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Subject: 2016 LPM-TECH Conference: Today's Tech Tip!

A Law Practice Management & Technology Event

Here's Your TECH TIP...

As the number of hack attacks on law firms rises, so does the importance of safeguarding both your computer data and your passwords. There are two security measures all lawyers can take that won't cost an arm and a leg. First, password managers. By now, we know that using the same password for everything is asking for trouble. If someone gets your password, they would have unfettered access to anything you use it for. For years, it has been possible to use a software program to generate tough passwords for sites you visit, and then safeguard them, along with any you make up and add. Popular examples are [1Password](#), [LastPass](#), and [RoboForm](#). You only need to remember the master password for the password manager itself. This master password is encrypted by the program you use and not readable by anyone. Naturally, you would need a good (at least 12 characters, mixing numbers, letters and symbols) master password.

But with so much riding on one password, it's wise to use a product that offers "double authentication" or "multifactor authentication." That extra layer of protection can come in the form of a fingerprint reader or a unique numeric code that is texted to your phone each time you log in. Someone would need to have your password and your phone to get in. Google's Gmail has been offering this feature for several years. Subscribe to a password manager (free versions don't allow as much storage, among other things) and use multifactor authentication whenever you can. That's two easy and inexpensive ways you can protect your (and your clients') data.

For more tips like this, mark September 16 on your calendar for the LPM-TECH conference, sponsored by the Solo & Small Firm Section.

Hotel Reservations

[Book your room now](#) at the Hilton Columbia Center!

A block of rooms has been reserved for the conference. Reservations must be made by August 26 to guarantee availability. If the room block is full, the room rate may be higher or rooms may not be available.

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