

# The Business Impact of Legal Operations: A Deep Dive into Efficiency

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#### Today's Agenda

#### Today, we're going to cover:

- The role of legal operations
- How to drive business growth through legal ops
- Strategic legal operations





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#### Role of Legal Operations

- Goal: Increase efficiency for both legal teams as well as company counterparts.
- Strive to NOT be the department of "no"
  - Legal ops is not here to stop deals, but to figure out how to make them happen
- Legal ops was the top strategic initiative in legal departments for 70% of CLOs\*
- Run legal like a business
  - Traditionally the legal department has not been looked at as an efficient, streamlined organization.

#### We are going to change that!



#### Driving Business Growth through Legal Operations

- Cultivating stakeholder relationships
  - "Proof is in the pudding" show what you can do to get stakeholders on your side
- Establishing a strong brand presence
  - Everyone has a role to play in getting deals done make sure the legal ops team is ready to roll!
  - Legal tech can show what the legal department is capable of.
    - Showcase accuracy, timeliness, workload, and more
- Prioritizing your work
  - Figure out who is impacted, how much time it will take, pros and cons



#### Before Legal Tech

- Intake through emails, slack, etc
- Tracking through Google sheets, excel, paper
- No visibility into the work
- Difficult to pull metrics on performance

#### After Legal Tech

- Cleaner intake process all in one place
- More visibility for other departments
- Identify quickly what contracts can be managed in-house versus require outside counsel
- Ability to act as a strategic business partner





#### Identifying and Overcoming Challenges

Challenge: M&A processes

How to tackle it:

Contract repository

Al analysis

Understand what needs to be prioritized

**Challenge:** Contracts losing value over time

#### How to tackle it:

Use AI to extract key information: how do we bill, renewal terms, early payment discounts, etc.

**Challenge:** Proving efficiency of legal ops

How to tackle it:

Track hours

Show \$\$\$ legal has saved the business

Show deals closed per quarter



## Strategic Legal Operations for Maximum Impact

The impact on the company's bottom line



More deals closed



More money saved



More time spent on more demanding tasks

Accuracy and urgency impact these results





## Key Takeaways

Legal ops is there to run legal like a business

Need to cultivate stakeholder relationships within the organization

Legal tech can help increase efficiency

Time to shift from operational to strategic business partner







# Thank you!

Any questions?