## **Technology Products for Paralegals**

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The different services and products below are provided to help lawyers explore legal technology that may assist their practice. They are examples of products available to lawyers. LAWPRO and practicePROdo not endorse third party products or services. Lawyers should consider the appropriateness of each product for their practice.

Technology can help paralegals practice more effectively and efficiently. A number of products are available that can assist with law office tasks and help paralegals provide legal advice to clients. When considering adopting a new tool, give yourself time to learn how touse it and consider watching online tutorials or other training. Be sure to consider security as well. For further resources on implementing technology tools in your practice, see our related resources at practicepro.ca/technology.

Calendaring		
Acuity Scheduling	Acuity Scheduling allows users to book appointments online. Users can sync calendars to make the process even more efficient.	Tutorial
Calendly	Calendly lets users book meetings online without back and forth emails. Users can send their availability to other parties and let them select a mutually beneficial meeting time.	Tutorial
<u>Doodle</u>	Doodle helps users book meetings by sending available time slots and allowing others to choose the best time for all parties.	<u>Tutorial</u>

Collabo	Collaboration, Task Management and Workflow Tools		
Avvoka	Avvoka is an end-to-end document automation tool with features that include no-code automation, advanced templating, clause libraries, and workflow automation.	<u>User Guide</u>	
Confluence	Confluence is a collaborative workspace where teams and knowledge meet. It allows users to capture project requirements, assign tasks and manage several calendars at once.	<u>Tutorial</u>	
<u>Documate</u>	Documate turns template documents and forms into intelligent workflows, helping to reduce the time to generate document sets.	<u>Tutorial</u>	
<u>Legalboards</u>	Legalboards allows users to visually track, organize, and manage matters. It provides tools for matter planning and progression, activity tracking, team collaboration, and integrating data.	<u>Tutorial</u>	
Microsoft Teams	Microsoft Teams is an online hub where users can chat, meet, call and collaborate regardless of where the users are located.	<u>Tutorial</u>	
Neota Logic	Neota Logic is an automation platform used for case intake and assessment, compliance, contract automation, managing tasks and complex processes, and expertise automation that creates web-based solutions to guide users through digital interviews, gather facts, apply reasoning to information	<u>Tutorial</u>	

	collected, and produce customized outputs.	
<u>Procertas</u>	Procertas aims to deepen relationships and improve dialogue between law firms and law departments and includes software training.	<u>Tutorial</u>
Slack	Slack is an online hub that allows users to communicate regardless of where the users are located.	<u>Tutorial</u>
Toodledo	Toodledo allows users to create lists, add notes and collaborate with family and friends. It also tracks the user's habits to help organize and allow for more efficiency.	<u>Tutorial</u>
<u>Trello</u>	Trello is a list and progress platform that allows users to make lists and track progress as they go.	<u>Tutorial</u>
WiseTime	WiseTime is an automatic time tracking program that allocates time worked to specific clients and cases.	<u>Tutorial</u>
<u>Zapier</u>	Zapier automatically moves information between the apps you use to streamline processes.	<u>Tutorial</u>

	Document Signing	
Adobe Sign	Adobe Sign allows users to electronically sign documents, send documents to other people for their signatures and get automatic notifications and reminders.	Tutorial
<u>Docusign</u>	Docusign is a platform for digital signatures.	<u>Tutorial</u>

	Firm Management Software	
Clio	Clio is a cloud-based legal practice management platform. It enables law firms to track deadlines, manage cases and documents, bill clients, and accept payments.	<u>Tutorial</u>
Cosmolex	Cosmolex is a cloud-based law practice management software that manages trust and business accounting, time-tracking, billing, email and document management, tasks and calendaring.	Tutorial
<u>Filevine</u>	Filevine is a cloud-based case management solution for small and midsize legal firms for managing case documents, communication and file management. For Canadian clients Filevine uses Amazon Web Services' Canadian servers.	Tutorial
Ghost Practice	Ghost Practice is an all-in-one practice management solution including case management, document management, time tracking, billing and accounting.	Request a Demo
<u>iManage</u>	iManage combines artificial intelligence, security and risk mitigation with document and email management. It can be configured to have data stored on Canadian servers.	Tutorial

Matter365	Practice management software that fully integrates into Office365.	<u>Tutorial</u>
PCLaw   Time Matters	PCLaw   Time Matters offers two practice management solutions (which may be used separately or together). PCLaw is an all-in one practice management solution providing matter management, billing and accounting solution software. It tracks trust accounting, client management, tracks billable hours, billing and accounting. Time Matters is a case matter practice management program, including contacts, email, documents, research, and matter management. It integrates with a variety of other software products.	Tutorial - PCLaw  Tutorial - Time Matters
Soluno	Soluno is a time, billing and accounting solution for law firms. (Not available for Mac/OSX)	<u>Tutorial</u>
Worldox	Worldox is a document management system with document profiles, full-text searching and collaboration.	<u>Tutorial</u>

