How do you successfully compete on value rather than on rates?

- Did not set out to be a lawyer
- Successful at selecting companies that survive and thrive (and helping them to do so)
- From the great state of New Jersey

















## LegalZoom supports a large number of SMEs, integrating a network of provider firms into a technology platform

## 4 Million+

The number of people who have relied on us for their personal and business legal needs

## 2 Million+

The number of people we've helped start or run their business

450,000+

The number of requests for attorney consultations







"I had never started a business before, so LegalZoom was a perfect place to go. It let me take my vision for the company and make it a reality."

Janie Hoffman, Mamma Chia

"[Without LegalZoom] I probably would have not felt comfortable, both from a time and money and effort standpoint, establishing as many brands as I did."

Derek Rohlffs, Winemaker Bravium Wines

"We've used [LegalZoom] for quite a few things over the years, and overall it's gone very smoothly. They've been easy to work with and very affordable."

Karen Yoo, McCalls Meat and Fish Co



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## LegalZoom's presence is increasingly outside the United States

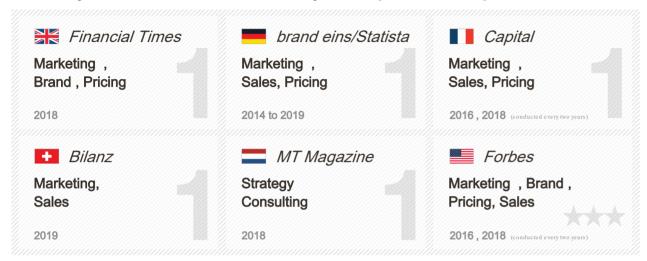




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### Simon -Kucher & Partners at a glance

#### Globally renowned consultancy for top -line improvement



#### What others say about us

No one knows more about pricing than Simon-Kucher

Philip Kotler, marketing guru

Simon-Kucher is a down-to-earth consultancy, highly committed and trustworthy. They deliver what they promise.

> Member of the executive board. Bank Julius Baer & Co. Ltd.

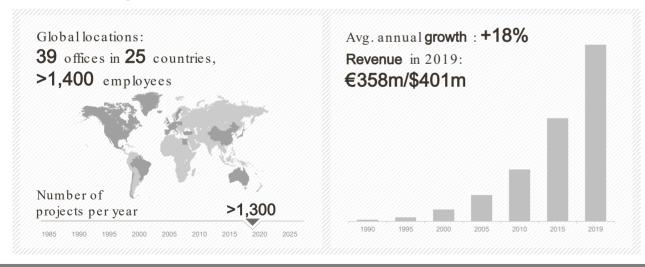
Simon-Kucher was a great partner during our research phase. We appreciated their support, expertise, and partnership throughout the process of developing Uber Rewards

Barney Harford, former COO, Uber

Pricing strategy specialists.

The Wall Street Journal

#### Facts and figures



#### Simon -Kucher profile

**Top Line** Power® This is what Simon-Kucher is all about. We boost our clients' revenue and profits by optimizing their pricing, sales,

marketing, and strategy.

**Digital** 

Simon-Kucher We advise clients on how to improve their top lines with digital technologies, from big data analytics, machine

learning, and artificial intelligence to tailor-made pricing and

sales tools.

THE unicorn advisors

We have worked for over 30 unicorns, such as Asana, Stripe,

and Uber.

