

## Quick Tech Update from the ABA

Recently *The 2010 Solo and Small Firm Legal Technology Guide* was released in the ABA Webstore, and *YourABA* interviewed the authors on this year's tech trends among attorneys. Among their questions—what are the “must-have’s” and what should be avoided:

- One of the must-haves is case and practice management systems. There seems to be this resistance to them, which is puzzling, since these systems have been proven to help attorneys work more efficiently and make more money.
- The gurus caution attorneys against getting the iPhone, not because of its technology, which they admit is brilliant, but because even encrypted data is easily accessed when the iPhone is connected to a computer. Until security is improved, other models of smartphones are recommended.
- As for when to switch over to Microsoft 7, the gurus agreed that it is better to wait until you have to replace a computer rather than upgrading, especially if you're currently running Windows XP. For one thing, a direct upgrade from XP is not possible and the XP to Vista to Windows 7 is described as a “painful” process.

The full article is available at <http://www.abanet.org/media/youraba/201003/article01.html>.



### Save the Dates

- Apr 14**—[Legal Research on Westlaw](#) 1hr CLE
- May 1**—Law Day
- May 5**—Law Day Luncheon
- May 19**—[Ethics](#) 2hr CLE

### No Public Hours Apr 8

The law librarian will be at the Kansas Library Conference in Wichita, co-presenting “How to Help Patrons Seek Legal Information” with Anne Stroud of the Johnson County Law Library.

### Health Care Reform—What's the Real Story?

Nearly everyone has an opinion about the federal health care legislation, but how much of that is factual? One site that does an excellent job of collecting reliable, nonpartisan answers to common questions is <http://www.healthcarereformmyths.org/>. The full text of the bill may be found online at [http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/query/z?c111:H.R.3200:](http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/query/z?c111:H.R.3200)

**Contest!** -The first 10 people to become fans of the LCLL on Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#!/pages/Emporia/Lyon-County-Law-Library/137835771916?ref=ts>) AND post to the wall this month will each receive a Westlaw cooler backpack.

### Book Auction

Title	Pub.	Date	Retail	Min. Bid
West's Code of Federal Regulations General Index 2009	West	2009	\$340	\$3
The Law of Sentencing, Corrections, & Prisoners' Rights	West	2002	\$33	\$1
The Executor's Guide	NOLO	2008	\$40	\$1

This may be the last auction for a while since the law library is cutting back on its book subscriptions. **Auction ends Apr 15 at 5pm.** See [www.lyoncounty.org/LawLibrary.html](http://www.lyoncounty.org/LawLibrary.html)