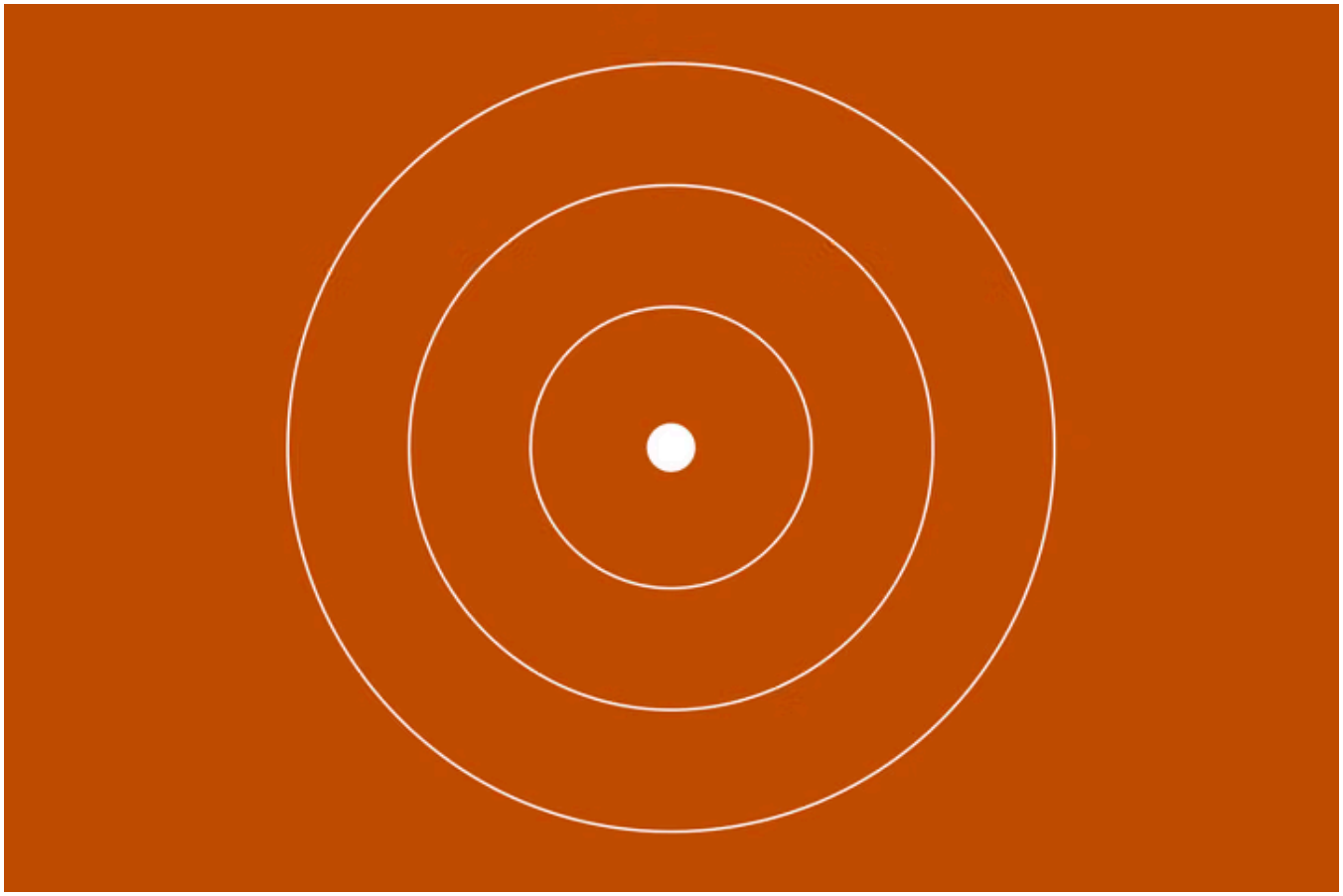

Harvey AI Alternatives: Legal AI for Law Firms

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Artificial intelligence is transforming the legal profession by streamlining research, automating drafting, and helping lawyers focus on high-value client work. Among the most talked-about tools in legal is Harvey AI, often described as “unprecedented legal AI” for its early partnership with major firms like Allen & Overy.

But as interest in legal AI grows, many lawyers are asking: Is Harvey AI the right solution for my firm, or are there better, more accessible alternatives?

Empower your firm with Vincent by Clio—the enterprise-grade AI legal research platform trusted by Am Law leaders and Fortune 500 counsel.

