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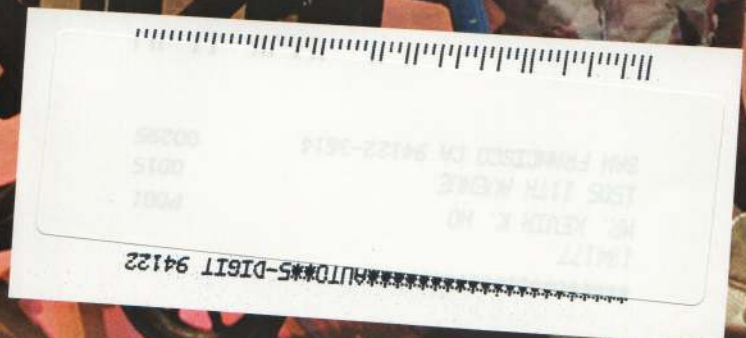
PRO BONO-BASE GIVING BACK

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AND MORE**



MACWORLD— TOOLS FOR ATTORNEYS

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Despite Apple's continued absence from the annual convention and trade show that celebrates it, this January's Macworld in San Francisco showcased several useful tools for attorneys in practice—even for non-Mac users.

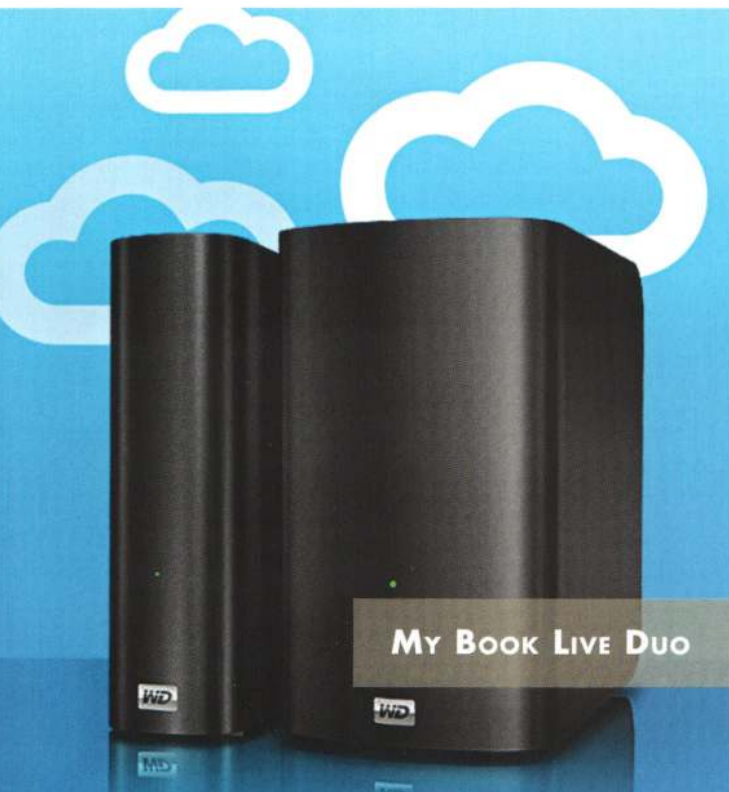
HAVING YOUR CLOUD LOCALLY: WESTERN DIGITAL'S MY BOOK LIVE DUO \$179–\$399

Many attorneys are risk-averse types. Western Digital's My Book Live Duo goes to address that. First, anyone needing

remote data access and storage who is nevertheless concerned about having data in the “cloud” on an unknown third party's servers will like the My Book Live series of connected hard drives from Western Digital. These hard drives, when connected online, allow you to connect to your data remotely and securely. And—as many an IT staff member will advise—you need to back up your data if for no other reason than to comply with records retention requirements. Western Digital thought of adding that feature with secure remote access by adding another backup hard drive in its My Book Live Duo series, which creates a parallel, mirror drive of your stored contents. Sizes vary from 1, 2, and 3 terabytes (\$179–\$219) for the Live drives and 4 terabytes for Live Duo drive (\$399). <http://wdc.com/en/products/products.aspx?id=620>

TAMING THE PAPER MONSTER: NEATDESK DESKTOP SCANNER WITH OCR FILING SYSTEM SOFTWARE \$399

Any attorney has encountered the Sisyphean task of having to sift through piles of papers or cards to find that key contact or contract in a time crunch. Neat offers its NeatDesk, which is a high-speed, automatic-feed desktop scanner capable of scanning a stack of documents, receipts, and business cards. Combined with its user-friendly, fast, and very powerful OCR-based filing software that can automatically identify vendors, sales taxes, and line-item totals (also making that information searchable), the



NeatDesk system cuts down on the time spent on dealing with filing and sorting for expense reporting, for example; at the very least, it cuts down on time spent on trips to the copy room scanner. Scanned documents and OCR information can be exported in various text and spreadsheet formats. NeatDesk debuted last year and now it is augmented by its smaller cousin NeatReceipts (\$200).

