# Tabellion Times

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### No Fooling!

Things are changing and we're on it! Tabellion, developed by Will McPeake and Kevin Malone of Autumn Moon Softworks, remains a trusted solution designed management case specifically for Tennessee attorneys. By simplifying timekeeping, documentation, and submissions for appointed cases, we've supported countless professionals in serving their clients with confidence and efficiency. In this issue of Tabellion Times, our newsletter dedicated to enhancing your journey with Tabellion, we delve into...

### Innovating Through Change in Tennessee's Legal Landscape

We explore the dynamic shifts happening in Tennessee's indigent representation system, along with the steps Tabellion is taking to empower attorneys in navigating these exciting changes.



Case management for indigent clients





## Innovating Through Change

With Tabellion, our mission has always been clear: to provide attorneys in Tennessee with a seamless way to manage indigent cases. By offering tools for tracking all facets of representation and facilitating submissions to ACAP, we've empowered countless legal professionals to serve their clients efficiently and effectively.

However, Tennessee has faced ongoing challenges in its system for indigent representation. Limited attorney participation has highlighted crucial issues such as compensation rates, hourly caps, delayed reimbursements, and quality of representation. These obstacles were underscored in the 2024 Comptroller's Report and the 2017 Indigent Task Force Report, spurring calls for systemic change.

The state's new proposed model, inspired by successful strategies in other jurisdictions, marks an exciting shift in the approach to indigent representation. With plans to introduce flat fees for misdemeanors, retainer agreements with monthly compensation tied to caseloads and experience, and hourly contracts for high-demand cases like capital murder, this restructured framework aims to address longstanding concerns while attracting more attorneys to serve indigent clients.

At Tabellion, we wholeheartedly support Tennessee's efforts to strengthen and modernize its system for indigent representation. We believe in the importance of innovation and collaboration in tackling challenges and seizing opportunities for growth. That's why we're committed to maintaining, adapting, and expanding the functionality of Tabellion as this new plan unfolds.

## Innovating Through Change

#### **Maintaining:**

We will continue to provide our current suite of tools to attorneys who rely on Tabellion, ensuring uninterrupted service for as long as it remains useful in their practice.

#### Adapting:

As implementation details emerge, we'll align Tabellion's features with the state's new requirements. Enhancements such as case milestone tracking, efficient reporting, and integration for monthly invoices or retainer agreements will position Tabellion as an essential partner in this evolving system.

#### **Expanding:**

Recognizing the needs of solo practitioners and private attorneys, we plan to broaden our features beyond indigent representation. With tools like private case types, client intake mechanisms, form letter templates, and invoice generation capabilities, Tabellion will offer even greater value across diverse practice areas.

While change often brings challenges, it also presents opportunities to innovate and redefine our impact. At Autumn Moon Softworks, we're energized by this pivotal moment for Tennessee's legal community and remain dedicated to equipping attorneys with the tools they need to navigate new models of representation with confidence and ease.

Together, we can move forward, not just meeting the demands of today but building a foundation for tomorrow's success.

### Thank You!

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