

H5 is an information retrieval firm that helps corporations and law firms find, assess, and manage information to resolve issues brought forth by regulators, investors, and private third parties. We advise on and implement a broad range of information retrieval-based solutions to help clients meet the strategic, tactical, and cost challenges associated with document review, analysis, and related data management.

Clients rely on us for proven results. Our search and review methodology has been scientifically demonstrated by rigorous independent evaluations to be far more cost-effective, accurate, and efficient than available alternative methods, including technology-only solutions and manual review methods.

Our Methodology

We are experts in information retrieval (search)—a practice that complements legal and corporate IT functions.

We address the range of complex information retrieval problems in litigation and investigations by combining expertise in linguistics, statistics, computer science, law, process engineering, and e-discovery with advanced proprietary technologies.

Our processes and systems capture and replicate the relevance judgments of litigators, and automate the assessment of each document in a collection for relevance or responsiveness.

Every step of the way, we scientifically measure and validate the accuracy of our results.

Financial benchmark analyses establish the total cost at the outset of a project, providing budget certainty and guaranteeing return on investment.

Solutions

We provide customized solutions that meet each client's specific needs. Through close collaboration with our clients and their legal advisors, IT staff, and records management personnel, we design and deploy expert search and review solutions that reduce costs, increase accuracy, and improve efficiencies. Our solutions include:

- ▶ **Culling Strategies:** In preparation for Rule 26(f) negotiations or to reduce data subject to first-pass review, we design and execute defensible culling methods, based on objective criteria, subjective criteria, and/or other data-driven strategies that will best achieve clients' budget, time, and accuracy goals.
- ▶ **Early Case Assessment:** We apply search expertise to help clients develop and test early case hypotheses against data populations, advise on and execute pre-review data analysis, and conduct expert searches to support emerging case theories.
- ▶ **Document Review for Production:** Through the design and implementation of processes and systems for delivering highly accurate information assessments, we automate first-pass review while filtering to protect privilege, confidentiality, and trade secrets.
- ▶ **Document Review in Preparation for Deposition and Trial:** Our methodology automates and accelerates the categorization of documents according to client-defined issues and subject matter.
- ▶ **Analytics:** Analytical reports help legal teams quickly grasp the importance of particular documents, people, and issues, such as "hot" documents, key potential witnesses, communication patterns of interest, and gaps in production.
- ▶ **Document Hosting:** As part of a review solution, our hosting services provide powerful features, operational efficiencies, and seamless integration between the client case teams and H5 search experts.
- ▶ **End-to-End Discovery Support:** We also provide data collection services, data extraction and processing, data transfer and migration, and workflow integration with litigation repositories.

Awards and Affiliations

- Deloitte Technology Fast 50 Silicon Valley (2008)
- Socha-Gelbmann: Top Electronic Discovery Service Providers (2008)
- Gartner Cool Vendors in Content Management (2007)
- The Sedona Conference®: Member of the Electronic Document Retention and Production Working Group
- Text Retrieval Conference (TREC): Participant in the 2008 and 2009 Legal Track
- Electronic Discovery Reference Model (EDRM): Member of the Search and Data Set Projects; Founding Member and Co-Lead of the Information Management Reference Model (IMRM)

About H5

H5 is an information retrieval firm that helps law firms and corporations search, assess, and manage electronic information. Through a range of advisory and implementation services—including document review, data management, and analysis—H5 finds the information clients need to meet litigation, compliance, and enterprise-wide preservation and retention objectives. Our principled process combines advanced technologies with expertise in linguistics, statistics, computer science, law, process engineering, and e-discovery to reduce clients' information management costs while minimizing their risk.

Examples of Our Work

Preparing for Trial Quickly and Cost-Effectively

A telecommunications company facing a securities class action lawsuit needed a cost-effective solution for reviewing several million documents. H5 designed and executed a document review that saved the client 60 percent on total review costs by reducing review time by 50 percent, eliminating the need for in-house first-pass document review, and enabling redeployment of legal resources to strategic case preparation work. We also reduced the client's risk of missing relevant information by more than 90 percent.

Expert Culling Saves Fortune 500 Corporation \$1 Million

A national law firm conducting an internal investigation on behalf of its Fortune 500 client was faced with a collection of over a million documents. Because of tight timelines and a lean review team, the firm needed to minimize the amount of information for review. The firm turned to H5 for help. Through expert culling based on advanced linguistic strategies, H5 reduced the collection by nearly half—saving the client over \$1 million, while minimizing the risk of eliminating relevant documents. From there, our search experts identified a subset of documents for further review and prioritized 500—affording the law firm time to conduct a document-by-document review and find the critical information the client's Board had requested.

Client Saves \$2 Million and 18 Weeks with High-Quality Review

A Fortune 500 conglomerate had engaged H5 to perform a review for production in a pending matter. After we delivered the first set of responsive and privileged documents, the client's attorneys conducted their own pre-production review. Due to the high accuracy of our assessments, the attorneys determined their planned document-by-document review of subsequent deliveries was no longer necessary. Instead, they reviewed small test samples of each result set, continuing to find the same accuracy. By reducing the number of documents that the client's attorneys had to look at, we effectively eliminated first- and second-pass review, reduced the time to production by 18 weeks, and saved the client over \$2 million.

High-Speed Review Meets Challenging Deadline

A national law firm representing a media conglomerate engaged H5 to review 400,000 documents before a court-ordered production date. Through various unavoidable client delays, an expected 60-day review cycle was shortened to two weeks. Despite this unexpected challenge, our team of linguists, subject matter experts, and researchers found 80% of the responsive documents in the collection within eight business days—in time for the court-imposed deadline.