



Case Study - Suhre & Associates

Suhre & Associates deploys Seamless Multi-Site Networking for a Modern Law Firm



Background

Suhre & Associates is a criminal defense law firm headquartered in downtown Cincinnati, Ohio, with additional offices in Lexington, Louisville, Indianapolis, and Dayton. Founded in 1999 by Joe Suhre, who served in law enforcement earlier in his career before attending law school, the firm has grown by delivering a tech-forward approach to legal practice. Over the last two decades, Suhre & Associates has evolved from piecemeal IT solutions and cloud subscriptions to a cohesive, self-hosted network that helps keep multiple locations connected and productive.

Operating five active offices spread across Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana, they rely on stable, high-speed connectivity to serve clients effectively. As founder and managing partner, Joe Suhre also manages the firm's IT. Needing something easy enough to handle alongside legal duties, he settled on UniFi for its license-free model, reliable SD-WAN, and intuitive design—allowing him to self-manage day-to-day operations with minimal outside assistance.

Business Requirements & Goals

- Simple Administration
- Secure, Multi-Site Connectivity With offices
- Cost-Effective Growth
- Apple-Focused Ecosystem

Why The Deployed UniFi

Intuitive for a Non-IT Professional

"I'm not a professional network engineer, but with UniFi, I can easily set up or replace hardware in under 15 minutes—no stress, no confusion."

Joe Suhre, Founder & Managing Partner



Joe learned UniFi's interface quickly. With initial setup assistance from Unified IT, he now self-manages all five sites—changing Wi-Fi passwords, troubleshooting VLANs, or adding new access points.

License-Free Model Avoiding recurring software fees was critical. Once the UniFi hardware is purchased, Suhre & Associates can run it indefinitely without monthly costs.

SD-WAN for Multiple Offices SiteMagic SD-WAN connects each office—even one in a shared co-working space behind another firewall—into a secure, hub-and-spoke VPN. It uses WireGuard for the site-to-site connections, ensuring all traffic is fully end-to-end encrypted and does not pass through the Ubiquity Cloud. Only the firm's gateways store the encryption keys, guaranteeing total data privacy.

Previously, Joe considered MPLS circuits costing thousands of dollars monthly, but UniFi's SD-WAN is included at no extra charge and can easily expand to new locations. Joe also uses WireGuard on his personal device for remote access, making secure offsite work straightforward.

Supports Apple-Focused Workflow From iMacs to MacBooks, the team relies on Apple hardware. UniFi Dream Machines and APs offer stable roaming, VLAN options for printing and AirPlay, and quick device provisioning for staff.