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THE 2024 ULTIMATE APPRAISER'S GUIDE TO TECHNOLOGY

HAPPY BUYING!

We want 2024 to be a year of greater ease, efficiency, and mobility for our appraisers. After consulting with in-house tech guru, Joel Baker, we have narrowed down our recommendations for the best technology buys of 2024.

You'll see all of our favorite gear, along with budget-conscious alternatives. Whether you're all about new gadgets, or are attached to your older gizmos, you'll find an array of options to help you upgrade your devices.

HOW DO I KNOW WHEN IT'S TIME TO UPGRADE?

- *Your device is officially unsupported. For example, all discontinued Apple devices are prevented from getting the latest updates.*
- *You find yourself waiting around for your devices to finish tasks – despite keeping it clean of unnecessary apps and malware.*
- *The newer model of your device has practical features you don't have access to right now: a better camera, modern apps, etc.*

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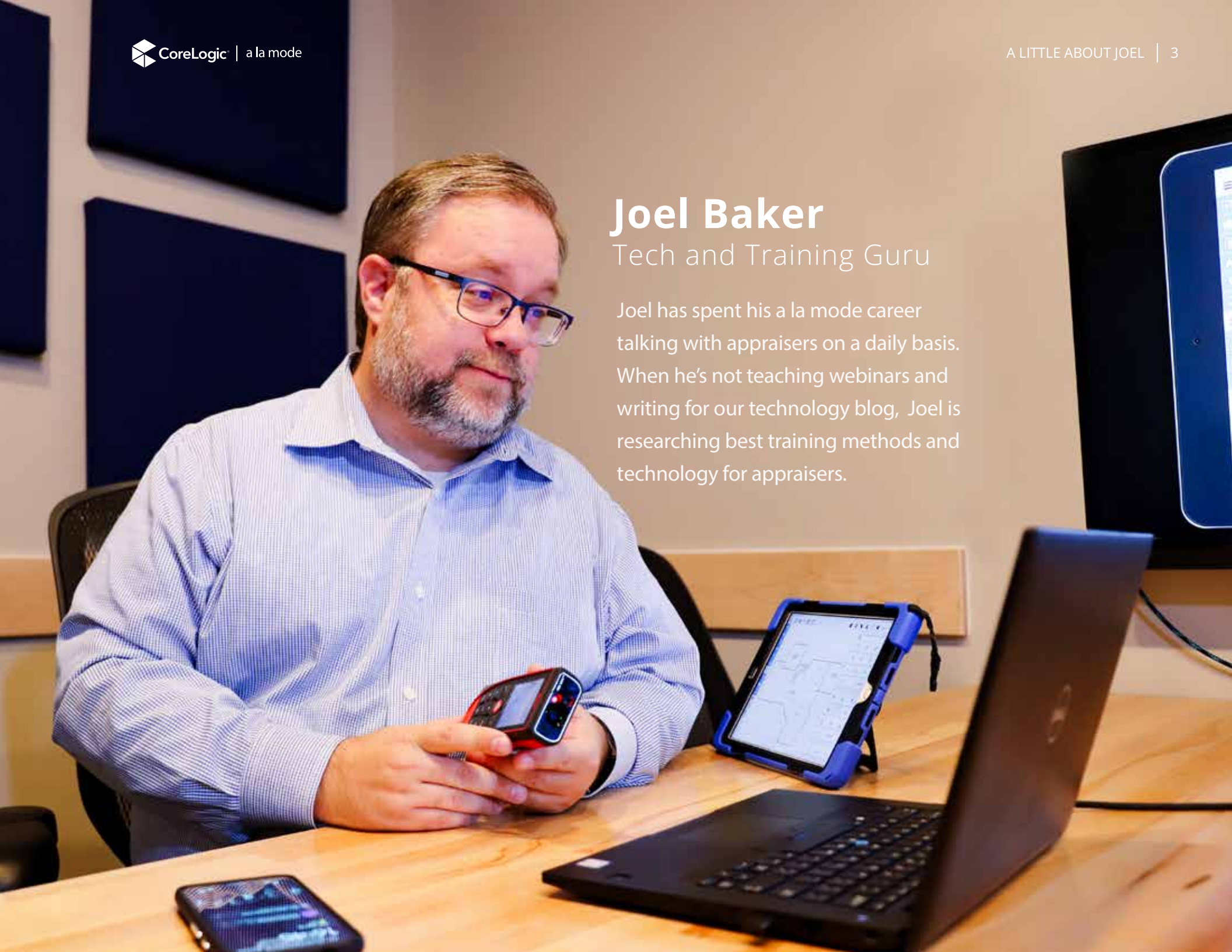
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Joel Baker

