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## ***TextAloud* Helps Lawyer Keep Order in the Court**

*Leading Text to Speech software frees legal professional from long days at the office, and enables him to hear court action anywhere he goes*

CLEMMONS, NC – Like so many in the legal profession, **Joshua Gordon's** greatest commodity is time. The Concord, New Hampshire appellate lawyer once spent hours just on the reading associated with his casework alone, but soon discovered ***TextAloud*** from **NextUp Technologies** (<http://www.nextup.com>) as a useful and valuable alternative to hours of reading by sight each week. Joshua now uses *TextAloud* as a far more streamlined solution for reading his professional documents, transcripts, long legal memos, and other content. Thanks to *TextAloud*, he can now do so away from the confines of his office, listening to his materials instead while driving, commuting, or even while working out.

Affordably priced from just \$29.95, *TextAloud* is the easy and popular software program that allows PC users everywhere to listen to their reading, instead, by turning their text files into natural, human-sounding speech. From articles, to eBooks, e-mails, websites, documents, and PDFs, *TextAloud* exports almost any written text into spoken audio, and into sound file formats that can be listened to anywhere, via MP3 player, iPhone<sup>®</sup>, car stereo, computer, and more.

"I tried *TextAloud* after reading about it in a legal technology newsletter," comments Joshua, who soon discovered that by using *TextAloud*, his productivity actually increased even while cutting down on his long hours in the office. "*TextAloud* made me very efficient," he explains. "In my work, I have to review days and days of trial transcripts. Reading these transcripts is extremely tedious, and can take nearly as long as the trial itself. However, by using *TextAloud*, I can speed up the playback slightly as needed, and get through a day of trial testimony in about an hour and a half. Later, when I have to refer to the transcript for a particular fact, I know just about where to go back to."

Joshua uses *TextAloud* on his Zen Creative MX, which is an MP3 player model that allows him to utilize bookmarks effectively for his sound files. "This way, I'm able to come back to finish long MP3 files later as required," he comments. The Zen Creative MX is easy for him to navigate, the screen is easy to view, and the MX's ease of use with bookmarks is a huge plus for the busy lawyer (who also uses *TextAloud* in conjunction with his website [www.appealslawyer.net](http://www.appealslawyer.net)).

Like many *TextAloud* users, Joshua has found tricks and shortcuts that have proven highly useful to him while working with the software. For new users to *TextAloud*, for instance, Joshua recommends that they "Use the audio tags. I put a shortcut to the audio tags on my toolbar, so that my MP3 player is automatically able to organize my 'reading' on *TextAloud*." Joshua's easy solution means that he is able to pull up almost any file or topic he needs after only a brief glance at its audio tags.

"*TextAloud* has become something I use almost every day," comments Joshua. "It is invaluable."

### **About *TextAloud***

A highly useful PC program for students, scientists, writers, business people, students and people from all walks of life, *TextAloud* has been featured in *The New York Times*, *PC Magazine*, *Writer's Digest*, on CNN, and more. Hailed by critics and users alike, *TextAloud* is priced from \$29.95, and is compatible with systems using Windows<sup>®</sup> 98, NT, 2000, XP and Vista. *TextAloud* can even be listened to on TV, using TiVo's<sup>®</sup> Home Media Option, and works seamlessly with iTunes<sup>®</sup>, for easy synchronizing with iPod<sup>®</sup>, iPhone<sup>®</sup>, or other iTunes<sup>®</sup> compatible portable audio players. Best of all, unlike prohibitively priced gadgets or eReaders, *TextAloud* doesn't require special hardware of any kind. The program is available for fast, safe and secure preview and purchase via <http://www.NextUp.com>.

NextUp.com also offers *TextAloud* with optional Premium Voices from **Nuance®**, **AT&T Natural Voices™**, **Acapela®** and **Cepstral®** for the most natural-sounding computer speech anywhere. Available languages include U.S. English, U.K. English, Indian-Accent English, Scottish-Accent English, Arabic, Basque, Catalan, Cantonese Chinese, Mandarin Chinese, Czech, Danish, Dutch, Belgian Dutch, Faroese, Finnish, French, Canadian French, German, Greek, Hindi, Icelandic, Irish, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Norwegian, Polish, Brazilian Portuguese, European Portuguese, Russian, Castilian (European) Spanish, Latin American Spanish, Mexican Spanish, Swedish, Taiwanese, and Turkish.

### **About NextUp.com**

**NextUp.com**, a division of NextUp Technologies, LLC, provides award-winning Text to Speech software for consumers, professionals, businesses, educators, and those with visual or vocal impairment, or learning disabilities.

In addition to *TextAloud*, NextUp.com markets other innovative Windows software designed to save time and deliver vital information. NextUp *Talker* is an easy and affordable program that enables people who have lost their voices to use the latest in high-quality computer voices to communicate aloud with others.

Evaluation copies of *TextAloud* are available for the media upon request. For more information on NextUp.com or *TextAloud*, or for a rich assortment of case studies involving users ranging from firefighters and lawyers, to writers, editors, teachers, actors, students, entrepreneurs, doctors, truck drivers, musicians, and more, please contact publicist Angela Mitchell at **(904) 982-8043** or via [Admitchell@Nextup.com](mailto:Admitchell@Nextup.com).

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