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# **Liberty Law Center**

Annual Retreat Debrief September 13-14, 2023



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## **Check-In**

Personal Successes, Professional Successes & Goals For Retreat

#### Crista

#### **Personal Successes**

- New vehicle found
- Small vacation to visit family
- Planned trip for whole family to MN for memorial
- Upgrading home office in the works

#### **Professional Successes**

- Transitioned Liz to handle more intake
- More DUI leads, and converting better

#### **Goals For Retreat**

- Family Law has one centralized communication system
- How to get everyone onboard

#### **Drake**

#### **Personal Successes**

• Bash into pre-school- he's growing up!

#### **Professional Successes**

• Flat fee going!

#### **Goals For Retreat**

- Brainstorm ways to raise value provided to clients
  - Be able to answer how we are different from another Law firm.

#### Bill

#### **Personal Successes**

- Teenager is driving!
- Scheduled 2 vacations!
  - October Anniversary trip
  - July 2024 family trip
- Doing better physically
- Headway for Linda's health

#### **Professional Successes**

- Lots of cases w/ good outcomes
- Criminal team systems going well
- July- Aug 20 DUI cases
  - Average case value of Aug cases is \$5,125 for DUI
  - Case value for all of Criminal is \$1,000 higher in the last 60 days
- Flat fees!
- SMB going well
- We are in the fine-tuning phase!

#### **Goals For Retreat**

- Review #'s + get projections
- Create framework for next phase of growth
  - Milestones to inform certain levers being pulled (hiring, etc)
- Think about transition to visionary
   + mentor

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# Goal Review + Goals

# **Quarter Review**

#### **Lessons Learned + Realizations**

- Managing people takes way more time than expected, so a system to regularly check-in.
- Outlining expectations better. Will set up new hires (attorney role specifically) to be more successful in their role
- Being fully committed ensures that it will be done
  - Went from "That would be nice if that happens." turned to "This will happen, regardless of what path it takes."
- Exclusivity ensures we have more time to spend on each case.
  - How do we use that time.
- The value we provide isn't tied to time, but to results created for clients
- Flat fee model really is an exemplification of out values
- If you see something you want to do, you go hire an expert to show you how to do it.

# **Rock Review**

- Raise Criminal Fees (Bill) Done
- Fully transition to SMB (Crista) Done
- 3 Build Document LLC Family Flat-Fee System (Drake) Done
- 4 Post for Intake Position (Bill) Not Done
- 5 Post for Legal Assistant Position (Drake) Done

# 2024

## **Annual Firm Revenue**

\$3.2 MILLION



# **Budget Overview**

People Cost \$1,210,000 | 37.8%

Overhead **\$222,000 | 6.9%** 

Marketing **\$640,000 | 20%** 

Gross Profit **\$1,128,000 | 35.3%** 

Taxes \$338,000 | 30% of GP

Net Profit \$790,000 | 24.5%

Building Lease \$65,000

Building Saving **\$120,000** 

Loan Payoff **\$100,000** 

Final Profit **\$505,000** 

Saving Balance \$150,000

Profit **\$335,000!!!** 



#### **Liberty Law Center**

[Law Firm Name]

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NAME	GOAL (\$ or #)	ACTUAL (\$ or #)	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	ACTUAL (\$ or #)	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	GOAL (\$ or #)	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	GOAL (\$ or #)			DECEMBER
REVENUE	\$1,378,000	\$268,373	\$80,469	\$81,071	\$106,833	\$314,046	\$80,235	\$114,665	\$119,146	\$366,884	\$119,347	\$112,037	\$157,697	\$406,500	\$135,500	\$135,500	\$135,500
BY PRACTICE AREA		BY PRACTICE AREA				BY PRACTICE AREA				BY PRACTICE AREA	Actual	Actual	Goal	BY PRACTICE AREA			
[DR] New Case Values	\$849,350	\$155,735	\$47,457	\$42,410	\$65,868	\$193,569	\$43,706	\$72,892	\$76,971	\$246,546	\$80,332	\$69,047	\$97,167	\$253,500	\$84,500	\$84,500	\$84,500
[DR] Cases Open	157	28	11	13	4	50	14	17	19	25	15	10	13	39	13	13	13
[CR] New Case Values	\$528,300	\$112,638	\$33,012	\$38,661	\$40,965	\$120,477	\$36,529	\$41,773	\$42,175	\$142,185	\$39,015	\$42,990	\$60,180	\$153,000	\$51,000	\$51,000	\$51,000
[CR] Cases Open	142	35	12	12	11	45	10	20	15	31	10	21	12	36	12	12	12
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Goal for Criminal Law average case revenue is \$4,500 by the end of 2023

