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Legal line for HiSoft

AUSTRALIAN computer software supplier, HiSoft Pty Ltd, has extended its range of semi-custom accounting systems with a version called HiTrust, designed specifically for the Australian legal profession.

HiTrust is the brainchild of the team of youthful entrepreneurs who run this lively enterprise, recently the winner of IBM's PC dealer of the year award. It is one in a stable of personal computer programs designed to serve particular vertical markets. To date these include: HiMed, HiEstate, HiFashion and HiFinance.

HiTrust provides legal firms with a comprehensive trust accounting system which meets statutory and Law Institute requirements. Simple modifications to the system can be made to suit individual needs and built-in password protection prevents unauthorised access.

HiTrust features automatic transfer of money between trust accounts or from a trust account to the office account. It will not permit drawing on an account with insufficient funds and an advice facility warns when funds are being

drawn from an uncleared cheque. The system maintains all necessary audit trails for the firm's auditors to verify transactions.

HiTrust allows for an unlimited number of client files and caters for general accounting. It can list accounts outstanding over 30, 60 or 90 days. Automatic cheque or receipt printing and generation of pay-in slips are also part of the system.

Forward planning for court appearances and other important dates is made simple with a "review diary" and the system has a complete register of mortgages as well as a securities and investment register with multiple investments per file.

HiTrust is compatible with most personal computers but has been designed for the IBM PC in particular.

On its own, the HiTrust package sells for \$2900. A total system including hardware (the IBM PC), software, installation, training and service costs \$9000. Word processing with letter quality printing can be added to HiTrust and other semi-custom HiSoft systems.