

WHAT APPS CAN BE HOSTED ON LEGAL WORKSPACE?

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Three of the most prevalent scenarios for law firms migrating to the cloud are 1) a new firm wants an IT solution with little upfront monetary outlay, 2) a firm's current technology situation no longer works, and 3) an expanding firm wants greater flexibility, mobility, cohesion, and stability.

New system

Much of the software law firms use is part of the Legal Workspace base package. That includes Office suite, Exchange, anti-virus and anti-SPAM protection, Internet browsers, and Adobe Reader.

Because Legal Workspace was built for law firms, it offers hosting for the top legal applications, including:

Practice Management Software: Amicus Attorney[®], Time Matters[®], Needles[®], Practice Master[®] **Document Management Software:** Worldox[®], Microsoft SharePoint[®] **Time and Billing Software:** Timeslips[®], Tabs3[®] Billing Matters Software, PCLaw[®], QuickBooks[®]

Law firms building a new system can rely on Legal Workspace's consultants to customize their environment. "We don't work with cookie cutter law firms, and we're not a cookie cutter solution," says Crag Bogner, primary engineer and application specialist for Legal Workspace.

Legal Workspace's consultants know the pain points firms experience. That's because most of its engineers have backgrounds in legal work. For example, Bogner worked as an insurance bad faith litigation paralegal before going into engineering.

Integrate current system

Many firms stick with programs and apps until they stop working. "We've worked with firms that have used a product for 10 years, but the developer never updated the code, so it doesn't work with new operating systems," Bogner says. If a firm has been using obsolete technology, Legal Workspace's engineers determine which apps perform the same tasks but work with the cloud.

If a law firm uses an application that poses challenges for cloud migration, Bogner says "certain versions and licensing can usually be used to overcome the problem." He cites Dragon NaturallySpeaking, a commonly used dictation software: "Newer versions allow functionality for a



seamless bridge between local hardware and cloud-based software." And he says more intricate apps that use server-based back ends, such as SQL and FileMaker databases, work well with cloud hosting.

A cloud solution architect for Legal Workspace, says some firms worry about certain applications, such as ProLaw[®], not being permitted for use in a cloud environment. Those concerns are easily dismissed: "We partner with ProLaw[®], so we're allowed to do it." Legal Workspace has relationships with most popular legal applications, which means few restrictions.

Additional office

Expanding firms want to create a cohesive and collaborative environment for all workers on the system. "They could remote into a terminal server," he says, "but it's much more efficient to use Legal Workspace." Doing so also creates a totally mobile environment: "It can be accessed at any Internet location, any mobile device, any laptop," he says.

So what apps can be hosted on Legal Workspace?

It's fairly limitless. Bogner says the team's attitude is "Let's get it done." And what gets done is a faster, more reliable, more flexible solution for law firms' technology needs.

Legal Workspace is a pioneer in cloud-based work environments and data storage designed specifically for law firms. Learn more or arrange a free demo at <u>legal-workspace.com</u>. <u>Click here</u> to watch our video.