10 Days to Launch Your Client Development Efforts: Day 4

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On day 3 you focused on what you need to learn to become more valuable to your clients. Today, I want you to think about what steps you will take to raise your profile (visibility and credibility). Here are some questions to get you started:

- 1. Is your website bio effective?
- 2. Is it current and updated?
- 3. Are you completely satisfied with your photo?
- 4. Does it show your representative experience?
- 5. If you have listed articles and presentations, are there active links?
- 6. Would it be more effective for you to raise your profile by writing and speaking to industry groups or by being active in your community and/or the Bar? Which activities would you enjoy the most?

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- 7. What profile building activity would give you the greatest return for the least investment of time?
- 8. Your clients and target clients belong to what industry associations or civic groups?
- 9. What publications do your clients and potential clients regularly read?
- 10. Can you raise your profile by blogging?
- 11. What problems, opportunities, or changes are your clients dealing with that would be effective topics for articles, blog posts, or presentations?
- 12. Are you using LinkedIn, Twitter, Slideshare or any other social media to distribute what you have written or presented?

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