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A Look at the Past and into the Future

A Look Back at the Decade's Top 10 Trends in Legal Tech

Dispensing with his usual year-end wrap-up of legal tech developments at his [LawSites blog](#), as this year began, Robert Ambrogi instead recapped what he says may have been "the most tumultuous decade ever" in terms of changes in legal services delivery. From the emergence of startups to upheaval in legal ethics to yes?robots coming to "take over our jobs," what top 10 trends (and five honorable mentions) does Ambrogi think helped reshape the legal landscape in the past 10 years?

The Next Big Idea: Online Courts?

What changes might lie ahead for the legal profession and the justice system? Richard Susskind, a technology expert and adviser perhaps best known for the book *The End of Lawyers?*, hopes the next big innovation will involve the courts. His new book, *Online Courts and the Future of Justice*, proposes using technology to clear civil caseloads and deliver justice more efficiently. Susskind's model doesn't use artificial intelligence to decide cases. Instead, he suggests that parties should be allowed to submit evidence and arguments online, and that "extended courts" could provide online tools and a means of dispute resolution. Learn more via an interview at [ABA Journal](#).

Food for Thought: Top 10 Posts on Well-Being for Lawyers and Law Students

Massachusetts takes a holistic approach to the often interrelated concerns of lawyer wellness and practice management: One entity?Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers Massachusetts?operates both the Lawyer Assistance Program and the Law Office Management Assistance Program. In that spirit, the [LOMAP Massachusetts blog](#) recently spotlighted 10 top posts of 2019 by the LCL MA's LAP/Well-Being blog. How can lawyers build their personal resilience? Why do they often feel isolated?and what can they do about it? How can both lawyers and law students overcome perfectionism? Check out these top 10 posts for some fresh ideas about well-being and professional success.

Profiles of 11 Inspiring ABA Members Show How Lawyers Make a Difference

Also offering inspiration by taking a look back, [ABA Journal](#) highlighted 11 ABA members who were featured in the publication's Members Who Inspire series in 2019. Their efforts to serve others, including by providing pro bono for veterans, fighting for prisoners' rights, promoting literacy, and advancing diversity, offer a cross-country tour of the important ways lawyers made a difference in 2019.



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