# Basic Training & Beyond Day-Two

**Client Relations** 

Marketing

Productivity & Technology

#### Who is your <u>ideal client</u>?

Why good client choice is vital

What are the characteristics of your ideal client?

Where are they & how do you talk to them?

#### Page Nine of the Business Plan Template

#### Clients

Identify your targeted clients, their characteristics, and their geographic locations, otherwise known as their demographics.

You may have more than one client group. Identify the most important groups. Then, for each client group, construct what is called a demographic profile:

- Age
- Gender
- Location
- Income level
- Social class and occupation
- Education
- · Other (specific to your industry)
- · Other (specific to your industry)

For commercial clients, the demographic factors might be:

- · Industry (or portion of an industry)
- Location
- Size of firm
- Quality, technology, and price preferences
- · Other (specific to your industry)
- Other (specific to your industry)

We are licensed to solve the problems of others for a fee

#### LAW IS A RELATIONSHIP BUSINESS

#### The business decision you make:

Taking anyone & everyone who walks in the door

or

Being selective and discerning

#### Client Vetting

 Advance fee (when is the need for your problem-solving ability at its peak?)

The interview process & using a <u>questionnaire</u>

Social media & public data bases

Credit report: <u>Experian's service for lawyers</u>

#### When you need to close

Are you talking to the decision maker?

Can you solve this problem?

Are there contingencies?

Ask for the work.

#### smith

#### LEAD CONVERSION FLOW

GENERATE CAPTURE

Lead Sources (Generation)

Referrals

Reviews

Local Listings

PPC

Social Media

Content & Freebies (Advice, Forms,

Calculators)

Technical SEO

Link Building

Contact Methods

Phone

**Email** 

Text

Web Chat

Response Methods

Attorney

In-house assistant or paralegal

Receptionist service

Al service

Qualification

Good leads

Intake & Scheduling

Basic intake

Transfer Follows Call-back Appointment Em

Instant

Follow-up call
Email drip

Delayed

Full intake

New client agreement

New client!

Conversion

Qualification

Future Clients & Good Will

Bad leads

Educate & Refer

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## Request the sample intake form at PMAS@dcbar.org

#### Sample Intake Form:

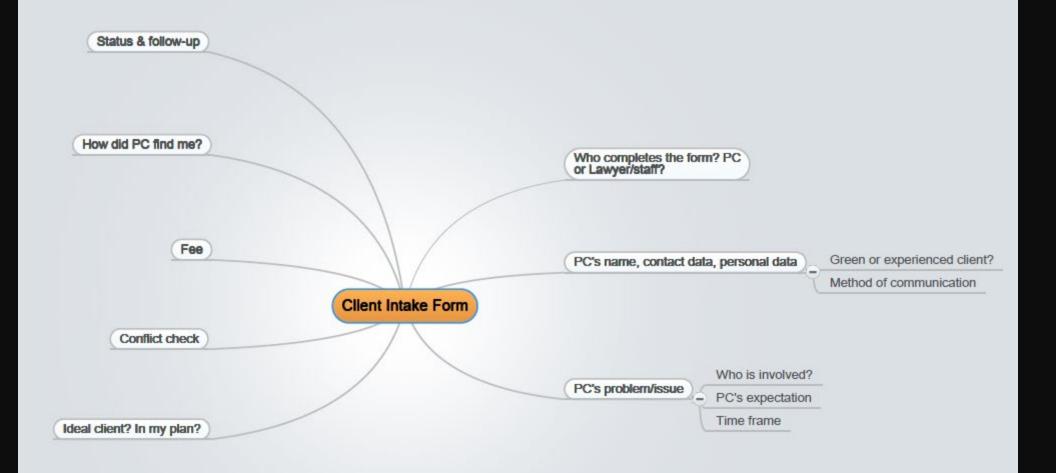
The purpose of an initial consultation is for the attorney to advise you, the *prospective* client what if anything, may be done for you, and what the minimum fee therefor will be. *The purpose is not to render a definitive legal opinion* as it may be impossible to fully assess a matter within the time frame allotted for a consultation or with the (information or documents) that you may be able to provide at the initial consultation.

