

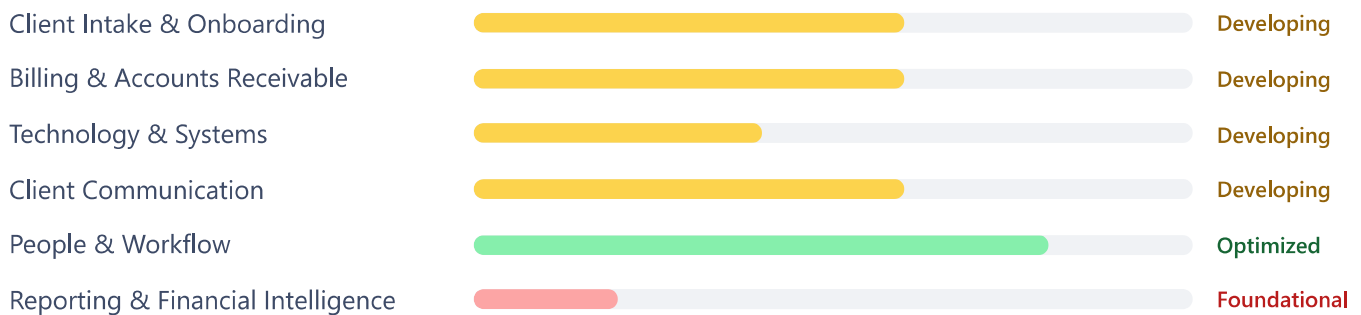
# Seinfeld Law Professional Corporation

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## Building Momentum

Seinfeld Law Professional Corporation is performing well in people and workflow, but financial reporting represents the clearest opportunity for improvement.



## Executive Summary

### STRENGTHS

- Trust accounting is compliant with Law Society requirements.
- Conflicts checks are completed and documented before onboarding.
- Engagement letters are signed before any work begins.
- Time is captured same-day or within 24 hours across the firm.

### KEY OPPORTUNITIES

- **Client Intake & Onboarding:** Intake data is not yet connected to the practice management system, requiring manual re-entry.
- **Reporting & Financial Intelligence:** No regular financial dashboard or management report is being reviewed by leadership.
- **Client Intake & Onboarding:** Response times to new inquiries are not consistently within 24 hours.

## Area-by-Area Assessment

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### Client Intake & Onboarding

Developing

#### WHAT'S WORKING

- Standardized intake forms are in place for all new clients.
- Conflicts checks are completed and documented before onboarding.
- Engagement letters are signed before any work begins.

#### OPPORTUNITIES

- **Response times to new inquiries are not consistently within 24 hours.**

Response time is the #1 factor in client selection. A simple triage protocol or auto-responder can close this gap immediately.

- **Intake data is not yet connected to the practice management system, requiring manual re-entry.**

This is one of the highest-leverage improvements available to a growing firm. Connecting intake to your PMS eliminates errors, saves time on every new file, and creates the foundation for document automation — a core area of ClearPoint's implementation work.

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### Billing & Accounts Receivable

Developing

#### WHAT'S WORKING

- Time is captured same-day or within 24 hours across the firm.
- Trust accounting is compliant with Law Society requirements.
- Outstanding AR is reviewed and actioned at least monthly.

#### OPPORTUNITIES

- **Invoicing does not follow a consistent or documented schedule.**

Irregular invoicing is the root cause of most AR problems. A consistent billing cycle dramatically improves collection rates and cash flow predictability.

- **No online payment option is currently available to clients.**

Firms offering online payment collect invoices 2–3x faster on average. Most practice management platforms include this — it may already be available and just needs to be activated.

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### WHAT'S WORKING

- Staff receive regular training on the software tools they use.
- Data is backed up automatically and backups are tested regularly.

### OPPORTUNITIES

- **Practice management software is not in consistent active use across the firm.**  
A practice management system only delivers value when used consistently. Adoption gaps are a training and change management issue — not a technology problem.
- **No structured document management system is currently in active use.**  
Without structured document management, firms lose time searching for files and risk version control errors. This is foundational to any scaling plan.
- **No formal cybersecurity policy exists, or it has not been communicated to staff.**  
Law firms are high-value targets for phishing and ransomware. A basic policy covering passwords, phishing awareness, and device rules can be drafted and communicated in a single afternoon.