Tech and Training Guru

Joel has spent his a la mode career talking with appraisers on a daily basis. When he's not teaching webinars and writing for our technology blog, Joel is researching best training methods and technology for appraisers.



ScanToSketch

"When I compared the ScanToSketch measurement to one I did with my laser, it came out to be 99.3% accurate and took me about 5 minutes. I'm very impressed."
– George Listug



Put your LiDAR-enabled iPad or iPhone to work and measure a property with ScanToSketch. Appraisers have found it to be comparable to measuring a property with their laser or measuring tape but in a fraction of the time.

It's as simple as pointing your device at the exterior corners of a property and tapping the screen. You can edit your sketch from the property, and it's ready to add to your report.

ScanToSketch opens directly in your TOTAL for Mobile app. [Download](#) it today on these [supported devices](#).

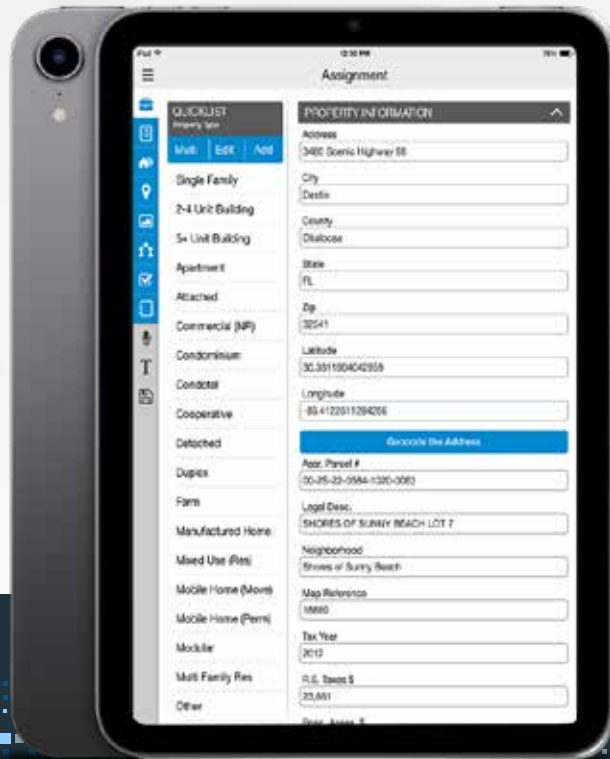
Apple iPad Mini

with Apple Pencil Support

LIGHT AND HANDY, ALL DAY

Compact, portable, and powerful, the iPad Mini weighs in at less than a pound and boasts all-day battery life. Starting at \$499, it's a budget-friendly find.

[Click here to customize and buy from Apple](#)



Apple iPad Pro 11"

with Apple M2 Processor **with LiDAR**

PALM-OF-YOUR-HAND POWER

If it's in your budget, we recommend the iPad Pro. Most PC laptops can't match these speeds, and its pro cameras provide stunning images for your reports.

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SEYMAC iPad Mini Case

with Built-in 360° Rotating Hand Strap

SMALL SIZE BUT BIG PROTECTION

This case hugs your iPad, protecting the edges without hindering controls or ports. Its frame grips your iPad and rotates in 30° intervals for the best viewing angle and most natural hand position. This rugged case will fully protect your iPad Mini in the field.

[Click here to buy on Amazon](#)



Miesherk iPad Pro Case

with Hand Strap for the 11" iPad Pro

RUGGED AND BUILT TO PROTECT

Prepare for the field with the rugged military-grade case — built with heavy-duty silicone to keep your iPad Pro completely protected from drops (up to 15 feet) onto concrete and in rain, mud, sand, and snow.