One of three outcomes is possible following your consultation.

- A. You and the Attorney mutually agree to the terms of representation, or (After a separate document called an Agreement for Representation is signed a copy will be provided to you.)
- B. The Attorney declines representation, or
- C. You decide not to use the services of the Attorney.

**Note:** The following questions will help us to understand the reason for your visit today. Your responses are protected by attorney/client privilege and will be held in strict confidence.

Name						
	Last	First		Middle o	Middle or Maiden	
Address	<b>:</b>					
	Number	Street	City	State	Zip	
Home Phone	()					



#### Now that you have said "Yes"

Start work in their presence

Make sure they "see" you solving their problem

 Create a system of informing & educating that is personalized to each client Learning how the new client found you is only part of what you need to know.

You also want to know how they processed the problem that they are bringing to you for solution.

Why is the client's *problem recognition process* important?

### The challenging client

Allow for sufficient time & attention

 Document the effort; (This becomes part of the client file: LEO 333)

If you need to withdraw: Rule 1.16(b)

### Real listening

How it works

Why it works

The problem we are solving has an emotional component

#### Client expectations

What are they?

How do we address them?

A big factor in satisfied clients who will refer new clients

#### **Setting Boundaries**

• It starts at intake & is reflected in the fee agreement

Some client have to be trained & reminded

Boundaries keep us professional

The lawyer who takes no unscheduled calls

#### A small client can refer a big client

Every client should feel like your most important client

Informing & educating is essential

Contact the client before the client contacts you

#### The New Client Checklist

- Am I competent & efficient?
- Is this an ideal client?
- Is this work in my Plan?
- Will the fee be reasonable now, during & at the end of the representation?
- Are expectations addressed?
- Can I finish the work?
- Will I need help?

#### Opportunities to make a good impression

- The appearance of the client file
- The office experience for the client
- The client's interaction with you
- Meeting them quickly using Zoom

#### Clients to avoid

The liar

Exquisitely angry client

Serial litigant who is pro se or has fired counsel

The unrealistic person

The person who ignores boundaries & directions

The person who does not value your effort

The person with the *unsolvable* problem

#### You are on thin ice when . . .

- You are working outside your expertise
- You are too busy or afraid to communicate
- Your office is chaos and client data is exposed
- Your invoices are inaccurate
- You have big receivables & sue to collect fees
- You take on new work just to cover overhead
- You represent friends & family for free

#### Evaluate your client's experience

Request our *Client Satisfaction Survey Form*From <a href="mailto:PMAS@dcbar.org">PMAS@dcbar.org</a>

Use <u>SurveyMonkey.com</u>

More information on *Client Relations* is at Page 77, e-Manual

#### How to avoid a problem using a survey

When staff have significant client contact, survey the client both during and at the conclusion of the representation.

Encourage feedback about how the client is being handled.

Make sure the survey results come to you.

#### Here's what to ask

What should we keep doing?

What should we stop doing?

What did we not do that we should do?

## Marketing

Applicable Rules:

<u>7.1</u>

<u>7.5</u>

# Codes, regulations & other jurisdictions can also apply.

## Example:

Bergman v District of Columbia

DC Court of Appeals 08-CV-859

Marketing is anything we do that changes the culture for the better.

- Seth Godin



The first step . . .

Start from what is real & true.

l act on the basis of my self-image.

Is your <u>inner-critic</u> negative or positive?

# Lawyers and imposter syndrome

Niki Irish on Imposter Syndrome

Own who you are.

Own where you are.

# Move from "I have to market,"

To
"I get to market."

#### Our choice . . .

-to talk about us
 or
 -to talk about the problem we
 solve

# You cannot impact a feeling with a fact.

You can only impact a feeling with another feeling.

Experiences that involve little emotional intensity seem to do little to arouse focal attention and have a higher likelihood of being registered as "unimportant" and therefore of not being easily recalled later on. Events experienced with a moderate to high degree of emotional intensity seem to get labeled as "important" (probably by anatomic structures in the limbic region and closely aligned areas, such as the amygdala and orbitofrontal cortex, which are discussed in more detail later in the book) and are more easily remembered in the future.