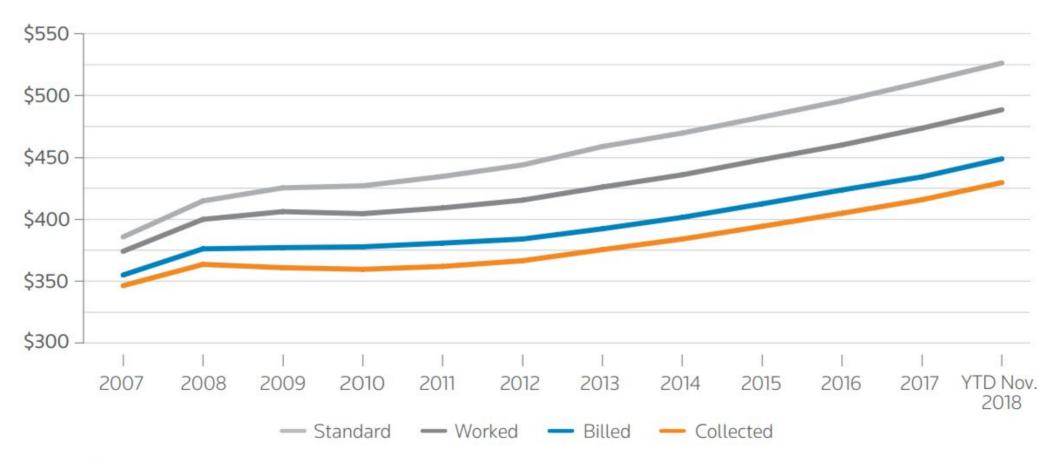


### Price is fundamentally a measure of value



### This directly translates into law firm rates, where higher fees stand in for quality

Figure 11 – Rate Progression



Lawyers only Billable time type; non-contingent matters

Source: Thomson Reuters Peer Monitor®

## The "rack rate" is not what most clients actually pay — although it does drive up tuition and affect expectations

In our research, we found multiple forms of discounting, only two of which are captured by the Georgetown study, below

Figure 12 – Collection Realization against Standard



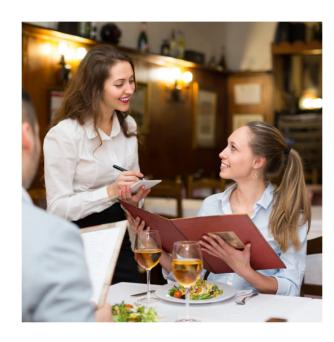
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## Economists generally recognize three categories of goods



Commodity - Search Good



**Experience Good** 



**Credence Good** 

...credence goods put the "price story" in boldface

### With Credence Goods, the fee becomes a convincing stand in for actual quality

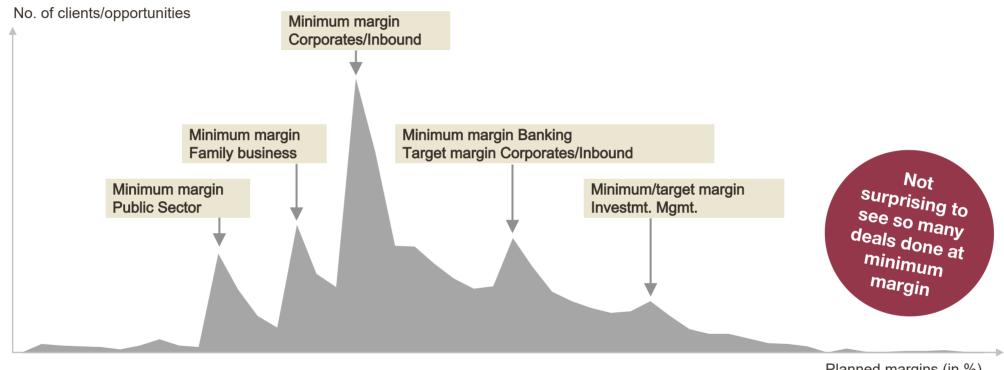
Participants of an experiment were asked to judge the pain relief effect of a pain-killing tablet after they were treated with (soft) electric shocks.



