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Setting Up a Company in Zimbabwe: A Brief Overview

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From choosing a structure to registering with the authorities, a short guide to forming a business entity in Zimbabwe and getting it ready to trade.

Choosing the right vehicle for a business, and registering it correctly, sets the foundation for everything that follows. Company formation in Zimbabwe is governed principally by the **Companies and Other Business Entities Act [Chapter 24:31]**, which modernised and consolidated the country's company law.

Choosing a structure

Most ventures incorporate as a private limited company, which gives the business a separate legal personality and limits the liability of its shareholders. Smaller owner-run businesses sometimes prefer a Private Business Corporation, a simpler and more affordable vehicle. The right choice depends on ownership, funding plans, and how the business intends to grow.

The registration steps

KEY POINTS

- Reserve a company name with the Registrar
- Prepare and lodge the incorporation documents
- Record directors, shareholders and a registered office
- Register for tax with ZIMRA and obtain a Business Partner (BP) number
- Obtain any sector-specific licences your activity requires

Once incorporated, the company must keep proper statutory records and file annual returns. Failing to maintain good standing can lead to penalties and, in time, to a company being struck off.

Foreign investors

Investors entering Zimbabwe from abroad should also consider the role of the Zimbabwe Investment and Development Agency (ZIDA), which provides a one-stop facility for investment registration, as well as any exchange control and sector-licensing requirements relevant to their industry.

What this means for you: a little structuring advice at the outset - on the right vehicle, the shareholding, and the registrations you need - saves cost and difficulty later. We help local and foreign businesses incorporate and stay compliant.

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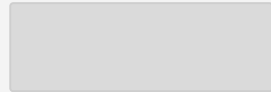
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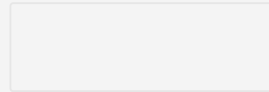
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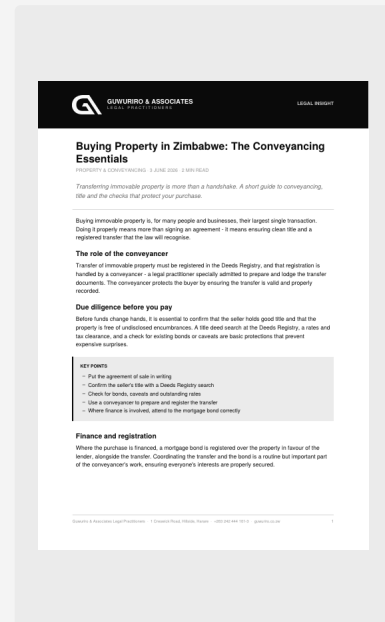
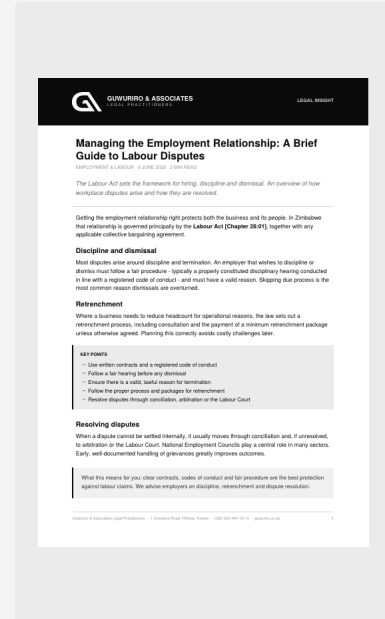
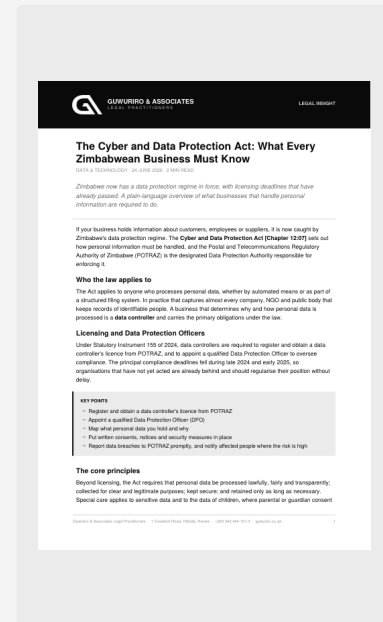
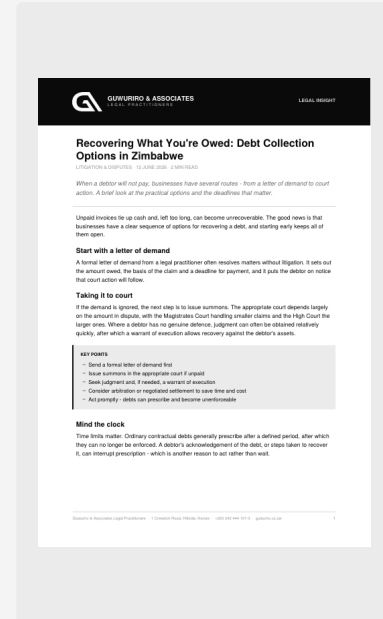
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**From the boardroom
to the courtroom, we
sweat the detail so
you don't have to.**

