

eDiscovery



Enabling your case with our technology Integrated service

In the last 20 years, the discovery landscape in Ireland has changed dramatically with the proliferation of electronically stored information (“ESI”). The total data created, captured, copied, and consumed globally is forecasted to increase to 181 zettabytes (“ZB”) by 2025 from 64 ZB in 2020.

The digitisation of information and the continuous development of new forms of communication subject to the eDiscovery process means that the data volumes to be collected and searched for relevant material have grown year over year. The legal sector’s challenge is efficiently identifying relevant material within ever-growing document collections to meet discovery obligations in a cost-effective and proportionate way.

At Grant Thornton, our eDiscovery service utilises the collective expertise of our IT Information Retrieval team, consisting of digital forensics, eDiscovery and data analytics experts, helping clients to discharge their legal duties on time, cost effectively, and to the highest degree of quality.

We adopt a highly collaborative approach, providing you with:

- A dedicated IT Information Retrieval team for expert advice;
- Access to unique cutting-edge and customisable technology to meet your review needs;
- Resource capability to comfortably deal with small to large-scale litigation;
- Oversight of key processes and workflows;

- Strategic guidance throughout all phases of the EDRM lifecycle;
- Reporting to senior management and key stakeholders, including expert witness



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About Us

Grant Thornton is one of the world’s leading organisations of independent assurance, tax and advisory firms. These firms help dynamic organisations unlock their potential for growth by providing meaningful, forward looking advice. More than 58,000 people across over 138 countries, are focused on making a difference to clients, colleagues and the communities in which we live and work.



Route to readiness

We can assist you with the initial phases of the eDiscovery lifecycle by helping you identify key custodians and data sources relevant to the proceedings and the forensic collection of all data. We will securely preserve and process all gathered data on your behalf in our ISO270001 and Cyber Essentials accredited forensic laboratory at our Irish-based offices, ensuring data integrity is maintained throughout the project.



Oversight

We collaborate with our clients to provide oversight throughout the case lifecycle. We will work with you to improve your discovery review experience by:

- Increasing overall transparency by providing you with daily or weekly review progress metric reports;
- Implementing quality assurance measures by integrating our proven quality control workflow processes;
- Continuously improving our services through scheduled project feedback and steering committee meetings.



Access to Expertise

You will have access to our dedicated team of experts for eDiscovery advice and support. Our team includes:

- Practitioners with decades of experience supporting complex litigation across numerous sectors (financial, regulatory, sports, banking, insurance, health) and jurisdictions (UK, IOM, Gibraltar, France, Germany, Cyprus), including the two largest litigations in Irish history by order of magnitude;
- Experience supporting Public Statutory Inquiries in Ireland and abroad;
- Industry-certified experts in using forensic and eDiscovery software (Relativity Masters, Nuix Masters, Encase Certified, etc.)



Advanced Technology Capability

We work with you to develop workflows around technology to optimise your document review process. We offer our clients the following advanced solutions for better reviews:

- Continuous Active Learning® (“CAL®”);
- Auto-redaction tools to complete redaction reviews for PII, privilege and commercially sensitive information;
- AI to automatically recognise contract documents, contract clauses, and signed contract documents within datasets;
- Trial presentation software and operators with in-court experience for paperless courtrooms and public inquiries.



Scalable Resourcing

We perform both small and large-scale litigations - routinely supporting clients in cases and projects involving datasets ranging anywhere between 1,000 to upwards of 300 million documents. Our high-capacity storage infrastructure and high-specification processing engines allow us to host and process Terabytes of data daily, allowing you to interrogate your data in hours, not weeks. Our advanced AI tools can amplify your workforce for large-scale document review, making it possible to complete any review with one or two experienced reviewers, regardless of the document.



Ongoing Support

You will have access to our dedicated eDiscovery services 24/7/365 for advice and support. We will assist you in swearing affidavits to verify the quality and reliability of your review process. We will offer our technical expertise to assist you in analysing opposition parties' productions. Our expert witnesses can provide oral testimony in court.



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