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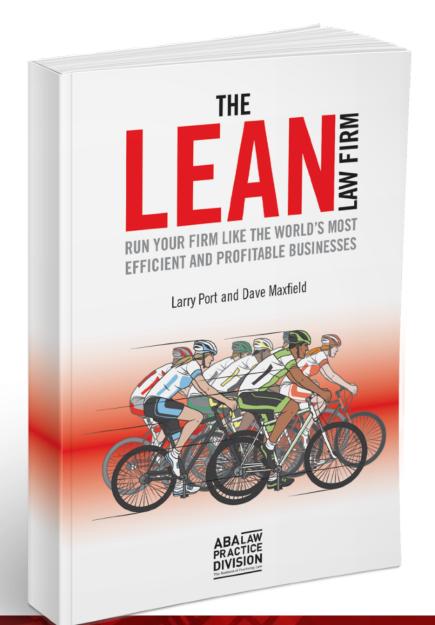
Process, Organization, Adoption

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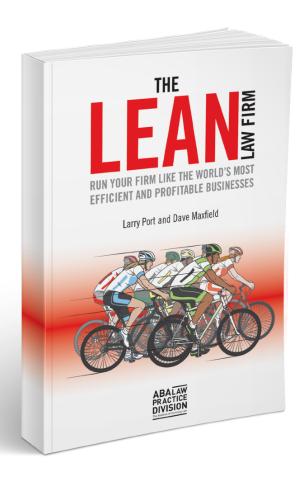
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Going Paperless



"If you're not running a paperless law office, you're neck-deep in muda (waste)."

Going Paperless

"I'm a firm believer that there's no single thing you can do to better improve your law firm than to go paperless."

Attorney Bryan Sims

More Reasons to Go Paperless If You Weren't Convinced Already...

- Increased efficiency- i.e. waste less time.
- Remote access- i.e. work wherever.
- Backing up and protecting client data i.e peace of mind
- No more lost files i.e. CYA
- Stop paying to store paper files i.e. more money in your pocket



Commit to Starting Slowly and Chipping Away

- Make a commitment
- Approach projects with grit and determination
- Overcome resistant employees



Determine Your Process

- How will you handle internally created documents?
- How will you handle externally created documents?
- What will you do with the originals?

