



From Zero to Sixty: How to Manage the Rapid Acceleration of Digital Evidence





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Can I organize all of the evidence & store it long term?

How do I share discovery with defense & track what's been turned over?

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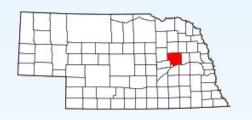
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**Security Concerns** 



#### **Introductions**







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10-15 Attorneys

Population 93,000

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Platte County Attorney's Office, NE
1-5 Attorneys
Population 34,000

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10-15 Attorneys
Population 103,000



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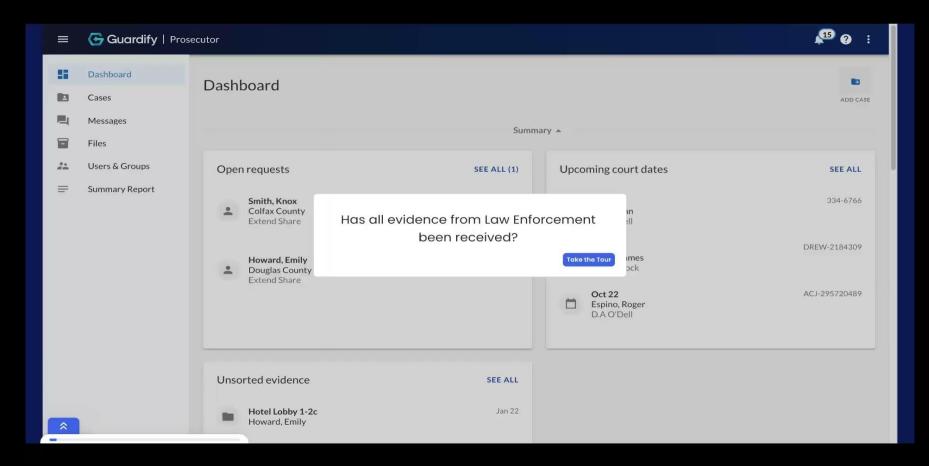
#### **Common Challenges:**

- "There's so much video."
- Multiple Agencies & Multiple
   Systems
- Download Out & Burn Discs
- Re-Request Same Evidence





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#### **Common Challenges:**

- Need for Centralized Database Everything in One Place
- Outsourcing Edits & Transcripts
- Long Term Storage
- What are the costs? Time & Money

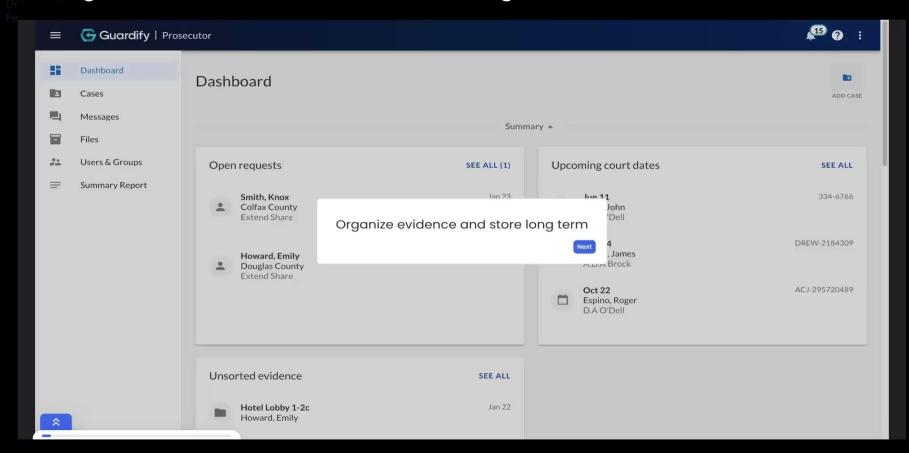








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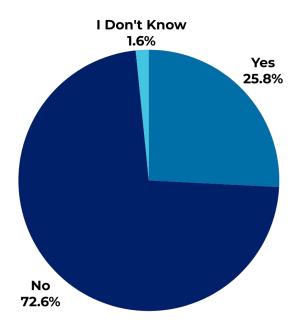


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#### September 2023 Recruitment & Retention Survey by Guardify:

Is your office fully staffed?





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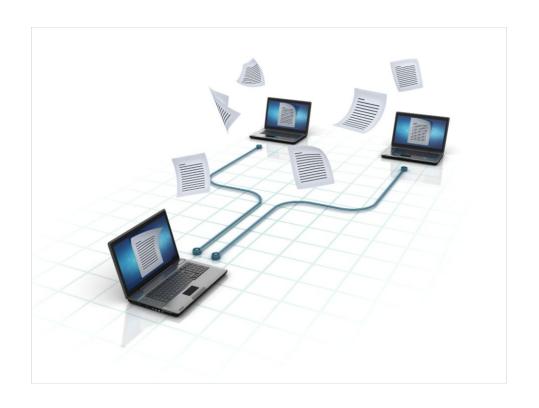
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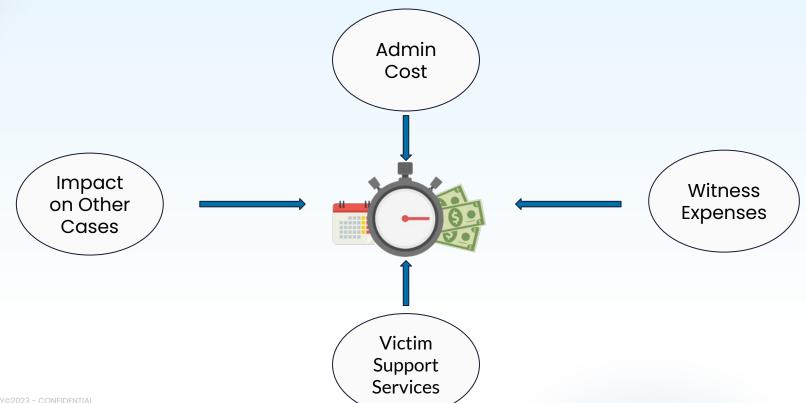
#### **Common Challenges:**

