

October 2023 Town Hall

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Joanna Armandi: Everyone. Welcome to Town Hall. I'm Joanna remind you, from the corporate communications team. We'll get started in just a few minutes. Of course we have some housekeeping items, just as a reminder. Please disconnect from VPN for a better experience.

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Joanna Armandi: We encourage conversation and commentary in the chat function, and of course, questions feel free to submit those using the QA. Button.

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Joanna Armandi: We've received quite a few ahead of time, so, thanks to everyone who sent those in. We'll get to as many as we can at the end.

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Joanna Armandi: And any questions we don't get to. We will have Clc respond to the email in life any money.

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Joanna Armandi: and we'll also be recording this if you have to drop, or if you have a colleague who can't make it so we'll send out our Town Hall package, as we normally do in the coming days.

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Joanna Armandi: We'll give everyone just a couple more minutes, and then I'll hand it over to Susan Mckenna.

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Joanna Armandi: Alright, hi everyone. We are at 302. So we'll get started in a second again. Feel free to submit questions via QA.

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Joanna Armandi: And one last thing, if you have a second to spare at the end, we greatly appreciate your feedback, you'll see a survey pop up in zoom where we can capture your your feedback on the event. So with that we're just over 400 attendees. I will pass it over to our CEO, Susan Mckenna.

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Thanks, Joanna.

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Susan McKenna: and thanks everybody for joining today. We've got a lot of great business updates to share. We're excited to have many folks join us in addition to the executive team.

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Susan McKenna: First, I want to take a moment and officially welcome Jason Novak, who is participating in his first town Hall as a member of our Clt. Been with Emoni for a long time. But in this new role we're very excited to have Jason join us as our new head of information and security.

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Susan McKenna: So before we get into the agenda, though, I do wanna acknowledge the recent changes that happened here in the organization.

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Susan McKenna: I know that change isn't easy, especially when people are friends and colleagues and and they're involved. That's not lost on me. It's not lost on anybody here on the executive team either, and it can be difficult to move on after an organization like that.

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Susan McKenna: And I know we can work forward together

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Susan McKenna: and to and and take that on. I do want to reiterate that the elimination of certain roles in the organization was a strategic business decision. It was done with one goal in mind, and that was to allow us to continue to focus

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Susan McKenna: on our number one strategic priority.

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Susan McKenna: and that is to protect and grow our core business profitably.

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Susan McKenna: So we need to be sure that we are investing in the right areas of business.

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Susan McKenna: that our people and our processes support the work that we have at hand, and that we're set up for continued growth, not just growth this quarter

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Susan McKenna: or this year, but longer term growth. And I'm confident that's the case.

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Susan McKenna: So the updates that we're gonna share with you today, highlight, the progress that we've made this year. And it is tremendous progress for those of you who are active on social media. You'll hear that it's not just us that's saying this right? It's our clients that are acknowledging this over and over in different forums and in different ways. It's really exciting. And it's a lot of work that this team should be very, very proud of, because it sets us up for a really strong path forward.

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Susan McKenna: A lot of you have asked, are there more changes coming? Well, we are not an organization that operates on any kind of an annual schedule, where we make cuts every year and shuffle the deck chairs, as many large tech companies do, and say they do, but we do continually assess

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Susan McKenna: our business. And how can we do things better? Always? We always want to do that right. We want to continue to make those investments in the right areas of the business optimize how we work hire for important roles like the head of sales. I hope to be able to give you an update on that shortly

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Susan McKenna: over the last couple of years, we've done a lot of research, a lot of research on new markets, new products, new services. Innovation is one of our core values that doesn't change. It's kind of in our DNA as a technology company. But we have learned a lot from that.

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Susan McKenna: And we have applied those learnings focusing specifically on planning and the evolution of our platform

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Susan McKenna: to continue to focus on exceeding our clients expectations.

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Susan McKenna: Our recent brand study tells us we're an industry leader. We absolutely know that we're an industry leader. But as importantly.

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Susan McKenna: client loyalty and satisfaction ratings are at an all-time high

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Susan McKenna: is really exciting, and we want to keep that going.

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Susan McKenna: So the leadership team and I are very confident in our path forward. And I really want to thank each and every one of you for all you do for Emani. Every day.

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Susan McKenna: when you hear some of these updates, you will see yourselves in that performance. It's been terrific, and I know the best is yet to come.

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Susan McKenna: I know that we will continue to move e-money forward together.

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Susan McKenna: and I really appreciate your support in doing that.

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Susan McKenna: So with that I am going to turn it over to Caroline

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Susan McKenna: and rich for an update on sales. But I think, Caroline first. So take it away, Caroline.

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Caroline Grasso: Thanks, Susan, for those of you that I haven't had the opportunity to meet yet. I'm Caroline Grasso. I'm our director of advisor sales here at E money, and I lead our inside sales and account management team and before we get into the business rich. I wanted to give you the opportunity to introduce yourself as well.

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Richard Grotto: Sure thanks, Caroline, and I know I've met a bunch of you, but haven't met a whole bunch more

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Richard Grotto: rich grotto. I head up the Enterprise sales team here coming up on about 100 days into the job. Great experience. So far, great culture echo everything that Susan has said. It's it's been a pleasure these first 100 days or so prior to joining money, though I led the sales and account management teams at the retirement Solutions division of a company called Fis Fortune, 200 company

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Richard Grotto: but over the years I've spent, probably a good 2025 years in the Fintech Financial services space and varying roles everything from sales relationship management operations and product

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Richard Grotto: to give you a little background on on me. Personally, I'm living in that. The Radner area up the Limerick area specifically up for 22 but born and raised New Yorker. So at times you may hear the accent come out

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Richard Grotto: I apologize in advance for that. In my spare time. I do a lot of Diy type projects at home, including. I guess, these built in shells. My wife had me do a couple of weeks ago. Skiing, coaching my kids sports teams, just, you know, trying to stay active. Do a whole bunch of outdoor stuff. But

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Richard Grotto: that's me looking forward to working with y'all.

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Caroline Grasso: thanks rich. So I'm gonna kick us off here talking about our advisor sales results. So some of the numbers that you're gonna see here, both from an advisor sales and enterprise sales lens are gonna be through August. So as I look at that, I'm excited to share that. We are at 102 year to date, and we have continuously stayed above the 100

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Caroline Grasso: mark which you know, I can't say that I'm any more proud of these results, particularly in a challenging macroeconomic environment. Tim, Christina and team have been laser focused on sticking to our process. For those of you that don't know my motto for the sales team, but I'm a big believer in chopping wood and carrying water. I believe if you're consistent in in your process and delivering a consistent experience.

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Caroline Grasso: you're gonna have more predictable results that are gonna lead to the outcome that I think most are are shooting for something else that I'll kind of mentioned, too, is a highlight from it was we had an in person sales week in May. In what used to be our under Radner office which really gave us the opportunity to come together, I think, at a really great point in the year to wild concept

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Caroline Grasso: work together on the sales floor in one place.

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Caroline Grasso: But it really gave the team the opportunity to to get to know each other behind the screens as well as hear each other on the phone and and get some ideas and and learn some new things. So just a couple of of highlights that stood out to me. But rich, I'll hand it over to you to to share some of your enterprise results so far.

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Richard Grotto: Yeah. And unfortunately, I'm you know, trying to play catch up to Caroline and her team. That's

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Richard Grotto: big wait to carry. But I we know we're doing our best here. Obviously, we're not where we want to be. Caroline mentioned some of the macro economic concerns headwinds

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Richard Grotto: very impactful to the enterprise, especially on the banking side. Now, we're looking to do a heck of a lot more business on the banking side of the house. and I think, was that March or April?

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Richard Grotto: Then go the direction we thought it would.

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Richard Grotto: With that said, we've had a couple of great wins here. O, over the last couple of quarters

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Richard Grotto: number one. I wanted to talk a little bit about Ron Blue, right. So Ron Blue is an advisor.

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Richard Grotto: Caroline, client but working in coordination with her team, we were able to sell our first premium Api solution here at Emani. Right? So brand new product, brand new solution, whatever you wanna call it. Working together as a team like Caroline said to get that over to finish line. So very exciting. There, they're in the implementation phase, and we got a ton more opportunity on the Api front

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Richard Grotto: the other one. I wanted to talk about was Ernst thing young. That's that's the Biggie, right? So that gets us to about 2 million for the year in Enterprise sales.

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Richard Grotto: And then, essentially what we're doing. There is something different again, right? So aggregation of accounts

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Richard Grotto: for Ernst and Young to use for compliance, oversight, right? So huge, consulting firm, and they need to make sure that their employees, their consultants.

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Richard Grotto: do not have conflict of interest. Right in their investment. Portfolio versus the client centers in Young is covering so great job. Great win great team win project is actually gonna go live. November sixth.