Particularly with credence goods, price becomes a statement about quality

## Massive uncertainty about how to set discounts, particularly among junior partners

#### Distribution of margins



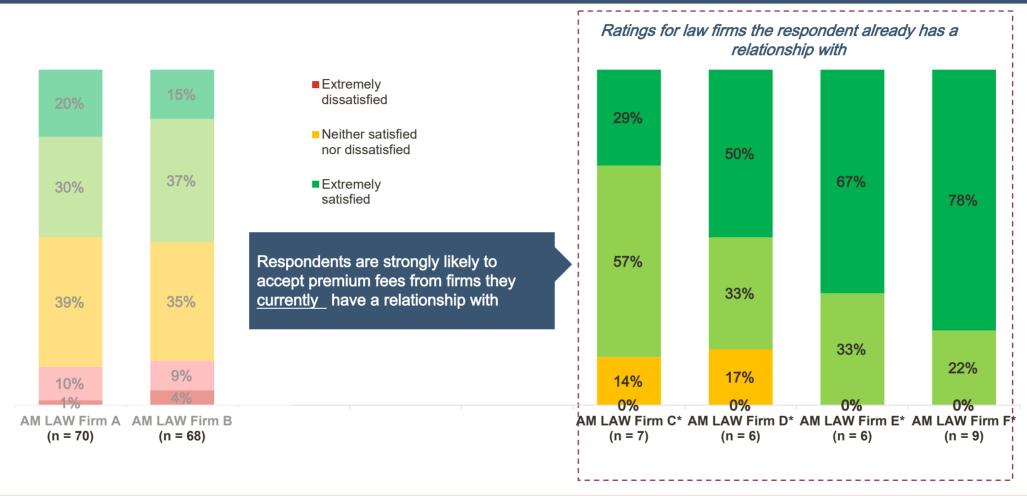
Planned margins (in %)

Ultimate price generated based on internal 'rules' with no consideration of HOW or WHY willingness to pay (and therefore target margin) should differ between clients

### ...yet measured elasticity was low, particularly in a relationship context

#### Response to a 10% premium over expected median fees from AM LAW 100 clients

Q: For a typical matter in [chosen area], if the total fee for the engagement was [10% over reported median fee], how satisfied would you be in engaging each of the firms below?.



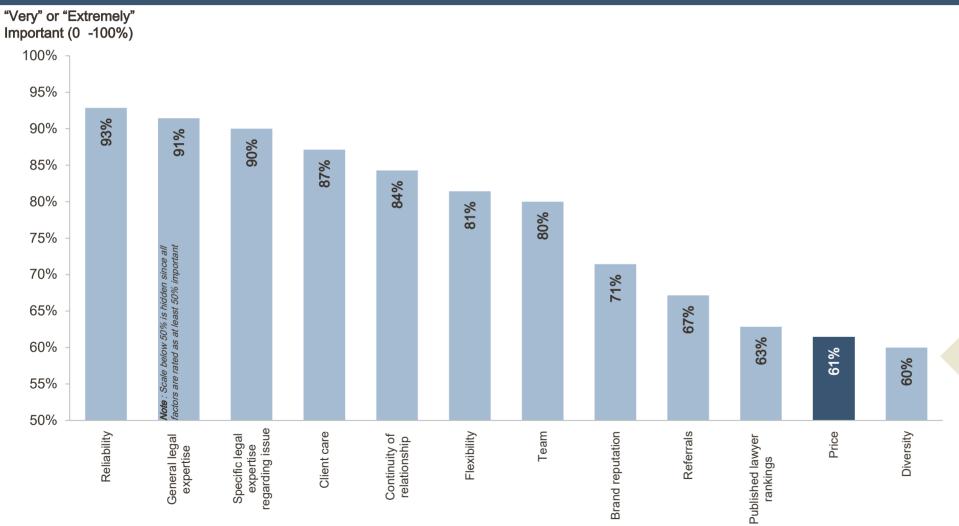
Over 90% of respondents are satisfied paying 10% premium for firms they currently engage

<sup>\*</sup> Small sample each for individual firms selected from AmLaw 100: indicative results only Source: Simon-Kucher Survey of Purchasers of Legal Time

