ActiveWords

Firm,

I have just renewed my three licenses for ActiveWords. If you ever once use a text expander/shortcut program, you won't be able to work without it. If you type, you need a program like this.

Can you quickly type "Fuquay Varina, North Carolina 27526" ten times without error?

Do you have that client with the alphabet name of 15 characters?

Do you open your X-1 search program 20-25 times a day?

Do you want to stop looking for the icons to open a program/go to a website?

No, I don't get a reward/discount, other than the satisfaction of repeating their mantra . . . "stop doing stupid stuff"

**YMMV** 

Jim Pardue, North Carolina

I second Jim's recommendation. I have used it for many years, and don't know how I would get on without it. In addition to Jim's list, I use it to insert my signature block on pleadings, to open documents that I use regularly, and to fill out web forms (shortcut for my street address, etc.).

Caroline A. Edwards, Pennsylvania

How does ActiveWords compare to AutoHotKey?

Justin Meyer, Florida

I too have used ActiveWords for a number of years. I am sure I don't use it to its fullest extent but It is amazing. I have several different signature blocks I use - both professional and personal. I have some short letters to clients that I draft using it. I also use it for pleadings as well.

No idea about AutoHotKey.

Dennis Riley, Illinois

I make use of the QuickParts and AutoText features of Word to accomplish part of what ActiveWords does, but having looked at the ActiveWords videos on their site I can see how it does so much more, and I'm (almost) sold.

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Dan Terner, Florida

What I like about ActiveWords is that it works across all Windows programs including the desktop. I don't have to find an icon to open a program.

I am going to copy your privacy question here and forward to ActiveWords and see what they say:

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Jim Pardue

We actually had the topic come up this morning.

I will have our support team respond in detail. We realize the importance of this issue to everyone on the "list".

And I'm pretty sure that many of you on the "list" know me or know of me, and how hard we at ActiveWords have worked to earn the trust of the lawyer customers we have.

But again, our detailed response will be forthcoming.

Buzz Bruggeman, ActiveWords

Here is the ActiveWord Systems, Inc. privacy policy: https://www.activewords.com/ActiveWordSystemsPrivacyPolicy.html.

The policy covers the kitchen sink of stuff all Web properties cover, plus the use of information you put into ActiveWords as an end user. Excerpt: "Content of end user data records and content entry (detailed typing history) is not collected by or shared with AWS without the user's express permission when agreeing to share data files with AWS for the limited purpose of providing product support."

ActiveWords is white listed by every major provider of security software for good reason. We have developed a significant customer base in the legal progression over nearly 20 years. We understand this concern and take it very seriously.

Pete Weldon, ActiveWord Systems, Inc.