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Richard Grotto: If it goes well, which I I'm very confident in Linda Bella's team, Alana's team to get it done. There is a face to to this and that phase 2 is upwards of a million dollars

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Richard Grotto: hopefully. Gonna close that out this year, fingers crossed, I'm confident in the team conferring in in our efforts continuing to look ahead. Honestly, I think the future is bright right?

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Richard Grotto: I was recently at last week, the Fpi Fpa. Conference in Phoenix, and just about every single client that came up loved us thanked us

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Richard Grotto: love the service couple of people actually said I wrote it down best service in the financial services industry.

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Richard Grotto: So kudos to all of you. I had nothing to do with it but great job, and and just continue to to drive that forward right? I think that culture, I think us being a top notch above our competitors, sets us apart and is gonna produce

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Richard Grotto: better results

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Richard Grotto: from an enterprise perspective

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Richard Grotto: the one pager, right? The decision center Multiview, all of those just rolled out right before Fpa. We were inundated with people asking for updates. And Brandon Tucker. Emily. Simon. Who am I missing?

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Richard Grotto: Connor did great job highlighting those. And and people were very, very impressed with the efforts that this team you all put into those projects. And and it's gonna come back with a bunch of rewards. I wanna sum up quickly by saying the pipeline is very strong. 6 million in the pipeline today, and that doesn't include some of the other opportunities that we're still uncovering

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Richard Grotto: for 2024 people like trans. America, Edward Jones, Morgan Stanley. Great efforts so far by the team coming to fruition next year.

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Richard Grotto: That's the goal.

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Caroline Grasso: Caroline. I'm good.

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Caroline Grasso: awesome. So on the advisory sales side. I'm I'm not gonna go through every deal here but 2 in particular. I wanted to highlight the first being, which is a division of Goldman Sachs. They've been a long time, Emani, client over 10 years but really for the past 18 months. Hank Casa at alignment with

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Caroline Grasso: ci and relationship management and finance, and a countless group of others have been working to really tightly align with their strategic team and and their leadership

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Caroline Grasso: not only for specifically this opportunity to take out what I love to say. Money, guide pro in this instance, and and mandate the use of e-money because they have that much faith in what we do in our partnership. But for it, Brett enterprise in particular, I think the improvement in this relationship has

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Caroline Grasso: open the doors to other opportunities with them and other other divisions, that if you had asked us about 18 months ago, you would have said no way, whereas now they're they're coming to us and looking for guidance around Apis, and how they can leverage us in other capacities across the organization. So I like to highlight that one, because I think it really demonstrates what kind of what can happen

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Caroline Grasso: when different groups work together while concept the other one that I wanted to highlight to was the Fitzpatrick groups for 32,000 sold by John Caputo.

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Caroline Grasso: In August.

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Caroline Grasso: Now, what I like to highlight here is a couple of things. So our average deal size for new logo is typically around \$5,000. So as you can see, significantly larger than that.

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Caroline Grasso: Also, what I liked about this opportunity. Is John really stuck to the process. He really focused on aligning with the appropriate decision makers at the firm understanding how we would fit into their solution. They were simply looking to grow its scale and offer financial planning, some more clients, getting more plans and and more hands. And although I think this probably took them a little bit longer than John. Maybe

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Caroline Grasso: he would have wanted to see he got the outcome that he wanted, and I think a great example. Of a deal that will be great for the company long term, and will continue to grow

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Caroline Grasso: but as I look at our wins overall Rich and I and team cannot do what we do without the Sdr. Organization led by Jim Chehansky as well as Maria Milligan.

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Caroline Grasso: on the Enterprise side. They booked 17 meetings at nearly \$300,000 to the pipeline for enterprise. That is significant. Salman and Jessica have been really dedicated to particular areas of enterprise, uncovering opportunity. And we're open to trying new things such as you know, getting event. Attendance for our inaugural executive exchange. That occurred in New York City recently.

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Caroline Grasso: And I think is just an example of really good things to come and enterprise for advisor sales in particular and August they had a record month the most meetings revenue and, Jim, I am probably forgetting something important.

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Caroline Grasso: ever to happen for that team. And you can sit in in turn. Advisor sales had their biggest revenue month of the year and a again like, we cannot do what we do without them, and I would argue that they have one of the hardest roles in the organization. So you have to be willing to come every day, pick up the phone, call 100 people and maybe get rejected 98 times. If there's a lot of fun in it, too.

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Caroline Grasso: Now, Overall is is you? Look at this. One thing I'm going to go back to is the first data point over 4,000 wins this year.

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Caroline Grasso: The big deals are fun, but the transactions are king. And we can't do that without the maniacal focus of our sales, reps and partnership with our business partners. I can't thank Cs and Fpg and sales Ops and relationship management for truly supporting us. One team wondering one what one plus one does not equal 2, it equals 5,000. So thanks for all you do, and one group that I will. Highlight is

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Caroline Grasso: part of my transition to Eric, for those of you that don't know the Fpna team wears green on the last business day of every month as a fun way to support sales, because we all know we're measured monthly. And that's something that we do. That's just a fun example of just how finance supports us. And I couldn't help but share it. They do a lot more than that, there's not many sales leaders that say they like working with finance. So with that, I'm gonna hand it over to to Eric Herbal to talk about some of the the financials.

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Eric Kerble: Thanks, Caroline, and congratulations on year to date results. And looking forward to seeing how you guys finish out I'm Eric Herbal, Vice President of Finance. I'm gonna start by talking about annual recurring revenue. That's AR new AR is an increase in revenue to the company year to date. We've added about 14.6 million dollars of new AR.

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Eric Kerble: This is against a year to day budget of 14.8 million. So we're a little bit behind through the end of August

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Eric Kerble: the results for September's are still being tabulated. But, as you can see.

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Eric Kerble: we have a lot of work to do in the next few months to get up to 23 million for our full year. Budget

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Eric Kerble: a lot of chopping wood, a lot of carrying water coming up. But so the the bigger issue is churn churn churn is a reduction of revenue for the company, and it might be caused by

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Eric Kerble: firms dropping licenses, downgrading to lower price products, or in some cases cancelling their agreements altogether.

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Eric Kerble: We are currently at 12.7 million dollars return year to date. That's versus a plan of 11 million dollars.

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Eric Kerble: So during the first 5 months of the year, contractions and cancellations ran a little bit hotter than historical averages.

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Eric Kerble: Cause a little bit by surprise. But fortunately it seems like the spike is behind us, and the last 3 months have been a little closer to our expectations.

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Eric Kerble: So the difference between new AR and churn is net arr

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Eric Kerble: importantly, year to date term results are going to be challenging to make up.

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Eric Kerble: So while the company is growing and the sales teams continue to bring us new AR. RR. At this point there is some risk in getting to all the way toward our full year net AR RR targets.

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Eric Kerble: So let's see how these AR results impact our company earnings.

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Eric Kerble: You're looking at year-to-date financial results through August some of that heavy churn is trickling through to revenue.

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Eric Kerble: So on the P. And L. We are behind on revenue year to date, and we'll likely finish the year a little bit behind

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Eric Kerble: the good news is we are being responsible and controlling our spending, which is offsetting that shortfall in revenue.

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Eric Kerble: So the upshot here is, earnings are favorable year to date. and we are expecting to finish the year in favorable territory.

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Eric Kerble: With that I'm gonna hand it off to Chad and Josh to share all the exciting developments around our products.

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Chad Porche: Alright, thanks, Eric, and thanks everybody for having us today. For those who I haven't met. I'm Chad for some senior Vp. Of product and design, overseeing the advisor and client experiences of our core platform. And I'm presenting today with Josh Bell Fiori on my team. He's a group product manager focusing on our advisor planning experience

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Chad Porche: and the 2 of us today have the pleasure of giving the product update on behalf of the entire product team. We have a lot of exciting things to share as we go to the next slide. When the group asked us to give an update on our roadmap and what we've been up to this year.

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Chad Porche: When, oh, jeez, where do we start? We've had a really busy year and a really good year so far. And this was the obvious starting point for us. And it's our customers.

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Chad Porche: This time. A year ago, I think we were giving some updates to this group that was talking about this internal and external perception that E. Money might be falling behind competitors in some key areas.

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Chad Porche: And so heading into this year, Tom Sullivan challenged myself, Ricky, Kara Scott, members of our product leadership team to get closer to our biggest customers and prospects.

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Chad Porche: And, as you can see on this screen, all of them are market leaders in their own spaces.

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Chad Porche: And you know, if you wanted us to capture and use this information to understand market dynamics where the industry is heading.

