



Descrybe Empowers Law Firms to Build and Control Their Own AI-Powered Legal Workflows

Descrybe Open Connector gives legal organizations the freedom to combine their own expertise and processes with Descrybe's legal intelligence.

BOSTON, July 24, 2026 — Descrybe, the legal technology company building trusted legal research and intelligence for wherever legal work happens, today announced the Descrybe Open Connector, a new initiative that enables law firms and legal organizations to build, customize and control their own AI-powered legal research tools and workflows on top of the Descrybe Legal Engine.

The initiative allows organizations to combine their own expertise, processes and institutional knowledge with Descrybe's legal intelligence, creating applications and workflows that reflect how they actually work and can evolve alongside the AI technologies they choose to use.

"Firms can begin to separate the legal intelligence they need from the workflows and applications that make their organizations distinctive," said Kara Peterson, co-founder and CEO of Descrybe. "They can maintain control over how they work, preserve their institutional knowledge, choose the AI environments that make sense for them and still have trusted legal intelligence underneath it all. It also creates a powerful ecosystem model for Descrybe. As firms and legal builders create new tools and experiences, they create new ways for people to use Descrybe. That is a fundamentally different model for legal technology."

The announcement marks a significant expansion of Descrybe's strategy to make trusted legal intelligence available wherever people work, moving from bringing that intelligence into the tools people already use to enabling organizations to build entirely new tools and workflows around it.

The Descrybe Legal Engine gives applications and AI systems access to structured U.S. primary law, legal-specific research and retrieval capabilities, citation and treatment intelligence, source verification and other tools built specifically for legal research.

The Descrybe Open Connector includes two open-source releases designed to make that intelligence easier to build around. The [Descrybe Legal Engine Python SDK](#) provides the technical foundation for connecting custom applications to the Legal Engine, while [Descrybe Legal Research Workflows](#) offers reusable research processes that organizations can use, modify or extend to reflect their own needs.

Users can explore the [Resource Guide](#) for documentation, demonstrations and additional resources to help them get started.

Initial workflows support tasks including developing research roadmaps, identifying supporting and competing authority, and auditing legal citations and quoted language. Organizations can use them as a starting point or create entirely new processes around their own practices and expertise.

AI-assisted development is also expanding who can build technology inside legal organizations. Lawyers, legal technologists and emerging "legal quants" can increasingly turn their own ideas into working applications and workflows.

"The people closest to the work often have the best ideas about how that work should evolve," said Richard DiBona, co-founder and CTO of Descrybe. "The rise of legal builders and legal quants means more of those people can now create the tools they have always wished existed. We want to give them a

serious legal intelligence layer to build with so they can focus on what is uniquely valuable about their organization and their ideas.”

Descrybe has spent years building the infrastructure behind that intelligence layer. Before an AI model receives a user’s question, the company has already performed extensive legal-specific processing across its corpus, including structuring courts and jurisdictions, mapping citation relationships, analyzing legal treatment, classifying legal materials and preparing information for targeted search, retrieval and verification.

Making those capabilities available as building blocks allows legal organizations to create sophisticated tools without independently recreating the same foundational research infrastructure. Providing models with targeted, structured legal information before AI reasoning begins can also reduce unnecessary processing, context and token consumption, allowing firms and legal builders to focus their resources on the expertise and ideas that are unique to them.

“What Descrybe is enabling here has the potential to reshape how legal organizations think about innovation,” said Ken Friedman, advisor to Descrybe and former Deputy General Counsel at LegalZoom. “When sophisticated legal intelligence can serve as a foundation rather than a fixed experience, firms have much more room to experiment, adapt and build around the way they actually practice. That can move innovation closer to the people and organizations doing the work.”

That flexibility also reflects Descrybe’s longstanding approach to creating practical, accessible and user-friendly legal technology designed around real needs.

Descrybe has structured the Open Connector to encourage internal innovation and experimentation while protecting the legal intelligence infrastructure at the core of its business. The open-source code is available under the Apache 2.0 license, while access to the hosted Descrybe Legal Engine is governed separately by the Descrybe [Terms of Service](#).

Individual users of applications connected to the Legal Engine require their own Descrybe license unless another arrangement has been established. Legal builders interested in using the Descrybe service to develop commercial applications can also work with Descrybe on separate arrangements.

The [Descrybe Legal Engine Python SDK](#) and [Descrybe Legal Research Workflows](#) are available now on GitHub. To see what can be built with the Descrybe Open Connector, watch the [demo](#) or [learn more](#) about building with Descrybe.

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About Descrybe

Descrybe is a Boston-based legal technology company building trusted legal research and intelligence designed to work wherever legal work happens. Its technology combines comprehensive U.S. primary law with structured legal data, proprietary research and citation intelligence, and AI-powered workflows available through the Descrybe platform and integrations with AI assistants. Descrybe was also an official launch partner for Claude for Legal, bringing the Descrybe Legal Engine directly into Anthropic’s AI environment for legal professionals.

Founded in 2023 by Kara Peterson and Richard DiBona, Descrybe is focused on making sophisticated legal research more accessible without compromising the reliability, transparency and source grounding that legal work demands.

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