Goal for DUI Cases average case revenue is \$6,000 by the end of 2023

Goal for Family Law average case revenue to \$10,000 by end of 2023, \$12,000+ end of Q2 2024

Septembers goals = September to date + monthly goal



#### **Liberty Law Center**

[Law Firm Name]

	2024 GOALS Q1				Q2					(	23		Q4					
		GOAL	QUARTERLY	Q1 GO	ALS BROKEN DOWN BY MO	NTH	QUARTERLY			QUARTERLY	Q3 GC	ALS BROKEN DOWN BY MC	NTH	QUARTERLY	Q4 G	Q4 GOALS BROKEN DOWN BY MONTH		
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GOAL	FIRM REVENUE	\$3,239,250	\$565,875	\$190,125	\$192,750	\$183,000	\$748,125	\$231,375	\$241,500	\$275,250	\$892,500	\$298,875	\$296,250	\$297,375	\$1,032,750	\$315,375	\$345,000	\$372,375
BY PRACTICE AREA  BY PRACTICE AREA					BY PRACTICE AREA				BY PRACTICE AREA				BY PRACTICE AREA					
	[DR] REVENUE	\$2,484,000	\$432,000	\$144,000	\$144,000	\$144,000	\$576,000	\$168,000	\$192,000	\$216,000	\$684,000	\$234,000	\$228,000	\$222,000	\$792,000	\$240,000	\$264,000	\$288,000
	[CR] REVENUE	\$755,250	\$133,875	\$46,125	\$48,750	\$39,000	\$172,125	\$63,375	\$49,500	\$59,250	\$208,500	\$64,875	\$68,250	\$75,375	\$240,750	\$75,375	\$81,000	\$84,375
GOAL	FIRM NEW CASE VALUES	\$3,492,000	\$594,000	\$198,000	\$198,000	\$198,000	\$922,500	\$307,500	\$307,500	\$307,500	\$918,000	\$306,000	\$306,000	\$306,000	\$1,206,000	\$402,000	\$402,000	\$402,000
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ſ	DR] New Case Values	\$2,736,000	\$432,000	\$144,000	\$144,000	\$144,000	\$720,000	\$240,000	\$240,000	\$240,000	\$648,000	\$216,000	\$216,000	\$216,000	\$936,000	\$312,000	\$312,000	\$312,000
I	CR] New Case Values	\$904,500	\$162,000	\$54,000	\$54,000	\$54,000	\$202,500	\$67,500	\$67,500	\$67,500	\$270,000	\$90,000	\$90,000	\$90,000	\$270,000	\$90,000	\$90,000	\$90,000
GOAL	[DR] Cases Open	228	36	12	12	12	60	20	20	20	54	18	18	18	78	26	26	26
GOAL	[CR] Cases Open	144	36	12	12	12	36	12	12	12	36	12	12	12	36	12	12	12

#### NOTES

New DR attorney: 8 cases a month for first 3 months (April -June)

Criminal Law average case revenue is \$4,500 for first 6 months, \$6,000 for next 6 months

Family Law average case revenue is \$12,000

# **VISION DECK**

		Q4	GOALS				Q4 ROCKS
GOAL	GOAL NAME REVENUE	GOAL (\$ or #) \$406,500	ост \$135,500	NOV \$135,500	DEC \$135,500	1	Build + implement Lawmatics (Crista)
0	BY PRACTICE AREA	\$253,500	\$84,500	\$84,500	\$84,500	2	Implement uniform DR communication system (Drake)
	Case Values  [DR] Cases Open  [CR] New	39	13	13	13	3	B Map out client journey for DR (Drake)
	Case Values [CR] Cases Open	\$153,000 36	\$51,000 12	\$51,000 12	\$51,000 12		Map out elicite journey for DR (Druke)
GOAL						4	<ul> <li>Improve attorney onboarding process (Bill)</li> <li>Expectations w/ case management</li> </ul>
	BY PRACTICE AREA					5	6 Hire virtual DR Legal Assistant (Crista)
						6	Deliver Team Rollout (Bill)
						7	Refine intake process (Bill)
GOAL							
GOAL							
		IMPORTA	NT REMIND	FRS			STRATEGIES FOR WHEN OFF TRACK