## ...and purchasers of legal time showed a strong "value" profile, ranking quality drivers over price

#### Importance of specified factors in fee -setting decisions

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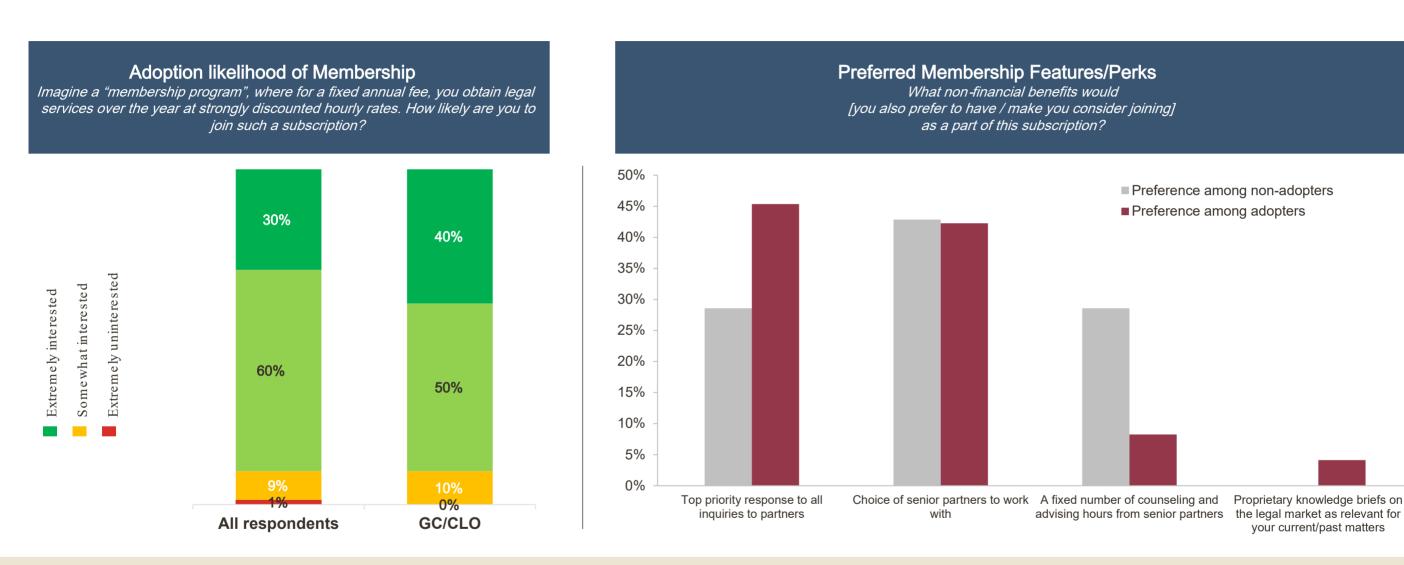


Price is one of the lowest -priority factors for decision -makers on purchase of legal time

Indicates possibility of setting and realizing premium-prices, coupled with effective value-communication

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## While firms are historically resistant to AFA adoption, in most practice areas, "stair step" AFA approaches may be more acceptable