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Chad Porche: and, as you can guess, these folks are at the forefront, and everyone's eventually going to follow them. So this has been a really rewarding experience for us. And we've we've kind of captured a lot of really important learnings here. So really, over the last 6 months we've visited with all of these Logos. Most of them are customers. Some of them are prospects.

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Chad Porche: We went out with the our sales team. Our relationship managers. Fpg technology. We call it the Emoni World tour. And we use this information to fine-tune our product roadmap and our vision that we're gonna share today.

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Chad Porche: But really the exciting thing is this affirmation, this feeling, like our mission and our vision, have never been better aligned to our customers. And so there's some key learnings. That that I want to highlight for the group here.

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Chad Porche: I think one of the key differences between now and in years past is that financial planning is no longer just a tool in the toolbox anymore. All of these businesses share their strategic objectives with us.

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Chad Porche: and financial planning is seen as an imperative to how they're going to grow their own business.

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Chad Porche: and they're looking for ways to have right size, planning conversations across the entire business

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Chad Porche: from lightweight to advanced with the seamless handoffs between all their different types of financial professionals. which makes it even more important for planning to be easier, faster, more intuitive a lot of the themes that we talk about in our roadmap.

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Chad Porche: Another thing that stands out to us is there's this, we call it an arms race happening right now for driving consumer engagement to get people into a planning process.

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Chad Porche: All of these firms are trying to expand by positioning themselves as a single point of financial advice and guidance, whether you start in with one part of the conversation, and then you make your way across the business and work with a bunch of different financial professionals.

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Chad Porche: They're looking for e money to be the platform that lets them do that kind of thing.

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Chad Porche: And then, when it comes to the planning process, everyone is viewing, planning as the source of really rich data that's gonna help them to personalize experiences, drive engagement grow relationships, all the great things that we talk about

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Chad Porche: and as a result of that, I think that the one commonality is that all of these types of firms are looking to use the money differently.

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Chad Porche: They love our point solutions. They want to leverage parts of our point solution. They're looking to leverage our Apis. They want to use aggregation all to start to build their own differentiated and unique customer experiences and back office workflows. So we're not only helping them to drive a really amazing customer experience. We're also helping them drive their business in the background.

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Chad Porche: And in each of these conversations back to the sales part of the conversation.

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Chad Porche: Every one of these customers that we talk to we find 5 to 10 new opportunities for how we can extend E money's products throughout the business. So it's a lot of really exciting things there, and we're uncovering new things every time we talk with these customers.

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Chad Porche: But as Susan mentioned, and as Rich mentioned, the one thing I don't wanna forget to talk about is that when we kick off all these customer conversations. All of them remark to us

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Chad Porche: how much they love our platform, how much they love you, money, how much they love the interactions with everybody that they have across the business. And they're all starting to take notice of all the major enhancements that we've been making.

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Chad Porche: So if we go to the next slide, please.

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Chad Porche: You know, it's one thing for us to capture the qualitative feedback from the clients that I was just mentioning.

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Chad Porche: But now we also have this really great quantitative feedback. And that's what we're looking at here. This is just kind of condensed down to one slide. This is just an excerpt from a larger advisor loyalty study that Linda Sakora and her team conducted this year.

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Chad Porche: And what you're looking at what this shows is that our customers are noticing and responding positively to the enhancements that we're making to our product. And the way that we engage with our customers around those things.

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Chad Porche: So not too long ago, when we first started the world tour, it was not uncommon for us to talk about new features, talk about new releases, and many of the customers would say, That's amazing. We had no idea that you guys did that

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Chad Porche: and so we made an effort to partner with marketing training the relationship managers. And we're so much more tightly coordinated. And how we market and train on these new features, and even how we re promote older features that have been out there, and, as you can see here by the numbers, the results of this effort are undeniable.

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Chad Porche: And so our key takeaway here is that this is all positive affirmation on 3 main things. We're working on the problems that matter, and we're solving them in the right way. Our users feel like they're heard and have an input on the product. And what we're doing.

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Chad Porche: And most importantly, that e-money is once again responding quickly to the changing market needs. And we're leading the way again. So all a really good story there. But for me, my favorite thing, the most impressive thing about all of this is that we've been able to make this type of an improvement

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Chad Porche: and move the needle on so many of these things, while also putting quite a bit of capacity towards our architectural technology modernization efforts. So we have a lot of energy going into the the technology and how we're modernizing the platform. And not only are we able to maintain the features and the things that we're doing to remain competitive, but we're actually moving the the measure there in a noticeable way.

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Chad Porche: So Melissa is going to give an update on that in a little bit. But just remember, like there's a lot of things going on even outside the product roadmap. So now I'm going to hand it over to Josh, and he's going to talk about some of those great things we've done this year.

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Joshua Belfiore: Thanks, Chad, hey, everybody. So I'm gonna go click deeper into some of what Chad was saying. But before I do that I actually just wanna provide a bit of context ahead of the the next couple of slides. I think context is, gonna be important here. We talk a lot about the need to get more plans out to more people. You heard Caroline mentioned that in her remarks. You just heard Chad get to that. In in his slides.

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Joshua Belfiore: The reason this is so important by way of analogy. planning is to financial services or personal finance. What architectural plans are to the construction of a building. It's very difficult to imagine a building going up where there isn't. First a plan laid out with what materials are gonna be used. What next steps need to be, in what order, etc. Wealth management is exactly the same.

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Joshua Belfiore: but there are a couple of reasons why planning isn't yet universally accessible to everybody. Reason number one is, it takes a long time to do. It's a complicated subject. It takes a long time to do.

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Joshua Belfiore: The second reason is, it requires a subject matter expertise that not everybody has, just because somebody's but an advisor doesn't mean he or she is a subject matter, expert in planning.

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Joshua Belfiore: but those reasons

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Joshua Belfiore: an enormous opportunity for us as a company. There are very, very few companies in the world that have the opportunity to change an entire industry for the better when we overcome those challenges, the the ability to scale planning.

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Joshua Belfiore: That's exactly what we will have done getting us a lot closer to that, that headline of Financial Peace of mind for for everybody. And so over the next few slides, I'm gonna walk you guys through exactly how we intend to do that from a product perspective. Starting with this slide, which is what we've done year to date. So first off, we've been very intentional about making enhancements across multiple fronts at the same time so diversifying the type of enhancements we're making.

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Joshua Belfiore: First and foremost is ensuring that we're listening to our users by addressing those top pain points that they're expressing to us. What we see in user voice, for example, or the Cs top frustrations list. These are typically

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Joshua Belfiore: very common planning actions that require some level of workaround. Something is counterintuitive to our users. So we're making important progress. Here. An example of this is Roth conversion, functionality. We released a couple of enhancements first of all, making it easier to identify opportunities to do a conversion, a very common planning tactic.

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Joshua Belfiore: a an easier way to more directly model it, and an easier way to demonstrate to a client the benefits of of taking that action, helping the client better understand why they should do that. When we asked our users via a survey, nearly 90% of them said that this

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Joshua Belfiore: functionality has materially, positively impacted their ability to do their work. So really important enhancements in that top user request bucket.

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Joshua Belfiore: By the way, I'm not gonna go through all of these. But other important enhances that we made are more reports inside of Decision center. So this contributes to a couple of things. Il just wanna call out here number one is, it helps us scale planning because the more we bring into decision center, the less hopping around between different workspaces. A user has to do.

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Joshua Belfiore: That's number one. But also the fact that it's all in decision center means it's interactive. So it's more conducive to that collaborative type of engagement between advisor and client

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Joshua Belfiore: planning is evolving to be less about an advisor presenting at a client and more about pulling them in to be active participants in shaping their their own financial lives going forward

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Joshua Belfiore: over the past year. So we've nearly doubled the number of reports and decision center. By the way.

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Joshua Belfiore: Multiview and customizable plan summary report, really important advances in helping users customize their experiences. Multiview, you heard Rich mentioned this

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Joshua Belfiore: traditionally users could only view one chart at a time in decision center with multiview users can now view multiple charts simultaneously. And that's important because typically multiple charts are relevant to any type of analysis. A user is doing so. It eliminates the need to have to hop between different reports

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Joshua Belfiore: further contributing to scale

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Joshua Belfiore: customizable plan. Summary report.

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Joshua Belfiore: This was much anticipated. Our plan, summer report was already a very popular report. When we released the ability to customize it. We saw more than 8 times its normal volume, and it shot up to be the number one most downloaded report upon release, which is doubly impressive literally.

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Joshua Belfiore: Because when this released, it only released to Ema it wasn't even out yet. It isn't even out yet to all of our partners so really important functionality there

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Joshua Belfiore: next life insurance gap analysis over.