The truth about Harvey AI:

Impressive, but not built for every firm

Harvey AI helped spark the legal industry's interest in generative AI. Built on OpenAI's GPT technology and trained on legal data, it was developed to assist large organizations with drafting, contract analysis, and legal research. Its integrations through Microsoft Azure provide the scale and security that enterprise firms require.

However, while Harvey's capabilities are powerful, they remain largely geared toward enterprise environments. Its pricing, deployment, and limited transparency make it difficult for most firms to adopt and integrate into everyday workflows.

And for many legal professionals, the value of AI lies not only in what it can do, but in how easily it fits into the tools and systems they already use.

What to look for in a Harvey AI alternative

Choosing an AI tool for your firm means balancing innovation with reliability. Look for solutions that enhance your practice without compromising accuracy, compliance, or client trust.

Key criteria for evaluating legal AI tools:

- **Transparent sourcing:** Every output should cite verifiable case law and statutes.
- **Authoritative data:** The model must be trained on trusted, up-to-date legal sources.
- **Workflow integration:** It should fit seamlessly into the systems you already use—case management, billing, or document automation.
- **Security and compliance:** SOC 2 and ISO 27001 certifications are essential. Ensure your data isn't used to train external models.
- **Ease of adoption:** Lawyers shouldn't need prompt-engineering skills to get meaningful results.

The best AI tools don't replace your judgment, they strengthen it with trusted insights grounded in real law. And with today's technology, switching between separate tools to run your firm and practice law is quickly becoming a thing of the past.

What firms need next

The next generation of legal AI goes beyond enterprise-only solutions. Lawyers need tools that combine Harvey AI's sophistication with greater accessibility, verifiable sources, and seamless workflow integration. That's where Clio's approach stands apart.

With Vincent AI, Clio brings trusted, enterprise-grade research intelligence to firms of all sizes. And soon, through Clio Work, those same research and drafting capabilities will live directly inside the Clio platform—making advanced AI available to every legal professional, without the barriers of cost or complexity.

Vincent by Clio: AI built for real legal work

When it comes to applying AI in law, trust and transparency matter just as much as speed.

That's why Vincent by Clio stands apart. Developed with input from Am Law 100 firms and Fortune 500 counsel, Vincent combines advanced generative AI with the world's largest curated legal library—transforming how lawyers research, analyze, and deliver client-ready work.

A legal foundation you can trust

Built on more than one billion cases, statutes, dockets, and secondary sources, Vincent gives firms an authoritative foundation for every answer.

Its proprietary CERT citations ensure every response is backed by "good law," so you can confidently reference results with clients, courts, and regulators.

Unlike general-purpose AI tools, Vincent doesn't require prompt engineering. It understands legal reasoning and adapts to workflows across litigation, transactions, and compliance, producing results that reflect how lawyers actually think and work.

Measurable results for modern firms

For law firms, this translates into real, measurable impact. Firms using Vincent have seen:

- **38%** higher productivity across research and drafting tasks
- **3.7x** greater reliability than leading large language models
- **8 of 10** top global firms use Vincent to power their workflows

Vincent is continuously updated with 300,000+ daily docket changes and live regulatory data, so your firm is always working from the latest information.