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Four Core Principles

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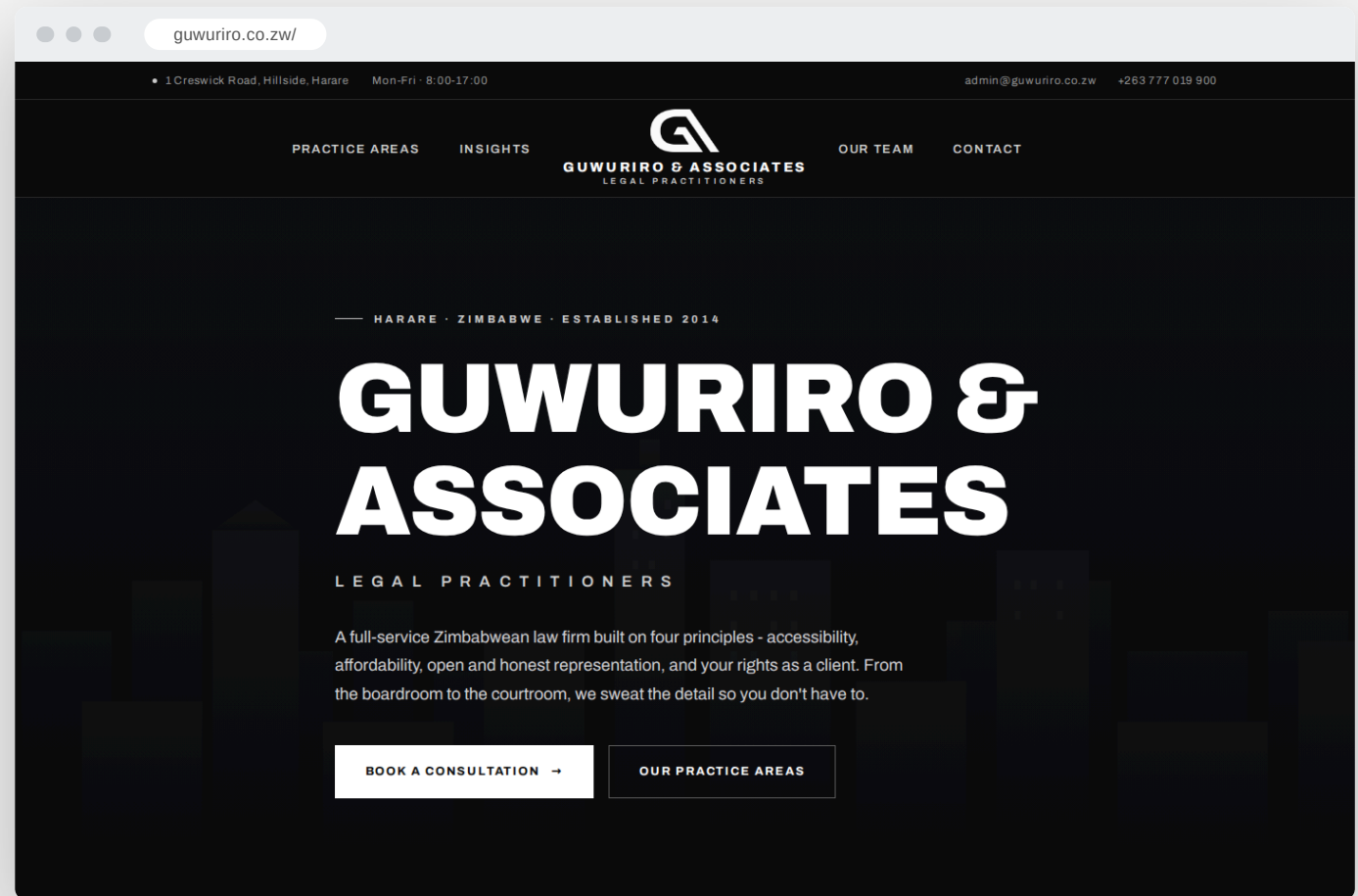
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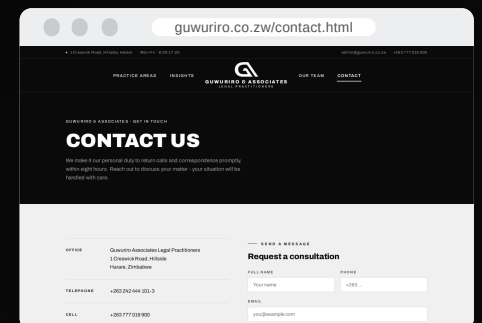
