# PM VS LPM PROJECT MODELING: DIFFERENCES, APPLICATIONS AND TEMPLATES

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# **LET'S SHARE - POLL!**

Cnf1

Which firms have a formal PMO/LPM Department or people in these positions?

CHOICE	VOTES		
Yes, LPM	4	10%	
Yes, PMO	9	22%	
Both, LPM and PMO	3	7%	
No formal department, but people in roles	23	56%	
None	2	5%	

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# WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE?

Project Management (PM)



Legal Project Management (LPM)

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### WHAT IS PROJECT MANAGEMENT (PM)?

Project management is the application of processes, methods, knowledge, skills and experience to achieve a set of objectives. Each project is unique. This discipline uses proactive methods to manage time, cost and scope for desirable outcomes and benefits.

- Define the scope of engagement
- Estimate project budget
- Identify resources to assign to project
- Schedule resources (SME's)
- Identify budget risks and issues
- Monitor task, scope, budget and resources through project close #ILTA100
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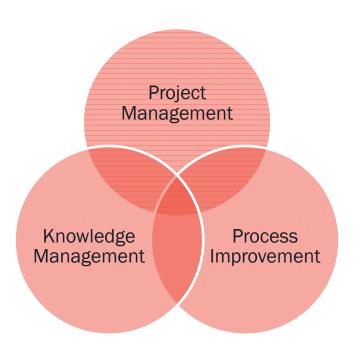
## WHAT IS LEGAL PROJECT MANAGEMENT (LPM)?

- A disciplined, proactive approach to managing law firms resources:
  - Define the scope of engagement
  - Estimate budget and client approval in the engagement letter
  - Identify resources to assign to client
  - Schedule resources (SME's)
  - Identify budget risks and issues
  - Monitor budget and resources through close of the deal to the end of the case.

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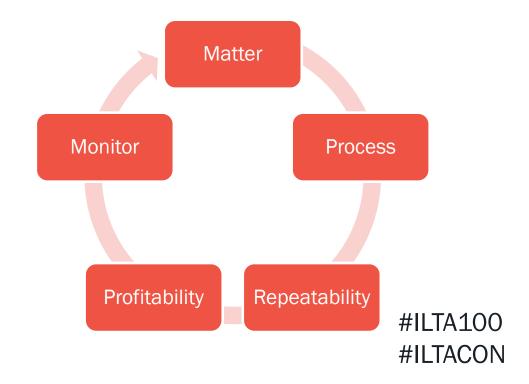
# WHAT ABOUT THOSE CONCEPTS! GETTING BUY IN



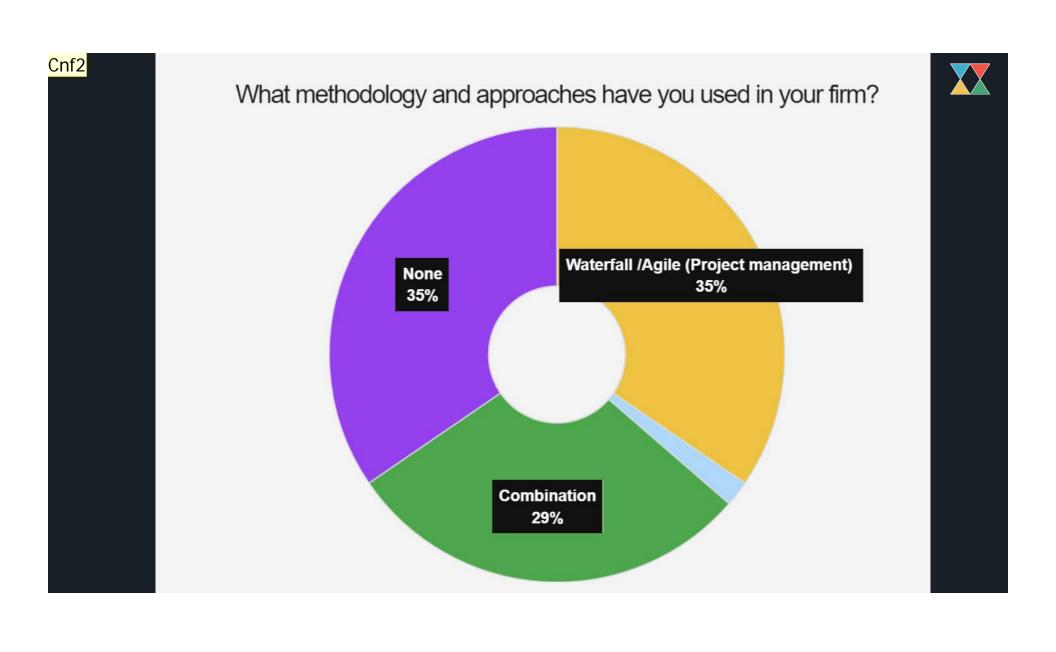
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# WHERE DO **YOU START?**

- Develop Awareness
  - identify, document, prioritize



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Cnf2 Poll: Poll 2: What methodology and approaches have you used in your firm? Cnf, 8/31/2016