Secure, seamless, and enterprise-ready

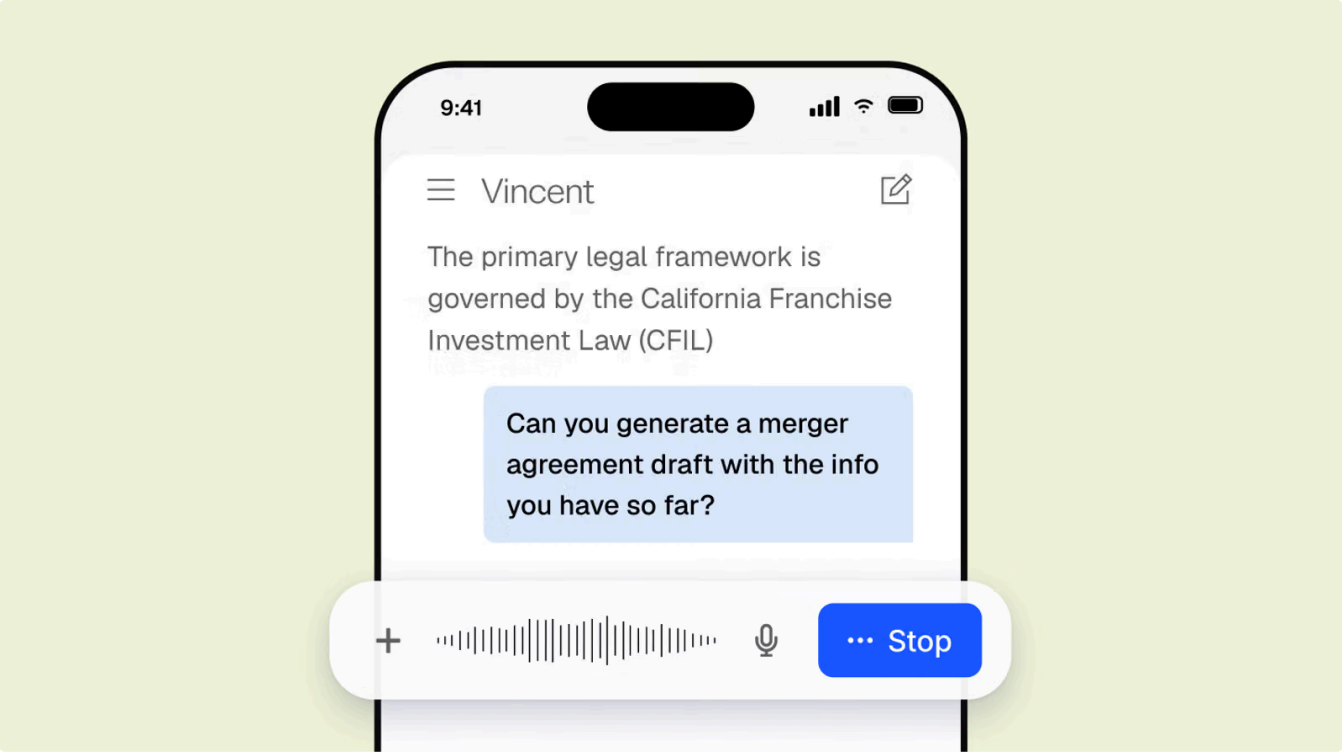
Vincent is built with SOC 2 certification and has a zero data retention agreement with LLM providers, ensuring client data remains fully protected. It also integrates seamlessly with the tools you already use, including Microsoft Word, Outlook, and iManage, bringing trusted legal intelligence directly into your daily workflow.

Not just for big firms

With Clio Work, firms of every size can access the full power of Vincent AI and Clio Library, right inside of your practice management software. No more juggling tabs, no more extra subscriptions. Clio Work brings your legal research, matter insights, and daily workflows together in one secure, intuitive workspace so you can run your business and practice law from the same place.

Learn more about Clio Work below!

How firms use Vincent by Clio



- **Ask a research question:** Generate comprehensive, cited answers grounded in authoritative sources.
- **Compare jurisdictions:** Analyze statutes and case law across multiple states in seconds.
- **Analyze documents:** Review pleadings, contracts, or discovery data with AI-assisted accuracy and context.

For many firms, Vincent is more than a research tool, it's the foundation of a modern, AI-enabled legal practice that pairs precision with confidence.

If you're comparing Vincent to Harvey AI, consider that both offer cutting-edge research capabilities, but only Vincent provides verifiable sourcing, continuous legal updates, and full integration with your existing workflows.

