

SOS Connect is our exciting and all-new .Net-based practice and matter management system that combines timesaving features with total portability. Designed for progressive law firms requiring both powerful and flexible software, it allows partners, fee earners, accounts teams and support staff to adapt the system to their needs, and operate it wherever they can access the internet.

More effective and convenient management features

SOS Connect is rich with features that make your work easier to manage and enhance your client service. For example, SOS Connect files copies of your emails against matters automatically as they're received or sent. Accessing your matters is convenient too; you don't even need to leave your Microsoft Outlook screen, as all the necessary additional buttons appear on the Outlook toolbar.

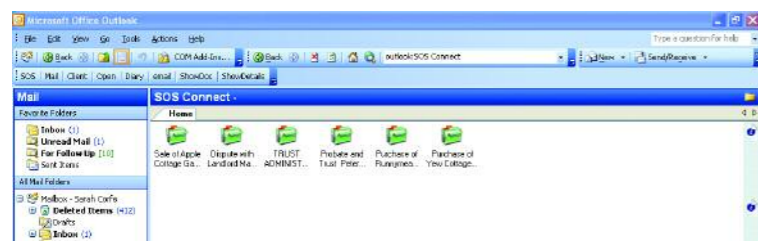
Easier, intuitive time recording

With SOS Connect, time recording is achieved with just a click. The outstanding simplicity of the system encourages all users to record their billable time every day, ensuring your firm realises its full income potential.

Software that works the way you do

SOS Connect adapts to your working practices; not the other way round. Its new Matter Management scripting function lets you build your own workflow processes into the software, delivering results much faster and more easily than a case management system. The same scripting function can also determine precisely how your staff operate SOS Connect on a daily basis, ensuring the software supports all your firm's internal processes.

The software also gives you the option to develop your own user interfaces, enabling chosen Connect screens (ledgers or billing screens for example) to form part of your office-wide portal. And as it's based on .Net and Web Services technology, SOS Connect also makes it easier to integrate third party products.



Fee earner desktop in Outlook



Yet more invaluable benefits

SOS Connect offers several modules that will help your firm handle essential admin tasks efficiently, saving you valuable time and helping you easily keep track of your business performance.

Auto Bank Reconciliation

Now your cashbook entries can be matched to your bank statements, automatically and in a fraction of the time it took to check manually. Auto Bank Reconciliation eliminates the frustration of searching for missing transactions; it highlights errors, provides full reporting on reconciled and non-reconciled items and lets you choose from a variety of criteria to search your cashbook or bank statement. With connectivity to all the major high street banks (and to others, on request), Auto Bank Reconciliation helps you keep easier control of your banking.

Electronic Fund Transfer

Firms and clients both appreciate the time and cost-saving benefits of secure Electronic Fund Transfers through BACS and CHAPS. Quicker and more accurate than paying via cheques, giros and cash, this SOS Connect module reduces paperwork and bank charges. Typical uses include salaries, suppliers and lease payments.

Even firms making as few as 50 payments a month can save 83% per year on bank processing costs, by using our Electronic Fund Transfer feature.

Marketing Manager

Marketing is not just about advertising and direct mail, it is also about understanding where your business comes from and who your most valuable clients are.

Our Marketing Manager module helps you target your business-building activities more accurately, by supplying instant statistics on the profitability of clients and intermediaries, and the amount of work they provide to you. You can also create custom screens to display information that's particularly relevant to your firm's activities, giving you a clearer marketing focus.

SOS Business Intelligence

Business Intelligence is another first from SOS, providing a dynamic and sophisticated reporting system at a level previously enjoyed only by multi-national corporations.

SOS Business Intelligence uses powerful On Line Analytical Processing (OLAP) to unlock the data in your SOS Connect software. It highlights key performance indicators such as time recorded, fees billed, realisation, utilisation, debtor days, lock-in etc, to reveal your past and present business performance and help you predict your future results. You can also rapidly drill into the data in greater detail, to determine which departments, branches, individuals, matter types and/or clients are the principal contributors.

SOS Business Intelligence works with Microsoft Excel spreadsheets and your usual web browser, reducing the amount of training required. You'll quickly and easily gain the insight you need to make better business decisions and deliver your analyses direct to partners' and fee earners' desktops.

The effect is liberating

SOS Connect does even more than rescue you from floods of distracting emails and hours of repetitive admin. It gives you the freedom to use all of its invaluable features online wherever you're working. At home, at a client's office, abroad or even on the train - you can access all the functionality that you benefit from in the office.