# **UNCOVER INEFFICIENCIES**

<u>D</u> efects	Mistakes, missing court and filing dates, incomplete forms or drafting, errors
<u>O</u> verproduction	<ul> <li>Including too many people, printing too many copies, preparing invoicing in advance, starting work on a matter before it's cleared</li> </ul>
<u>W</u> aiting	<ul> <li>People late to meetings, documents waiting to be worked on, warm up time for printers, interruptions, late responses from clients</li> </ul>
<u>N</u> on-utilized Talent	<ul> <li>Extra counsel completing work that is best done by a client, work being done by partners rather than associates or paralegals, under utilizing paralegals</li> </ul>
<u>T</u> ransportation (of things)	Too many approval hand-offs, multiple deliveries to one client, paper rather than electronic
<u>I</u> nventory	Unanswered emails & voicemails, files sitting on desk awaiting work, conflicts awaiting clearance
Motion (of people)	<ul> <li>Bad office layouts, Unnecessary travel for meetings, too many keystrokes in document production, too many trips to a printer/copies</li> </ul>
<u>E</u> xtra Processing	• Too much research, overstaffing a file, too may reviews/turns of a document

Waste Checklist



# LPM PHASES IN PRACTICE

Foundation

Plan

Execution

Improve/Lessons Learned

**RFPs** 

Process Mapping Workflows – Current Conducting legal work

Billing/Budget

Analysis

Monitor/Control

Consistent review of

Billing Practices

Cost for Tasks

Timing/Resources

Scope

Consistent review of processes

matter workflows

Historical Information

Map to Billing

Tracking Work

Process/Waste Monitoring

Training/Retraining

Communications

Design Future Process State

Waste/Risk

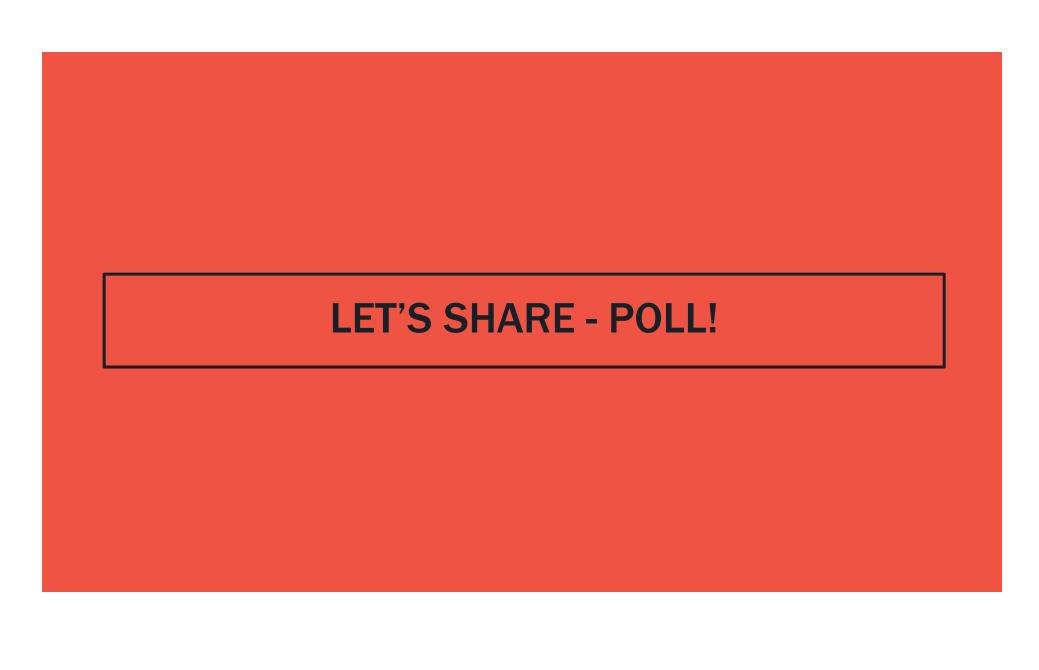
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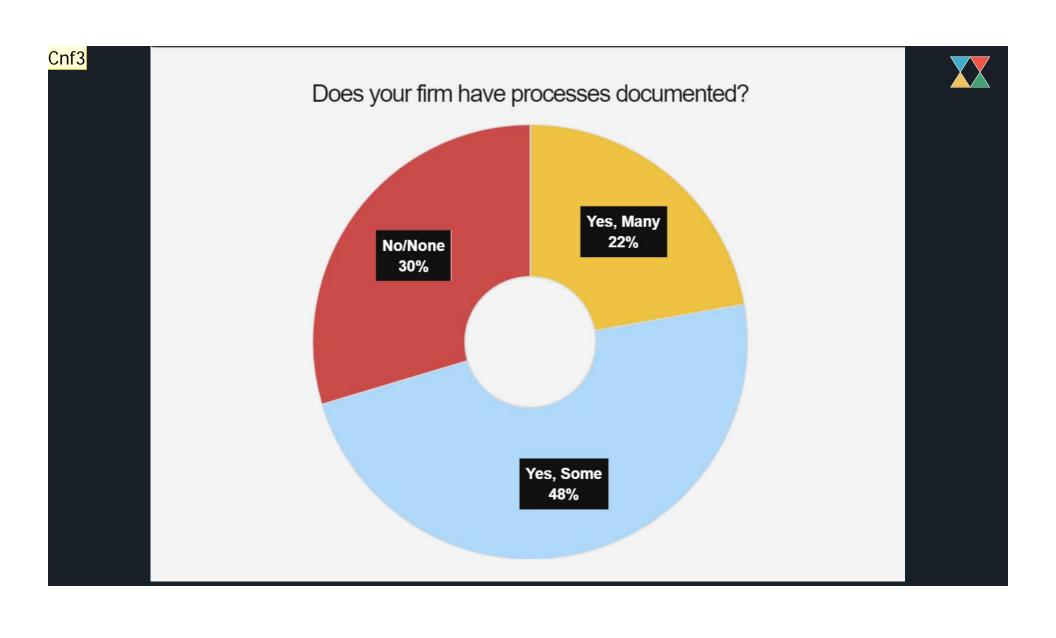
Communications