The Developing Mind, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition

Dr. Daniel J. Siegel

#### **Nobody Wants What You're Selling**

People don't want legal services. They don't want intellectual property advice, disability assistance, contract drafting, employment law, an estate plan, a divorce, or whatever legal service it is that you provide.

#### People want the *feelings* the legal services give them.

They want relief, freedom, or success. Clients want to feel powerful, in control, happy, satisfied, contented. They want to walk with their head held high, their chest puffed out, and confidence in their step. Each of us wants our own particular feeling, but it's still mostly a *feeling* that we really want.

Why, then, do we lawyers stuff our websites, our sales pitches, and our conversations with words about the legal services we provide, instead of the feelings the clients want to buy?

Lee Rosen

#### Which message is more effective?

#### Juvenile Defense

Experienced former prosecutor who now focuses on the problems of juvenile defendants.

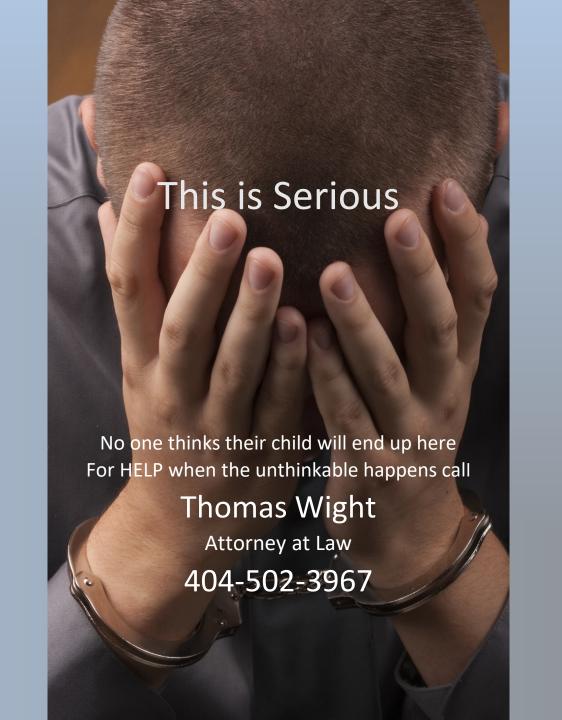
Thomas Wight, Esq.

Lawyer

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Atlanta, GA 30303

www.juveniledefense.xxx



### Imagine your client's earliest thoughts about the problem . . .

If you had the chance to provide information at that moment . . . What would you say?

# The problem the client lives with is often deeper and wider than the part you will solve.

## How can you inform and educate your ideal client

at each stage of their

problem recognition process?

### The information you would provide

is content for marketing messages.

Inform . . .

Be careful not to give legal advice when marketing.

The Miranda marketing example . . .

You have the right to remain silent.

VS.

Never talk to the police.

### The ideal client's problem recognition process

- I think I've got a problem . . .
- Maybe it will go away . . .
- Can I solve it myself . . .
- Do I need a lawyer . . .
- Who is the right lawyer for me . . .

## The old Yellow Pages ads are aimed at the last stage of the problem recognition process:

Who is the right lawyer for me?

Legal Zoom is aimed at the early stages

### What do process focused websites do?

### Some examples of process focused sites:

DiPietro Law Group

VirginiaDivorceAttorney.com

Rosen.com

JerseyEstatePlanning.com

http://www.bobbattlelaw.com

http://www.oginski-law.com

http://www.paestateplanners.com

### Marketing focused on "me"

Tax, Business Law, Business
Formation and Finance,
Computer/High Tech/Biotech Law,
Intellectual Property, Trusts, Estates,
Wills, Probate, Estate Planning, Real
Estate, Civil Litigation, Mediation.

