THE PAMPERED BARRISTER’S
GIFT GUIDE

Want to drop a helpful hint to a loved one on what to buy for the lawyer who has everything? The NLJ scoured the earth to find this handy assortment of law-office gift ideas.

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Logitech I-O Personal Digital Pen, $199.95, www.logitech.com
Ever wish you could save all of your handwritten post-it notes in one place? Well, Logitech’s new I-O optical pen can store up to 40 pages of text (written on special paper) and transfer them directly to your PC. It even integrates with Lotus Notes and various Microsoft programs.

Fragmentary head of the emperor Caracalla, $225, www.metmuseum.org/store
If you’ve had enough of all that gadgetry and just want a conversation piece, try this replica of Marcus Aurelius’ head on your desk. It is made of bonded bronze and is hand finished with a black formica base.

Vialta Beamer Video Phone BM-80, $249.95, www.vialta.com
Forget the cellphone camera. Vialta has developed a video phone that works with any home phone and does not require any unique wiring or extra connection fees. You can switch the views from those of yourself, to the other person or both. And, in case you’ve just woken up and still haven’t dressed, no video is sent until you approve the transmission. Like love, it takes two phones to tango for this gadget to work.

Sprint Treo 600, price start at $449 (depending on your service provider), www.sprint.com
Handspring may have finally created the perfect PDA with this new Treo. It can play MP3s, take and store photos and allow you to send and receive e-mails. And, of course, it is also a phone. Imagine dialing calls directly from your contacts list or taking pictures and e-mailing them immediately.

DF-1710 digital frame, $1,999, www.digi-frame.com
Ever get tired of looking at the same picture on your wall every day? Well, with the Digi-Frame DF-1710, you can rotate among thousands on a 17-inch framed flat-screen display. For late nights at the office, it also plays MPEG-1 and MPEG-4 movies, as well as MP3s directly from the unit’s 20-gigabyte hard drive or a CD-rom.
Jabra Free Speak cordless headset, $99.95 and $179 with adapter, www.jabra.com
This Star Trek-esque bluetooth-enabled wireless headset loops around your ear and features a gel insert and a flexible mouthpiece. For those of you without a bluetooth cellphone, the headset comes with an adaptor that plugs into your phone.

Need something bigger than a floppy disk to transport data? Introducing the pocket hard drive for your key chain. It stores MP3, digital and video files, among others.

P3 Pro, Professional Home (or office—if it’s large enough)
Distance and accuracy day or night—that is the allure of the P3 Pro swing-analyzer and golf-simulator software package. Not only does it provide you with a picture of your swing, but it identifies your swing path, club face angle, sweet spot and swing tempo, among other factors. The technology can be purchased separately, but it probably makes sense to buy the golf mat and mat as well (price indicated is for the package), for those with a big corner office.

Canon Power Shot SD10, $449, www.usa.canon.com
Canon claims that this sweet 4-megapixel credit card-sized camera is the world’s smallest. It features a 1.5-inch color LCD screen, 5.7x digital zoom and comes in bronze, among other colors.

Sharp Actius RD3D laptop, $2,999, www.sharp.com
Billed as the world’s first three-dimensional notebook, Sharp’s Actius uses cutting-edge technology that divides the light from the LCD so that different patterns reach your left and right eyes when starting at the screen. Of course, for those reading boring applications like spreadsheets and e-mail, it is also capable of normal display. On the flipside, it can convert 2D images to stereo 3D.

Imagine what your spreadsheets will look like then.

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