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Processes Checklist

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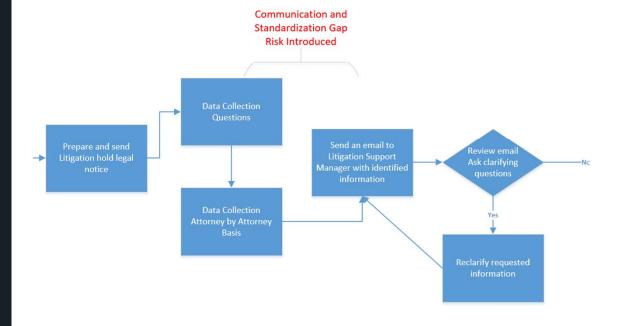
Poll: Poll 3: Does your firm have processes documented? Cnf, 8/31/2016 Cnf3

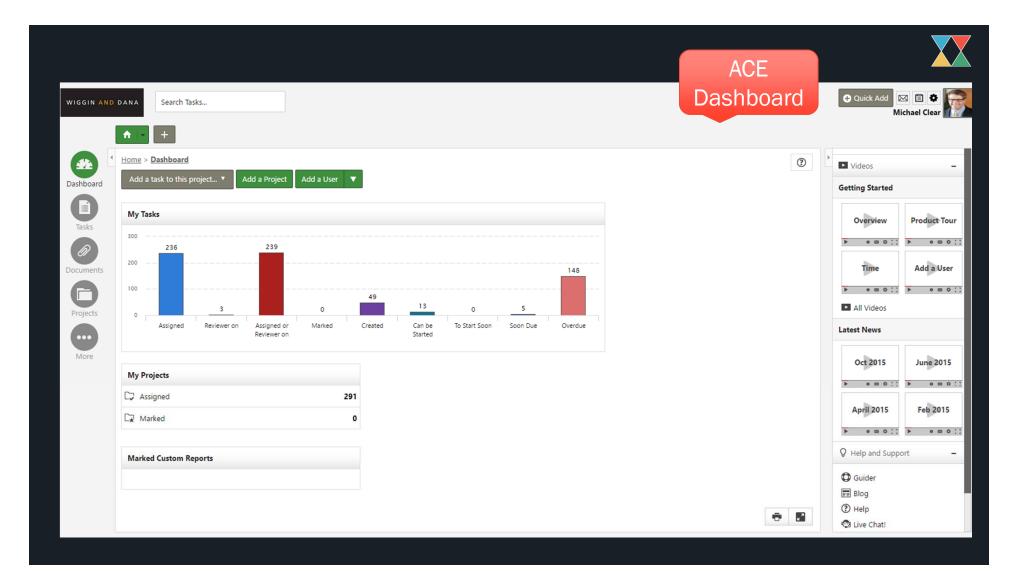
# ESTABLISH NEXT PRACTICES

- Developing next practices
  - Document, document, document

Review Memo & Note Deadline (24 Hrs)     Review Filesite Matter     Check Web for Information (Optional)     Ask for Clarification     Find & Add Model Forms to Filesite		
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Identify Names and Key Players		
Start Punch List		
Assign Drafting of HCD's		Process
Prepare for Drafting		Checklist

