

IT'S TIME TO JOTT!

Free Voice-Activated Technology On The Go

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Jott...what a great name! And “Jotting” is exactly what you get with this free service. Jott utilizes speech recognition technology to allow you to dictate notes to yourself or others from any phone you wish. My suggestion is that you use your cell phone, because most people carry it with them at all times. You never know when you are going to need Jott, so it is best to have it wherever you are.

For years, I struggled to “jot” down those little reminders to myself when I was driving in the car or walking down the street. Either I could not find a pen or I had no scrap paper to write on. Then the cell phone’s voice memo feature came into my world, and I was able to record a voice message on my phone. Only problem with that was I forgot to check the voice memo when I got home or arrived at the office. And even if I did remember to check my voice memo, I still had to transcribe the information when I listened to it. Well, Jott was the answer to my problem.

Wherever I am, I now press “3” on my phone (3 is my speed dial for Jott) and without even a ring, I hear, “who do you want to jott?” I answer, “myself,” and my personal dictation begins. My voice message is then automatically transcribed into text and sent to my e-mail inbox within minutes. If I wish to “jott” my assistant, I simply tell Jott this and the message is sent to my assistant’s e-mail inbox. If I wish to make a lunch plan with my three law school buddies, I can set up a permanent group so that the Jott is sent to all three.

A few other ideas for Jotting:

- Memos or Letters - Send a quick memo to yourself or dictate a letter to a client after a court hearing
- Home organization - Add an item to a Jott list you have already created (you can access the list on the jott account that you created)
- Reminders at Work – Set a reminder for something you need to do
- Web Service – Jott technology has links to many web services like Amazon, Yahoo Groups, Typepad, Zillow, etc.

Simply put, the more creative you are, the more you will be able to use Jott.

Jott allows up to one minute of dictation time. However, at the end of your Jott, it asks if you wish to “jott” again, so you can keep going if you wish. You can spell out names or complicated

words, and I have found the speech recognition software to be incredibly accurate. The set up is simple. Check it out at www.jott.com. Once you start “jotting,” you will not be able to stop!