

## Reflections for Legal Project Managers

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In her article on legal project management (LPM) on page 4, Pam Woldow describes the characteristics and benefits of legal project management — what it looks like, how it improves matter management, how it leads to improved metrics and fewer surprises, how it achieves significant efficiencies, and how it fosters more interactive client relationships.

At its heart, LPM is really all about collaboration. Here at Edge International, we think LPM is set to transform the way law is practiced in the future. But successful LPM implementation requires more than great blueprints and rational processes. It also requires, and eventually must engender, a collaborative commitment among stakeholders. As many frustrated legal project managers will attest, that can be a tall order when the cats you're trying to herd are lawyers.

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