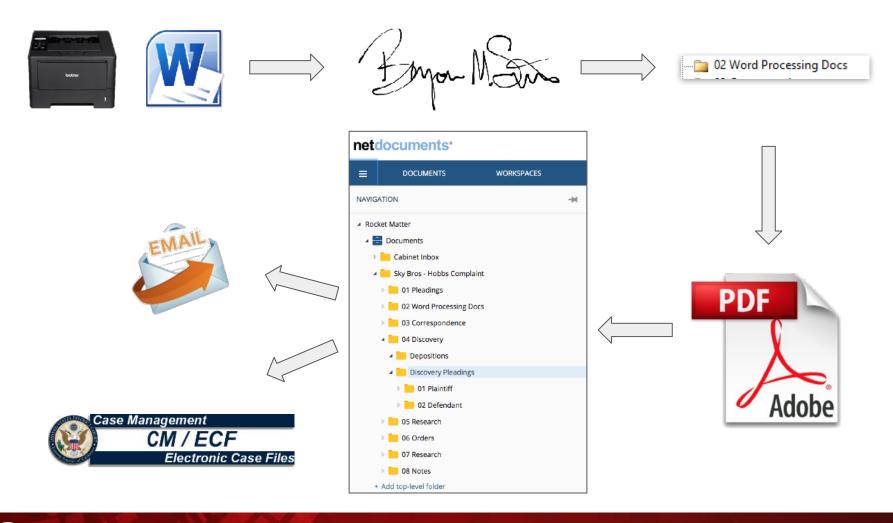


Internal Documents

- Pleadings
- Motions
- Briefs
- Letters
- Memos
- Faxes

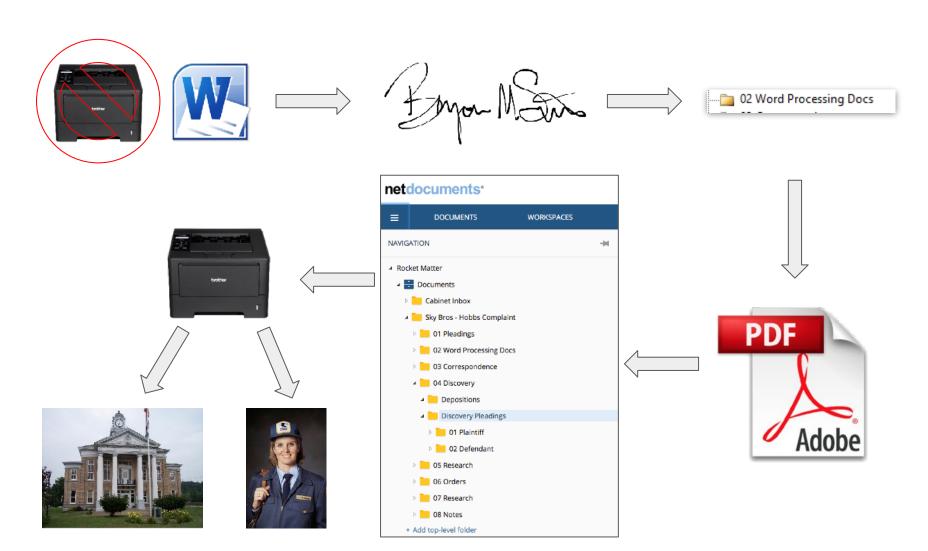


Internal Document Workflow





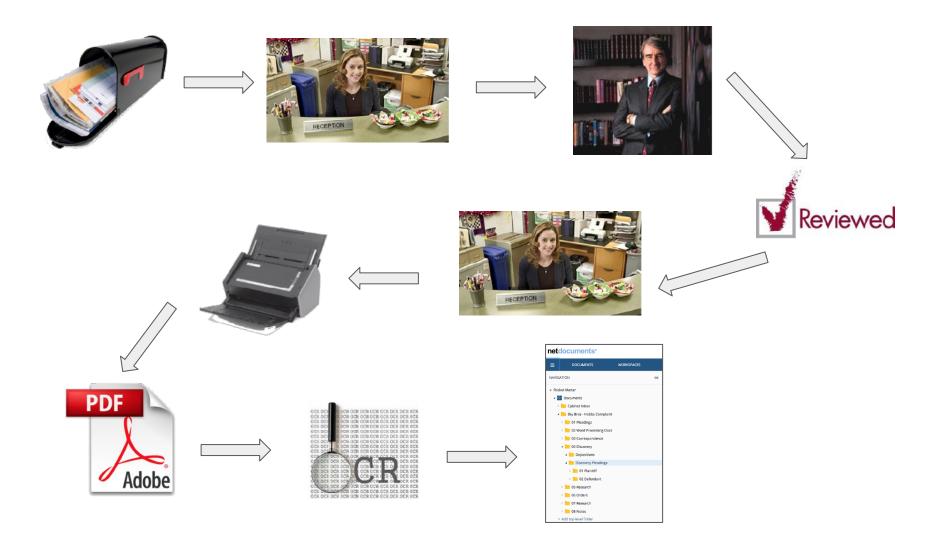
Internal Document Workflow



External Documents

- Pleadings
- Motions
- Briefs
- Letters
- Memos
- Faxes
- Documents from Clients
- Documents from the Court

External Document Workflow



What About the Originals?

- Evidence
- **Wills**
- Notes
- Ancient Documents
- Forgeries
- Questioned Documents

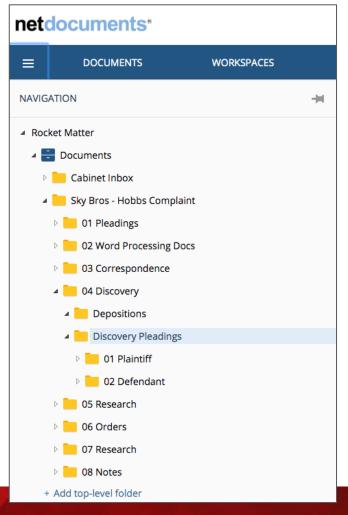


Establish Naming and Filing Conventions

- Define an overall folder structure and file naming conventions separately from your overall paperless workflow
- Discuss all ideas with your team



Storage is One Thing, Filing Another





A Word About File Naming Conventions

Letter or Ltr

Memorandum or Memo

2018.01.21 or 19.01.21 or 190121

Do all files have dates?

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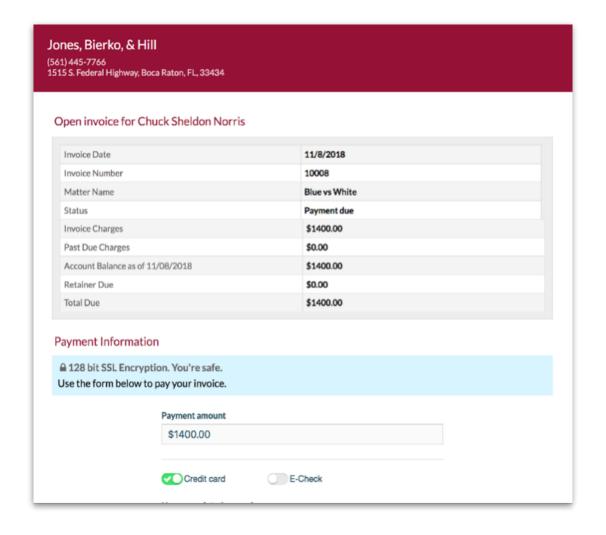


Automate Your Billing and Collections

- Combine legal practice management with online payment processing
- This saves a ton of time and allows clients to pay how they want (credit, echeck)
- You'll end up collecting a higher percentage of your invoices



Electronic Invoicing





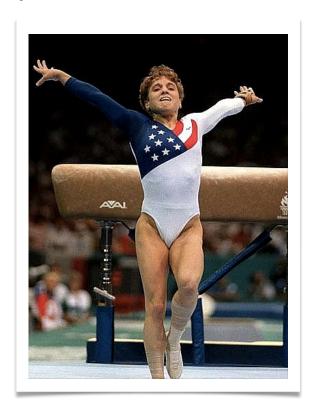
Adoption



You'll have detractors, but also champions

You must quickly identify negative change agents and champions.





You NEED support from the top.



And it's all in the positioning.



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You must understand different types of people & know where their interests lie.



Incentivize

Create goals for your team and monetary incentives to spur action and keep everyone accountable:

- \$750 team bonus when naming conventions and processes are documented.
- \$750 team bonus when office converts to an online document storage system.
- \$750 team bonus when invoices are paperless and electronic payments commence.



Thank You!

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