<http://neat.com/>

ON THE GO: CORDLESS CLOUD SCANNING: DOXIE GO

\$199

The company that introduced its small, portable USB Doxie scanner for mobile document and photo scanning two years ago (\$149) released a completely portable rechargeable mobile scanner recently, the Doxie Go (\$199 plus Eye-Fi card). If configured with an iPhone or iPad and Eye-Fi WiFi-enabled Secure Digital (SD) memory card (purchased separately), Doxie Go will not only allow users to scan a document without having to be plugged in to an AC adapter but will also automatically send scan data to linked cloud storage using a synchronized iPhone. The Doxie Go will connect to computers with a USB cable as well and can act as an ordinary corded scanner too. Doxie also provides free, user-friendly software that allows users to manage scanned data easily.

www.getdoxie.com/

NEVER LETTING GO: FLYGRIP'S IPHONE CARRYING CASE/STAND

\$30

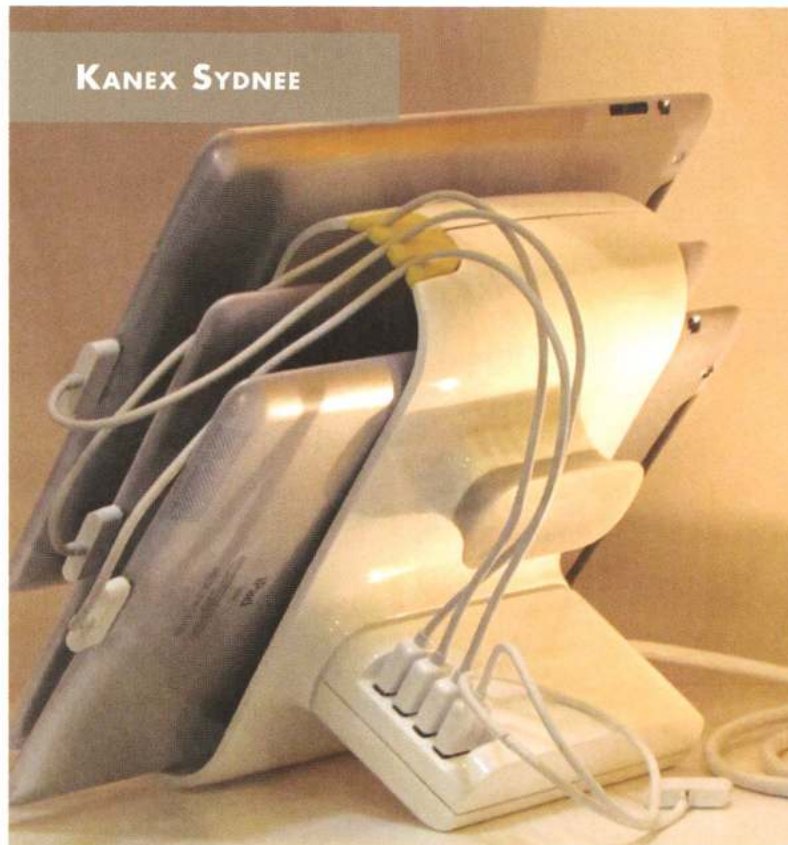
For those who have the iPhone constantly clutched in their hands, Flygrip offers its “one handed solution,” which is essentially a colorful, plastic giant binder clip that fits on the back of its iPhone cases and also doubles as a vertical and horizontal kickstand. Flygrip claims the case frees up thumbs so a user has fuller range of motion—we can let OSHA determine that one.

<http://flygrip.com/>

WHEN ONE CHARGER ISN'T ENOUGH:

KANEX SYDNEE

\$149



Why charge one iPhone when you can charge four? Four years ago this question may have seemed a bit outlandish—who would ever need to charge that many mobile devices? But with falling prices and the increasing prevalence of users having multiple mobile devices, Kanex offers an efficiently designed single plug-in charging stand that allows four iPads, iPhones, or iPods to be charged simultaneously from its 2.1 amp power output that uses just one wall plug. Available later this spring. www.kanexlive.com/sydnee/

PRACTICALITY FROM DOWN UNDER:

OPENA \$42,
AND **iLID** \$30

And last, two Australian companies have different takes on what constitutes usefulness in their entries to the iPhone case market.

For the more spirited, Opena offers the Opena Case, which is a polycarbonate polymer iPhone cover case with a stainless steel slide-out bottle opener (\$42).

www.openacase.com/

Meanwhile, perhaps the simplest, yet most profoundly useful of iPhone cases on display this year, comes from another Australian company, iLid. In prototype form at

show time, the MK-1's iPhone polycarbonate cover case is a case with a small snap lid on the reverse that allows storage for two or three credit cards, a small amount of cash, and one key. Better yet, the iLid is one of the thinnest form factors—wallet or not—of any iPhone case to date. It comes in any color you want as long as it's black. Shipping early spring, the creators say a white case is soon to follow (\$30).

www.ilidiphonewallet.com/

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