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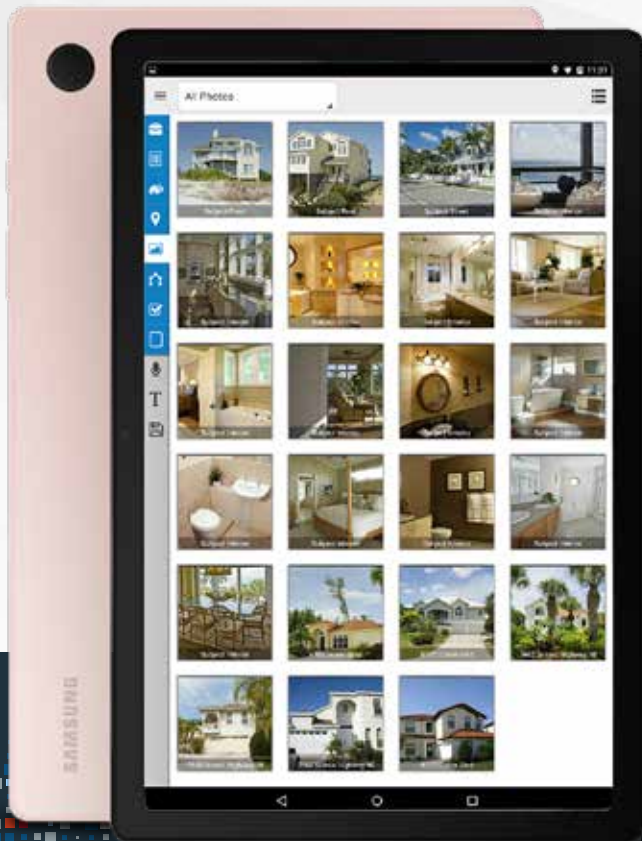
Samsung Galaxy Tab A8

with 10.5" Diagonal Display

THIS IS CLOSE TO THE ANDROID YOU'RE LOOKING FOR

The Tab A8 is our budget choice for those looking to save. Though it's a smaller version of the Galaxy Tab, it runs our software smoothly, so you can start and finish appraisals on time. Be sure to check out the available accessories.

[Click here to customize and buy from Samsung](#)



Samsung Galaxy Tab S9

with 11" Diagonal Display

THIS IS THE ANDROID YOU'RE LOOKING FOR

With a long-lasting battery, 11-inch 120HZ display, and hyperfast processor, staying mobile won't be an issue with the Tab S9. And its updated pen is designed to enhance comfort and document markups, signatures, and comments. Don't forget to check out accessories that make working with the Tab S8 even more of a breeze.

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Miesherk Samsung Galaxy Tab S8 Protective Case

with Screen Protector and Pen Holder



3-IN-1 FULL BODY PROTECTION

Don't fear the drop with this rugged, heavy-duty Tab S8 protective case constructed from premium, hard, polycarbonate and soft, anti-skidding silicone. Its built-in screen protector provides extra scratch-and-smudge resistance.

HAND STRAP & PENCIL HOLDER

Stop the drop with this 360° rotating hand strap. It helps you comfortably hold your tablet without fear of dropping it. It adjusts to the size of your hand and includes a stylus holder.

360° BUILT-IN KICKSTAND

The built-in kickstand frees both hands, whether you're taking measurements or setting up a photo. It can be angled up to 165°, so you'll have the perfect angle for wherever it sits.

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Microsoft Surface Laptop 4

with 13.5" Touchscreen

STYLE AND SPEED

The Surface Laptop 4 is still a top-runner in our Windows recommendations. Its battery and processor is optimized for all-day use and multitasking, so it's perfect for appraisers. Below is a Microsoft buy-now link, but be sure to check out sites like NewEgg or Best Buy, as they often run promos. We recommend at least 16GB of memory as well.

Please Note: The newest version of the Surface is the 5, we recommend this model still because the updates are usually not worth the money, from year-to-year, for the appraiser.

