

Pharmaceutical companies : discovery management services

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Serial litigation and investigation

Product liability and class action claims, intellectual property challenges, and regulatory investigations are daily concerns for pharmaceutical companies. Each legal issue poses its unique challenges. Patent holders must repeatedly defend their IP to ensure revenue streams. Product liability litigation can result in multiple and varied venues, frequently changing schedules, and widely distributed parties and data. Class action creates some of the most complex litigation challenges, with massive data volumes, dozens of outside counsel to manage, and the glare of governmental and public scrutiny.

Drug lifecycle and electronically stored information

Electronic discovery only adds to the litigation and investigation burden. Electronically stored information whether created from drug discovery, clinical trials, sales and marketing programs or during post marketing commitments can be a pharmaceutical company's litigation downfall or the basis for success in negotiations and at trial.

Addressing pharmaceutical litigation

Fios helps pharmaceutical companies effectively manage litigation activity and regulatory scrutiny with both discovery readiness and discovery response services. Our expert electronic discovery guides tailor a clear, consistent process and technical infrastructure to manage all aspects of e-discovery with deep expertise in meeting pharmaceutical legal teams' need for compliance, transparency and repeatability. Fios has the capacity and throughput to process enormous volumes of data quickly, putting time on our clients' side. We also offer active matter consulting in all areas related to e-discovery—from identifying, preserving and collecting data to production, processing and review.

Case study sidebar: defensibly managing ESI in class actions

A global pharmaceutical manufacturer had been subject to ongoing, class action law suits regarding a popular drug. The law suits were filed in Federal Court and in multiple state jurisdictions. One matter alone involved 1,500 custodians and more than 12 terabytes of ESI that needed to be collected, processed and reviewed within four months. Fios was able to process all 12 terabytes of evidence one week ahead of schedule, enabling the legal team extra time for the critical review phase. Working side-by-side with Fios' e-discovery experts, the client was provided clear visibility into the status of the ESI at all times, knowing that the evidence was being processed in a timely and defensible manner.

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Preparing for e-discovery

Fios brings a seasoned perspective to litigation readiness: our years of expertise in litigation response. Over thousands of complex cases, we've helped clients transform downstream vulnerabilities into strategic advantages through rigorous e-discovery preparation. Our clients gain a formal framework and repeatable business processes for e-discovery assessment, analysis and response planning. As a result, are prepared upfront, avoid undue costs and risks, and leverage the strategic advantages of readiness – positioned to demonstrate defensible, good-faith discovery.

Responding to e-discovery

Fios brings expert guidance to building a proactive framework that prepares our clients for fast, accurate e-discovery response. We develop actionable recommendations in response to litigation or investigations. Based on our client's needs, we plan for specific discovery requirements and deadlines and manage overall project plans. Fios has the capacity and throughput to process enormous volumes of data quickly, putting time on our clients' side. We use proven methodologies to control the costs, risk, and time of discovery. By strategically bringing together the right people, processes and technology, our clients gain control over the complexities of e-discovery.

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About Fios, Inc.

For over a decade, Fios has helped corporations and their outside counsel reduce risk, control costs and gain management control over the entire spectrum of e-discovery. We are dedicated exclusively to delivering comprehensive services and expert guidance that transform the burdensome nature of electronic discovery into a streamlined, legally defensible business process.

