

Case Study:

Virtual Server Hosting

Business Issue

A small law firm is dissolving. Each of the three attorneys will be starting their own independent office, with a small support staff. They will each need a server and related network infrastructure in which to conduct their business. Storage space is needed for case-related files, email, etc. The biggest issue is the expense for an individual attorney to install a server and related software, and a full network infrastructure.

Solution

The solution to this problem is hosted services. We provide the server, the software, and support. We handle creating accounts, setting up email and security, and perform regular backups.

Any applications the attorney needs can be provided as well, such as Microsoft Office, which is provided using the Microsoft Services Provider License Agreement (SPLA), which allows the software to be licensed on a monthly basis. We provide all updates and maintenance related to the applications.

The attorney and his support staff access the server, email, and all data remotely. This eliminates the costly option of purchasing server hardware, operating system and licenses, and applications for office support staff.

Results

This model results in significant startup cost savings for an attorney, or any small office trying to get off the ground. It provides reliable, dependable, and secure storage for their data, and is accessible to them anywhere in the world. Standard applications, such as Microsoft Office, are available, fully updated at all times, without having to actually purchase the software. This allows the office staff to perform their jobs, while saving the attorney the enormous up front costs of a server installation.



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