ClearPoint Legal Consulting is a Clio Certified Partner — with deep implementation expertise in one of the most widely adopted practice management platforms for Canadian law firms.

## Client Communication

Developing

### WHAT'S WORKING

- Each client's preferred contact method is documented.
- Response time standards exist and are consistently met across the firm.
- A formal complaints process is documented and accessible to clients.

### OPPORTUNITIES

- **Clients are not consistently receiving proactive updates on their matters.**  
Clients who don't hear from their lawyer assume nothing is happening. Proactive update protocols — even a brief weekly touchpoint — dramatically reduce complaints and improve satisfaction scores.
- **Client satisfaction is not being collected at file close.**  
Firms that collect feedback systematically improve faster and generate more referrals. A two-question survey at file close is all it takes to start.

## People & Workflow

Optimized

### WHAT'S WORKING

- Job roles and responsibilities are clearly documented for all positions.
- A structured onboarding process is in place for new staff.
- Workload is reviewed regularly by leadership.
- Performance reviews occur at least annually for all staff.

### OPPORTUNITIES

- **No succession or coverage plans exist for key roles in the firm.**  
In a small firm, one unexpected absence can stop operations. Even a basic coverage plan for key roles — documented and tested — is a critical risk mitigation step.

## WHAT'S WORKING

- All billable timekeepers have documented annual targets.

## OPPORTUNITIES

- **Realization rates are not being tracked or reviewed on a regular basis.**

Realization rate is the most direct measure of billing efficiency. Firms that track this consistently identify write-off patterns early and recover significant revenue annually.

- **Utilization rates are not being monitored for lawyers and paralegals.**

Utilization is the clearest measure of capacity and workload balance. Without tracking it, firms can't identify underutilized talent or prevent burnout before it happens.

- **Collection rates are not being monitored or measured against targets.**

Collection rate is the final step in converting work into revenue. Firms that benchmark this consistently collect an average of 15–20% more than those that don't track it.

- **No regular financial dashboard or management report is being reviewed by leadership.**

Running a firm without regular financial reporting is like flying without instruments. A monthly dashboard covering realization, utilization, collection, and AR gives leadership the visibility needed to make confident decisions — and is a high-value area where ClearPoint can help rapidly.

## Practice Management System Selection

Selecting and implementing a practice management system is one of the most consequential technology decisions a firm will make. The right platform — properly configured — touches every area assessed in this report: intake, billing, document management, communication, and financial reporting.

Clio is the most widely adopted practice management platform for solo and small firms in Canada, with a proven track record across firms of all sizes and practice areas. ClearPoint has deep implementation experience helping firms evaluate, select, migrate to, and get the most out of their platform.



ClearPoint holds certified partner status with both Clio and CosmoLex — covering selection support, data migration, configuration, and staff training across both platforms.

## Recommended Action Plan

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Recommendations are organized by impact and estimated effort — so the highest-value, lowest-effort improvements rise to the top.

### High Impact, Low Effort

Do these first

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- **Client Communication:** Clients are not consistently receiving proactive updates on their matters.
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### High Impact, Higher Effort

Plan and prioritize

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### Lower Impact, Low Effort

Quick wins

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## IMMEDIATE

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<b>Reporting &amp; Financial Intelligence</b>	Realization rate is the most direct measure of billing efficiency. Firms that track this consistently identify write-off patterns early and recover significant revenue annually.

## SHORT-TERM

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<b>Reporting &amp; Financial Intelligence</b>	Running a firm without regular financial reporting is like flying without instruments. A monthly dashboard covering realization, utilization, collection, and AR gives leadership the visibility needed to make confident decisions — and is a high-value area where ClearPoint can help rapidly.
<b>Technology &amp; Systems</b>	A practice management system only delivers value when used consistently. Adoption gaps are a training and change management issue — not a technology problem.
<b>Technology &amp; Systems</b>	Without structured document management, firms lose time searching for files and risk version control errors. This is foundational to any scaling plan.

## LONGER-TERM

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## Ready to Turn This Into a Plan?

Book a free 30-minute discovery call with Michael Stephens. We'll walk through your results, answer your questions, and outline exactly what a focused engagement would look like for Seinfeld Law Professional Corporation.

[Book Your Discovery Call](#)

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