

eDiscovery Brings Civil Litigation Online

In an increasingly paperless world, few things still generate as much paper as a civil litigation. Between <u>depositions</u> and court records, folders quickly turn to boxes and before you know it, a forest of paper is surrounding your legal practice. But lawyers across the country are saving trees and their sanity with new eDiscovery solutions.

eDiscovery brings all the paper of a civil litigation into the digital world, making files easier to transfer, easier to read and easier to study on the go. Some companies have even introduced eDiscovery for smartphones with applications that allow lawyers to save important case files and information online, making collected files more portable and easier to organize.

Litigation service providers offer many of the online file-sharing options law firms need. During the discovery process, attorneys may turn up additional information that they want included in discovery, which can make it hard to predict how much paper will be involved. That's why having a litigation support team is so vital; to help you manage the discovery process so you can concentrate on building the strongest case possible for your clients.

Beyond its obvious communication benefits, eDiscovery also provides meta data like the date and time of the document's creation that may not be included in paper documents.

The more litigation service providers offer these services, the more lawyers will use them, creating a more open, more transparent legal process for all. In a digital world, the heavily papered civil litigation industry may soon be a lot less cluttered.

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