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Joshua Belfiore: we have been and will continue to invest in our insights, capabilities and decision center. Typically when advisors are doing planning, they're having to guess and check. They're doing a lot of manual work inside of Decision Center. Our insights are designed to give answers to users to eliminate their need to actually guess and check, to do things manually.

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Joshua Belfiore: So the latest up was the life insurance gap, analysis, solver, giving advisors the answer. helping to expedite their their planning process. By the way, our insights as a whole just won an industry award a wealthy

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Joshua Belfiore: for automation the team did a an amazing job with this, and and has been doing amazing job with this and this bodes really well for a part of our future vision that I'm gonna get to in a little bit and finally, up here we've externalized more than 50 endpoints so far this year, increasing the value of our Api suite.

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Joshua Belfiore: which puts us in a position

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Joshua Belfiore: not just to sell our in the box solution. So the experience that we create but also be able to export our functionality and capabilities out to those enterprises who create their own experiences. So if furthering our reach, helping more plans get to more people.

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Joshua Belfiore: So that's a sampling of our releases to date.

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Joshua Belfiore: But where are we going?

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Joshua Belfiore: So if we go to the next slide. I'm going to walk through a series of slides that represent that future we're working towards.

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Joshua Belfiore: There are 4 important themes that represent our future. The first one here is scale. So I talked about a minute ago. Why, that's so important. How do we make sure more and more people can get planning?

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Joshua Belfiore: We will always focus on the tactical usability enhancement. So things like Roth conversion, those kind of point usability issues.

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Joshua Belfiore: But this theme is a lot about more thematic enhancements that we plan to make to our tool. So

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Joshua Belfiore: we have a very big planning experience, lots of different workspaces that allow advisors to do a lot of different things

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Joshua Belfiore: thematically. What we're going to do is to consolidate all that content and functionality from all those different workspaces into decision center meaning advisors, for example, can do planning across any topic to any level of granularity that's relevant right from within decision center. And again, like I said before, it will all be interactive. So a lot more conducive to those collaborative type of engagements.

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Joshua Belfiore: The other part of this that's really important is the ability to model any planning action right from within decision center. So today.

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Joshua Belfiore: users are typically having to jump between different workspaces. So, for example, our advanced planning tool to create a lot of their planning actions, going back and forth between Decision center and that tool. We're going to bring that functionality into decision center as well meaning whatever an advisor needs to do. They can do from decision center. So both of these things report and functionality mean advisors can stay stationary

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Joshua Belfiore: where they are. All the things they need to do planning are at their fingertips as opposed to them, needing to travel between different workspaces. So that's one of the important ways we're getting at scale. A lot of work is on the horizon related to this. You see that in the bottom corner you'll see this on a couple of slides going forward.

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Joshua Belfiore: unifying the presentation experiences, more reports coming across really popular topics within our tool. And a top 3 user request, simple Ira

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Joshua Belfiore: So further, demonstrating to our users that we're listening to them.

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Joshua Belfiore: We can go to the next slide for the next theme here, which is elevate. So this is all about. how do we evolve our tool from

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Joshua Belfiore: more or less a very sophisticated calculator into a truly intelligent tech partner to our users, shifting the burden of figuring out what to do off of a human shoulders and onto technology shoulders to every extent possible.

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Joshua Belfiore: So the idea here is that when a user

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Joshua Belfiore: accesses our insights, capabilities, the tool assesses every single data point known about the client and context in order to surface up a series of insights or observations ranging from simple things to to more complex strategies, and everything in between

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Joshua Belfiore: users can accept or reject those individual insights, and the idea is as they do, that the tool learns from that behavior over time to help refine the types of of insights that surface tailoring. What surfaces to that advisor's unique planning style!

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Joshua Belfiore: The important takeaway. Here is the parts of the planning process that take a very long time to do.

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Joshua Belfiore: analyzing the client's situation and developing recommendations. Aka techniques. That is what takes many hours to do. If, instead, we can shift this to where an advisor can click a button and the tool takes care of that. This is what puts us in a position to allow planning to scale dramatically

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Joshua Belfiore: and eliminating so

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Joshua Belfiore: scale dramatically for people, for for advisors who are subject matter experts, but also putting advisors who are not subject matter experts in a position to actually do planning and deliver advice to their clients. So this is a really important theme helping, planning scale dramatically. There's a couple of important releases on the horizon. So more common planning

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Joshua Belfiore: levers, we're going to automate for our users, saving solvers more insurance solvers. And, importantly, that final item you see there proofs of concept on how do we automate planning at a much bigger level than just individual point solutions, which is what our solvers are today.

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Joshua Belfiore: So really exciting work related to to our our insights theme.

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Joshua Belfiore: we can go to the next slide.

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Joshua Belfiore: The next slide is all about our third theme, which is act planning, is just one aspect. So one aspect of what advisers do. They also have to bring those plans to life.

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Joshua Belfiore: So today.

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Joshua Belfiore: for example, when a user runs an insurance gap analysis, they get an answer tells them what that insurance gap is

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Joshua Belfiore: the idea with this future theme is, if we're going to allow users to do that. to say I'm going to search for a I'm going to run a life insurance gap analysis. I'm going to find out how much

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Joshua Belfiore: how big of an insurance policy my client needs to purchase. Can we go a step further to actually show that user

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Joshua Belfiore: insurance policies that would fill that gap. because today they have to jump to entirely different pieces of software to take that step.

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Joshua Belfiore: So can we surface that here, allowing them to click into any one of those policies, see the impacts on the financial plan in real time helping the client better connect the dots between. If we, you know, fill this insurance gap. What does that mean for my life? So helping eliminate that big swivel chair and helping clients better understand why they should consider taking this action

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Joshua Belfiore: helping advisers better go from seamlessly, from planning through to action. We can go to the next slide. The next slide is all about tracking progress over time.

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Joshua Belfiore: How do we put advisers in a position not just to do good work, but also be able to quantify the value that their advice has brought to that client relationship over time.

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Joshua Belfiore: This is a chart that has already released its live and decision center. What we want to do is enhance it. So this chart is stitching together a client's historical portfolio value with future projections to show where the client has been, where they are today and what it is they're working towards

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Joshua Belfiore: over top that historical portfolio value line. We're looking to overlay all those instances in the past where some sort of action was taken.

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Joshua Belfiore: Let users click into those actions to see the details. What happened at that point in time. So we're not just putting advisers in a position to track progress over time, but also in a position to demonstrate what has contributed to that progress. And then we want to go further

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Joshua Belfiore: to connect the dots between those actions and the impacts those actions have had on that client's life, putting advisers in a position to actually tangibly demonstrate the value their advice has brought to that relationship over time.

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Joshua Belfiore: There's a lot of groundwork being laid on the horizon to be able to do a lot of this functionality. For example, data storage that Melissa will get more into in a bit. So that is our future vision. As we talk about it from an advanced planning perspective, we can go to the next slide.

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Joshua Belfiore: But what about our lightweight planning solution? So

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Joshua Belfiore: on the left side here. That's a summary of our advanced planning vision. What we just walked through on the right side is a concept that we're just starting to test out.

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Joshua Belfiore: So we're exploring the idea of taking that decision center vision and curating it to be a much smaller subset of content.

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Joshua Belfiore: a much smaller subset of functionality which is intentionally guided keeping the advisor narrowly focused in one door out the other. That's what that ribbon across the top above the chart is intended to convey. You go through step one step, 2, etc., until you finally get to the last step in the process. So the difference between the 2. While the advanced planning vision is kind of this open canvas with lots of content and functionality.

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Joshua Belfiore: Is it viable desired from our user base for those looking for a lightweight planning solution to get that same content and functionality, but on a much smaller level in a guided experience.

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Joshua Belfiore: what is very important.

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Joshua Belfiore: With all of this that I've been talking about, which is all at the individual client level. If we go to the next slide

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Joshua Belfiore: is that we put advisors in a position to be able to understand where opportunities exist within their book of business.

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Joshua Belfiore: So today they would have to jump into each client individually to see which clients have an insurance gap. For example.

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Joshua Belfiore: what we are going to do is to elevate all those insights, all that data at a higher level. The left side is the client list page.

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Joshua Belfiore: So, for example, which clients have an insurance opportunity, can we surface that on the client list page to better help advisors understand where, within their book of business they should be targeting, which clients are off track. Which clients do. I need to spend the most time with helping them get to those clients that they need to get to in a much more efficient way than they otherwise would be able to. But we also want to elevate that even higher

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Joshua Belfiore: to our analytics tool to allow home offices to get the types of insights into their entire advisor base. Which of our advisors have the most insurance opportunities which advisers have clients who are on or off track with their goals, helping them better run their businesses and focus their resources. There are enhancements on the horizon

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Joshua Belfiore: to actually build out. Some of this, these insights into the client list page. We refer to this as scorecard, which topics are represent opportunities which ones don't as well as putting more functionality onto that client overview screen that exists, helping advisors better. Understand where opportunities are at a client level as well.