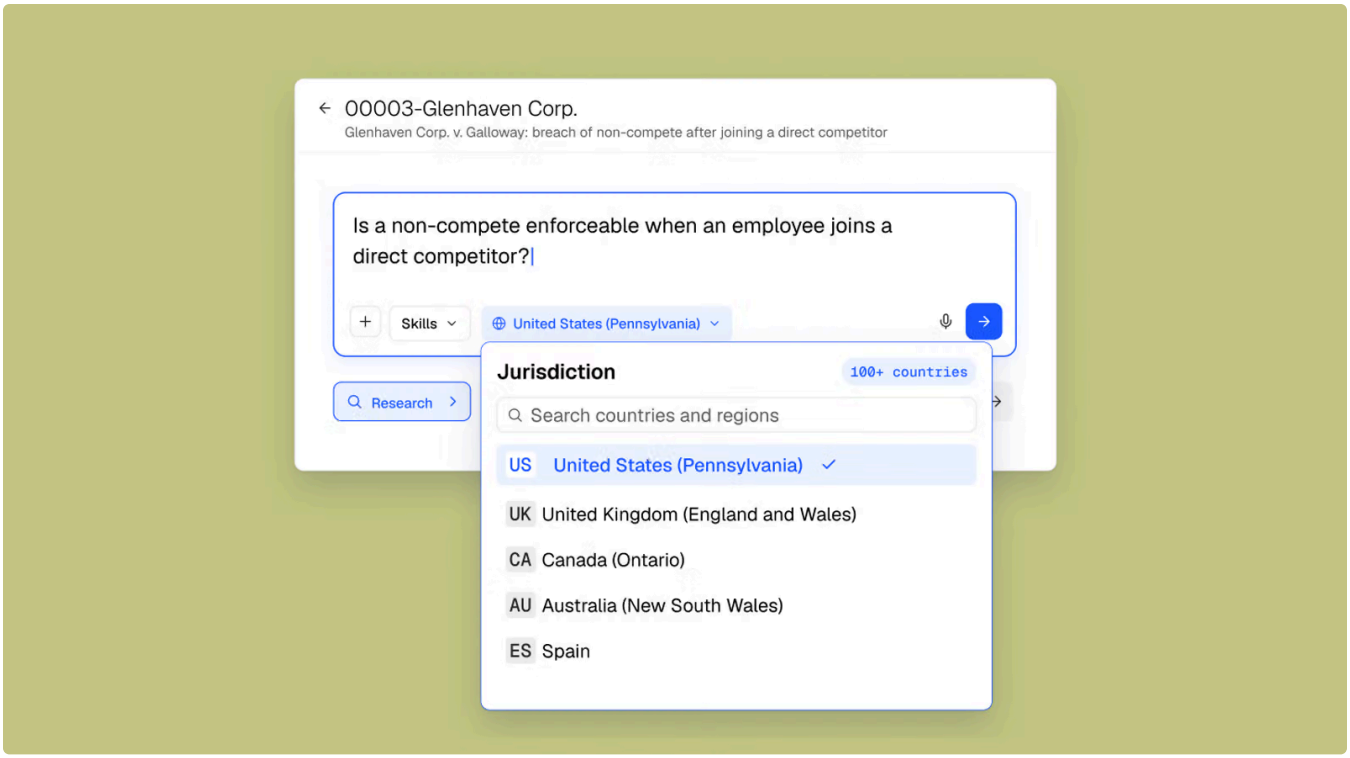
Clio Work: The only AI that understands your cases, their context, and the law



Clio Work is more than a workspace, it's where legal research, matter management, and administration come together in one secure, connected platform. Designed for firms that want to do more with less, it makes advanced AI research and writing tools accessible without adding extra systems or costs.

Research and case management in one place

Clio Work combines trusted legal research with the tools you already use to manage your practice. It draws on matter data to provide accurate insights while keeping everything connected across your workflow.



Key capabilities include:

- Matter-aware AI intelligence that understands the context of your work and delivers research tailored to your active cases.
- Comprehensive, cited research through Clio Library and Vincent, with access to more than one billion documents and verifiable case law.
- Integrated workflows that let you move from research to drafting to communication without leaving the Clio platform.
- Access daily updates, precedent mapping, and chronological citation tracking that reveal how laws connect and evolve, so you can research with confidence and stay ahead of change.

More value at a lower cost

Clio Work helps firms expand their AI capabilities without the added cost or complexity of managing third-party tools. Everything operates within Clio's secure infrastructure and predictable pricing model.

Here's what that means in practice:

- **One platform, fewer vendors:** Advanced research and strategy tools in the same system you use for billing, communication, and case management.
- **Smarter use of firm data:** Clio Work uses your existing matter data to surface relevant information faster, improving both speed and accuracy.
- **Built-in security and compliance:** All data stays within Clio's encrypted environment, eliminating the need to transfer sensitive information between systems.

A better way to work

By bringing AI research and firm management into one place, Clio Work simplifies how legal professionals get work done. It helps firms operate more efficiently, deliver higher-quality client service, and reduce costs associated with maintaining multiple tools.

