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Weblogs – “blawgs” as they are known in legal circles – are the latest trend in legal communication. Blawgs are essentially online diaries or journals allowing readers to be quickly informed of changes and developments in the law. They have the advantage of being easier and cheaper to maintain than most websites and can therefore be updated on a daily – even hourly – basis. Blawgs are ideal for the information-intensive, increasingly specialized legal profession. Unlike standard websites, blawgs allow their creators to be more informal and to indulge in their own sense of style and humour.

Hundreds of blawgs are now on the internet operated by

lawyers, judges, law academics, law librarians and students. Many blawgs are used to market law firms while others serve as platforms for discussion within the legal community. In the United States, trial-specific blawgs have been used to generate interest in cases such as the Michael Jackson (www.mjjsource.com) and Martha Stewart (www.marthatalks.com) cases.

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