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Joshua Belfiore: So those are are some of the enhancements that are are coming as well from a more thematic analytics level.

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Joshua Belfiore: I'm going to turn it to Chad now, and he's going to walk through some more functionality from the client experience.

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Chad Porche: Thanks, Josh. Everybody. We have 3 more slides left for products. I'll move quick. I think we're over our time already. So I think a lot of you guys have seen this planning vision for a while. It's exciting that we're really getting after it in a meaningful way. Something that might be new to a lot of you guys on the on the call today is the things that we're doing to our client portal.

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Chad Porche: So

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Chad Porche: I just wanna call out like, from all the data that we captured from our users and our customers and and things like that. The business made a decision not until only a couple of months ago to actually start to reinvest in the client portal. Pretty significantly. So. I just wanted to give kudos to the fact that we formulated a whole new art. We built a new team with some folks who worked on the client portal before with some folks who haven't

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Chad Porche: and just you look at what the the work that they're doing sprint after sprint, and they're working on some really exciting things at a high clip. All kind of building up to what's going to be a really exciting 2024 for the client portal.

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Chad Porche: On this slide. You'll see it's kinda hard to ignore this new modern aesthetic that we're working on. So. I know we all talk about how antiquated some of our things. Look the team is working on updating the look and feel fixing some known usability issues.

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Chad Porche: With the portal that's going to be ready early in Q, one of 2024 that we're going to be rolling out. So we're really excited about that and lumped into that is what you're viewing. Here is this idea of persona based dashboards. We talked about the importance of personalization to our customers, so the ability for them to pick and choose the metrics, the dashboards, the things to highlight to their customers that are going to draw them in answer their questions. Drive engagement is another element of what we're going to be adding to the client portal

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Chad Porche: on the next slide.

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Chad Porche: We talked about engaging with planning. So I think when it comes to the client portal engagements, the name of the game. We're looking at making some really important enhancements to our current explore, mode, feature.

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Chad Porche: and we we know that the desire is to see a clear place where your plan is delivered and the ability to explore and engage with it further. And we feel like we're really in a position to revolutionize the way that financial plans are delivered, letting advisors generate the presentations that they do today as old stale Pdfs, but give it to the client on their portal in a fresh, interactive way that helps them to understand their plan, educate themselves about it, and go in and explore and experiment with new scenarios for themselves.

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Chad Porche: But we also hear about a pretty prominent use case of our portal being used for prospecting and lead generation. So we're looking at ways of making the same functionality available so that firms can cast a wide net. Let people come in and kind of start to build their own plans, start to get themselves into that planning process down the funnel and generate the data that's going to be needed to better service those clients, or convert them to clients in the first place.

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Chad Porche: next slide, please, and then, lastly, 2 quick hitters here. But not to be ignored because they are 2 main value drivers that we hear pretty commonly. First, being able to customize and configure the data gathering process that comes up number one in our our user pain points. And most unmet job to be done. Pretty commonly. So we think that what we're doing here is going to help advisors one reduced time and also increase the accuracy of the data that's being captured so they can reach more people and service them more efficiently.

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Chad Porche: And then, lastly, this, the front image that you're looking at is a firm branded page. We know that our client portal in many cases is the front door to the brand, the front door to the advisors, so giving them the capabilities to further configure this, adding pictures, adding information about the team adding links to custom, resources, and things like that that help their customers engage with them better through the portal.

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Chad Porche: So that's it for our slides just in closing really quickly. We do feel like we had a really amazing year so far. And we're really proud of the progress, the collaboration, and most importantly, the results that this team has delivered and product is a team sport. It's with everybody on this call that we're able to do this kind of stuff.

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Chad Porche: But really we we do feel like we're just hitting our stride right now, and 2024 is going to be even better.

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Chad Porche: And last is my plug here. If you guys have any questions about this stuff, you want to learn more about the product process, how all this stuff comes to life. We have a meet the product team event happening on October 20 sixth put on by the marketing team. So look for information in life id money and feel free to come join us and take a click deeper on some of this stuff.

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Chad Porche: And with that said, I'm gonna hand it over to our other partners in crime, Nick and Melissa, to talk about tech modernization.

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Nick DiLisi: I don't remember. Take me off mute. Thanks, Chad. That was great. I'm watching the Webinar chat, and everybody's look amazing. Look amazing, amazing enhancement. So honestly that makes this update.

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Nick DiLisi: I think pretty easy. So I'm Nick police. He had a technology adding money. Melissa will get more into the details. I wanted to start off with this slide, and we heard Susan start off. I think even Chad mentioned it.

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Nick DiLisi: protect and grow the core profitably. While modernizing, we all understand the modernization effort that we started to undertake towards the end of last year, going through this year.

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Nick DiLisi: and much of what you just saw from what Chad was talking about. And Josh was talking about. Has the modernization work

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Nick DiLisi: all through it, underlying it. Right? The beauty of that or the beauty, I say, of the modernization is when you don't realize that the modernization work is there, and you only see the output that's out there. But many areas like Multiview, and all is because of the

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Nick DiLisi: the work that has been done in the modernization effort. Keep in mind. And Melissa will go into the details. It's just not Emx, right? It's also nexus it's also the work that has been done to date with authentication and octa, and what we've done there that we'll talk about as well.

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Nick DiLisi: I can say that the proof of concept work. As it applies to the original.

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Nick DiLisi: call it thesis for a minute here, when we started doing this, are all complete and are actually being implemented and used in the underlying work that you just saw presented there.

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Nick DiLisi: I think

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Nick DiLisi: no conversation around. Modernization goes without a conversation around the cloud contracts.

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Nick DiLisi: I'm happy to say we're down to 3. We we had 4. We signed one last week, so now it's 3 2 awaiting docusign Pnc. And fifth, and one just waiting for the due diligence. Very important, because

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Nick DiLisi: a lot of the

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Nick DiLisi: things that we'll go into in more detail in next couple of slides that modernization work will start to roll out in the cloud side.

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Nick DiLisi: we're starting to roll it out at the lesser environments now. But as we get into 2024, very important that our cloud addendums are all

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Nick DiLisi: signed off there

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Nick DiLisi: in order to move forward.

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Nick DiLisi: and, as I said, we'll be piloting some of it at the end of this year. But for the most part in 2024

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Nick DiLisi: great job, all I can say is right. It's really we've been working on this for a long time

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Nick DiLisi: to see the results. and Chad talked about the loyalty scores, and we're seeing the

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Nick DiLisi: results right there in the loyalty scores like we're listening. And we're making the enhancements. And to see that visually is just really a Testament. Again to all the work that the teams have done. And this is a team sport. Not just

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Nick DiLisi: technology, but product and product marketing.

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Nick DiLisi: Everybody involved here. With that I'm gonna turn it off. Turn it over to Melissa. To get into more of the details.

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Melissa Sumner: Thanks, Nick. Just next slide. So we're gonna start with an update. I always

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Melissa Sumner: start with a and go to data aggregation. So I'm gonna start with data aggregation today, they're actually further along. So I want to talk about them first. So just a reminder, why are we doing modernization for data aggregation? Well, it's be. It's because of this slide. We're growing. Our number of counts every single year fairly, significantly, and we anticipate that continuing to grow year over year.

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Melissa Sumner: and the way we support the growth in accounts is we, we modernize and and and we make changes that will allow us to handle that growth in a cost, effective way.

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Melissa Sumner: Next slide, please.

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Melissa Sumner: So this is our aggregation, or sometimes called nexus modernization roadmap. We actually shared this with you. I think it was last year. Maybe it was around this time.

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Melissa Sumner: And all I can say is, the aggregation teams are just crushing modernization. They're doing that while continuing to deliver key business capabilities. Really important capabilities like the

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Melissa Sumner: Just to name a few, the Schwa merger and a new institutional search. So they also are following this dual mandate of delivering, you know important product capabilities, while also, you know, working on modernizing and and handling all of that that volume.

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Melissa Sumner: Just some highlights here the 60.net upgrade, which is an operating system. Upgrade

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Melissa Sumner: is expected to be product in production by end of this year. Why, that's important. These upgrades help improve performance just by doing the upgrade. So it's just you get some. Get something free just by doing the upgrade. But on top of it this one is allowing us to go to a new technology called Linux and Linux just happens to have some really good scalability characteristics, especially in aws. And so this is our important, you know. Start for that. Next

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Melissa Sumner: we finished our book by load. Aws, proof of concept. That's where we test a bunch of things out to see how it's going to work. And we've moved into full implementation. It is implementing a bunch of new technologies from Aws.