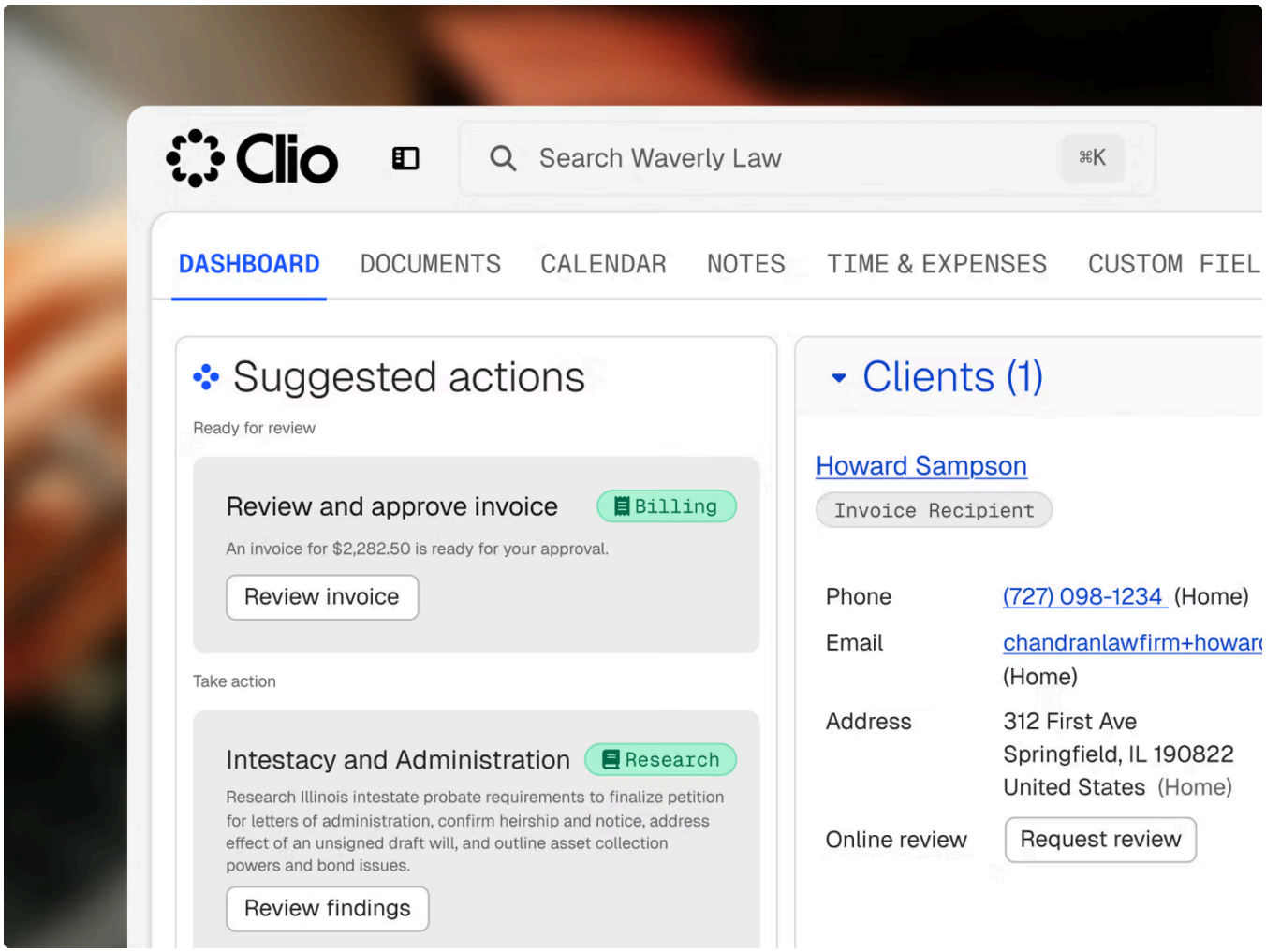
With Clio Work, firms gain an all-in-one platform built for the future of legal work—where trusted research, powerful AI, and everyday practice management finally come together.

Other legal AI tools to consider

While the power of Vincent AI sets the benchmark for legal-grade transparency and reliability, several other AI tools are making an impact across the industry:

Clio Manage

Clio Manage brings the power of AI to where your firm already works every day. There's nothing extra to buy and nothing to set up. With AI, Clio Manage becomes a firm-wide productivity engine that keeps work moving, deadlines tracked and scheduled, files organized, and bills out the door on time, right inside your practice management tool.



How AI in Clio Manage boosts how you work:

- **Stay ahead of deadlines:** Automatically pull dates from court documents, add them to the right matters, and keep calendars in sync to reduce the risk of missed deadlines.
- **Plan your day with confidence:** Surface priorities and reminders, then create tasks, notes, events, and expenses in a few clicks so every matter keeps momentum.
- **Accelerate billing and cash flow:** Generate draft invoices, route bills to the right approvers, set billing parameters, and streamline end-of-month billing so you can get paid sooner.
- **Eliminate manual filing:** Save emails, receipts, and attachments to the correct matter automatically. Everyone sees the latest file in the right place, every time.
- **Automate repeatable work:** Build tasks, stages, and checklists that standardize how your firm runs, freeing your team to focus on high-value work instead of setup.
- **Compose on demand:** Draft motions, letters, and client updates, or turn long documents into clear, actionable summaries without leaving Clio.

