Law2Life Freedom in TIME Self-Assessment

For each category choose a statement that best reflects your current situation. Then look at the numbers at the top of that column. If your situation is exactly as described, write down the middle number in the "Score" column. If your situation is not quite as good as described, write down the lower number. If your situation is even better than the statement, write down the higher number.

		1 2 3	4 5 6	7 8 9	10 11 12	SCORE
TIME						
1.	Timeliness	I am chronically behind. Being late is a source of stress for me. I have a long list of "to dos" that never seem to get done. I have trouble delivering on time.	I am often behind schedule – but things get done eventually. My clients sometimes have to contact me to find out when they can expect an answer.	For the most part, I get things done on time. Sometimes that means a rush at the end, but I enjoy the adrenaline. I could use some additional help during surge periods.	I am always ahead of schedule. I value my reputation as timely. I have systems and supports to manage surge periods and my clients know they can always count on me.	
2.	Personal Time and Holidays	I have no time to myself to do activities I enjoy. I do not have any hobbies. I never take holidays. I find it really difficult to be away from my practice. This has been a source of stress and conflict with others in my life.	I take days off from time to time – mainly if made to by my family, friends or colleagues. I squeeze in personal activities I enjoy from time to time – but it's hard. It's impossible to make a firm commitment to things because my schedule is so unpredictable. I am usually last on my priority list.	I enjoy my personal time and have one or two activities that are important to me and I schedule them. This personal time is essential to my happiness. I wish I could be more strategic about planning days off so I could maximize my rest and rejuvenation.	My holidays are planned well in advance and that time is protected. I take ample time off so I feel refreshed and rejuvenated. I have a vibrant personal life. I regularly participate in hobbies and activities I really enjoy. I have retired all the things I don't like to do.	



3.	Team Time	I work alone. OR My team often express frustration that I don't make time to work with them. I am often disappointed with the work product of those around me. I find that it's easier to do most things myself.	I am very independent. I work with a team when I run into problems or need something in an emergency. Most of the time I get things done myself.	I enjoy working with others. My work relationships are pleasant. While we don't have regularly scheduled team meetings, we work well together and get things done collaboratively.	Teamwork is a priority for me. I have a strong team that supports me and to whom I can confidently delegate. I strategically plan time with my team every week. And they are confident that they know what they are doing and how to support me.
Overal		ow I spend my time:			
4.	Contribution	What I do for work has little personal meaning.	I feel like my work is benign. I'm not hurting anyone – but I'm certainly not changing the world.	What I do matters. I get satisfaction in hearing that what I have done for a client has made a difference for them.	I am living my calling. I am making an important and positive contribution through my work. It gives me great fulfillment and satisfaction.
5.	Reputation	My reputation holds little meaning for me. OR I am concerned about my negative reputation.	I have not developed a reputation for any one thing.	I am an expert in my field, but that is not broadly known.	I am a known leading expert in my field.
6.	Clients	I don't know who is going to give me work next. I will take work from any source. Any client is a good enough client.	I know who I would like to attract as clients but lack the expertise or money to connect with many of those I would like to service.	I have been lucky to work with a great group of clients. I find it hard to say no to anyone – and have some clients I should pass along.	I know exactly who my ideal clients are. I attract those clients and have systems to redirect clients who are a non-fit for me.
Overal	l comments on th	he impact I have in the world and	specifically with my clients:		



MON	IEY				
7.	Money	I don't make enough money.	I am getting by. I would like	I make good money. I	I have a highly lucrative
	satisfaction	Money is a constant stress	to make more money.	would like to make more	practice. I am very satisfied
		for me.		money.	with my income.
8.	Money	Low value – high cost	Low value – low cost	High value – high cost	High value – high cost – high
	reputation			High value – low cost	satisfaction
		My clients think I charge too	My clients don't expect		
		much for what I do.	much from me and I don't	My clients think I charge	My clients think they get
			charge much.	too much – but they think	excellent value and are happy
				they get good value. OR	to pay me well because of the
				My clients think my work	value they receive from me.
				is cheap and cheerful.	
9.	Sources of	I bill my clients by the hour	I have a mixture of billable	I have a mixture of billable	I have multiple income
	income	only. I often write down bills	hour and flat rate work.	hour, flat rate and product	streams and product
		because I am concerned		work. I am interested in	offerings. I have passive
		about the price.		diversifying.	income. I work with a team
					that contributes to my
					income.
EXPE	RIENCES				
10.	· ·				
	Learning	I have hit the ceiling of	I have been doing the same	My work changes and	I am constantly learning new
	Learning	I have hit the ceiling of learning. What I do is	I have been doing the same work my entire career. I am	My work changes and develops over time. I	I am constantly learning new things. I am intentional about
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	Learning	learning. What I do is repetitive and there is no	work my entire career. I am interested in expanding my	develops over time. I enjoy learning. I spend	things. I am intentional about expanding my skills and
	Creativity	learning. What I do is repetitive and there is no opportunity to learn	work my entire career. I am interested in expanding my	develops over time. I enjoy learning. I spend time expanding my	things. I am intentional about expanding my skills and
11.		learning. What I do is repetitive and there is no opportunity to learn anything new.	work my entire career. I am interested in expanding my knowledge and skills.	develops over time. I enjoy learning. I spend time expanding my knowledge and skills.	things. I am intentional about expanding my skills and learning.
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12.	Values	My work values and personal values are not aligned.	I have not identified my personal values and have not spent time thinking about whether my work aligns with what I value.	I know my personal values and work values and they are aligned for the most part.	My work values and personal values are in complete alignment.	
Overal OVERA		w I experience my work and my	life:			
13.	Overall satisfaction	I am in crisis. If something does not change, I am going to have to quit the law.	I'm coasting. I am often confused about what I should be doing next. I focus on emergencies and not necessarily on what I should be doing. I don't feel like I have work-life balance.	I spend my time doing things I enjoy. I would like to be more strategic – but life is good. Most days I feel good about my work- life flow.	I am living my life's passion. I feel endless energy and enjoyment from my work. I spend my time doing the activities I love to do and feel I am uniquely qualified to do.	

What are your top 3 scores?

What are your bottom 3 scores?

Insights:



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