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Ediscovery Processing for the Speed Obsessed

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Discovery is the most expensive component of litigation. And ediscovery is the most expensive component of discovery. Therefore, saving time during ediscovery can significantly reduce costs for your clients. This explains why ediscovery processing software exists with which relatively inexpensive litigation support staff or paralegals remove duplicates, group near duplicates, make scanned document searchable, etc. (culling) to minimize the number of documents that more expensive lawyers must review. The faster and more efficient your processing software, the more time and money you save clients on the portion of ediscovery they're least likely to appreciate.

LAW PreDiscovery 6.6 ... in One Sentence

Launched recently, LexisNexis' LAW PreDiscovery 6.6 is ediscovery processing software.

The Killer Feature

After removing duplicates and making all the remaining documents you've collected searchable, you generate a so-called "load file." As its name suggests, a load file enables you to import all the documents that made the cut into an ediscovery review application so that lawyers can take a look at them. LAW PreDiscovery can create a load file not only for sibling product Concordance, but also for all the major products. Most of these products use a proprietary load file format.

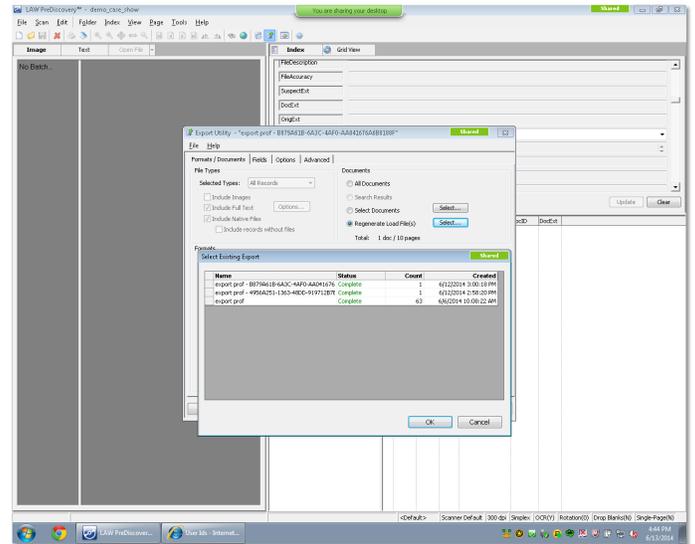
Previously, if you needed to regenerate a load file or output

to a different load file format, you would have to start from scratch at a speed of about 80,000 documents per hour. Think re-rendering a movie after making an edit. By contrast, the new version of LAW PreDiscovery can regenerate a load file in any supported format instantaneously.

Other Notable Features

LexisNexis has also sped up the process of making native documents in PDF or TIFF format searchable — a process known as optical character recognition or OCR. You encounter such documents when importing ediscovery. Previously, you had to designate each such document as an image before LAW PreDiscovery could perform OCR. In the new version, LAW PreDiscovery recognizes image files automatically, eliminating this step.

Some load files contain images and corresponding converted text, eliminating the need for OCR — assuming you can make use of the text. The new version of LAW PreDiscovery can associate images in a load file with its corresponding text. You can also use the software's deep set of tools on these load files — near duplicate grouping or email threading, etc.



What Else Should You Know?

Other new features include the ability to filter documents by "duplicate values" (e.g., the name of a custodian) in search results, support for Office 2013 file formats, and integration with Avanstar's Quick View Plus 13. Quick View Plus is native file viewer that can open more than 300 file formats, enabling you to convert batch convert documents into TIFF format for load file creation. LAW Pre-Discovery runs on Windows 7 and 8.

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