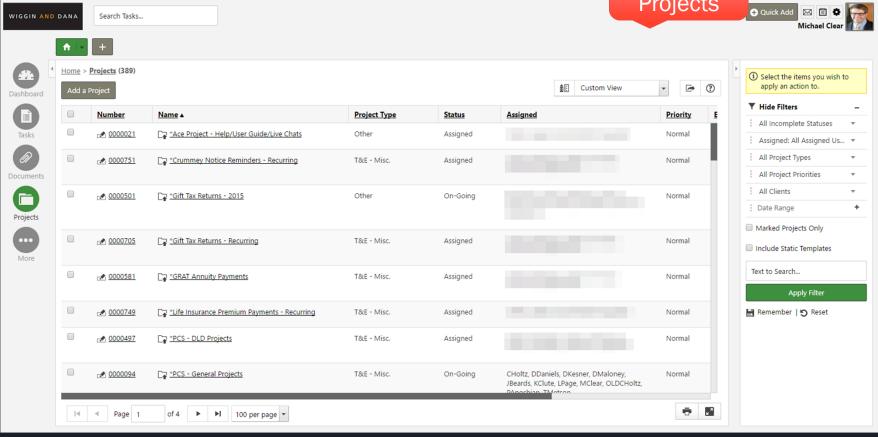
# WORKFLOW DOCUMENTED

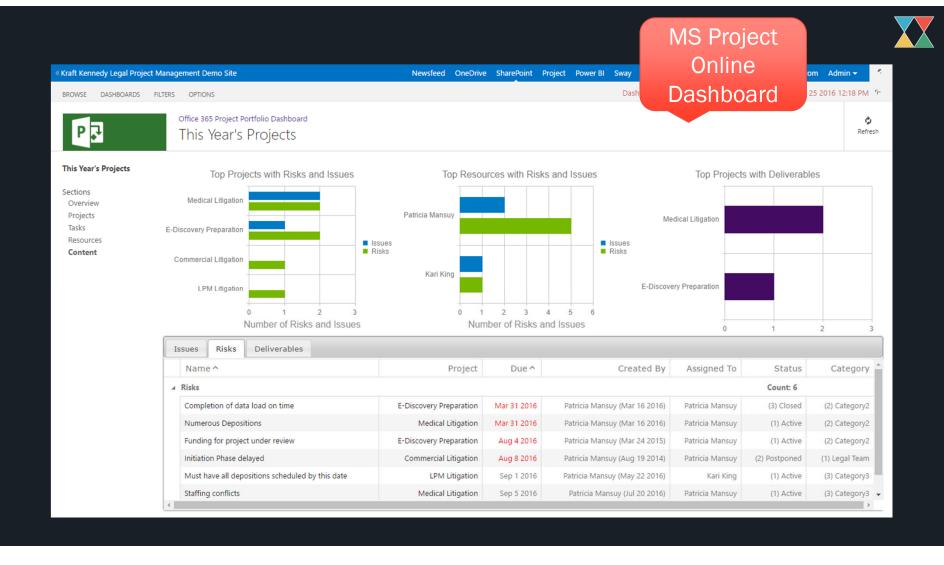


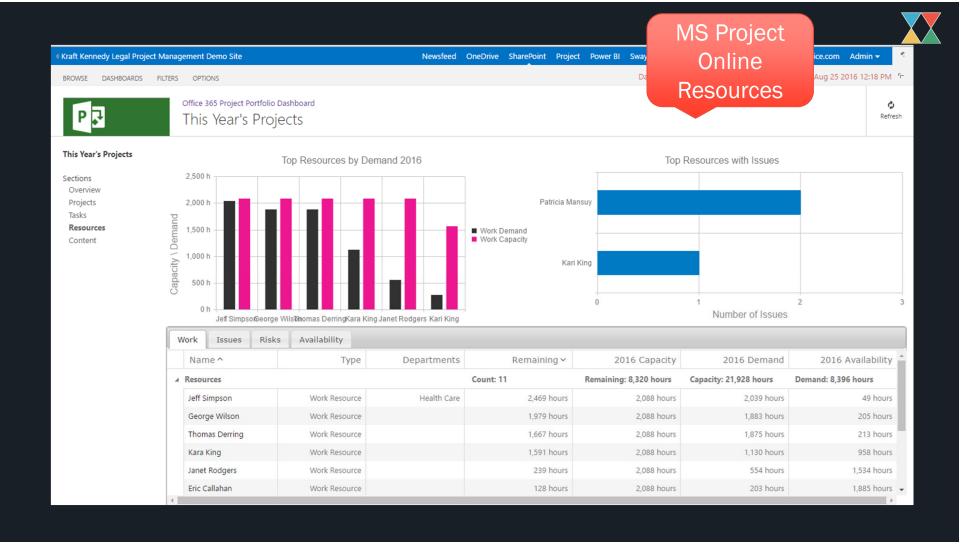


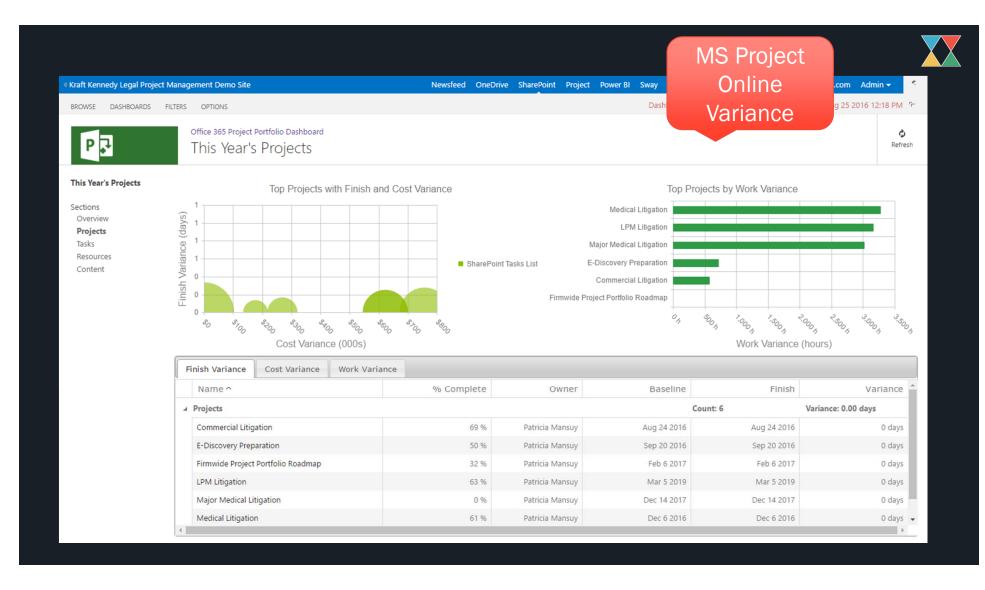


# ACE Open Projects











### MS Project Professional Template

	%						
		Task Name ▼	Work ▼	Duration -	Resource Names 🔻	Cost →	Task Code ▼
0	100%	■ Legal Process Management Practice Template	44.35 hrs	27.25 days		\$18,449.50	
1	100%	■ 1 Phase 1: Client Intake	3.25 hrs	4.75 days		\$746.25	
2	100%	1.1 Determine new client vs existing client	0.25 hrs	0.25 days	Legal Assistant[13%]	\$21.25	e100
3	100%	1.2 Conflicts check	0.5 hrs	0.5 days		\$42.50	
5	100%	▶ 1.3 Information Gathering with Clients	1 hr	2 days		\$0.00	
7	100%	1.4 Prepare and send EL	1 hr	1 day	Legal Assistant[6%],Partner[	\$362.50	e100
8	100%	1.5 Review EL	0.5 hrs	1 day	Partner[6%]	\$320.00	e100
9	100%	1.6 Phase 1: Client Intake complete	0 hrs	0 days		\$0.00	
10	100%	■ 2 Phase 2: Pre-Drafting - Associate or Paralegal	5.5 hrs	8.5 days		\$2,825.00	
11	100%	2.1 Assignment	2 hrs	2 days		\$1,180.00	e200
16	100%	▷ 2.2 Pre-Drafting	3.5 hrs	6.5 days		\$1,645.00	e200