	Note Taking	
<u>Evernote</u>	Allows users to take notes, find information, save web pages, create to-do listsand share ideas with others.	<u>Tutorial</u>
<u>iAnnotate</u>	iAnnotate is an app by Folia that allows users to markup PDF files withhighlighting, diagrams, notes and audio comments.	<u>Tutorial</u>
Microsoft OneNote	Microsoft note taking software allows users to create notes, set tasks and manage their affairs.	<u>Tutorial</u>
Notability	Notability allows users to combine handwriting, photos and typing, all in one note. Users can also add and annotate PDFs in Notability.	Tutorial
Otter.ai	Otter.ai is an Al transcription assistant, which creates voice notes from meetings, interviews, and other conversations	Tutorial

Payment Solutions		
LawPay	LawPay provides a payment management solution that separates earned and unearned accounts. LawPay also organizes payments coming through from clients.	Tutorial
Square	Square is a hardware device that allows the user to accept any payment method, including credit card or debit, using tap and chip & PIN.	Tutorial
Stripe Payments	Stripe Payments is a complete payments platform that accepts payments and moves money globally using APIs and software solutions.	Tutorial

	Security	
<u>1password</u>	1Password provides a place for users to store various passwords, software licenses, and other sensitive information in a virtual vault. Canadian users who sign up at 1password.ca have their information stored on Canadian servers.	<u>Tutorial</u>
Authy	The Authy app generates secure 2 step verification tokens on your device. It helps users protect their account from hackers and hijackers by adding an additional layer of security.	Tutorials
BitLocker	BitLocker is a built-in feature to certain Microsoft software, designed to protect data by encrypting entire volumes. BitLocker locks the entire operating system partition and requires a specialized key to unlock the operating system.	Tutorial
Lastpass	LastPass saves and remembers your passwords and is accessible throughout all the user's devices.	<u>Tutorial</u>
Microsoft Authenticator	Microsoft Authenticator protects all of your accounts with two- step verification. The app also helps you secure all of your online accounts by using the industry standard time-based OTP (one-time password) codes.	<u>Tutorial</u>

	Social Media & Marketing	
<u>Canva</u>	Canva is a graphic design platform with design features for presentations, calendars, graphs, planners, letterheads, business cards, and more.	Tutorial
<u>Hootsuite</u>	Hootsuite is a social media management platform where users can manage all their social media accounts from one place.	Tutorial

	Surveys and Form Building	
Google Forms	Google Forms is a survey administration application. Forms collects information from users via a personalised survey or quiz.	<u>Tutorial</u>
Simple Survey	Simple Survey is a Canadian based survey and form creation tool, with data hostedin Canada.	<u>Tutorial</u>
SurveyMonkey	SurveyMonkey provides free online survey tools.	<u>Tutorial</u>
Typeform	Typeform provides software that specializes in online form building and online surveys.	<u>Tutorial</u>

Telephone, Internet and Fax		
<u>Ubity</u>	Ubity provides cloud-based telephone services and fax and voicemail services.	<u>Tutorial</u>
<u>Vonage</u>	Vonage offers, phone service, internet and paperless fax, amongst other services.	<u>Tutorial</u>

Video Conference Software		
GoToMeeting	GoToMeeting allows users to join, host or manage a meeting through video conferencing.	<u>Tutorial</u>
<u>Skype</u>	Skype enables individuals and businesses to make free video and voice calls, send instant messages and files to each other.	<u>Tutorial</u>
Zoom	Zoom provides video conferencing software. Multiple users can share their screens concurrently and co-annotate for collaborative meetings.	Tutorial

Voice Dictation and Transcription			
Dragon Speech	Dragon allows professionals to dictate and the software will	<u>Tutorial</u>	
Recognition	automatically assess and transcribe what is dictated to a		
	document.		
Microsoft Word	Word for Microsoft 365 dictation allows for speech-to-text using	<u>Tutorial</u>	
	your microphone.		
SpeechExec	SpeechExec is a speech-to-text dictation and transcription	<u>Tutorial</u>	
	software.		

Writing and Editing		
<u>Grammarly</u>	Grammarly assists writers to produce clean and mistake-free	<u>Tutorial</u>
	writing and offers suggestions that go beyond just grammar.	
TextExpander	TextExpander lets users instantly insert snippets of texts from a database of emails, boilerplate and other content, concurrently as the user types.	Tutorial
WordRake	WordRake is an automated, in-line, editing software. WordRake can make documents or emails clearer, shorter and better overall. It can be added to Microsoft Word and Outlook.	Tutorial

## **Tools for Specific Areas of Law**

Litigation			
CaseFleet	CaseFleet allows lawyers to manage litigation files and organize facts, issues, and sources.	<u>Tutorial</u>	

Citeright	Citeright is a legal research tool that allows users to save the research they have done and lives in Microsoft Word as an addon.	Tutorial
Evichat	Evichat provides a service that organizes messages for users, specifically for evidentiary needs. It can handle messaging between users and organize messages, such as websites and other evidence, helping declutter messages.	<u>Tutorial</u>
<u>Logikull</u>	Logikull is an e-discovery platform that organizes evidence the parties intend to use.	<u>Tutorial</u>
Page Vault	Page Vault helps legal professionals capture web content, such as Facebook, videos, and websites, and creates an easy-to-printPDF.	Tutorial
<u>Primafact</u>	Primafact is a document management software for litigation practice.	<u>Tutorial</u>
TrialPad	TrialPad allows users to store and access documents from their iPad. It includes presentation tools, highlights text, creates side-by-side document comparisons, edits and shows video clips, adds exhibit stickers to documents and searches document texts.	Tutorial

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