

LexisNexis(R) Marks the Launch of Its New Data Collection & Forensics Services Lab With Projects in 16 Nations

Unmatched Law Enforcement Pedigree and Superior Technology Help Litigators Gain Control of and Confidence in Documents Produced for Discovery

BELLEVUE, WA -- (MARKET WIRE) -- March 12, 2007 -- With a whirlwind global tour including work for clients in 16 nations on three continents over the past 90 days, LexisNexis® marks the launch of its new Data Collection & Forensic Services lab.

Based at the company's discovery services headquarters in Bellevue, Wash., the new lab features advanced processing and industrial strength decryption capabilities currently found in very few non-governmental labs. This technology component joins the earlier established "all star" team of specialists, each with years of experience in law enforcement, investigation, information technology, programming, data collection and digital forensics. Together, these assets help law firms and their clients gain greater control over and confidence in the recovery and review of the documents they and opposing parties produce for legal discovery.

Meeting Global Demand for E-Discovery Control

Forensics capabilities are particularly needed in today's business environment in which 90 percent or more of all new documents are created and stored in electronic form. Worldwide growth of new digital communication such as instant messaging and text messaging for example adds to litigators' overwhelming task of finding relevant documents when required for litigation. These issues become even more acute as files can often be corrupted, missing, manipulated -- inadvertently or on purpose -- and require a more extensive review than a typical discovery process would merit.

It is against this backdrop that LexisNexis discovery services launches its Data Collection & Forensic Services group. Complementing the LexisNexis Applied Discovery® and Concordance™ offerings, the new forensics group gives litigators control to uncover digital evidence in hard-to-access locations, recover lost data, protect and accurately assess documents while maintaining evidentiary integrity in complex cases requiring a much deeper review of electronic evidence. These services are typically needed in cases involving fraud, theft, embezzlement, employee misconduct, deception, patent infringement, industrial espionage and other "white collar" crimes in which additional data processing services are needed to determine how data have been deleted, accessed, or manipulated.

"Working with the consultants from Applied Discovery is a pleasure," said Melissa L. Klipp, partner at law firm Drinker Biddle & Reath, LLP. "I am always impressed by their ability to explain complex technical jargon in clear and understandable language. The folks from Applied Discovery are always there when I need them, and I know I can count on them."

"The demand we receive from clients all over the world upon our launch underscores the global need for quality data collection and digital forensics," said Scott Nagel, vice president and managing director of LexisNexis discovery services. "The addition of a forensics capability to our portfolio of discovery services supports the LexisNexis Total Practice Solutions strategy to help litigators win by providing them the most complete set of discovery services available."

No Substitute for Law Enforcement Experience

"Success for our clients is predicated on fielding a unique combination of services -- a team with deep investigational experience and leading edge technology lab," said Tom Williams, former criminal

investigator and Federal special agent and current director of the Data Consulting & Forensic Services.

Comprised of former Federal law enforcement officers and experienced IT professionals, Williams personally selected the team based on their investigative and forensic expertise, testimonial experience, and technical proficiency with e-discovery issues.

"No matter what country we're consulting in, there is no substitute for knowing exactly how data will be reviewed and used in an investigation," said Williams.

After helping clients locate data in places such as servers, workstations, home computers, backup tapes, e-mail, voicemail, cell phones, PDAs, and other places, consultants then leverage the 15 million pages per day processing capacity and specialized technology of Applied Discovery to conduct forensically sound data collection and document review. For those clients requiring a deeper dive, the team, using a vendor agnostic approach, can conduct customized forensic operations such as:

- Sorting - 30 different fields, across all four time stamp types, by file name or signature extension, hash value, full pat and file permissions.
- Streamlining - More than 150 filters help narrow relevant information displayed based on specific client criteria.
- Finding, viewing deleted files - viewing deleted and unallocated files.
- Pinpointing critical documents - specialized searching based on client needs.
- Password recovery - decrypt password protected documents from most common commercial programs in minutes.

In addition to the headquarters in the Seattle area, the Data Collection & Forensic Services team also staffs offices in key legal markets including New York, New England, Washington, DC, Los Angeles, Chicago, Dallas and San Francisco. Services are also accessible via LexisNexis® Total Litigator -- a single online destination offering attorneys the tools and litigation support services needed to manage cases at each step of the litigation process.

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