



# Case study

## File searching

### The case

CCL was appointed by a large 'top 20' legal firm to help them investigate a case by carrying out the search for documents and emails stored amongst a vast amount of electronic information. The case was highly confidential and an analyst was urgently required to attend the scene.

### What CCL did

Always ready to carry out round-the-clock work at short notice, our fully equipped analyst arrived at the solicitor's Central London offices within two hours.

The suspect hard drive, seized by the legal team, was particularly large and contained hundreds of gigabytes in various formats. Our analyst took a forensically sound copy of the drive and met with the legal team to discuss the requirements of the case, which was centred round a number of crucial emails.

Several important keywords and other specific search terms were identified and the analyst was able to index the data to distinguish the most critical files. Our specialised tools allowed us to carry out this exercise in a fraction of the time of conventional search techniques, making it more cost effective for our client.

Crucially, it also meant that the legal team had instant access to deleted files and password protected files, giving them a wealth of data that they wouldn't ordinarily be able to view.

### The Outcome

The legal team was presented with the indexed files in an easily searchable format, enabling them to search for the emails and other information most relevant to the case. CCL completed the task within twenty four hours of being contacted, enabling the law firm to take the next steps in this urgent case.

### Search Order Services

- Early Scoping
- Technical guidance on the Application
- Evidence collection
- Analysis/ file searching
- Flexible review options

### Other CCL Services

- Full digital forensics capabilities
- Cell site analysis
- Social media data collection
- E-disclosure

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