

# LEGAL CASE STUDY

Bassi Edlin Huie & Blum LLP

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standardizes on Summation.<sup>®</sup>

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## Introduction

Bassi Edlin Huie & Blum LLP was founded by seasoned trial lawyers and has built a rock-solid reputation specializing in complex litigation matters. Founded on the core principals of experience, diversity, technology and service BEHB has taken more than 100 trials to verdicts, participated in over 100 appeals and advocated for their clients in thousands of successful mediations. With offices in San Francisco and Los Angeles, the firm specializes in the practice areas of high-stakes environmental law, toxic tort, product liability, business litigation, employment law and other complex practice areas requiring legal and scientific expertise. At the forefront of their core principals is using innovative technology to work smarter and facilitate prompt, efficient and economical service to its clients. With cases involving terabytes of ESI and clients and experts spread across the U.S. BEHB places a high premium on innovation to drive effective collaboration, foster creativity, share knowledge and reduce their environmental footprint. By aggressively meeting the needs of its clients through the use of technology the firm has continued to enjoy a significant competitive advantage.

**It is this forward-looking interest in technology that led the firm to purchase and implement Summation® in 2013.**

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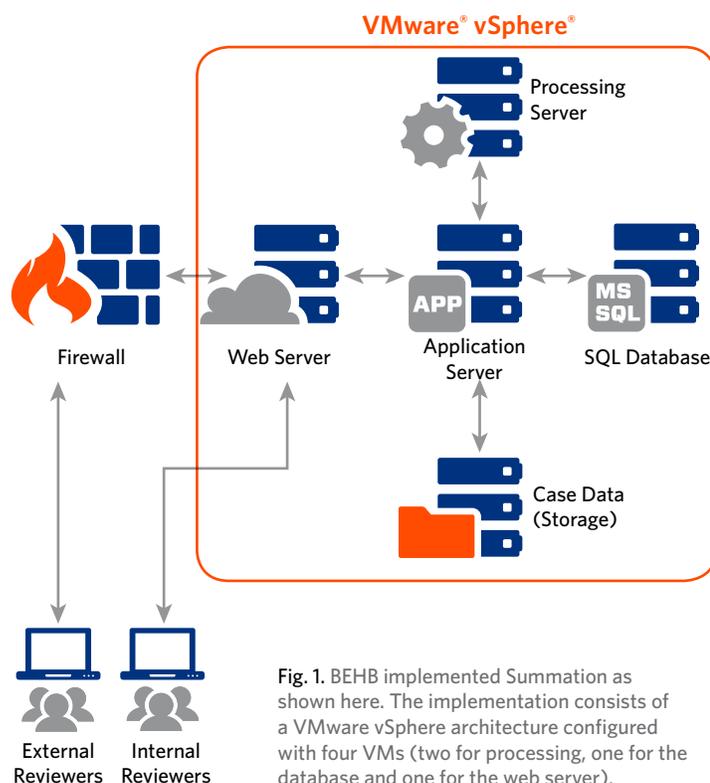


Fig. 1. BEHB implemented Summation as shown here. The implementation consists of a VMware vSphere architecture configured with four VMs (two for processing, one for the database and one for the web server).

## Why Summation?

When BEHB decided to adopt a modern web-enabled review platform, given the size of the firm and importance of document review and analysis to its business, the decision was made to conduct a thorough review of all available solutions in the market. Essential to the firm was the ability to process all forms of ESI including forensic images, use of technology-assisted review (TAR), advanced production/export options, and a proven solution provider that had a reputation for “go to the mat” support a dynamic and fast-paced firm like BEHB requires. At the conclusion of that extensive review process, AccessData’s Summation was the clear winner.

According to Noel Edlin, Managing Partner, “Summation’s advanced processing capabilities have saved us the cost of hiring outside vendors, which in turns allows us to pass on considerable savings to our clients.” Moreover, “the additions of innovative technologies such as advanced categorization and data analysis, technology-assisted review and the robust production-export tools Summation has become invaluable to the firm.” Noel went on to add that “we currently have two teams heavily involved in reviewing documents in the system around the clock and employing the entire array of tools and features. AccessData support has been extremely professional, courteous and quick to respond to our issues and questions.”

Prior to implementing Summation BEHB reviewers were routinely required to review hardcopy documents and access disparate databases through a Citrix®

environment, technology known to have slow response time, performance issues as well as security challenges for external users. In contrast, Summation supports both internal and external parties secure web-access, maximizing review flexibility, collaboration and efficiency—three key requirements for the firm. Additionally, with Summation the firm now has granular security control. Role base access control can restrict reviewer access to one document corpus while being able to restrict specific reviewers at the case, group, individual or document levels, thereby generating significant cost savings, mitigating risk and achieving the firm's green initiatives.

## Looking Ahead

Over the past few months BEHB has been utilizing Summation in a large tort matter that is effectively highlighting the powerful versatility and ease-of-use of the platform. At inception the matter consisted of 1.8TB of ESI and 25GB of tiff images (roughly 500,000 pages) and is steadily growing. The initial ESI included forensic images, native files, PST containers as well as exported Summation dii load files that needed processing in a timely and cost-effective manner. With only one dedicated full-time litigation support specialist BEHB was able to tackle the project in-house instead of having to farm the processing out to vendors as was the case in the past.

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The matter also requires around-the-clock access by two independent review teams, consisting of 12 attorneys, who are tasked with two different workflows. One team is tasked with reviewing the 25GB of OCR'd tiff images while the other is tasked with reviewing the processed

ESI. Utilizing Summation's advanced ECA tools BEHB was able to easily cull the documents into two separate groupings in a common database and then utilizing predictive coding to further cull the document set for responsive documents. Currently, the review teams are engaged in tagging and coding documents for export. In this matter the system has not only provided easy access for two independent review teams, but was simple and intuitive enough so that reviewers who were new to the system required little training to use it effectively.

Having had such a positive experience with Summation to date, BEHB has begun moving all of their legacy cases into the platform. BEHB's experiences to date with both the product and AccessData's support lead the firm to be highly confident the complete move to Summation will allow it to maintain its edge in efficient and effective client services.

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Noel Edlin, Managing Partner, Bassi Edlin Huie & Blum LLC

## Summation Features

- Data processing, ECA, production and final review in one
- Technology Assisted Review (TAR)
- Advanced Visualization graphics of case data relationships and custodian communication patterns
- Interoperability with AccessData's FTK® and MPE+®
- Granular security
- Transcript support with Realtime
- Imports Concordance & Relativity load files
- Concordance migration wizard
- Near native & word boundary redaction in multiple colors
- Email threading
- Concept search
- Near duplicate analysis
- Advanced case data filtering with 100s of unique facets
- Ingest over 700 native file types, including PSTs/NSFs or DII and competitor load files
- Exports load files for multiple review platforms, PSTs, TIFFs and PDFs, native Files & forensic archives



**Learn more about AccessData's web-based document, electronic data and transcript review platform at <http://accessdata.com/Summation>**



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