

# Legal Case Management System

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## Objective

Design and implement a database for a **Legal Case Management System** to facilitate the management of legal cases, their respective petitioners, assigned lawyers, and judges. The system will provide role-based access to users and ensure smooth case handling, scheduling, and evidence management.

## Application Users

1. **Petitioners**
2. **Lawyers**
3. **Judges**
4. **Admin**

## Use Cases

### Petitioners

Petitioners are individuals who file cases in the legal system. They must register in the system to access any features.

- **Register/Login:** Petitioners must log in via their unique Id to access their legal cases.
- **View Case Details:** Petitioners can see the details of their cases(using specific case Id), including case status, scheduled hearings, and the judge handling their case.
- **View Available Lawyers:** Petitioners can browse a list of lawyers available for legal representation.
- **View Lawyer Details:** Petitioners can check a lawyer's history, previous cases handled, and specialization before choosing one.
- **View Court Assignment:** Petitioners can see which court their case is assigned to.
- **Challenge Verdict:** Petitioners can check if their verdict can be challenged in a higher court.
- **View Judge Information:** Petitioners can see the name of the judge presiding over their case.

## Lawyers

Lawyers represent petitioners in court cases and can manage their professional schedules and case details.

- **Login:** Lawyers must log in using a unique Id to access their case details.
- **View Active Cases:** Lawyers can see a list of their currently assigned cases.
- **Set Availability:** Lawyers can update their availability status in the system, allowing petitioners to see whether they are available for new cases.
- **View Case Details:** Lawyers can view specific case information, including the petitioner, case history, and scheduled hearings.
- **View Opposing Lawyer Details:** Lawyers can access the contact details and case-related information of the opposing legal representative for proper case preparation.

## Judges

Judges oversee legal proceedings and schedule hearings for the cases assigned to them.

- **Login:** Judges must log in using a unique Id to access the system.
- **View Assigned Cases:** Judges can see all cases assigned to them, including petitioner and lawyer details.
- **Schedule Hearings:** Judges can set or update the dates and times for hearings, which are reflected in the case details.

## Admin

The administrator has complete control over the system, managing users and evidence records.

- **Login:** Admins must authenticate themselves before accessing the system.
- **Manage Evidence:** Only admins can add, update, or manage evidence records linked to cases. Other users can only view the evidence.
- **View All User Details:** Admins can see details of all users in the system, including judges, petitioners, and lawyers.

## Evidence Management

- **Access Control:** Evidence can **only** be added or updated by the **Admin**.
- **Viewing Permissions:** Petitioners, lawyers, and judges can only view evidence; they cannot modify or delete any evidence-related records.

## Summary

This system will serve as a comprehensive **Legal Case Management System**, ensuring role-based access control, case tracking, lawyer and judge management, and a structured approach to handling legal proceedings efficiently. The implementation will focus on secure access, transparency, and ease of use for all stakeholders.