# MATTER BUDGETS/ PROJECT BUDGETS

- History tells the truth of what's happening
- Involve accounting, look at the data
- Leverage = Profitability



### **COST OVERVIEW**

WED 7/1/15 - FRI 11/11/16

COST

\$311,322.43

REMAINING COST

\$206,602.05

6 COMPLET

11%

#### COST STATUS

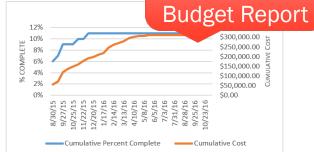
Cost status for top level tasks.

Name	Actual Cost	Remaining Cost	Baseline Cost	Cost	Cost Variance
Initiation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Planning and Design [Phase COMPLETE]	\$40,920.00	\$0.00	\$40,920.00	\$40,920.00	\$0.00
Execution	\$44,636.67	\$85,318.33	\$127,773.33	\$129,955.00	\$2,181.67
Monitor and Control - Program Management - Natalie/Todd	\$19,163.71	\$117,843.71	\$135,074.00	\$137,007.43	\$1,933.43
Close Out	\$0.00	\$3,440.00	\$3,360.00	\$3,440.00	\$80.00

#### PROGRESS VERSUS COST

Progress made versus the cost spent over ti line, your project may be over budget.

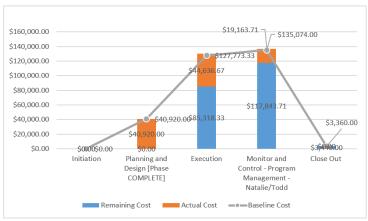
### MS Project Professional



#### COST STATUS

Cost status for all top-level tasks. Is your baseline zero?

