely. Although no state has provided total immunity to businesses facing claims related to COVID-19, these laws generally make it much more difficult for employees or patrons to bring a lawsuit based on harm that allegedly stems from a business’s handling of COVID-19 matters,” post *Locke Lord in their News & Events*.

“Notably, many of the laws apply retroactively to a date at or before the beginning of the COVID-19 outbreak. For example, West Virginia’s COVID-19 Jobs Protection Act dates back to January 1, 2020.”

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