Relationship factors, particularly access to partners, dominated over other non

-monetary factors tested

## "Five Forces" Analysis: Isolating the forces exerting pressure on the current legal economy



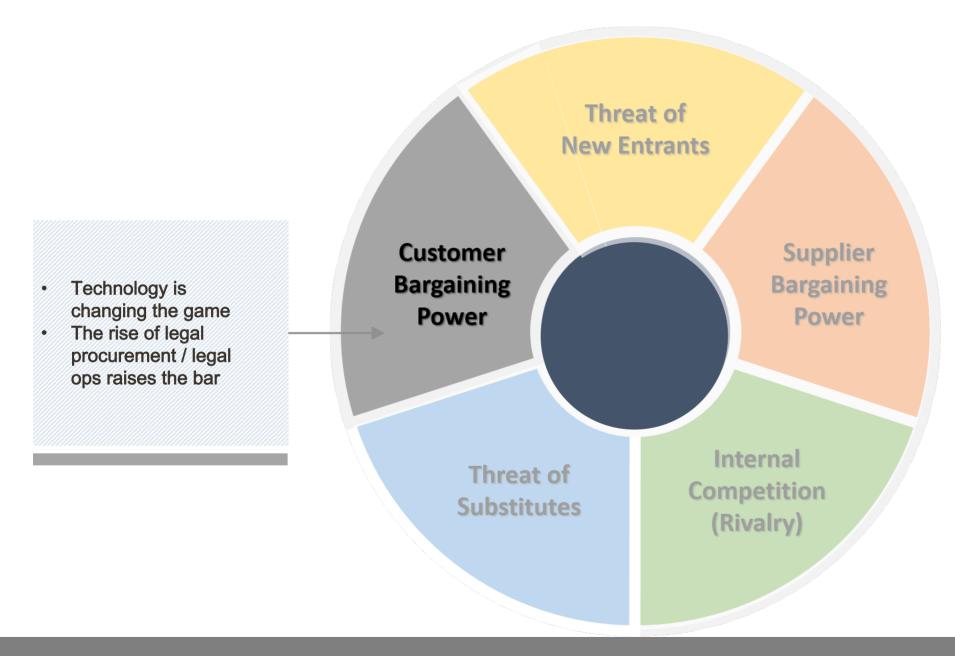


## Analyzing the forces exerting pressure on the delivery of legal services





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### Technology is now being used to scrutinize lawyers' every move



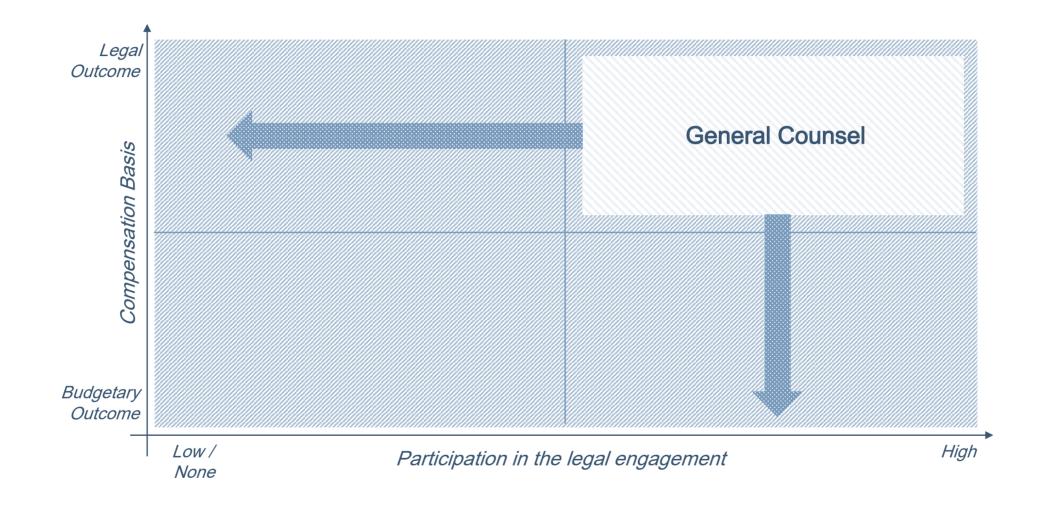






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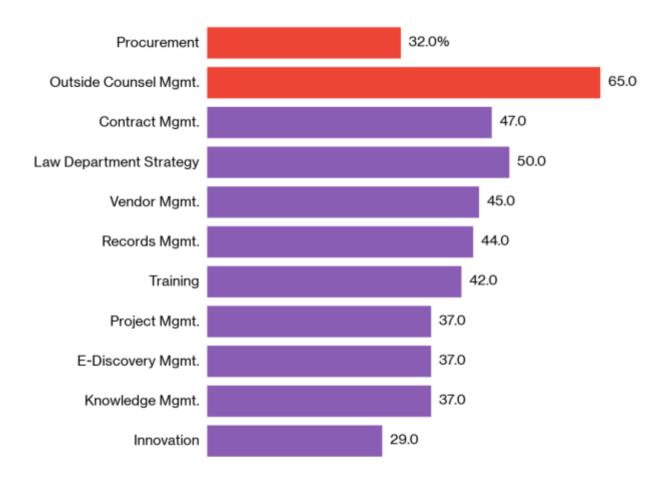
# Your new counterparty cares less about the relationship, and worries more about the expense