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Melissa Sumner: And I'll just give you an anecdote. We have one of our largest data sources. We ran a test. So so typically that would take us 4 h to process that data source in an evening. And instead, it took 20 min under our new technology architecture. This is gonna be significant. And it's it's well underway. There's something called message refresh that has moved to production in aws. And this is a new architecture approach that will allow us to

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Melissa Sumner: really take advantage of our strategy, which is hybrid cloud, which means some things are in aws. Some things are on prem, and also is just a modern architecture pattern, and finally for adding again, these were just highlights. Our data Api

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Melissa Sumner: message, based implementation is well underway. And we're targeting production by the end of next pi. So really amazing work by the the aggregation teams. And again, you know, not only this modernization work, but also delivering a ton of capabilities, many which I didn't list. I just gave you a few examples.

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Melissa Sumner: so last year this time also tom looked at this slide. It didn't have the highlights, but it had the plan.

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Melissa Sumner: and he said, Hey, I need one of these for Ema.

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Melissa Sumner: So, Tom.

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Melissa Sumner: next slide we now have one for Ema

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Melissa Sumner: so this is our Ma modernization roadmap. We've talked about it before. We just didn't have a lot of this detail.

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Melissa Sumner: And this really is being worked by all the other arts.

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Melissa Sumner: So when I say that I mean financial planning, I mean platform I mean the client statement of work art, which we call cart. And the new client experience actually has already jumped on the modernization bandwagon. So all of those teams

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Melissa Sumner: working on multiple proof of concepts and transitioning to full implementation of the new architecture patterns.

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Melissa Sumner: And again, with this dual mandate continuing to deliver really important business capabilities

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Melissa Sumner: which I'm really excited about as well. Like multiview so re, really amazing work.

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Melissa Sumner: I just wanna refresh you again. What are our goals here? Why are we doing this one? We want modern user experiences. You guys just saw those beautiful screens that Chad showed. That's what we want. We want people to say, wow, when they see our application and use our application. We want to be able to parallelize development. That means getting a lot of stuff done at the same time. And that's something that's been hard for us. We want to scale performance. It becomes really important with Monte Carlo. I'll talk a little bit about this soon.

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Melissa Sumner: We want to support out of the box solutions for enterprises? Do they want to build an application around us, or do they want to use a component? We need to support the enterprises have their own unique ways in which they want to use this. And we want to support that best in class security. You know we're we're implementing a third party called Octa, to make sure that we absolutely have best in class security

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Melissa Sumner: and a lower cost to build and sustain. So these are the goals. And let me just go through a little bit some of the highlights here.

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Melissa Sumner: So

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Melissa Sumner: we did complete our architecture. Pocs. That's proof of concepts is testing the theory with code, making sure it all works together and moved on into full-on implementation towards production to highlight. The simulation input layer is heading to production soon targeting approximately this month could go out into the next month. But you know they are on their way into production. There's over 1,700 files were changed for this. This is huge. It is one of 2

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Melissa Sumner: of the large implementations we've done in this area. The team has worked hard. They used automation which was creative. They're doing a lot of work to make sure they get it right. Cause. It's so important. And it's important, because not only does this help us paralyze development, but it also is a precursor for some of our significant performance improvements that we need to make in Monte Carlo. So it's got a lot of bang for the buck.

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Melissa Sumner: Next, something called effective configuration endpoint. It's in production. This allowed us to be able to have services, consume configuration, which is really important because we have a lot of customization within our application that we allow our clients.

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Melissa Sumner: it gets to be consumed by services outside the monolith.

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Melissa Sumner: Reports and fax, we're deep into implementation. Remember, these will be visible to end users the new fact experience, the new decision center experience. You know, these interactive charts

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Melissa Sumner: the multiview. This all feeds into that. And we're we're deep into implementation and preparation for production. We did come up with a new Ui architecture, and that is being leveraged actually, by the client experience. They're gonna be the first one to take that full Ui architecture. Take it into prod with the dedicated firm page, and then it'll be leveraged across the whole, the whole complex

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Melissa Sumner: next one, I think super important. One of our client SW teams worked on something called the Wells Fargo Monthly, Monte Carlo.

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Melissa Sumner: So basically, what Wells asked us is, Hey, we want Monte Carlo scores for all our planning clients. It's over 160,000 at this point. You know, once a month.

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Melissa Sumner: and that required a lot of scale. So we actually implemented that in aws, in production and they're receiving their feed. We learned a lot. From this we learned about our scalability. We learned about aws running in aws we got some metrics which was which was very valuable.

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Melissa Sumner: And now, you know, just to just to tease you guys a little bit. We've been hearing from. Well, Spargo, pretty heavily that they're interested in going a little bit further that they're interested in building an application, a mobile application using or powered by E. Money Apis, including Monte Carlo, for their 30 million banking clients. So we're deep in conversations with them, and we know what we need to do to make sure that that Monte Carlo scales for them cost effectively. And it will be in the cloud. So a lot of work

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Melissa Sumner: upcoming, you know, as started is upcoming. That's a really exciting opportunity. Honestly, if they didn't do that. We still need to scale Monte Carlo, but it just gives us something to really push for. And and that's a very big number 30 million clients.

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Melissa Sumner: Next our apogee. That's our Api gateway. That's how those Api calls. They come in and they move around in our part complex. And they go back out. One of the things we needed to do was was, make sure that, you know we can do this hybrid cloud thing that it can come on, Prem, and and call a service on Prem, or go to the cloud. We can sort of hide complexity from our end user clients

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Melissa Sumner: with this gateway, and that's been validated. So that was important and then, Octa, you know, that's been going on for for a bit. They have major accomplishments. Users are logging into to Octa, you know, into Ema through Octa, you know. I think all of the active users are that that have, you know, user log on. We do have, you know, maybe users that haven't logged in that that will have a different approach. But major progress there, and other important security. Things coming.

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Melissa Sumner: you know, next quarter as well. And additional work will continue. But they've made great progress.

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Melissa Sumner: yeah, so really, just a lot of exciting things have happened are happening. And you know, in addition, you know, just to tease. And I think you know Josh sort of teased it as well, you know, in addition to all this work that we have done and have upcoming, you know, Tom said, this week he's like, Hey, Melissa, you know, when can we get these vision that Josh has around this autonomous planning

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Melissa Sumner: and around around this progress, you know, to goals, value tracking? When can we start getting this from from vision into, you know, true reality. So we're working heavily with Josh on designs. A lot of innovation coming from the various teams and the sneeze, and we'll be looking to do Pocs, as Josh said. First quarter, and then really I expect we will see this come to fruition. Maybe not every last thing. There may be a couple of phases of this, but I think we'll see this coming to market in 2,024.

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Melissa Sumner: Really excited about that vision there, and and what we can do with that. So

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Doug Lane: in any event, that's that's really the story. And I believe I'm turning it over to great thanks, Melissa. Hi, everyone, I'm Doug Lane, the controller. I'm gonna provide an update on the Radner office. So if we go to the next slide.

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Doug Lane: We'll start off. On the left side is a timeline of events happening in October and November. just as a refresher. The existing Radner lease for the third and fourth floors will end October 30. First.

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Doug Lane: our new space on the second floor starts November first. This space is approximately 3,900 square feet.

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Doug Lane: So currently, access to the third and fourth floors are restricted to corpops network teams as they decommission the space.

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Doug Lane: The teams are doing an amazing job in preparing to move out. Next week leaps. Africa will be in to pack up our monitors and keyboards, which will be shipped to Africa

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Doug Lane: leaps. Africa is a youth focused leadership development organization committed to raising leaders that will transform Africa.

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Doug Lane: Construction on the second floor started this week. We are building a new boardroom and it work room.

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Doug Lane: This phase should be completed October thirteenth AV equipment for the Board Room will be installed the last week of October we are in process of selecting signage, wall coverings and white boards.

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Doug Lane: We are expecting to be operational November first. So in the center of this slide here is a mock-up of the plans.

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Doug Lane: so you'll enter space through the kitchen area.

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Doug Lane: The front door will be a frosted door, and on the inside wall will be a lighted E money sign.

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Doug Lane: We'll have 2 conference rooms.

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Doug Lane: The first one is a smaller conference room which will see 8 people. Then there will be a full length whiteboard along the left side of that wall as well. The larger conference room, which will be the size of written house on the fourth floor

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Doug Lane: will feature a 14 person conference room, table. and new AV equipment to provide a an easier, virtual conferencing experience.

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In the center of the space. You'll see 18 workstations

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Doug Lane: also around the outside of the space will be 5 offices and one huddle area.

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Doug Lane: Important note. We'll continue to provide snacks, drinks, and coffee. My expectation would be that we'll bring back Sweetie's fish. gummy bears as well as salted cashews.

