



Navigating Multiple Jobs: *Reasons to work a second job*

COVID changed the entire landscape of work, companies are forced to employ remotely, and digitization is happening at fast pace

We put together some reasons why you should consider a second job especially if you are working in IT remotely. This guide also has how to navigate the process once you decided to take a 2nd job. The last part showcases some technology you can use to limit your hours while still being productive.

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Number of jobs working currently: 2

Net Salary: \$210,000 CAD

Weekly Hours: 25

Location: Canada

Here are some **reasons why you should join the community of Techies** who are taking the leap to doing multiple jobs. My personal motivation was that I had no interest in socializing at office, so I used to decline all non-productive meetings (something that I learned from working in the US finance industry). When the pandemic happened, I actually got disillusioned at the company I was working at since people started asking for 'requests' for the sake of it. When I started doing some house chores in my free time, my manager who was tracking my productivity using some software – fired me. This was devastating since I used to output 2x of the work requirements. I decided to use this to my advantage, built a "remote logger" and I plugged in a freelancer from India to manage my 'online activity' in my new job. The freelancer I hired was good at the job, so I started delegating a bit of the work I didn't want to do – now I was left with some good 25 hrs. Naturally when the hiring boom happened in May 2021, I picked up 2 more jobs and started hitting the \$300k salary mark.

Here are some **other reasons to do multiple jobs**

6 Reasons why you should work multiple jobs

1. **Income Boost** – You can 1.5x-2.5x your income with 2 or 3 jobs
2. **Job Security** – You start seeing work as a pipeline of work instead of a lifeline
3. **Salary Negotiation** – You will have the confidence to ask for a higher salary with the 2nd and 3rd jobs
4. **Maximize Learning** – If you are like me, you learn a lot from peers and work done at a company, so your learnings become 2x or 3x
5. **Get more free time-** If you can find the right freelancer, you can get a lot of free time each job. Even if you just wanted more free time in your current job, you can engage a freelancer and work 20hrs a week or less.
6. **Network-** I build networks with senior leadership and always reach out back to them for work or contracts



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Once you have decided to do multiple jobs, here are some tips to help you navigate the process. Meeting conflicts are real and should go for roles that have minimal meetings. Some contract roles let you work at your own hours.



Job Search – Minimize any updates to LinkedIn profile, feign inactivity

Time Zone– It helps to have multiple jobs across time zones



EST to MST

Full Time vs. Contract – One full time and the rest contract is ideal as contract offers more flexibility in hours

Meetings – Decline any roles with more than 20% meetings after onboarding as meeting conflicts can be a problem





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Hiring a freelancer can make your life much easier but is not necessary. Most people are able-willing to do the extra hours for the 2nd job. Your run a bit risk of having one work laptop idle for extended hours of time which can be a red-flag for companies who monitor laptops.

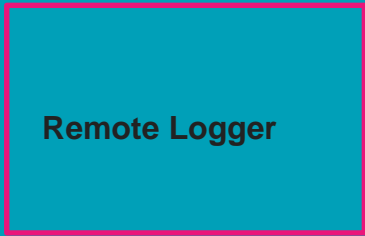
A good freelancer with the right skills can be hired for around \$1000 a month and can carry 50-80% of the total workload. To do 3 or more jobs, freelancers and delegation are necessary

			
	Freelancer.com	Upwork.com	LateralWork.com
Availability	Plenty of hires or project are available. Would take a bit more digging to get someone to commit to your hours. Highly specialized skills are hard to find – not impossible. Great for one off projects.	Like Freelancer.com	LW hires a tech talent on your behalf from a developing nation. Don't cater to part time or one-off projects.
Security	Data security needs to be monitored by you.	Like Freelancer.com	Option to include a service to monitor to avoid any data security breach.
Starting from	10% of salary of freelancer	10-20% of salary of freelancer	\$600 flat charge per month
Special Hardware	Doesn't offer KVM needed to remote freelancer to work laptop. Shouldn't be a problem for work which can be done from personal laptop.	Doesn't offer KVM needed to remote freelancer to work laptop. Shouldn't be a problem for work which can be done from personal laptop.	Offers a high speed KVM – with custom domain for \$400 a month



