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# Webcast: The FTC's Non-Compete Rule

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On April 23, 2024, the Federal Trade Commission released a new rule outlawing the vast majority of non-compete agreements in the United States. This webinar provides an overview of the rule and its ramifications, discusses recommended next steps for businesses, and discusses legal challenges to the rule.

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