

# Law Office Technology

## White Paper

PRODUCT: Amicus Attorney

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### 1. PROBLEM:

How to Restore the Amicus Database without opening Amicus Attorney Administrator

### 2. SOLUTION SOURCE:

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### 3. SOLUTION:

IF YOU FEEL SOMEWHAT UNCOMFORTABLE DOING THIS, CALL LAW OFFICE TECHNOLOGY!!! READ THIS TWICE BEFORE ATTEMPTING.

If you cannot open Amicus Administrator you might need to restore from a previous Amicus backup. I will explain how this works in this document. I will also explain how the backup works and how Amicus works.

*If your database and license file do not match, this is very helpful. If you get this error, it usually that means that the number of users in the database do not match the number of users in the license file. To solve this problem, you need to find a .ldf file that matches the .db file. If you do not have one you will have to get Amicus Support to get one for you.*

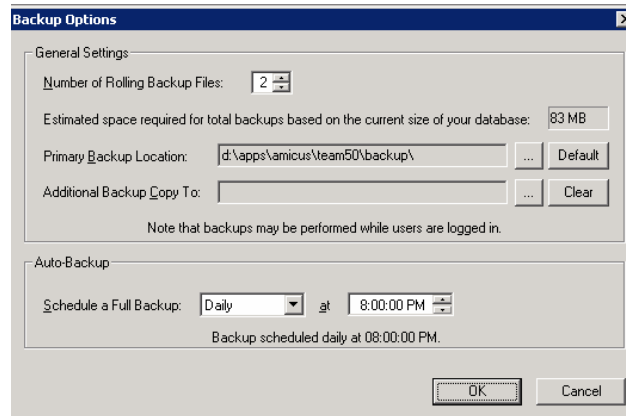
Amicus Attorney has two files that are specific to your firm, the ateam.db (database file) and the ateam.ldf (license file). With these two files you can recreate any database.

## LOCATIONS

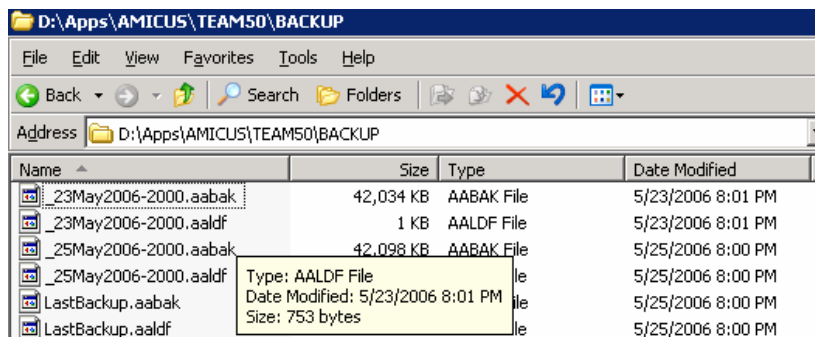
**Ateam.Idf** is located in the Team 50 Directory on your server

**Amicus.db** is located in the Database folder in the Team 50 Directory on your server.

**Backups of the Ateam.Idf and the Amicus.db** might also be on your server if you enable backups. If you have client server, the backups can be scheduled. If you have advanced, you have to do the backups manually. This is one reason why I think you must go with client server no matter what size of your firm. The backup location is determined by the settings in Amicus Administrator. Open up the Administrator and go to Configure → Backup Options



The primary backup location is where the backups are saved. If we open up the folder, this is what it will look like.



aabak is a backup of the database and aaldf is a backup of the license file. 23may2006 means that the back up occurred on the

23 of May 2006 and the 2000 denotes the time, meaning 8:00 PM. In this particular folder I have two backups, one on May 23 and one on May 25. The Lastbackup is the same as the May 25 backup. I can tell by looking at the size and the date modified.

**TO MAKE MYSELF CRYSTAL CLEAR, DON'T DELETE YOUR  
ATEAM.LDF AND YOUR AMICUS.DB FILES. RENAME THEM TO  
.OLD**

You can rename the aabak file to Amicus.db and copy it into the Team 50 → Database Folder. **I recommend prior to this, renaming the current database from Amicus.db to Amicus.old so you do not overwrite it.**

You can rename the aaldf file to ateam.ldf and copy it into the Team 50 directory. **I recommend renaming the current ateam.ldf file to ateam.old.**

If you don't have a current backup, you could just try copying over the backup license file and see if it will work with your old database.

After you copy the Amicus.db and team.ldf files, you can start up Amicus Administrator. It will take longer than usual and the database will probably be smaller than your amicus.old file because a backup/restore purges transaction records.