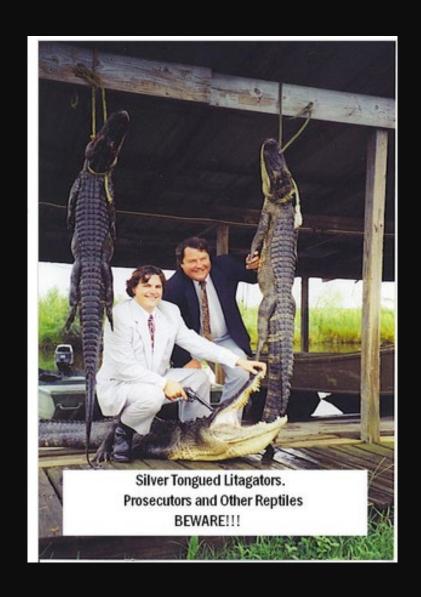
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Computer law, high tech law, biotech law, software/product development agreements, consulting services agreements, software/product licensing agreements, software/product maintenance agreements, domestic and international software/product distribution agreements, e-commerce and web development agreements, joint ventures, teaming agreements, subcontracts, confidentiality agreements, litigation, etc.

Intellectual property (trademarks, service marks, and copyrights), applications, protection issues, infringement issues, domain name and web content protection, online brand protection issues and resolution strategies, domain name recovery and acquisition processes, unfair competition, trade secrets, trade dress claims, litigation, etc. Identifying and inventorying intellectual property assets, buying and selling intellectual property assets, etc.

Trusts, estates, wills, probate, estate planning and administration, general and special powers of attorney, health care power of attorney and advance medical directives/living wills, revocable living trusts, incurance trusts, charitable trusts, special people.

#### An example of "it's all about me" lawyer marketing . . .



#### Marketing focused on the lawyer

https://www.texaslawhawk.com/

The Texas Law Hawk takes on covid

#### Marketing focused on the problem you solve

What not to do if you are involved in a federal criminal investigation

What to do if you are under investigation

<u>DiPietro Law Group videos</u>

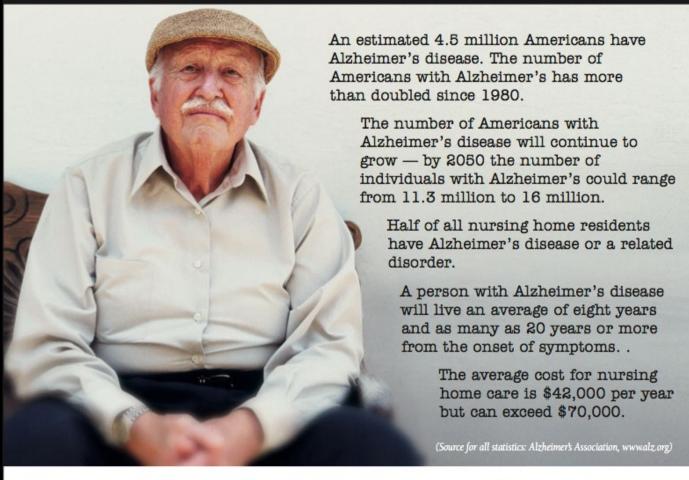
You are an estate planner or elder lawyer and you know your ideal client has a process.

How do you talk to them

while they are working their way through

their process?

#### "Dad Couldn't Remember How To Get Home."



The answers to the legal and financial challenges posed by Alzheimer's disease can only be answered on an individual basis by an attorney whose practice is concentrated on elder law, Medicaid planning, and estate planning.

The Elder Law Firm of Marshall & Associates is known throughout Pennsylvania for the expert help they provide seniors who are faced with long-term care needs.

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Wilkes-Barre Office

Cross Creek Pointe, Suite 402, 1065 Hwy. 315, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702 (570) 822-6919

Reason To Make An Estate Plan #10

Your son-in-law, Fred

- Hasn't had a job since 1999
- Belongs to a religion that you consider a cult
- Sells t-shirts at concerts by a band called "Phish"
- You suspect he is fond of chemical substances
- Thinks it's great that he has rich in-laws

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#### Who is O'Neil Wysocki talking to here?



#### SmartMarketingNow.com

#### What are the questions

in your ideal client's mind?

## What is the intent reflected in this video?

BenGlassLaw

### Elements of a good, long term marketing system . . .

Prepare information about the five to ten questions you get from every new client.