STRATEGIES FOR	WHEN OFF TRACK
INTERNALLY OFF TRACK	EXTERNALLY OFF TRACK

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# Firm Production Models

# **Liberty Law Center Milestones for Hiring**

**Criminal Hiring Protocol Criminal Hiring Protocol** for Attorney #1/Bill for Attorney #2 replacement 2 consecutive 2 consecutive 2 consecutive 2 consecutive 2 consecutive 2 consecutive months of +4 months of? months of months of \$100k months of \$50k months of \$200k cases and \$70k cases and? \$100k per new case value new case value new case value monthly new monthly new month revenue and 12+ cases and 12+ cases and 20+ cases case value per case value per and 18+ cases per month per month attorney attorney Family Law Hiring Family Law Hiring

Protocol for Attorney #4/

Drake replacement

Protocol for Attorney #3

# **Criminal**

## **Gang Ratio**

- 1 Attorney
- .5 Case Manager
- .5 Legal Assistant (Virtual) Justin (\$300 X Cases Opened)

# Fully Ramped

- 105 cases at \$6,000 every 7 months
- \$90,000/month (\$1,080,000yr)
- 180 cases/year



## **Gang Cost**

Attorney	Case Manager	Legal Assistant	Justin
\$150,000	\$40,000	\$13,000	\$54,000

Total Gang cost: \$257,000

Average Case Value of \$6k Revenue: \$1,080,000 Gang cost: \$257,000

Gang Margin: \$823,000

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# **Family**

# **Squad**

1 Attorney 1 Paralegal .5 Legal Assistant

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**Attorney** 

\$150,000

**Paralegal** 

\$75,000

**Legal Assistant** 

\$13,000

Total Squad cost: \$238,000

Average Case Value of \$12k Revenue: \$864,000

Squad cost: \$238,000

Squad Margin: \$626,000

# **Core Values**

**Bold:** We're willing to take that step in the dark for the greater good of the firm.

**Adaptable:** We are constantly seeking for the better way for ourselves, for our clients, and for the firm.

**Open:** We are non-judgmental of each other and our clients.

**Driven:** We're not on cruise control. We're accountable for our contribution to the success of the firm.

**Fun:** We don't take ourselves too seriously. We learn, we grow, we fail, we fall, we have a laugh, take a breath and we get up and do it again.

**Collaboration:** We value the collective genius of our team. Everyones a part of the firm's success.

# **Rocks**

- Build out + implement Lawmatics (Crista)
- 2 Implement uniform DR communication system (Drake)
- 3 Map out client journey for DR (Drake)
- 4 Improve attorney onboarding process (Bill)
  - Expectations w/ case management
- 5 Hire virtual [DR] Legal Assistant (Crista)
- 6 Deliver Team Rollout (Bill)
- **7** Refine intake process (Bill)

#### **Other Important Initiatives**

- 1 Quarterly Check-in (structured) with whole team ---→ Out of the office
- 2 Monthly Casual Check-ins (Drake w/ DR team)
- 3 Daily Huddle
- Incentive
  - Could incentivize above \$72K/month new-case revenue
  - Could incentivize support team on milestone revenue/ total revenue

# Vision / Team rollout Prep

#### **Team Thoughts**

- "I did a good job"Good
  - 1. Result achieved
  - 2. Always communicating w/ the client (Indicator-reduced client calls)

#### **Client Thoughts**

- "I made the right choice"
- "I understand whats going on"

## **Team Feelings**

- Accomplished
- Successful
- Proud
- Fufilled

#### **Client Feelings**

- Grateful
- Confident
- Taken care of

#### The WHY

- System for managing team
- Client communication system
- Client database (video faq)
- Podcast for clients
- Quarterly meetings w/ team
  - Daily Huddles
  - Dept meetings

- Being more deliberate
- Space for professional development and training
- Space for self-improvement

Sticks around + stands the test of time