[Click here to customize and buy Surface 4 from Microsoft](#)

[Click here to customize and buy Surface 5 from Microsoft](#)



LG 27" LED Monitor

with Screen Split

SCREEN SPLIT

When you don't have space on your desk for multiple monitors, this LG monitor will provide the same benefits — but on a single screen. With one click, the screen split feature divides the screen into as many as four customizable segments.



[Click here to buy this LG on Amazon](#)

Aspect Ratio: **16:9**
 Display Size: **27"**
 Dimensions: **24.09" x 17.9" x 7.48"**
 Weight: **7.49 lbs**
 Mounting Type: **Wall Mount**
 Input: **1 HDMI 1.4, 1 D-SUB**
 Display Resolution: **FHD 1920 x 1080 @ 60Hz**

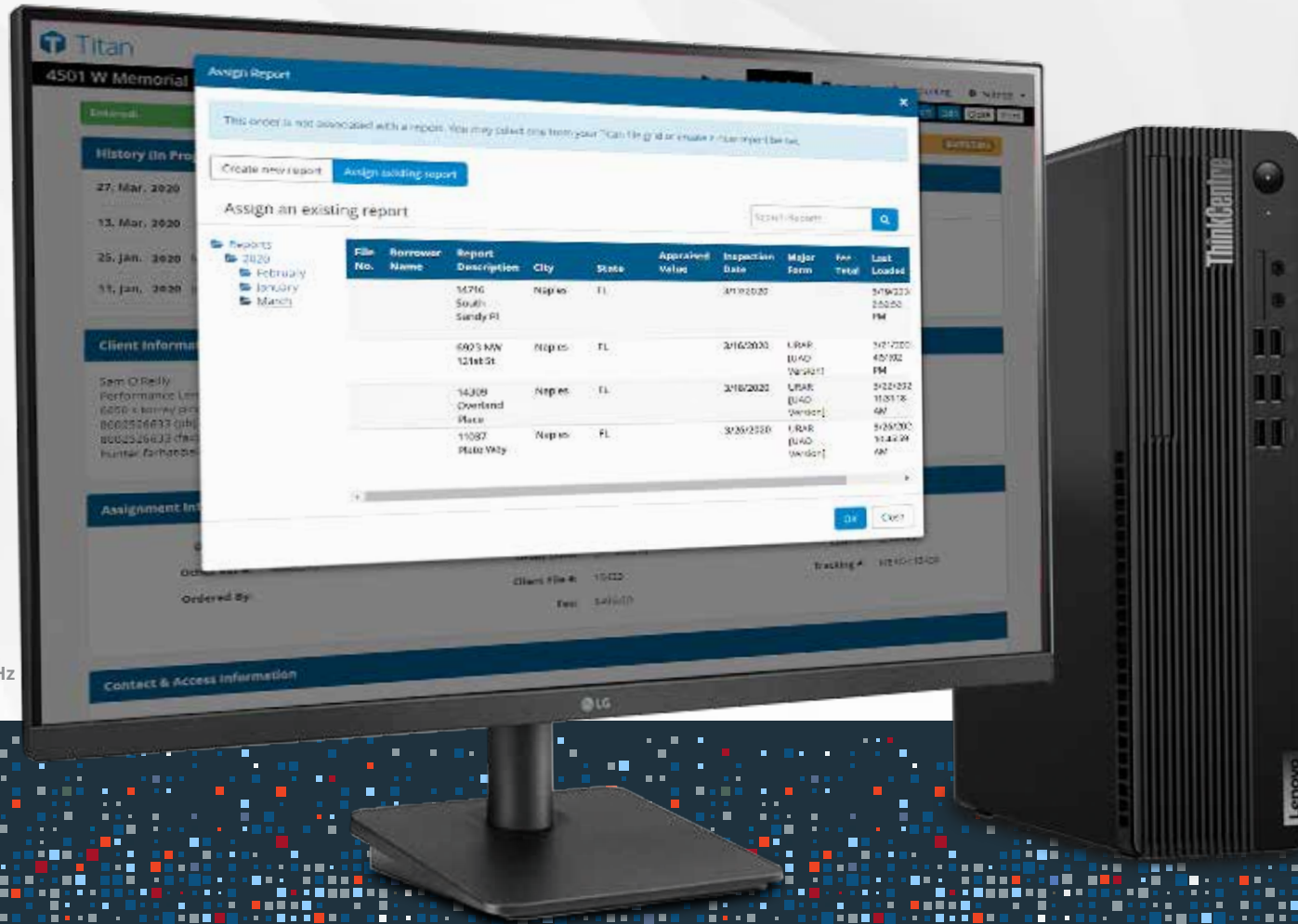
Lenovo ThinkCentre M750s

with Intel i9 Processor

FUTURE PROOF

This desktop computer has plenty of power to continue using your a la mode software well into the future. Although you can customize the hardware, we suggest the 2TB solid-state drive and minimum 32GB of RAM.

[Click here to buy this Lenovo on Amazon](#)



LG 32" Full HD IPS LED Monitor with HDR 10

1920x1080, 16:9 aspect ratio, tilt adjustment, and anti-glare panel

This crisp, clean 32" monitor is our top recommendation for viewing reports, photos, comps, maps, and more. Maximize your viewing experience with a full-sized screen, 178° viewing angle.

[Click here to buy on Amazon](#)

Aspect Ratio: **16:9**
Display Size: **31.5" Diagonal**
Dimensions: **28.70" x 20.2" x 8.2"**
Weight: **14.6 lbs**
Mount: **VESA**
Input: **2 HDMI 1.4 & 1 D-SUB**
Display Resolution: **FHD 1920 x 1080**



Logitech MK550 Wireless Keyboard and Mouse

Logitech has cornered the market and remained on top with its accessories. This Logitech combo from the MK345 has better performance and battery life from it's predecessor below, however, both are great choices. An ergonomic keyboard and mouse are game-changers if you spend a ton of time using your computer .

[Click here to buy this Logitech set on Amazon](#)



Logitech MK345 Wireless Keyboard and Mouse

These function just as well as the Microsoft combo above at a fraction of the cost.

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VIVO Dual LCD Monitor Desk Mount

This mount stands the test of time. You only need this if you plan to have a multiple monitor setup. Be sure to check that your monitors are VESA-compatible before purchasing this mount.

[Click here to buy this mount on Amazon](#)



Microsoft Surface Dock 2

