How to Start & Run a Virtual Law Firm

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WELCOME
I’m glad you’re here...
Our agenda

• Welcome + Introductions
• What is virtual law practice (+ what it’s not)
• Some background about me + my law firm
• Ways to incorporate virtual practice into traditional law practices
• Tools - Hardware
• Tools - Software & Applications
• Q & A
Background on Virtual Law Practice

• Not the same as virtual office space
• Delivery of legal services online
• Full service, integrated into traditional service, or document assembly/automation
• Unbundling of legal services
About Me

& My Virtual Law Firm
Ways to incorporate virtual law into your traditional law practice

- Drafting documents/agreements (unbundled services)
- Document assembly (estate planning or business formation)
- Consulting/case strategy; dispute resolution
- Providing templates/DoItYourself resources (software and applications)
Must-have hardware

- Computer/laptop
- Tablet/mobile phone
- Scanner
- Hotspot (for location flexibility)
- Reliable wi-fi
- Quality camera/microphone
Must-have software/apps

- Task management software (Trello, Asana, Basecamp, Teamwork, Lexicata, 17Hats)
- Appointment scheduling/CRM (Vcita, Acuity, Calendly)
- Secure client portal (CLIO, MyCase, Total Attorneys, DirectLaw)
- Video conferencing (Zoom, Skype, Google Hangout)
- Electronic signing (HelloSign, EchoSign, DocuSign)
- Online payments/Invoicing (PayPal, Quickbooks, MyCase, CLIO, LawPay, Xero, Freshbooks)
- Electronic faxing (eFax, myFax, HelloFax)

***See handout for my faves
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Q & A