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Doug Lane: So if you go to the next slide.

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Doug Lane: this slide covers off site event process. The key item here is to note that offsites are still supported and encouraged.

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Doug Lane: So work with your Bdu executive assistant. They'll be able to to handle your planning needs. So this slide shows the current process, which was handled by a combination of eas facilities and Corp. Ops

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Doug Lane: going forward, the Ea will handle all aspects of technology. Excuse me. All aspects of the planning process, except for the technology

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Doug Lane: Corp Ops will continue to support this function the Eas will have a list of venues, hotels, and food options. I will point out that you can also use the second floor space for small gatherings

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Doug Lane: for offsites. Corp. Ops. Will provide and set up meeting in a bag. This will provide a more modern virtual conferencing experience.

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Doug Lane: This bag will have all equipment necessary to ensure remote attendees can participate.

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Doug Lane: It will include 2 meeting owls, external microphones, whiteboard camera, and an HP. Touch screen laptop. To make the experience more efficient and easier to connect.

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Doug Lane: And that's all I got for Radner for right now. Thank you.

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Joanna Armandi: Alright. Thanks, Doug, and to all of our presenters today for thorough updates. We did get quite a few questions submitted ahead of time, like I mentioned. And we're getting a couple of live. So now's the time. If you have questions, please submit them through the QA. I'll start with a few questions that were submitted

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Joanna Armandi: prior to the event.

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Joanna Armandi: a few of those relate to the business changes that occurred a couple weeks back. The first question, I'll direct to Megan and Jason Novak.

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Joanna Armandi: This was a theme that came up a lot in all hands meetings as well

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Joanna Armandi: do the changes in legal open ups up to more risk as a company. And what's the status of the Pia process regarding current vendors or contracts under review?

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Megan Murray: Right? I'll start and then hand it to Jason.

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Megan Murray: First, I'll say. Risk and security will always be a priority for us city money. Nothing has changed as as we think about our focus on risk and security, the changes that we've made

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Megan Murray: basically just reflect a reset on our approach to align our efforts and expertise in the most efficient way.

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Megan Murray: So that's how we should think about it. Do? Pia's go away. No, they do not. How we go after Pias, and the approach we take is what we'll focus on and evolve, and I'll hand that over to Jason. I know he's been giving a lot of thought to that.

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Jason Novak: Thank you, Megan. Yes, privacy will not go away. Privacy is still important. But what we say is, we want to make sure we're aligned with the business and making sure that we have efficient processes in place, and that we're assigning the appropriate risk to, you know, technology or processes. That

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Jason Novak: truly need. You know, Pia's we did an analysis current state of open Pias. I believe we have 6 in flight right now, which I'm working with various team members to

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Jason Novak: you know, quickly review and then, you know, find a path forward with those 6. And then we have a significant amount of ones that are in what's called a remediation status.

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Jason Novak: that we're gonna you know, to the point of almost 45 50. So we're gonna you know, we're gonna work with the team to go through reassess, reevaluate those you know. Those add room remediation status, and then.

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Jason Novak: you know, look to either get closure or to you know.

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Jason Novak: you know. Follow up, you know, with additional information, and you know. Get that, you know. Get the Pia documented. But no risk is still important, right? We still have our audit risk committee meetings. We still work closely with our fidelity teams. Right now it's just you know, making sure we're, you know, appropriate, aligned, and right sized and moving forward as a Fintech company

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Joanna Armandi: alright. Next question

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Joanna Armandi: were the people who were recently part of the reduction, given any sort of severance package, and or offered the opportunity to transition to another position.

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Joanna Armandi: Joanne, I'll hand that to you. Yeah, thanks, Joanna. Yes. All impacted employees were offered severance as well as app placement services through career minds

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Joanne Del Signore (she/her): who will assist with resume writing, interview skills, networking, executive coaching to assist those employees and finding their next opportunity. Of course we looked at. You know we would never action on anyone where there was another opportunity that they were suitable for. So we did take in that into consideration. And also, you know, those that were impacted or welcome to apply for any applicable roles at E money in the future.

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Joanna Armandi: Alright, next question is for Nick, after hearing that the scrub master role was eliminated with the reorg.

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Joanna Armandi: Can you talk about what this means for teams impacted and development? And will our processes change moving forward.

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Nick DiLisi: so. And it really means nothing in terms of what I would say around agile and safe processes, and

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Nick DiLisi: how we operate as a company. From a business agility standpoint

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Nick DiLisi: is a scrum master. A necessity is what I would say is a scrum. Master is not a necessity. You'll see many

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Nick DiLisi: companies doing similar actions

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Nick DiLisi: of where they're eliminating certain agile roles.

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Nick DiLisi: And when we went into looking at this and the restructuring and the elimination of the role. It was also with the understanding, and that we have folks from a product

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Nick DiLisi: owner standpoint. Conversations with our dev directors.

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Nick DiLisi: We still have our Rts involved in the process. So we have a lot of I call them the technical leaders. In this process here. And we had teams already today that did not have scrum masters in a role. Some teams did some teams different did. But it doesn't change. The way we're we're working and we're always gonna look at

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Nick DiLisi: how we're organized and how we work

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Nick DiLisi: for those closer to the

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Nick DiLisi: subject. Here we, I think we send an announcement out already about. If not, I'm letting the cat out of bag about time spent.

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Nick DiLisi: Right? We're gonna eliminate those things as we refine our processes here. So the short answer is, it doesn't really change anything.

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Joanna Armandi: Alright. Another question that was submitted before today's event. Are there any plan? Changes that will assist employees for preparing for their retirement now, and in the future, such as additional retirement benefits, or assisting employees with student loan payments.

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Joanna Armandi: Joanne, and natural tea. I'll pass it to you.

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Joanne Del Signore (she/her): Yeah, I'll kick it off. Thanks, Joanna. We do a full review of all of our benefit plans every year. So meant medical 400 onek dental vision. But I'll be honest. We always start with medical emancipates the highest value on our healthcare. Offering, since we think this has the greatest impact to all employees and their families.

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Joanne Del Signore (she/her): We've mentioned many times. Health care costs continue to rise by double digits every year. Some years north of 20 E. Money is absorbed. Those majority of these costs year every year with minimal increases to the Ppo plan and dental plans. But we continue to offer a free, high, deductible plan that we continue to see it every year.

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Joanne Del Signore (she/her): and every year we grapple and have lively discussions around the tables at time to change the structure of these plans. Right? Should we add an employee sharing costs to the high deductible plan? Should we just see for the first year, and not every year thereafter. So we can increase, you know, a 401 K. Matching program. Thus far, we've you know, we've made the decision to continue to absorb those costs.

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Joanne Del Signore (she/her): you know, which really makes it difficult to enhance some of the benefits that we currently have, or add ones that we would like to consider.

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Joanne Del Signore (she/her): We will start this process again in. We'll start to look at all our benefits. See where we land with medical if we determine that we can make some change, I will say we'll focus on the 401 K plan first and that match because that impacts the entire employee population with, we have a 95% participation rate in our 401 K plan.

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Joanne Del Signore (she/her): We would love to eventually get to an employee, you know, tuition loan assistance program, but that will be sub certainly down the road. In the meantime, if anybody's considering. On going back to school, we do have an education assistant program. So reach out to benefits and Stephark and help with those details.

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Joanne Del Signore (she/her): We also provide financial wellness assistance through fidelity net benefits, and you can walk into any fidelity branch as well and get that assistance. But we also have an amazingly talented Fbg team that could also assist. So I'm gonna flip it over to Matt to talk about that.

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Matt Schulte: Well, thank you for that, Joanne.

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Matt Schulte: yeah, I just wanna kind of reiterate to folks. Who are thinking longer term about their own personal planning for retirement. Just encourage everyone to leverage. Fpg,

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Matt Schulte: there. And I think there's a couple of different ways to do that. You know. The first is through, you know, kind of increased financial education. Fpg regularly offers internal workshops here for employees to discuss.

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Matt Schulte: you know, various financial topics the last one we did, I think, a couple of weeks ago, and that workshop covered, you know, ideas on overcoming the anxiety and stress that often times surrounds a lot of the decisions we have around money and and preventing, and how that prevents, you know, the implementation of of changes to your plan. So again, I encourage everyone to to check out those sessions

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Matt Schulte: when they see them come up. They're always very highly publicized in life, id money, and and the second way, you know, Fpg can be leveraged is in a more tactical way, and and that's through what we call Fpg. Office hours. These are one on one sessions that can be set up with any of our internal cfps on staff to discuss whatever topics that you're comfortable with.