This dock is intended for use with the Surface Book. If you don't plan on using your Surface Book as a desktop (connecting other devices, like monitors or speakers) this dock is not for you. However, if you're planning to use the Surface Book as a desktop, this dock is absolutely worth the investment.

[Click here to buy this dock on Amazon](#)



Microsoft Wireless Mouse

Our budget option for a wireless mouse. It doesn't have the same buttons as the Logitech mouse, but it's smooth scrolling and will get the job done. It's also available in multiple colors.

[Click here to buy this Microsoft mouse on Amazon](#)



Logitech MX Master 2S Mouse

This Logitech wireless mouse connects through Bluetooth or the included wireless USB pairing device. This has plenty of customizable buttons to activate all your fingers with its ergonomic shape, while working through reports.

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Leica DISTO e7500i

Our DISTO recommendation for several years running. Designed with mobility in mind, this is a must-have in any appraiser's toolkit.

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ANKER Car Charger with Quick Charge 3.0

This 36W dual USB car charger will quickly charge your devices as you travel between properties. It's been one of our top picks for multiple years.

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GlocalMe G4 Pro 4G LTE Mobile Hotspot Router

Reliably access the Internet, even in rural areas, with a hotspot device. Make sure to check mobile carrier compatibility before you decide to purchase this particular device.

[Click here to buy Amazon](#)

Despite the wide variety of options on the market this year, we can funnel our recommendations down to two main goals: **Mobility** and **Reliable Internet Access**. That's because a number of apps and programs are shifting to cloud-based services. Bulky, expensive equipment is becoming a thing of the past, so it's important that you find brands and models that help you work from anywhere, anytime.

Even if you're not quite ready to upgrade, save this eBook for later. We're confident our suggestions will remain some of the best for appraisers throughout 2024.

If you still have questions, you should email our experts at AppraiserInfo@corelogic.com, and they'll point you in the right direction. Or, you can also visit our [resources page](#) to view a schedule of our free webinars, tech tips, eBooks and more.



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