How AI in Clio Manage shows up in real work:

- A new complaint hits your inbox: Clio Manage extracts deadlines, creates a task list, and schedules key dates.
- It's billing week: Draft invoices are ready for review, with approvals routed to the right people.
- You open a lengthy transcript: Clio Manage delivers a tight summary and suggested follow-ups.

The result: fewer bottlenecks, faster payments, and more bandwidth for client service, all within the system your firm already trusts. With AI, Clio Manage solves the daily pain points every law firm faces. AI in your firm doesn't need to look complicated. It can be secure and reliable, opening up time in your day and lifting some administrative weight off your shoulders.

LexisNexis AI

With Lexis+ AI, the company brings generative AI into its existing ecosystem, helping lawyers draft memos, summarize cases, and ask natural-language questions across its proprietary database.

What stands out:

- **Depth of data:** Built on an extensive legal library, including case law, statutes, and secondary sources.
- **Integrated drafting support:** Suggests clauses, summaries, and legal analyses directly within the Lexis+ platform.
- **Enterprise-grade security:** Designed for large organizations with robust compliance, privacy, and data-governance frameworks.

Considerations for firms:

- **High learning curve and cost:** Optimized for enterprise teams, with pricing and setup that can be prohibitive for smaller firms.
- **Limited interoperability:** Works best inside the Lexis ecosystem, offering fewer integrations with other tools firms rely on daily.
- **Citation transparency:** While sources are provided, the AI's reasoning process can be less visible, requiring careful human review.

LexisNexis AI is a strong option for research-heavy teams that already rely on Lexis tools and have the resources to implement enterprise-level systems. For most firms, its closed ecosystem and cost may limit accessibility and everyday use.

CoCounsel by Thomson Reuters

Part of Thomson Reuters, CoCounsel applies large-language-model technology to automate legal research, document review, and drafting. It's positioned as a virtual legal assistant capable of handling tasks from deposition summaries to contract analysis.

What stands out

- **Strong research reasoning:** Built to understand complex legal language and return context-aware answers with relevant citations.
- **Discovery and review expertise:** Particularly effective for summarizing depositions or lengthy evidence sets.
- **Enterprise-level governance:** Benefits from Thomson Reuters' established data standards and integration with Westlaw and Practical Law.

Considerations for firms

- **Cost and scale:** Currently targeted toward enterprise and upper-mid-market firms, which can make pricing and deployment challenging for smaller practices.
- **Closed ecosystem:** Deeply integrated with Thomson Reuters tools, offering limited flexibility for firms using alternative systems.
- **Transparency and sourcing:** Provides citations, but the underlying model training and data sources are not fully disclosed.

CoCounsel demonstrates how AI can extend beyond simple text generation to deeper analysis and review. However, like LexisNexis, it remains focused on enterprise environments with dedicated resources for implementation, oversight, and compliance.

Choosing the right AI for your firm

AI is transforming how lawyers work, but the best tools don't just generate answers, they help you think, research, and act with confidence. While platforms like Harvey AI have advanced the conversation, most firms need solutions that are accessible, transparent, and built for the realities of legal practice.

Clio is leading that next chapter. With Vincent by Clio for verifiable legal research, Clio Manage for daily productivity, and Clio Work bringing everything together in one connected workspace, firms of every size can harness AI safely and effectively.

It's not about replacing lawyers, it's about empowering them. With the right technology, your firm can deliver higher-quality work, faster, while staying focused on what matters most: your clients.

For enterprise-sized firms: Explore Vincent

For solo to mid-sized law firms: Explore Clio Work

About Clio

Clio is the global leader in legal AI, powering legal work across the profession, from law firms of every size to corporate legal teams, government agencies, and courts. Its Intelligent Legal Work Platform unites the business and practice of law, connecting the people, information, and processes behind legal work. Clio's AI brings the context together with legal sources drawn from Clio Library, a growing collection of more than one billion legal documents. Over 400,000 legal professionals in more than 130 countries rely on Clio to run their legal world. Learn more at www.clio.com.