Prepare a 15 to 30 minute talk to a room full of your potential ideal clients informing & educating them about the problems you solve.

#### Use this same content for:

An email marketing campaign A blog post A lead generator featured on your website Your brochure Social media

Create a database of contacts in Outlook, in a spreadsheet, or in any other functional system.

### Who goes into your contacts list?

Friends, family, clients, former clients, potential clients, & anyone who can refer business.

### Sophisticated contact management software review:

Contact Management Software Reviews

SalesForce.com

Clio Grow

A basic contact management system . . .

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# How many opportunities exist for you to be found?

How many venues can you create for your marketing message?

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You & your presence...
      Your office
     Business card
    Website (video)
      Newsletter
          Blog
       Brochure
    Social media . . .
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#### How is your signature block?

#### Sharon D. Nelson, Esq., President

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https://ridethelightning.senseient.com (security blog)

https://vouritconsultant.senseient.com (information technology blog)

https://senseient.com/digital-forensics-dispatch (digital forensics blog)

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#### Sources for unique & traditional cards:

Moo.com

DesignYourOwnCard.com

Crane.com

VistaPrint.com

Speaking engagements . . .

Books & free publications . . .

Useful tools . . .

#### Create a great logo



# What Every Virginia Woman Should Know About Divorce

# Six Estate Planning Mistakes to Avoid

The concept - informing, educating & establishing yourself as the expert in your area - applies in any practice area . . .

Material for an essay, seminar, blog & newsletter are the tools.

### Marketing starts with the right mindset

Relate to Marketing like it is your best client . . .

How would you treat your best client?

You would have a plan

You would strategize

You would open a file

You would work on it every day

You would evaluate it often

## You can do the work yourself:

Rollins & Chan

Or you can use a service:

Great Legal Marketing

Mockingbird

UpwardAction.com

# Focus on the problem you solve & the questions in the mind of the prospective client

#### Why the newsletter works

Targeted to your audience

Regularity

Long-term tool

Becomes a part of your process

More cost effective

Few do it well

Hardcopy is better than electronic

GRAND JURY TARGET <comment-reply@wordpress.com>

(i) If there are problems with how this message is displayed, click here to view it in a web browser.

#### New post on GRAND JURY TARGET





By Search Warrant or Subpoena, the Government Will Get Your Gmail (and the Numbers Are on the Rise)

by Kropf Moseley



#### By: Sara Kropf

I have a Gmail account for personal use. You likely do too. And nearly every one of my clients has one. In fact, Google owns about 43% of the email market. Gmail has about 1.8 billion users and about 306 billion emails are sent and received daily in 2020.

Who cares about Gmail this much? The federal government does.

That's because people still send a lot of interesting things via email. The government wants to use those emails to build their criminal cases, particularly in white-collar cases. We think about wiretaps as electronic surveillance since they happen in real time, but gathering email is a key part of how the government investigates potential crimes.

Email post links back to blog

#### GrandJuryTarget.com

#### Marketing resources

The Culture Code by Clotaire Rapaille

Influence, the Psychology of Persuasion by Robert B. Cialdini

Contagious, Why Things Catch On by Jonah Berger

You Can't Teach Hungry by John Morgan

Great Legal Marketing by Ben Glass

Primal branding: Create Zealots for Your Brand, Your Company, and Your Future by Patrick Hanlon

#### Website creators

**Dupont Creative** 

**GNGF** 

<u>AttorneySync</u>

Rytechllc.com

#### Website creators & marketing services

**Mockingbird** 

<u>JurisDigital</u>

**Spotlight Branding** 

Foster Web Marketing

## Marketing goals

- Not all marketing turns into instant sales
- There are long-term benefits to marketing (Top of mind)
- Build your credibility
- Reach expert status in your practice area
- Increase your lawyer referrals
- Key: you must have a strategy
- CONSISTENCY IS EVERYTHING

#### Productivity & the Small Firm

Profitability & growth are the result of a productive lawyer

It's a question of using the right tool for the job

It's stepping back, watching & creating workflows





#### 2.5 hours

The average time an attorney spends on billable work per day.

