

The Impact Litigation Support Has On Your Network

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Agenda

- **The Balancing Act**
 - Millions of objects
 - Limited capacity (storage, network, etc)
- **The Toolset**
 - Preserve, transform and present data
- **Communication**
 - Understanding and being understood
- **The Pivot point**
 - Unification of interests and goals
- **Parting Tips and Tricks**



Introductions

- **Nadia Choptain, Aikins, MacAulay & Thorvaldson**
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The Impact of Litigation Support on Your Network

Key Functions

IT

Efficient Provisioning of
Storage Space

Server and OS maintenance

Backup Services

Anti-Virus Services

Lit Support

Secure, process and present
as much data as possible

Maintain ability to process
and use antiquated data
and apps

Preserve data formats,
metadata and original
context

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- You've got the data in-house, now what?
 - When opening \ closing cases within your environment, does Lit Support:
 - Create ESI data maps relating to specific cases.
 - Understand how this data plays into your records policy and client expectations.
 - Perform periodic audits for compliance with records retention policies

Opening and Closing Cases

- When opening or closing matters, ESI maps help you understand case footprints.
 - Space is not free and unlimited
 - Duplication of data sets wastes money and destroys efficiency
 - Extra copies of data long forgotten and not needed can create ticking time bombs
 - Indirect costs for critical functions such as anti-virus scanning, backup processes, and administration compound budgetary concerns

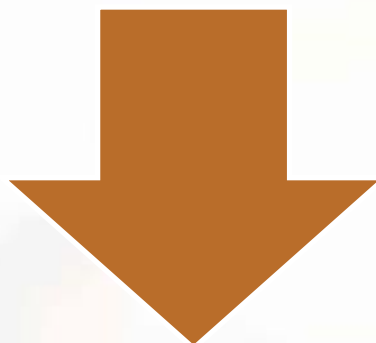
Data Administration

- Network speeds and feeds are limited commodities
 - Pushing entire hard drives, DVD's or other media from one location to another is network & time intensive
 - Manipulating large data sets at rest can impact the performance of other critical systems

The Toolsets

- With larger legacy datasets many are prone to delay upgrades due to bulk conversion concerns.
 - Vendors are delivering long awaited upgrades but many firms are not adopting
 - Some applications are hardware specific limiting the ability of IT to perform upgrades
 - As networks have become larger and smarter, applications and data at rest must adapt as well.

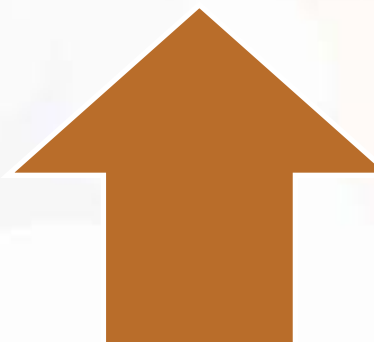
Communication



Litigation
Support exists
to enable the
practice of law
through the use
of technology
and associated
processes



IT exists to serve
as the critical
link between
available
technological
resources and
specific business
needs,



The Pivot Point

- The goals of IT and Lit Support can align with communication centered around capabilities and requirements
 - Organizational silos around these two areas are hazardous to your network assets
 - Litigation Support groups are major consumers of IT resources and can serve as a major internal supporters and barometers

Parting Thoughts

- Bidirectional education of roles and responsibilities is paramount
 - Once completed, a unified educational effort of the masses is required to ensure alignment
- Constant interaction and consultation on new technologies and paths
 - Remove habits of making decisions in isolation. As major trading partners the actions of each are amplified on the other side



Questions?