- Volume and complexity of evidence
- Sensitive or confidential information
- Electronic discovery challenges



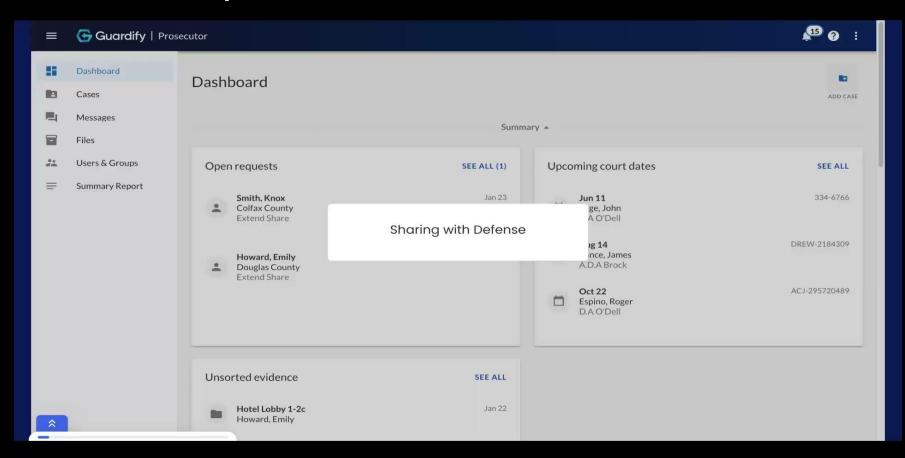
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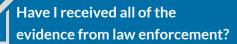


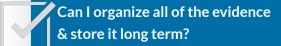
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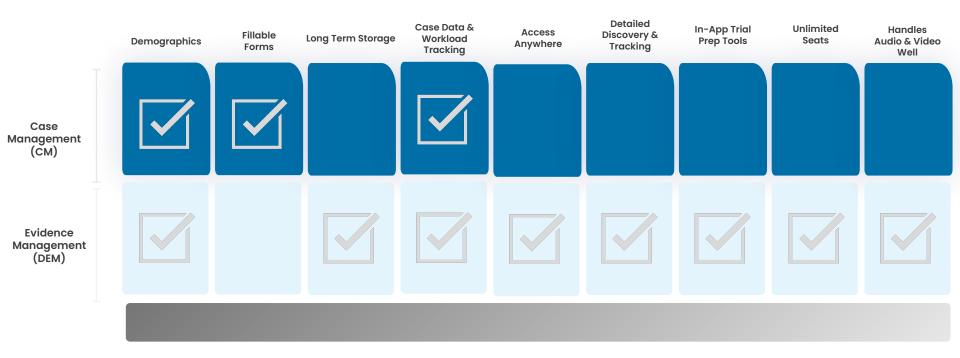
#### **Case Management Myths:**

- Evidence management is a luxury.
- "I have case management, so I don't need evidence management."
- "I don't even have case management, so I need to purchase case management before evidence management."



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# Center for Justice Innovation, Moving Justice Forward: A Blueprint for the Connecticut Division of Criminal Justice (2023)\*

"The amount of time and energy dedicated to operating out-of-date technology leads to an increased workload and takes prosecutors and staff away from other pertinent tasks such as ensuring sufficient and effective time is spent on each case."

"The impact can also be felt outside the walls of the office because higher workloads "can also lead to additional harm for victims and further compound disparate outcomes for people of color."

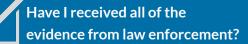


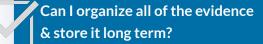
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### Compliant Solutions v Non-compliant Solutions



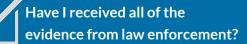


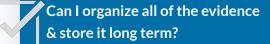


# We are compliant!



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### **Agency Buy In**

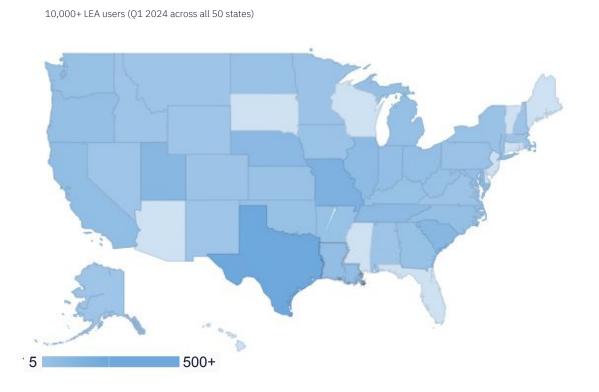




#### **LEA's Common Concerns:**

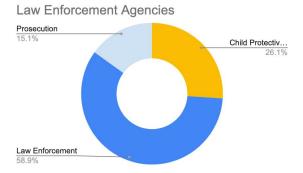
- "Who's paying for this if we use it?"
- "We are not comfortable using this technology."
- "We are going to spend so much time using this."
- "We have our own software, we'll be doing double the work."

# **Guardify Law Enforcement Agency Users**



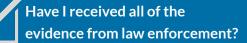
#### 5,100+ LE Agencies

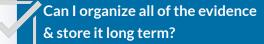
- Law Enforcement
- Child Protective Services
- Prosecution





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