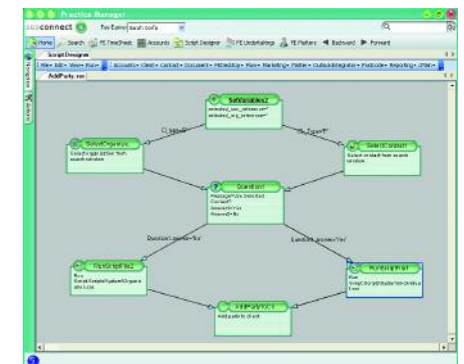
If you are a multi-branch firm, SOS Connect means all your offices can be linked to one centralised system, cost-effectively. Now you no longer need expensive leased lines to rollout the software to everyone; your staff simply access it online.

Even more flexible

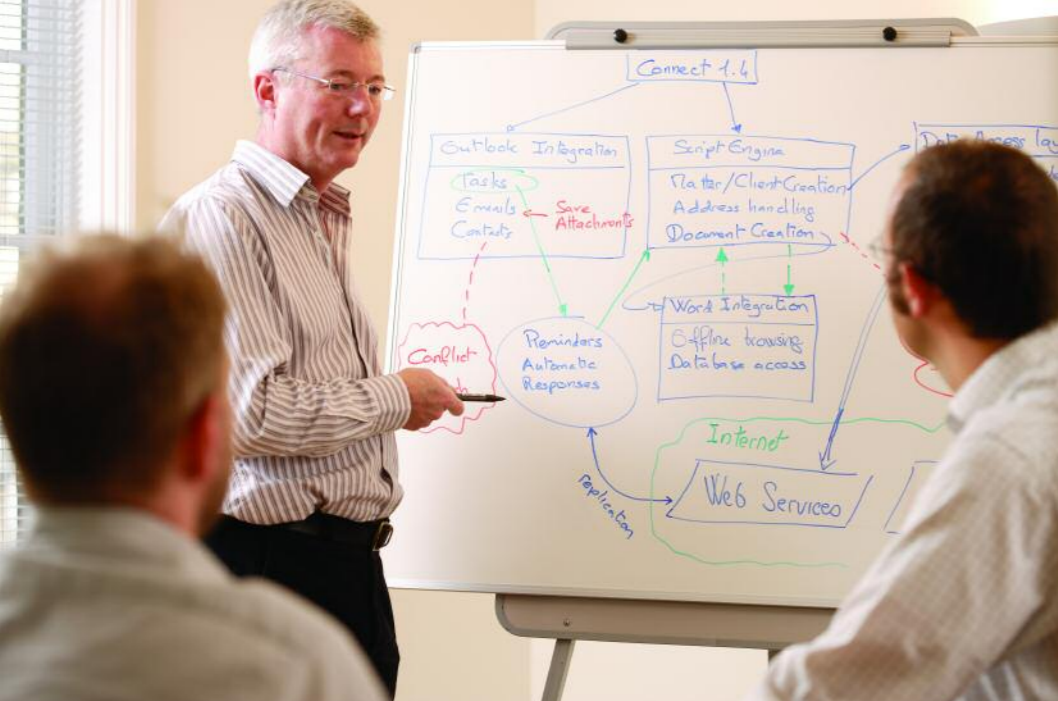
In fact, you don't even need to be online to benefit from SOS Connect. A fee-earner can handle tasks such as working on documents and time recording offline, when and where it suits them, knowing that their work will be uploaded automatically to the firm's central database, the next time they connect to the office network.

Award winning design

Winner of a DTI Smart Award for 'technical innovation', SOS Connect has been developed and refined over three years using the latest .Net and Web Services technology, to ensure it effectively supports an increasingly changing profession.



SOS Connects' unique scripting



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About SOS

Formed in 1988, SOS was the first company to offer Windows-based software for practice management, time recording and event management. With our innovative, practical products and skilled staff, we have established an exceptional retention record - almost every client from our early days is still with us, and many more have joined them - from high street practices to a number of the UK's 'Top 100' firms.

Our success is founded on the quality of our people, and their genuine desire to see our software properly installed and delivering all of its many advantages. So besides providing market leading software, we ensure you benefit from easy implementation, effective project management and practical ongoing support, to get the most from your SOS system.

There's no time like the present

SOS software could be saving you valuable time, right now. To experience the benefits of our innovation in your practice, please contact us today.

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