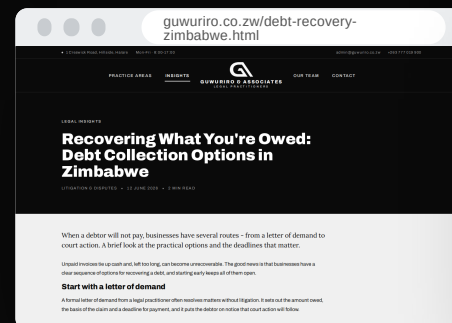
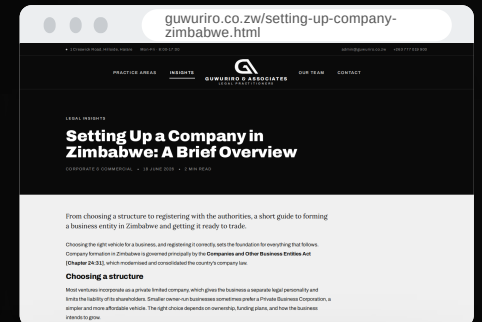
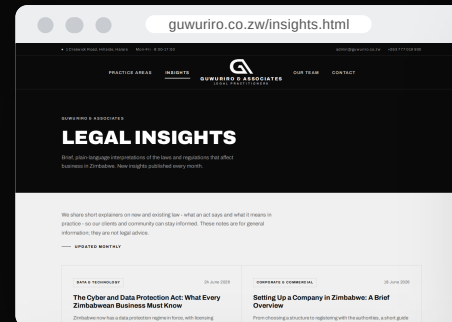
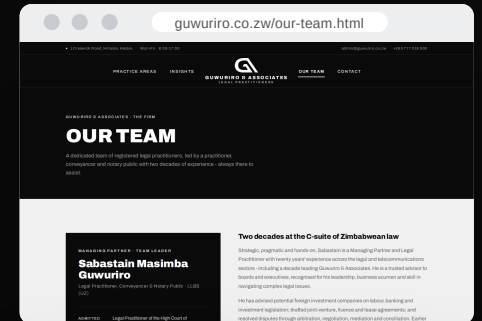
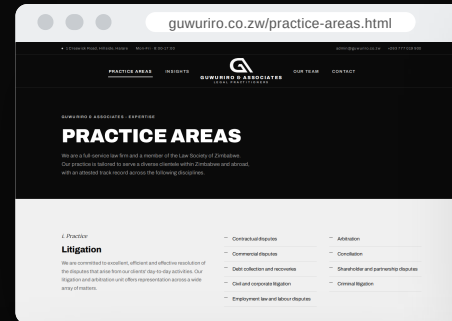
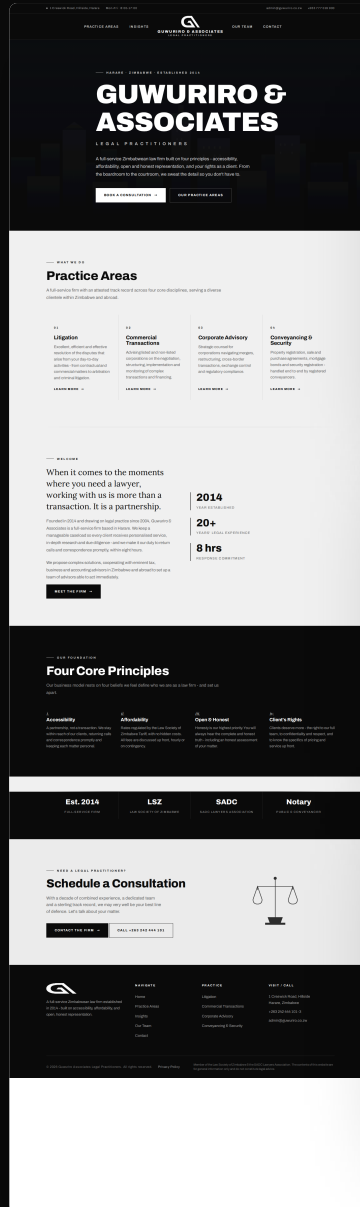
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