

# e-Discovery Services

## OVERVIEW

Electronic discovery is becoming more and more complicated and costly due to the exponential growth of electronically stored information (ESI). We have needles of relevant evidence hidden in huge electronic haystacks and proper management of ESI from identification to production is key to success.

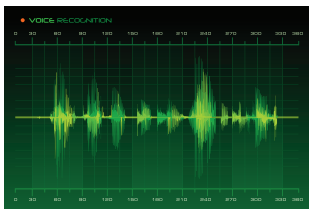
Meridian Discovery specializes in efficient and cost effective electronic discovery and provides innovative technology, strategic consulting and industry best practices to present the best solutions for your needs. Our experienced team works with you closely in designing an effective plan to help you get the data essential to present your case. We use our expertise to assist you through all phases of electronic discovery and provide you with timely, accurate and defensible responses to discovery requests.

At Meridian Discovery, our mission is to provide exceptional service most efficiently while saving our customers time and money.

## HIGHLIGHTS

### Early Case Assessment

Meridian Discovery provides early visibility into your case facts and saves you time and money by employing advanced filters, keyword and conceptual searches, pre-processing analytics, smart de-duplication, de-NISTing, e-mail thread analysis, near duplicate identification, e-mail domain analysis and more. Unlike most other vendors, we make image-only documents searchable via OCR and perform audio discovery before performing your searches.



### Audio Discovery

It is not a surprise to run into voicemail attachments in corporate mailboxes or other discoverable audio content during e-Discovery. Instead of treating audio files as exceptions, we make them searchable and let you work with them as you would with any electronic document.

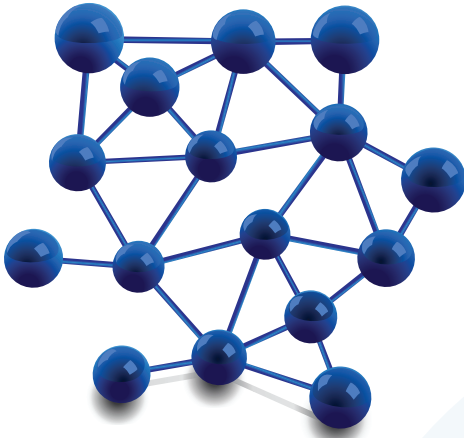
### Automated Password Cracking

When it is not possible to retrieve a password by asking the person who created it, we resort to our automated password cracking system that recovers most complex passwords and strong encryption keys in realistic time frames. The process is distributed and engages CPUs as well as GPUs of several workstations with negligible scalability overhead.



## Distributed Processing Platform

At the core of Meridian Discovery's processing center is a distributed e-Discovery solution that provides several benefits over traditional tools. Our system breaks down and distributes a single task among multiple nodes for increased throughput. This allows us to handle large scale processing requests efficiently by engaging the resources of multiple independent nodes. Another benefit is reduced risk of human error since the amount of human intervention is minimal.



**Reporting** We provide detailed reports to keep our clients informed throughout their projects. Ingestion reports, de-duplication and de-NISTing reports, search hit reports, exception reports and language identification reports are a few examples.

**Multi-language Processing** All of our processes are fully Unicode compliant. However, we realize that Unicode compliance can be meaningless unless the different encodings in the data set can be correctly identified ahead of time. We identify how each document is encoded prior to processing to be able to properly handle foreign languages.

**Customized Projects** Each client and each project is different and our engineers have the expertise to custom design and execute your projects based on your requirements. We can process your Bloomberg Emails, collect data from virtual machines, extract discoverable content from smart phones and instant messaging (IM) systems or enable you to natively review and produce that digital logic simulation software document. Many new clients have come to us with cases none of their trusted vendors had the technical expertise to handle.

**Native Lotus Notes Processing** Lotus Notes databases may contain customized client-server and web applications in addition to e-mails, calendars, shared documents and discussions. Since converting a Lotus Notes database to another format such as a Microsoft Outlook PST will possibly result in data loss, we process Lotus Notes documents in their native form. Notes documents can be natively produced in Domino XML Language (DXL), MHT or RFT formats.

**Embedded File Detection and Extraction** Numerous file types can contain embedded objects that may or may not be visible and searchable unless extracted. Our e-Discovery platform identifies and recursively extracts all embedded objects, tying them to their parents by attachment ranges. They can be reviewed individually and treated as a group during production. Microsoft Office documents with embedded objects and PDF portfolios with linked e-mails and attachments are examples of embedded documents that we extract.

**Massive Capacity and Scalability** Our high capacity and great scalability allow us to handle projects of all sizes. More importantly, we make sure we have enough resources to meet our clients' needs. We do not overpromise and take on more than we can handle within the required timeframe.

## Experienced Consulting

Meridian Discovery employs industry veterans with decades of combined litigation support experience. We work on your behalf as an extension of your firm or legal department. While helping you make the right decisions, we also take accountability for them. We have the technical expertise to help you succeed and we are more than happy to provide technical advice and answer your questions.

## Expert Project Management

We realize that no project can be successful without good planning, design, execution, monitoring, and resource management. Our project managers have outstanding track records in countless projects and they work with you closely to make sure your objectives and goals are met on time and within budget.

## Friendly Service

We do not only rely on our technology to be successful. We are very client centric and our highest priority is our clients' satisfaction. We do everything possible to provide excellent service and make sure you are happy.

## Quality Assurance

We have implemented systematic production processes during every phase of e-Discovery to make sure our product meets or exceeds customer requirements. We take pride in the quality of our work and are happy to see that our customers appreciate our high quality standards.

## References

We have worked with numerous respectable law firms and corporations over the years and have been known as the go-to experts among our clients. We would be happy to provide excellent references if requested.

## Predictable Pricing

Our workflow and pricing model allow us to identify the amount of actual data to be processed very quickly and provide a predictable budget for your project. No need for guesswork, no room for unpleasant surprises.

To learn how Meridian Discovery can deliver value to your organization, please contact an e-Discovery expert at [info@meridiandiscovery.com](mailto:info@meridiandiscovery.com) or call us at 1.800.535.5402.

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