## Enterprise - and mid -sized firms will increasingly put two layers of negotiation between you and the decision maker

#### Legal Operations: Scope of Responsibility



Source: Bloomberg Law 2019 Legal Operations & Technology Survey

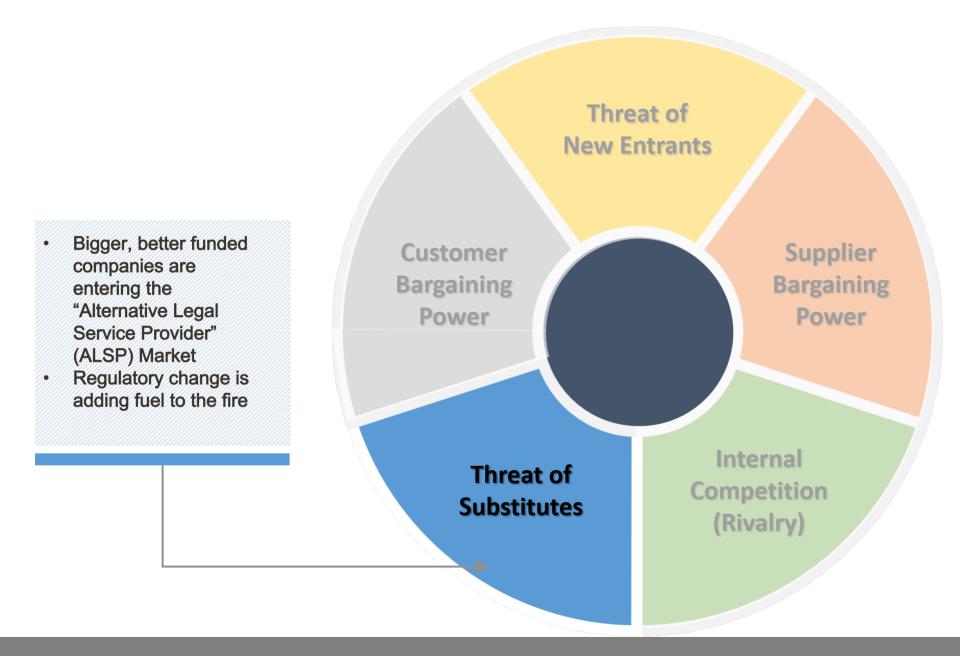
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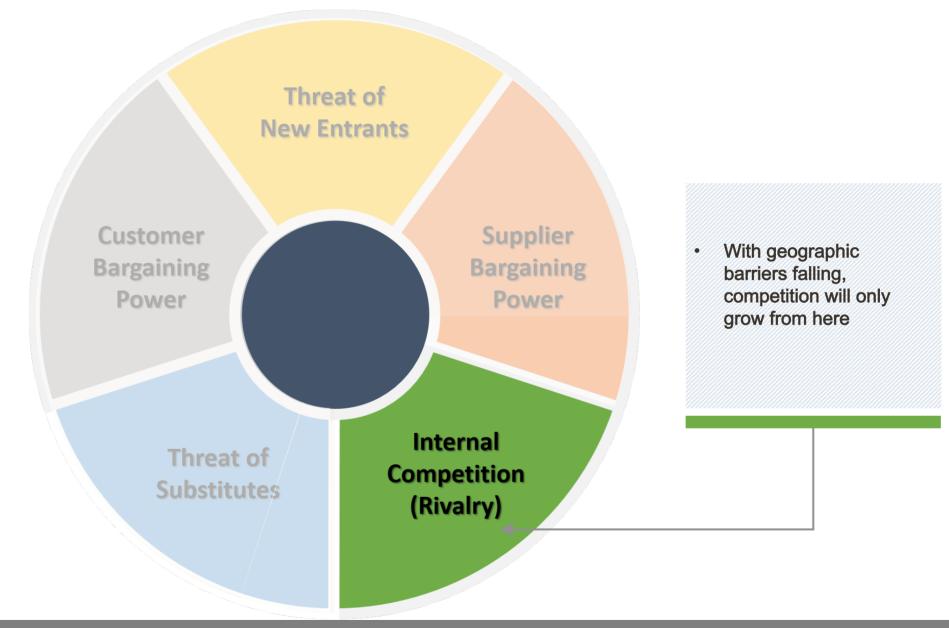


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### **Our Excellent Panel**



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