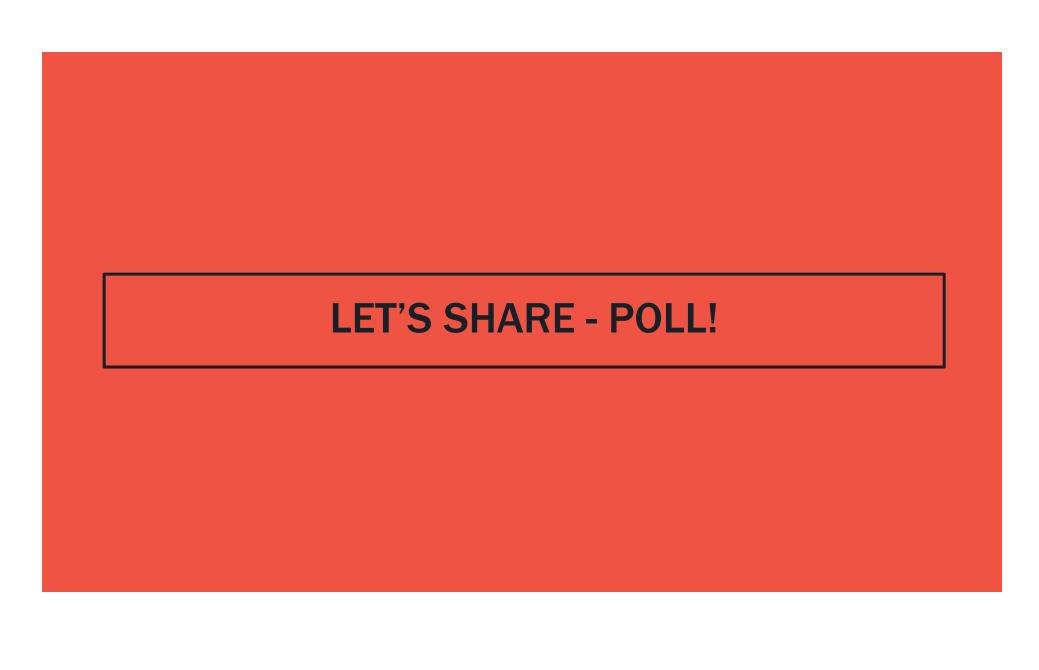
#### Try setting as baseline

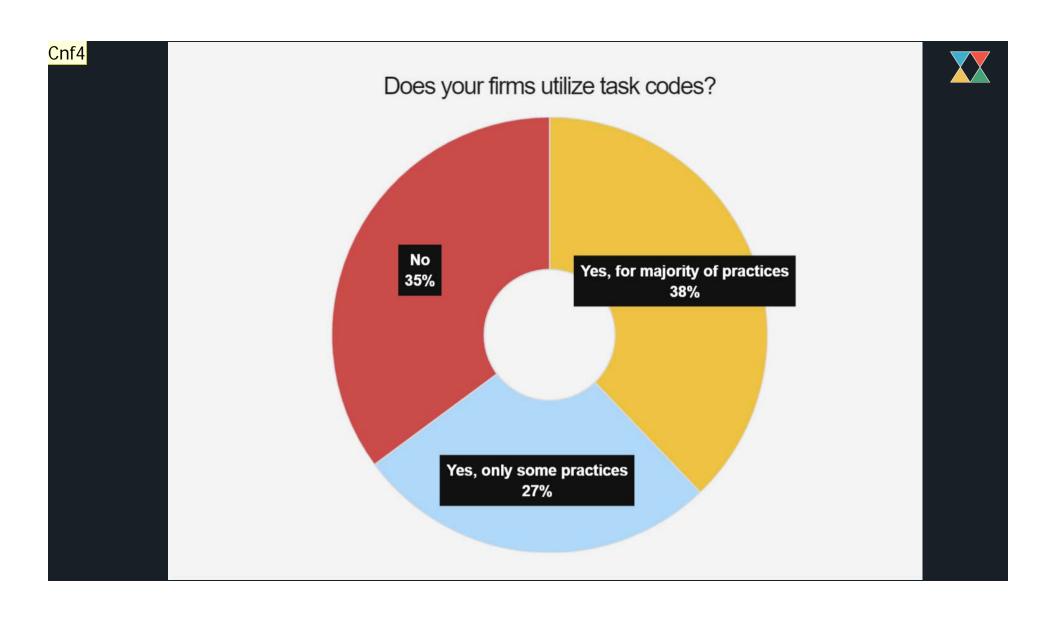




# TO TASK CODE OR NOT?

Estate Planning	EP100	Project Ac	lministration	Ace, Docketing				
	EP200	Client Inta	ke/Fact Gathering					
		EP210	Client call					
		EP220	Initial client meeting					
		EP230	Prepare drafting memorandu	um (amemo)				
		EP240	Review existing estate planning documents					
		EP250	Review asset information					
		EP260	Client summary/background					
	EP300	Drafting						
		EP310	Draft estate planning documents					
		EP320	Draft Insurance Trust					
		EP330	Draft Grantor Trust (QPRT, GRAT, SERT, ERT)					
		EP340	Draft Notes, Agreements					
		EP350	Associate Legal Review					
		EP360	Partner Legal Review					
		EP370	Revisions to estate planning documents					
		EP380	Customized drafting (equalization clauses, unequal distributions)					
		EP390	Prepare documents for mailing					
		EP395	Research, discussions with content experts					





Poll: Poll 4: Does your firms utilize task codes? Cnf, 8/31/2016 Cnf4



Tweetable

Quote

# (L) PM ESTABLISHMENT – HOW TO TRANSLATE THE "P"

LPM or PM is more than creating reports and providing statuses, it is establishing a solid practice and weaving it into the culture of the organization.