#### 2.9 hours

The average time spent each day on admin tasks.

#### 1.2 hours

Of those 2.9 hours, the top 3 tasks are office administration (16%), invoicing (15%), and configuring technology (11%).

#### 2 hours

33% of 6 hours/day not spent on billable work goes toward business development, indicating the importance of generating new clients.





#### 23 minutes

How long it takes to recover from an interruption. Attorneys are interrupted ~6/day, so that's a ~2-hour loss per day.

#### 2 out of 3 potential clients

Folks who say their "decision to hire" is most influenced by an attorney's responsiveness to their first call or email.

#### 59 percent

People, on average, who didn't hire an attorney even after a consult.

#### 86 percent

The average amount of attorneys' earnings that is ever collected.

# Maddy Martin's full program on May 14, 2020 / Affordable Tools, Tech and Talent to Run a Small Law Firm Remotely

Recorded Lunch & Learn programs

Smith.ai

#### Where technology helps

Research & finding information

Managing data, such as time & billing, client information & firm financial information

Communication



#### Free additional resources

Smith.ai eBook:

Are you Lawyering or Laboring?



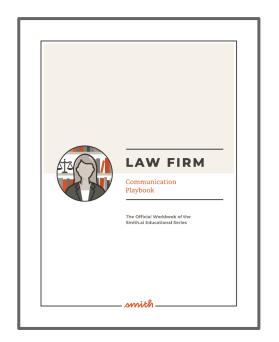


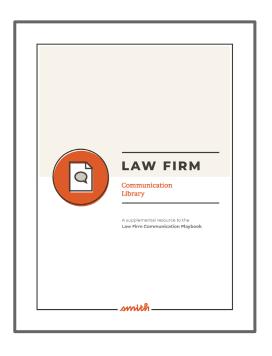


#### Free additional resources

#### **Smith.ai Guides**

#### Law Firm Communication Playbook





Law Firm Communication **Library** 

#### Creating systems

https://www.theformtool.com/

Automates Word documents

It has a free version

& a pro version for \$89 a year

Create a template for fee agreements

#### Free & low cost legal research

Fastcase, a DC Bar member benefit

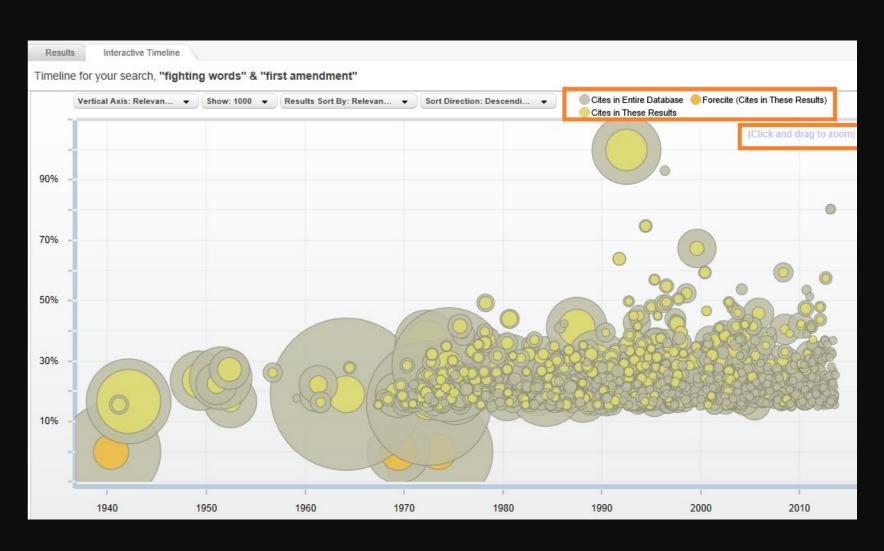
Learn more about Fastcase

DC & Federal & all jurisdictions, plus more is free as a Bar member benefit

(Non-members pay \$1000.00 annually)

