Collection of Cloud Data

Cloud data presents new challenges for legal and IT teams responding to discovery requests. It is typically managed offsite by a third party, rather than under the physical control of the company.

The myriad of cloud repositories and social media sites, all with different preservation policies, make it difficult to assess the size of the data and its content. Traditional collection tools can’t search, preserve and collect cloud data due to its technical architecture. And, very little case law exists on the proper handling of cloud data for e-discovery.

From Google Apps such as Gmail and Google Docs, to popular social media sites including LinkedIn, Twitter and Facebook, expert collection services from FTI Technology can quickly collect and preserve your cloud data in a defensible manner. Using proprietary software, tools, and proven methodologies, FTI Technology has preserved, collected and produced over 8 million documents from the cloud for hundreds of legal matters.

Whether developing a collection strategy for cloud applications, or responding to a specific matter, FTI Technology enables you to:

- **Search:** Find keyword-responsive documents using proven FTI methodologies and tools;
- **Preserve:** Create cloud data archives to uphold preservation obligations;
- **Collect:** Specific point-in-time documents or the last document version can be collected by custodian, timeframe or keywords;
- **Review:** Collected documents, including metadata, are transferred to Office format for processing and review as part of a standard e-discovery process.

All of this is conducted in a defensible manner, with chain of custody intact and minimal disruption to your employees and business. FTI Technology experts can also provide expert testimony on the cloud collection methodology and results.

Rapid Results

With speed and discretion, FTI Technology partners with clients to develop a strategic, systematic and economic approach to investigating the myriad of potential data sources. Organizations can quickly understand and act upon the data in preparing for the meet and confer meeting or to develop legal strategy. Our cloud discovery expertise, combined with the accessible nature of cloud data, allows organizations to rapidly, and cost-effectively, begin collecting data from cloud applications.
Defensible

FTI Technology professionals utilize defensible tools and methodologies to ensure the cloud collection process is forensically sound. In addition, FTI Technology can develop courtroom materials that clearly explain the collection evidence and methodology, including affidavits, exhibits, as well as expert testimony.

Trusted Global Leader in E-Discovery

FTI cloud collection services are tailored to the specific client needs of each matter. Whether a small internal investigation, or a large global matter that may result in litigation, FTI offers a depth of experience in delivering tangible results for clients. In addition to publishing regular whitepapers, industry articles and books, FTI professionals are actively involved with thought leader groups such as The Sedona Conference, EDRM and the e-Disclosure Information Project.

As a global company, FTI Consulting professionals can quickly deploy from our offices across the world to uncover key facts behind the matter. Clients benefit from our extensive experience managing global matters, including adherence to foreign data privacy laws, in-country cultural awareness and multi-lingual capabilities.

With more than 3,800 employees located in most major business centers in the world, FTI Consulting works closely with clients every day to anticipate, illuminate, and overcome complex business challenges in areas such as investigations, litigation, mergers and acquisitions, regulatory issues, reputation management and restructuring.