# **PM IN PRACTICE**



#### Initiation

- Context project
- Stakeholders/team members
- Definition of Success
- Scope
- Risks
- Budget
- Project Charter



### Planning

- Tasks
- Deadlines
- Resources
- Communications Matrix
- Reporting frequency
- Change strategies



#### Execution

• Implementation of



### Analyze Monitor & Control

- Making adjustments as necessary
- Tracking change in scope/outcomes
- Transparent communications with clients/teams



### Closing/Debrief/ Lessons Learned

- Debriefs
- Identify successes/failures
- Review/refine processes

Process Checklist

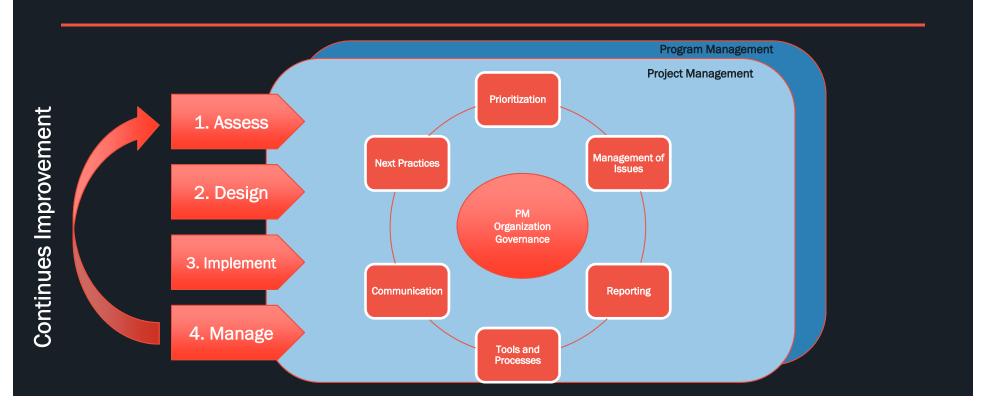


# **GETTING BUY IN**





# **GETTING BUY IN - PM PRACTICE**





### PM STRUCTURED AND REPEATABLE PROCESS

- Plan the project
- Manage the project
- Regular and controlled communication with project stakeholders
- Prevent "scope creep"
- Measure outcomes and close all loops





# (L) PM MATURITY IN A TRIANGLE



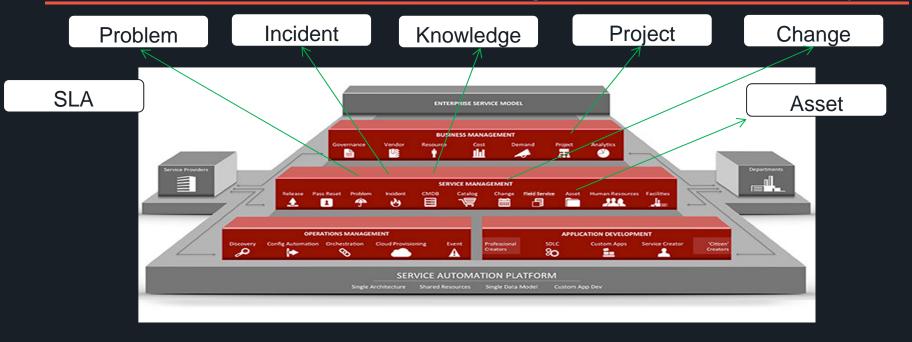
Cost measures are important to avoid cost variances

Scope measures are important to meet customer satisfaction



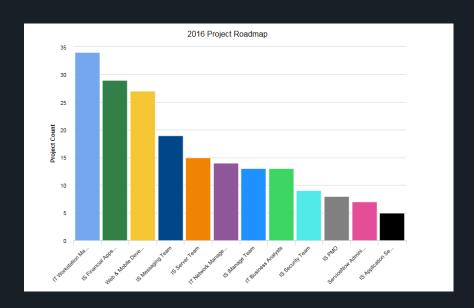
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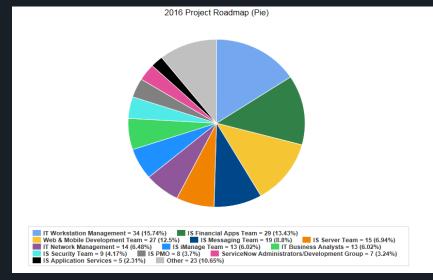
(ITSM) TOOL
ServiceNow provides us with a platform to manage our IT services. We have deployed:





