



Working on the move with DPSCloud: Are you making the most of your mobile devices?

Birds Solicitors are a successful criminal law firm based in South London. First established in October 2000 by Steven Bird and Richard Locke, Birds solicitors have been using the DPS Crime case management system from the very beginning. They have since enjoyed a successful and long term relationship with DPS during which Birds has flourished into a successful criminal law firm.

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THE SOFTWARE

As a DPSCloud hosted client Birds Solicitors benefit from access to the latest and most powerful suite of DPS legal software on the market with updates to their DPS Crime system automatically applied as part of the service.

Automatic case costing and tracking with all records carried forward to produce CDS6, CDS7 and Crown Court bills or private bills where the case is not CDS listed.

All CDS forms are fully integrated and are completed automatically at the touch of a button. This includes the CDS6 form which can then be uploaded directly to the LSC website, saving hours of manual input.

Microsoft Outlook integration provides a familiar working environment for a user which is flexible and fully amendable with a library of precedents provided.

Email and case file integration allows instant communication with contacts on the file.

DPSCloud: Working from Remote Devices

When Birds Solicitors opted for DPSCloud as their outsourced IT solution they made the decision with the benefits of hosted IT in mind. However the firm probably didn't realise how much of a significant difference it would make to their business structure. By allowing staff to conveniently access DPS case management from any location on any mobile device the firm began to improve efficiency through factors such as improved time management, instant access to files and accurate time recording while out of the office.

DPSCloud: Working from Remote Devices ...continued

An important factor for Director and Founder at Birds, Steven Bird is the ability to give staff the flexibility to work remotely.

“At Birds we have 10 consultants who do not work from the office and rely on DPS as their case management system. The DPSCloud solution allows access from home, court or from a conference with the counsel. This is a major advantage as anyone can access the system wherever they are and it is identical to working in the office. Also we are released from the task of backing-up data and managing our disaster recovery and business continuity mechanisms- being hosted by DPSCloud means our data is safe and secure in the event of a disaster.”

DPSCloud clients such as Birds can access their hosted desktop from their iPad or equivalent tablet device. The solution enables 24/7 access to data and systems, saving time and money investing in the required hardware and software to work out of the office.

“Overall moving to DPSCloud gives us great freedom to be able to work remotely whether you are working at home or need access from court or someone else's office. Your entire caseload is with you at any time as long as you have an internet connection. It is quick, just like working on a desktop, and allows multiple persons access to material at the same time.”

Conclusion

DPS have been providing software to the legal sector for over three decades and have built their DPSCloud full-service hosted model to complement these offerings and with the specific needs of law firms in mind. Birds are taking full advantage of DPS Software's one-stop-shop approach to a hosted solution with their MS Exchange and Office systems also in the cloud. Having an outsourced IT provider has relieved Birds Solicitors from the stress and time it takes to run an IT department in-house. With DPS the transition to the cloud is made simple and Birds now feel reassured that they can focus on their legal work and work more efficiently safe in the knowledge that their business continuity and disaster recovery capabilities are taken care of.

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Birds specialises in criminal defence work and deal with general crime, serious fraud and a large amount of appellate work and applications to the Criminal Cases Review Commission. The firm deals solely with criminal law although since early 2009 has introduced a prison law department.

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