

Law & Forensics

Solving Complex Legal Issues

Law & Forensics helps clients dealing with E-Discovery survive a potential onslaught of complications, devise settlement strategies, and achieve favorable trial outcomes by managing the burdens, costs, and potential pitfalls surrounding E-Discovery. At Law & Forensics, we believe that at the bottom of every complex technical lawsuit is a cost-effective solution waiting to be “discovered.”

The Background

In a case that would span across multiple countries, a major Oil & Gas Company was denied millions of dollars owed to them by foreign customers. This international company had sold oil to two high-paying customers in two different countries, but once the oil was in their hands, they neglected to pay the full balance they owed, costing the oil company millions of dollars. When Law & Forensics came onto the case, a top consulting firm had been investigating the claims for a number of months, and not only had they yielded no results, but had lost key pieces of evidence in the case against the foreign customers.

The Situation

When Law & Forensics began their investigation, they took forensic images of hundreds of computers within the oil company to study for inconsistencies. In an international case involving documents that contain multiple languages, L&F supports timely collection, process review, and creates necessary next-step action plans. L&F team members conducted in-person interviews, cataloged employee log-in activity, and looked into credit charges, payment schedules, and bank accounts. Using global protocols, L&F team members were able to bridge the gap between technology, accounting, and legal teams working on the case. In an organized manner, the L&F team was able to uncover information regarding an employee of the oil company and discrepancies in credit.

The Solution

The Law & Forensics team submitted an in-depth expert witness report on behalf of their client to the Court. The detailed report was accepted by not only the Court, but the insurance company as well. The Insurance company agreed with two-thirds of Law & Forensics' findings and claimed that they were unable to prove one-third of our findings. As we have promise our clients to do our best, we returned to the investigation and wrote a supplementary report, demonstrating enough evidence to prove the third of the expert witness report in question. In a rare occurrence, the insurance company did not submit a challenging expert report as they agreed with all findings in the Law & Forensics report.

The Resolution

As a direct result of our findings, the client could seek an insurance claim under the employee theft clause. The client was satisfied with the performance of L&F and relieved to have found evidence allowing them to receive compensation for money lost from their own employee. Unfortunately, the case is still ongoing as the insurance company now claims that the policy will not cover this type of employee theft. Law & Forensics is confident in the strength of our findings and our client was grateful at the smooth transition between the previous firm and our team and believes we conducted meaningful work on the road to recovering the money.

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