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Matt Schulte: kind of discussing. And and this is a free resource that anybody can leverage at any time just by reaching out to Fpg.office.hours@emoneyadvisor.com and we can set up one or multiple sessions to help folks with whatever topic they they might want. A a little extra help with the team is happy to assist in any way they can. So please reach out

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Joanna Armandi: Matt back to our questions.

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Joanna Armandi: This one for Rachel. We have Summit coming up, someone asking if we'll be hosting an in person summit in 2024, and if so, where?

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Rachel Eccles: Yeah, sure, I'll take this one. Well, first let me just take a quick moment and a shameless opportunity to plug our 2023 summit, which is happening virtually October sixteenth through eighteenth. So we're less than 2 weeks away. And I just wanna give a really big kudos to everyone across the org who's been involved in planning and executing on this event. It absolutely takes a village

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Rachel Eccles: and I am really pleased to share that we are, sur. We've surpassed our goal for attendance. We are at over 1,400 professionals registered to attend, which is our largest summit ever, and that's in person and virtual combined. So largest event we've we've ever hosted so all that to say really excited about some bit.

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Rachel Eccles: you know, we continue to look at how to hold this event each year, and we rely on the data points from our users to understand where they're finding value and and how they want to receive. The great content. In this event. And so coming off of 2 years now with record attendance.

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Rachel Eccles: We know that our attendees are finding a ton of value in the virtual event. Many firms are sending 2550, 75. We even have firms sending over a hundred of their field to the events. And they couldn't do that if it was in person. So I will let the cat out of the bag. We have made the decision to again hold our summit virtually in 2024.

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Rachel Eccles: We know this user conference is just super valuable in this format to our users just evidenced by what we're finding as we continue to survey them year after year. We will continue to optimize the event around agenda and content and networking opportunities for them at the virtual summit next year.

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Rachel Eccles: based on on how they want to receive that information, I will say we know that connecting with clients and prospects in person is still critical. And we are looking at augmenting our virtual user summit with in person events. Next year. We kicked off our first in person. Regional events last month, which was our executive exchange event in New York City, and some folks on this call attended that with our prospects and clients. That was a vip event.

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Rachel Eccles: really great reception to that. And so we'll build on that in 2024. And so we'll have these in person. Regional events. We'll continue to evolve them, and we'll continue to have more of them next year, so we'll have a bit of a hybrid strategy there. But some it will be will be virtual again.

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Joanna Armandi: Alright, thank you, Rachel.

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Joanna Armandi: The next question for Frank maybe, can provide some background here for folks not familiar. Are there going to be any improvements to the automated system. Ivr, when license holders call into money, call into E money.

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Frank Tropiano: Gotcha? Yeah. For those who may not be aware.

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Frank Tropiano: We did upgrade our phone technology about 10 or 11 months ago. To a voice activated system. So what users now? What they do now is they can speak and talk into the phone as opposed to hitting those tedious long pass of press. One for this press, 2 for that. They can now tell us what they're looking for what their question is, and we direct them to the right representative. Who can answer that question?

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Frank Tropiano: But in addition to that, the system also allows us additional functionality such as self service

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Frank Tropiano: so users over the last 1011 months have been able to reset their own passwords unlock their accounts all whenever they need to. So this in essence, expands our support hours to 24 by 7 which has been great, and thousands of users have made use of that service since it was released.

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Frank Tropiano: Another great benefit of the new technology was the automation of verifying the users when they call in this is sped up the process

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Frank Tropiano: the reps no longer have to ask questions. Determine if you're a valid user as well as look you up in salesforce. The system does all that for us, making it faster for the user to get to a rep and saves the reps some time from having to do that manual verification to date over just about almost half of our users, and calls that come in from our users have been verified automatically, save it

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Frank Tropiano: time, both for the user and for the rep so overall, we're very happy with the new system provided a better experience for the clients. It's made some helpful needs and helped out in our support team and some of their manual day-to-day functions.

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Frank Tropiano: So the short answer is, after all, that background we do not plan to revert back to the an old style dial up that menu tree system. We're go looking forward and hopefully build on to this new system. As time goes on.

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Joanna Armandi: Alright.

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Joanna Armandi: okay, we have about 5 or 6 more minutes here, so gets you a few more questions. This one going back to our the great sales update we got. I'll I'll

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Joanna Armandi: ask Caroline to handle. How do we differentiate between enterprise and advisor sales, seeing large advisor sales, deals and wondering why they are. Enterprise deals.

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Caroline Grasso: Thanks, Joanna, that's a good question. So, you know, without being very long winded, it's not as black and white as a dollar amount. We really look at it through a lens of what's the right sales model for this particular opportunity? Megan, I'm going to take your line because I think it resonates. Is does this account really need hand to hand combat and evaluating additions to

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Caroline Grasso: their account with us. In some cases it requires a lot of hand to hand combat. In other cases it it doesn't. And there's a lot more enterprise like, you know, configurations. You have to consider. But that's a really tempted short answer, not exactly black and white.

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Caroline Grasso: But we have appropriate sales models to identify that ahead of time.

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Joanna Armandi: Alright, A couple of questions

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Joanna Armandi: about turn trends. So do you have any, and I'll just combine them.

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Joanna Armandi: Do you have any insight on? Why, we saw higher than expected. Turn

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Joanna Armandi: anything that you know? Was it was this due to an individual enterprise or something happening in the industry? Is there anything we can keep in the back of our minds for the remainder of the year, and and heading into 2024, and then

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Joanna Armandi: in addition to that one along the same lines, how you correlate high loyalty to a high turn number.

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Eric Kerble: I'll I'll take that Joanne. So yeah, there there were some large planned

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Eric Kerble: enterprise, level churn events that happened in 2023 unusual events, like like truists

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Eric Kerble: Bb and T. And sun trust merger and but but those were expected, but they were unusual, and and pushed our churn a little bit hard, and

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Eric Kerble: than you know what we've seen in prior years. But I think what we also saw in early 2023 was

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Eric Kerble: some smaller firm like clean ups like, like, you know, firms that were, you know, calling us and taking out a license because they went down an advisor in their firm, or they or they decided they didn't need premiere and wanted to go to pro. And

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Eric Kerble: that's not necessarily terrible churn. It's it's a little less income to E money, but it just means that these firms are are right sizing their contracts. so we we, you know, I think

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Eric Kerble: we attribute that the more Mac, maybe macroeconomic editions and and firms just kinda

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Eric Kerble: looking at the economy and and and making sure that that they're controlling their expenses. I'll also

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Eric Kerble: call out. You know we're we're we're making some adjustments to be able to track some of this, some of this churn better, some of the smaller churn better and hot off the presses we the the September results.

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Eric Kerble: Really just show. You know, the the majority of churn is is exactly what I described for September. And this is just, you know, one data point, but but it kind of supports that thought. And it's just just firms that are that are dropping the the number of advisors at at their particular firm, and they don't need as many licenses. They're not necessarily leaving money.

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Joanna Armandi: Alright! Couple more, since we have a few more minutes. Changing gears here. Perhaps Joanne, or even Jason, can line in this. Is there any possibility of change in remote working location restriction outside of the Us. Such as Canada or Europe.

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Jason Novak: Oh, go ahead, Jason.

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Jason Novak: you know labor laws and and you know us based employment laws to, you know, customer contracts and privacy laws associated with our customers. So you know, it's just, you know, an unfortunate thing that you know. W. We're unable to do that to work outside the Us.

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Joanne Del Signore (she/her): Nothing to add people

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Joanna Armandi: alright. And maybe we can end with this question. Tad, you talked a lot about client feedback. Were there a lot of quests for a true mobile app? And if so, is that on the roadmap

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Chad Porche: that is a good question. That's something that we talk about all the time. And we don't know exactly what we're going to do with that yet. But we are building these new capabilities in a way where we have the strategic option available to do it that way.

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Chad Porche: But we're still trying to figure out from a go-to market perspective what we can charge for our product perspective. The right way to go to market with a mobile app if we were to do something like that.

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Chad Porche: I say, the more pressing or the more urgent feedback that we get is from larger enterprise. Clients who already have their own retail or customer facing mobile apps

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Chad Porche: to leverage parts of e-money to enrich the experiences they already have. So we're kind of focused right now on making those Apis and components available for that use case. But still, kind of tbd, what we're gonna do on the the emony mobile app front.

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Joanna Armandi: Great alright with that. I think we will wrap up. There were were a couple of questions that we will respond to, what leadership weigh in on and will include in this the Town Hall recap.

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Joanna Armandi: since we're out of time.

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Joanna Armandi: but otherwise thanks to everyone for attending and sitting through this this 90 min. Call super important information share, thanks to our presenters and our leadership team. And if you have a minute, please take the survey

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Joanna Armandi: but thanks, and enjoy the rest of your day.

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Joanne Del Signore (she/her): Thank you, Joanne.