

## DIGITAL BUSINESS IN A DIGITAL AGE May 28, 2020 Presented by: Ben G. Schachter, Co-Founder Ben@TotalBrokerage.com / (561) 302-9117

## I. Introduction

- a. Special thanks to Kristen King Jaiven, General Counsel to Signature Real Estate Companies, for connecting me with RPPTL
- b. Thank you to the Real Probate and Trust Law Section (RPPTL) Leasing Committee of the Florida BAR for allowing me to present today!
- II. Digital Business
  - a. Save the paper!
  - b. Work from anywhere
  - c. Less need for physical office space (storage, files, offices, etc.)
  - d. Attract millennial attorneys to your practice
  - e. Make your business more efficient
- III. Cloud (Web / Online) Storage
  - a. Options
    - i. Google Drive
      - 1. Google Tools & Services (G-Suite) are priced more competitively than similar products offered by Microsoft
      - 2. More collaboration resources
      - 3. Not as feature rich as Microsoft
    - ii. Dropbox
    - iii. Amazon
    - iv. Microsoft Azure
    - v. SAP
    - vi. IBM Cloud
    - vii. Local Servers (in your office)
    - viii. Dozens more
  - b. Up Time
    - i. Should be at least 99% minimum guarantee
  - c. Back-Up redundancy (various locations protects from natural disasters, etc.)
  - d. Understand and read the SaaS Terms and don't fear negotiating terms if necessary
- IV. E-Signature
  - a. UETA: Uniform Electronic Transactions Act
  - b. ESIGN: Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act
  - c. Typing a signature on keyboard vs. manually signing online (finger / stylus on touch pad)

- d. E-sign Authenticity Reports (legally enforceable in a court of law)
- V. Scanning Equipment
  - a. Owned / Leased (in your office)
    - i. Fujitsu
    - ii. Cannon
    - iii. Panasonic
    - iv. Brother
  - b. Third Party Services
    - i. Iron Mountain
    - ii. IBM
    - iii. Docufree
  - c. Mobile Devices (iPhone / iPad / Android, etc.)
    - i. TurboScan
    - ii. Scanner Pro
    - iii. Genius Scan
- VI. VoIP: Voice over Internet Protocol
  - a. Functionality
  - b. Cost
  - c. Hardware
  - d. Scalability
  - e. Remote telephone answering and warm transfers or message taking
  - f. Google Voice
    - i. Ring up to 5 phones at once so you never miss a call again!
    - ii. Screening callers with auto-annunciators
- VII. Encryption, Cybersecurity & Antivirus Protection
  - a. Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) is a symmetric encryption algorithm and one of the most secure. There three levels. The higher the number the more encryption (AES-128, AES-192 & AES-256).
  - b. Cybersecurity Services (third party)
  - c. Common Virus Protection
    - i. McAfee
    - ii. Norton
    - iii. Bitdefender
    - iv. Kaspersky
- VIII. IT Support
  - a. Employees (inside staff)
  - b. Third Party (as needed)
    - i. Braintek
    - ii. Virtuworks
    - iii. Pegasus Technologies
    - iv. Palm Tech
    - v. Menark
- IX. Remote Online Notaries (RON)

- a. As of 1/1/2020 Florida revised its notary public laws to include interactive audio-video conference to qualify under the "personal appearance" requirement.
- b. Complete 2-hour RON course, pay Florida registration fees, register with the Florida as an online notary
- c. Not all banking lenders (mortgages) are onboard and they still want set signatures
- X. Economic Implications of going Digital
  - a. Staffing
  - b. Office Space
  - c. Utilities
  - d. Furniture (filing cabinets, etc.)
  - e. Offsite Storage

## THANK YOU!

## **QUESTIONS?**