

FWM June 2014 Webinar

EMAIL FOLLOW-UP CAMPAIGNS THAT WORK



What will you learn today?

- 1. How to get real contact info
- 2. The first step: delivering your offer
- 3. Essential steps in your email campaign
- 4. Branding and consistency
- 5. Timing your email campaign messages
- 6. Getting emails OPENED
- 7. Getting links CLICKED and TRACKED
- 8. Measuring success



How do you get contact information for an email follow-up campaign?

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How Web Visitors Contact Law Firms







Free Offers

35% of all contacts

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What makes an "offer"?

Something you can convince visitors they WANT or NEED









How to Get REAL Contact Info

- 1. Require a valid email address to send your offer (link or PDF)
- 2. Don't just make the offer available on the Thank You page
- Use "Second Chance" forms to get a mailing address—offer to send a hardcopy of your book or report



First Step: DELIVER THE OFFER!

Make it EASY to get your offer to BUILD TRUST FROM THE START

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First Step: DELIVER THE OFFER!

Describe on the offer page how the offer will be delivered...

- "Fill out this form and we'll immediately send a copy of the book to the email address you provide."
- "Fill out this form and in 7 to 10 days you'll receive the bumper sticker in the mail to the address you provide."



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June 2014 Webinar – Follow Up-Sequences and Drip Campaigns

So, you've generated some leads; now what? Its time to implement follow-up sequences (or drip-campaigns) that will keep your business in the forefront of their mind. It's not enough to *just have* a follow-up sequence—it's got to be effective. In this month's webinar we will tell you not only how to create a follow-up sequence, but we will cover everything from timing, to subject lines, to user psychology.

This next webinar will be on **Wednesday**, **June 17**, **2014** at **1pm Eastern** time, so sign up today to make sure you get the insider knowledge that can help take you to the top! If you can't join the webinar, sign up anyway because we'll send out a recording and slides to all registered attendees.

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First Step: DELIVER THE OFFER!

On the Thank You page, describe what's going to happen next...and get out of the spam filter!

"We've sent a PDF copy of the book to the email address you provided. If you don't see the email in the next 5-10 minutes, please check your "junk" or "spam" folders and add <u>YourName@YourDomain.com</u> to your trusted list (whitelist), so you can continue to receive relevant information from My Law Firm."



First Step: DELIVER THE OFFER!

Thank You Email: send the offer as described!

- <u>Subject line</u>: make it CLEAR this is the offer they requested
- <u>Email copy</u>: Thank you for ordering this offer. Include the offer as an attachment or a link to the offer on your website.
- <u>Fair warning</u>! Let them know in this email that they will receive additional info from you.



- 1. The "Thank You" email
- 2. The "Checking in" email
- 3. The "Building Trust" email
- 4. The "Questions to Ask" email
- 5. The "Related Info" email
- 6. The "Choice is Yours" email
- 7. The "Breaking News" email



The "Checking in" email

- <u>Open the conversation</u>: Did you get the offer?
 Did you read it / use it? Do you have questions?
- <u>Make yourself accessible</u>: provide your contact information and when you're available
- <u>Request feedback</u>: "we'd like to know what you thought" or "was the information helpful?"
- <u>Suggest sharing</u>: If you found the information helpful, share it with your friends!



The "**Building Trust**" email <u>Reduce risk:</u> People don't want to be pioneers. Show them others have gone before them:

- **Testimonials** from people in similar situations
- Success stories: tell the story of how you helped somebody in a relevant situation
- **Reviews**: include reviews with rating stars





The "Questions to Ask" email

- Play up your strengths
- Capitalize on your competitors weaknesses
- You're building trust while making your competition seem suspect

"Don't hire <u>anybody</u> until you ask these 3 KEY questions!" "Not sure if you need a lawyer / doctor? Here are 5 questions to consider..." "The one question everybody forgets to ask!"



The "Related Info" email

- Provide links to related offers or content on your site
- Keep users engaged, <u>return visitors to your site</u>
- Remind them why they found you in the first place...your expertise!

"Other people who ordered the 'Ten Things' book have found the following resources useful..." "If you liked the 'Ten Things', you should read..."