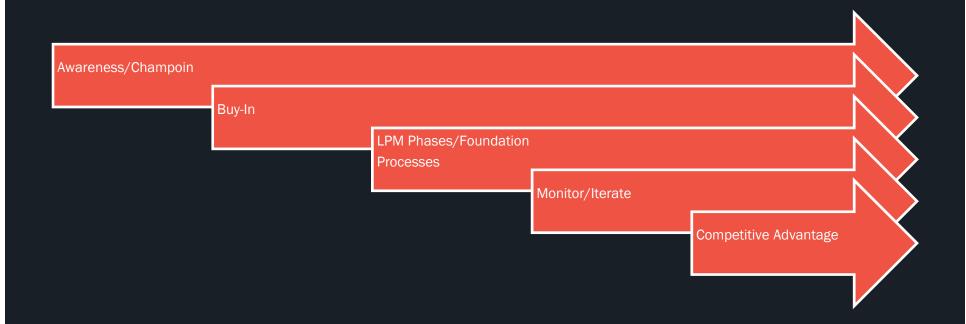
# **SERVICE NOW DASHBOARDS**







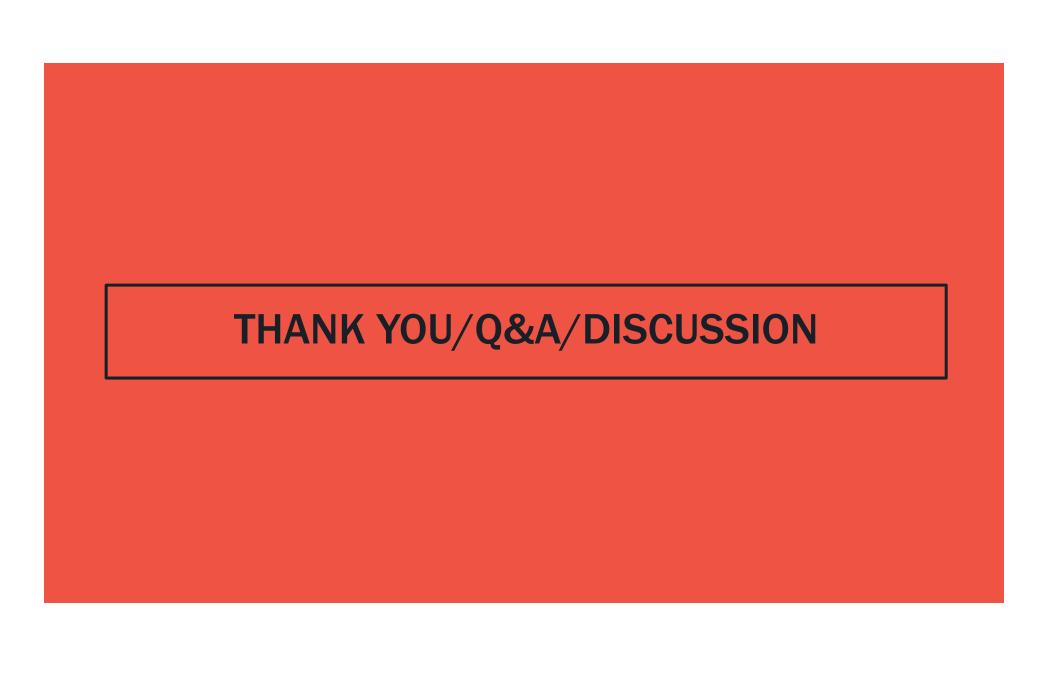
# **LPM - GETTING STARTED**



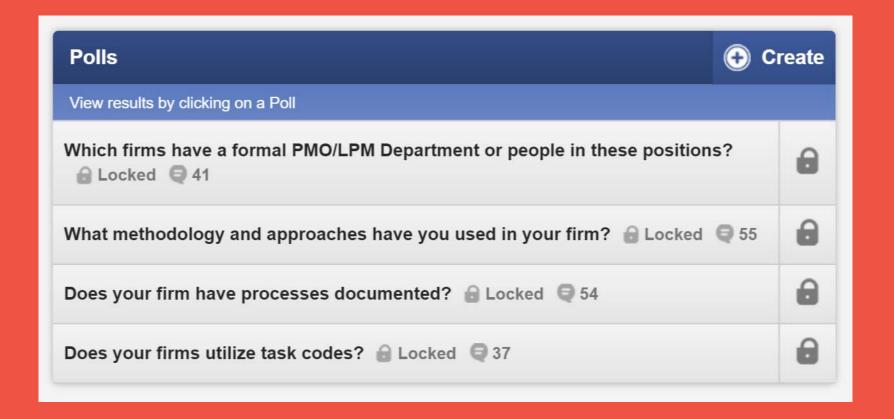


### **PM GETTING STARTED**

- Establishing a successful PM practice requires a champion and strong upper management sponsorship.
- PM's are not lawyers, can support implementation of strategy not lead it.
- PM represent a culture shift, be patient, open and receptive
- Align technical projects to firm strategy. Listen to the business
- Use real time data to measure progress and milestones
- Implement an effective workflow tool to track all phases of the project
- Conduct regular project status meetings (risks and issues only).
- Provide project visibility to the milestones via dashboards.
- Communication, Communication, Communication!!!



### **Total Poll # Answered**



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