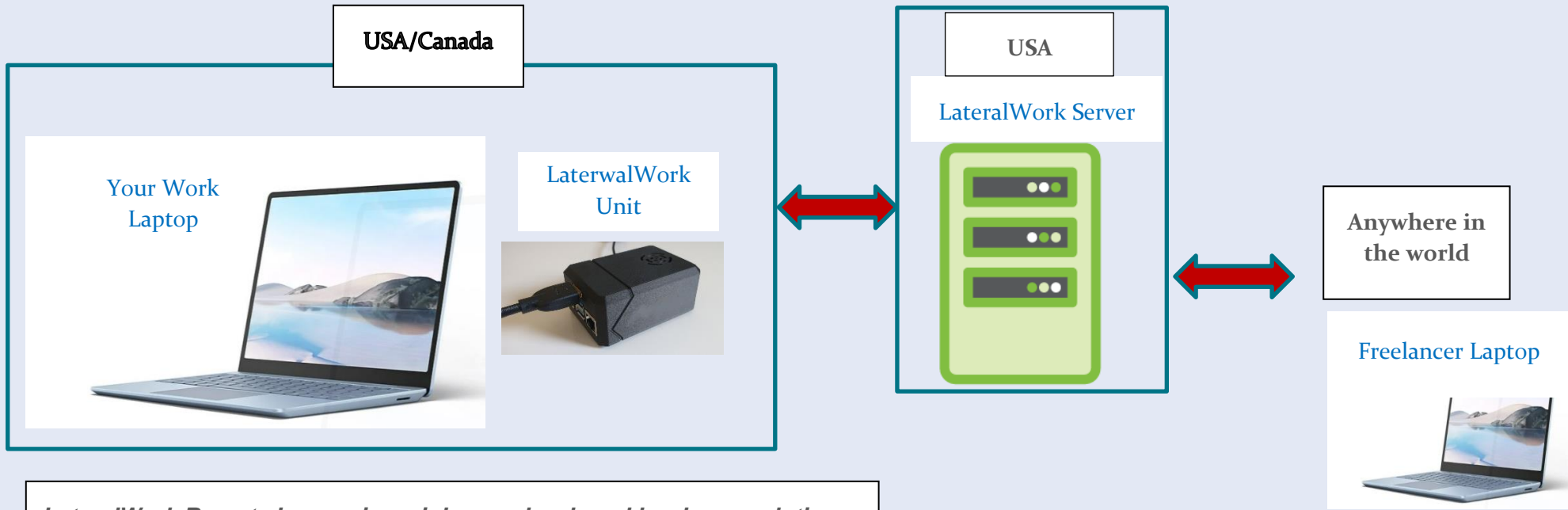
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If you decide to hire a freelancer, you would need to give access to your work laptop for the freelancer to work. Remote Desktop is one way to do it, but companies occasionally do monitor laptops and might cause an immediate red-flag. There are technology solutions you can use to overcome this. Our inhouse LateralWork Unit technology connects the freelancers by sending the keyboard, mouse and video signals over the internet and creating an interface for them to work remotely. With no software or digit foot print on the work laptop, this seem to be best way to remote in a freelancer.



LateralWork Remote Logger is an inhouse developed hardware solution with its own custom software. It is plug and play and does not require any driver installation. The data is transmitted instantly thanks to high end configuration of the hardware and dedicated server and domain.



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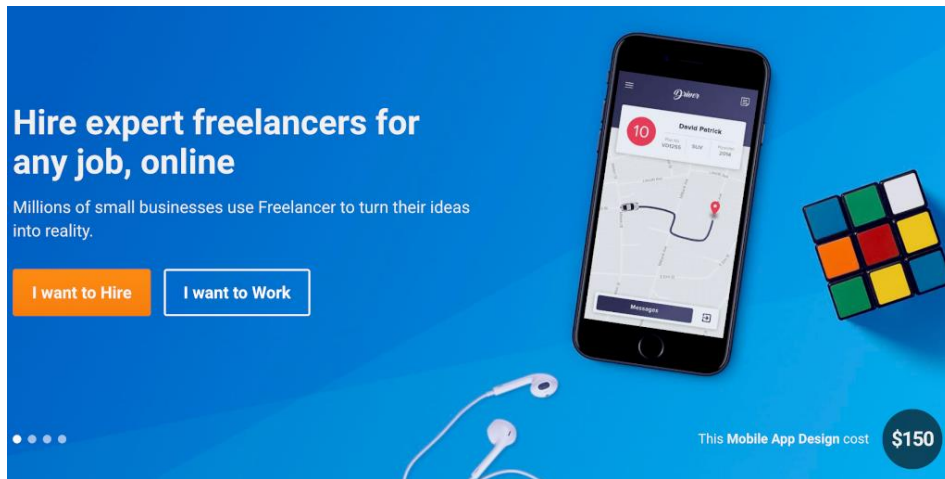
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Remote Logger

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There are other uses to the Remote Logger than finding another job.

Eg. you could employ the Remote Logger to take breaks from work and still be 'active' on your PC. You could deploy experts for finishing complicated projects. I deploy expert MLs modellers from 'Freelancer' to get stuff done in a faster pace – I also learn a lot in the process. You could also deploy the Remote Logger for collaborating with friends from other companies. This is a super useful exercise if you want do some really impressive work.



1. New in a job and having difficulty catching up on the technology?
2. Want to expedite a work with some expert's advice or know-how?
3. Want to shorten your learning curve to the next level of your skillset?

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Data security can be an issue when outsourcing work, especially if the work has sensitive data. Using a KVM limits the movement of data from outside of work laptop. Additional security can be provided by monitoring the work laptop for any email or data upload data movement. Lateralwork provide this service for an additional fee \$250 per month.

Its exceedingly rare that a freelancer would try to steal the company data for any illicit activity. We do provide monitoring services for an additional monthly charge where the laptop is continuously monitored for any data uploads via email or uploads or APIs.



Please reach out if you have any questions or want a demo of our technology. We are based out of Toronto but can provide our solutions anywhere in the world.

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