Essential Follow-up Campaign Steps The "**Choice is Yours**" email

- You gotta end this campaign at some point...
- Congratulate the reader for taking charge of their situation and doing their research
- Put the ball in their court—your contact info "You've done the right thing reading the 'Ten Things' book..."

"With the right information, you can make a good decision..."

"The next step is up to you..."



Essential Follow-up Campaign Steps The "**Breaking News**" email

- Relevant story breaks in local or national news related to one of your offers? Create an extra step!
- TIMELY, relevant news improves open rates and clicks on links back to your site for more details
- RELATE the news back to what YOU do

"FDA approves new medical device to help with..." "Lessons from celebrity critically injured in truck wreck..."



Branding & Consistency

You've got contact info because they found you online. They've seen your website colors, logo, calls to action.

BE CONSISTENT IN YOUR EMAIL CAMPAIGNS



Sample Email Campaign Timing

- 1. 0 days: Thank You email
- 2. 2 days: Checking in
- 3. 5 days: Related Info
- 4. 10 days: Questions to Ask
- 5. 20 days: Building Trust
- 6. 35 days: Related Info
- 7. 55 days: Building Trust
- 8. 75 days: Choice is Yours



Email Campaign Timing

- What is the decision timeframe for these types of clients (ordering this offer)?
- Fit your campaign into their timeframe
- <u>Serious problems</u>: short timeframe—hit them hard, end campaign sooner.
- Longer timeframe / buying cycle: more emails, focus on trust, spread out, longer.





NOW HOW DO YOU GET PEOPLE TO OPEN THE DARN EMAILS?



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Avoid the spam filters!

- Words to avoid (do the "used car salesman" test): Help, No Obligation, Reminder, Free, Guarantee, Hot, Click
- Exclamation points are spammy!!!!!!!
- Too many images, not enough text
- No video, flash, javascript, attachments or forms
- Don't keep sending mail to bounced addresses



Avoid the spam filters! (cont'd)

- Always include an "unsubscribe" link—and honor it!
- Send only to those who opt-in
- Ask recipients to white list your email address
- Use a familiar sender name (most mail programs allow you to send "on behalf of...")
- Short copy (long is spammy)
- Email Tools: <u>www.dnsstuff.com/tools</u>



Short Subject Lines

- 50 characters or less / 6-10 words
- Check on Desktop, Mobile, different devices





Getting Emails OPENED Known Sender

Send as a name the recipient will know

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Subject lines as questions

- Pique reader's curiosity
- Make it irresistible by hinting at the answer in the opening line





Listmania! Make a list...

- People LOVE lists—lists organize information and make digesting facts EASY
- Appeals to overwhelmed, "fast-food" readers



http://www.newyorker.com/online/blogs/elements/2013/12/a-list-of-reasons-that-our-brains-love-lists.html



Location-specific subject lines

- Hey, it's relevant to me... I live there!
- Indicates info that may be useful to me here and now
- The more you personalize your email, the better your open rate





Yay! They opened the email!





Getting Links CLICKED Don't give it all up on the page... send people back to your website for MORE!

Dear Danielle,

How can you stay on top of the freshest and newest ideas in content? You get to know people like our Manager of Content Operations, Hannah McNaughton! Hannah has over 4,700 loyal and engaged followers on Twitter, and is known for curating the best articles from across the web.



We asked Hannah to pull together the most useful pieces she found in April to share with you, which she has done—and wow, it is quite a list! <u>Check out her blog post on our website</u> with 11 great resources, and follow her on Twitter <u>@ContentCounts</u> to stay abreast of what's hot in content marketing.

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Getting Links TRACKED

Google Analytics will tell you who visits your site from your email campaign...if you set up link

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Google URL Builder: https://support.google.com/analytics/answer/1033867?hl=en



Getting Links TRACKED View stats in Google Analytics

Acquisition			
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Channels		2.	vanity_url_click
All Traffic		3.	junewebinar2014
All Referrals		4.	12june2014
Campaigns		5.	28may2014
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Measuring Success

Type of Business	Avg Open Rate	Avg Click Thru
Law Firm	21.23%	3.25%
Doctor / Medical	22.76%	3.07%
Marketing	18.81%	2.44%

http://mailchimp.com/resources/research/email-marketing-benchmarks/





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- Oct 26: FWM Marketing Bootcamp, email info@fosterwebmarketing.com