Fastcase Lunch & Learn program recording

# The <u>Fastcase interactive timeline</u> – visualize search results



#### Important small firm systems

Client intake & setup – your onboarding process

 Information processing; how paper and data are handled, entered & stored

Tracking cash flow & financial information

Conflicts checking – how it's done in small firms

#### Time & Billing

• Time59.com \$199 annually for entire firm

• Bill4Time.com \$27 - \$80 monthly per user

TimeSolv.com \$36 monthly per user

• <u>Timeslips</u> \$515 - \$1450 annually

Prices as of 9/21/21 vendor website

#### Case Management Systems

Clio is a DC Bar member benefit

MyCase

RocketMatter

Cosmolex

Lawyerist review of case management tools

# Use <u>two-factor authentication</u> & a <u>strong password</u>

## TIME IT TAKES A HACKER TO BRUTE FORCE YOUR PASSWORD

Number of Characters	Numbers Only	Lowercase Letters	Upper and Lowercase Letters	Numbers, Upper and Lowercase Letters	Numbers, Upper and Lowercase Letters, Symbols
4	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly
5	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly
6	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly	1 sec	5 secs
7	Instantly	Instantly	25 secs	1 min	6 mins
8	Instantly	5 secs	22 mins	1 hour	8 hours
9	Instantly	2 mins	19 hours	3 days	3 weeks
10	Instantly	58 mins	1 month	7 months	5 years
11	2 secs	1 day	5 years	41 years	400 years
12	25 secs	3 weeks	300 years	2k years	34k years
13	4 mins	1 year	16k years	100k years	2m years
14	41 mins	51 years	800k years	9m years	200m years
15	6 hours	1k years	43m years	600m years	15 bn years
16	2 days	34k years	2bn years	37bn years	1tn years
17	4 weeks	800k years	100bn years	2tn years	93tn years
18	9 months	23m years	6tn years	100 tn years	7qd years



# Technology Tools

- Online booking system Calendly, Acuity, VCita
- Video Conferencing Zoom, Google Hangouts
- VOIP phone system Ring Central, Google Voice
- Case management MyCase, CLIO, Smokeball, Rocket Matter
- Project Management/Team & Task Management Asana, Trello, monday.com
- Web cam
- Lighting
- Microphone
- Scanner
- Online file storage Dropbox, Google Drive, Box

#### Things have changed during Covid

How are lawyers planning to change their ways? Consider these statistics from Clio's 2020 Legal Trends Report:

- 96% say they'll store firm data in the cloud.
- 95% say they'll support electronic documents and signatures.
- 96% say they'll accept electronic payments.
- 96% say they'll use practice management software.
- 83% say they'll meet clients through videoconferencing.

#### How are they operating now?

- 85% of law firms are using software to manage their practice.
- 79% of lawyers rely on cloud technology to store their firm's data.
- 62% of firms allow clients to securely share and sign documents electronically.
- 73% of firms allow clients to pay invoices electronically.
- 83% of firms are meeting with clients virtually

#### Examples of new firm models

Potomac Law Group

Rollins & Chan

MD Family Lawyer.com

Nakia Gray

#### Concept Mapping

A strategic thinking tool

Plain paper and colored pencils/pens

Concept mapping, a/k/a mind mapping for lawyers

The five best applications

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Threats of 2021

November 18 – A Higher Bar: How to Exceed Client Expectations in a Virtual World / Ruby.com

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# Some long-term goals

- · Build your database
  - · Sign up for a CRM and begin building your list
  - · Create a resource and have people opt in Choose
- . a niche practice area and become THE expert
  - Show up with information to educate (but don't give it all away)
  - Blog
  - Live Stream
- Establish yourself as an expert
  - Guest posts/appearances
  - Bar Association articles and CLEs
  - Media pitches
  - Host your own info sessions
  - Host a challenge
- Launch a new product, service, event online—SELL something



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## Generate Money Now

- Offer virtual consults (paid and unpaid)
- Create an information product and sell it (helpful resources are needed)
- Host online events (paid and unpaid)
- Collaborate with other professionals who serve your same audience
- Offer a special (Wills, Expungements, Strategy Sessions)

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