



Atlas Information Governance Suite for IBM

HIGHLIGHTS

Business Applications:

- » Legal Holds
- » Early Case Assessment
- » Collections
- » Global Retention Management

Target Industry:

Cross Industry

Related IBM Products:

- » eDiscovery Analyzer
- » eDiscovery Manager
- » Content Collector
- » Classification Module
- » IBM Records Manager

Business Challenge

According to IDC, in 2008 the total amount of information created exceeded the total amount of usable space on every hard drive, tape, CD, DVD and solid state of memory device ever created. At the same time, there has been an explosion of legal obligations for data, largely driven by expanded e-discovery requirements and the revisions to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

Confusion about these legal obligations and a lack of communication between legal and IT have driven companies to “save everything.” However, this approach to legal obligations comes with too much risk and cost for most organizations.

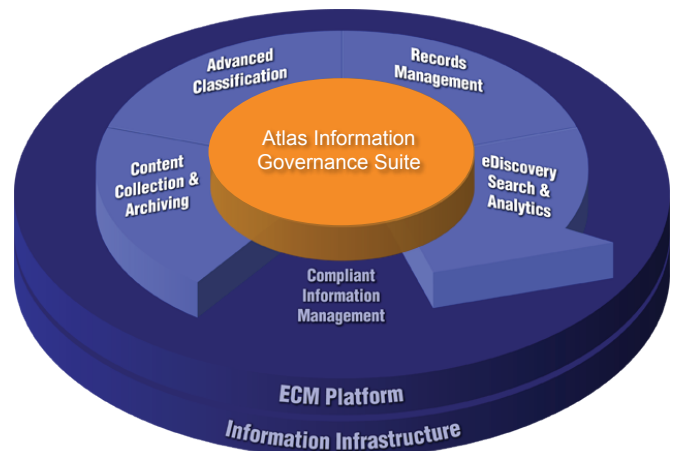
To avoid these risks and costs, companies need to have a clear process to identify and manage the information they need for legal, business, and privacy reasons. In short, organizations need to combine an effectively managed in-house ediscovery process with a global retention program to enable the disposition of data at the end of its lifecycle. By linking retention schedules and legal holds to the data in the organization, IT and Legal can build the foundation for good information governance.

The Solution

The Atlas Information Governance Suite provides a set of applications for legal, IT, and business users that enables organizations to eliminate legal risk and reduce data management and discovery costs. By linking ediscovery and retention management applications, Atlas is able to provide a common, value-based view of information across the enterprise, enabling both robust discovery and defensible disposal at the end of the data lifecycle.

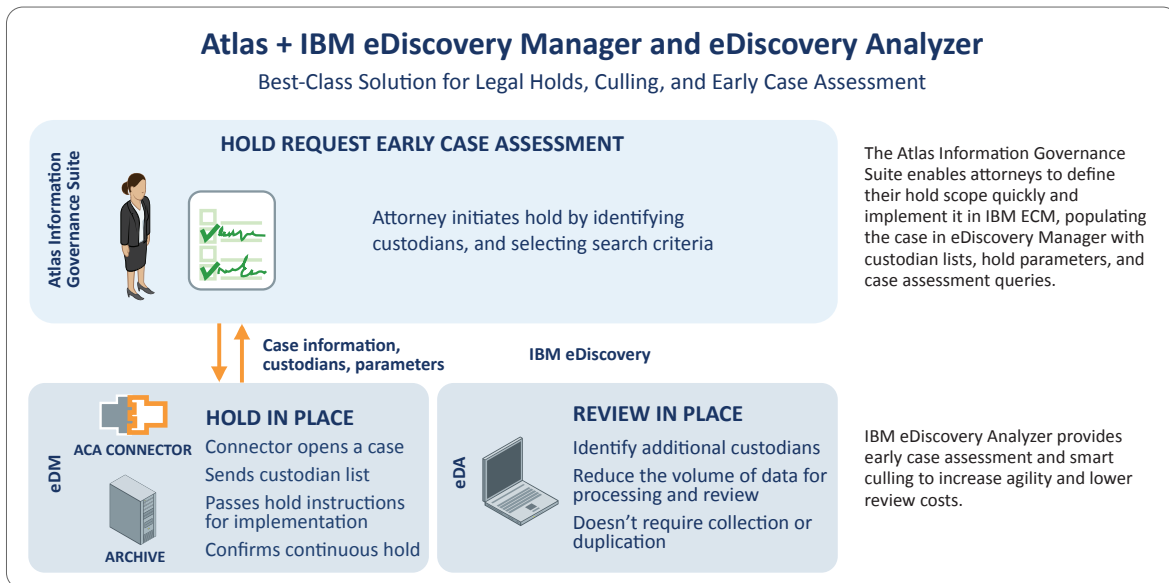
The Atlas Information Governance Suite:

- » Enables attorneys and paralegals to automate their legal holds and collections across the organization.
- » Enables IT staff to understand and manage – by system and employee – their legal hold, collections and retention responsibilities.
- » Enables compliance managers to develop and manage global retention policies to coordinate compliance across multiple systems and jurisdictions.
- » Enables attorneys to continuously assess cost to ensure the earliest, lowest cost case resolution.
- » Enables IT to determine which systems have the highest cost and risk profiles and address them.
- » Provides a common, enabling platform for the Atlas modules and a single source of truth for key governance stakeholders in legal, IT, records, and business functions.



Atlas + IBM eDiscovery Manager and eDiscovery Analyzer

Best-Class Solution for Legal Holds, Culling, and Early Case Assessment



With seamless integration to IBM, Atlas is able to federate legal holds, collection instructions, and retention requirements directly to IBM offerings, including eDiscovery Analyzer and eDiscovery Manager and Records Manager. Through this integration, PSS Systems enables customers to more efficiently achieve rigorous ediscovery and defensible information disposal.

Solution Capabilities

PSS Systems provides a solution that integrates the Atlas Information Governance Suite with IBM's ediscovery and compliance products to drive down discovery and data costs while reducing legal risk. This combined solution allows customers to:

Manage: Companies can set retention and privacy policies, determine what data to retain, how to protect the information, and when to dispose of it at the end of its lifecycle.

Hold: Legal holds created by attorneys using Atlas are automatically executed by IBM's platform across email, records, and other information, enabling effective management of data not on hold.

Assess: Attorneys can assess cost and risk early in the case lifecycle to reduce discovery and review cost. By coupling Atlas with IBM's eDiscovery Analyzer, attorneys can perform early case assessment to avoid over-collection and over-production of data.

Collect: Attorneys can use Atlas to formulate the collection plan and, through the integration with the IBM ediscovery and compliance products, automatically collect ESI from disparate data sources.

This joint ediscovery solution gives companies a best-in-class information governance solution that seamlessly federates legal

holds, collection instructions and retention requirements to the IBM ECM platform to reduce risk and lower legal, IT and other operation costs.

Value Proposition

Atlas Information Governance Suite for IBM enables organizations to combine the power of the Atlas Suite with the IBM ECM offerings to effectively federate legal hold, collection instructions, and retention requirements to the existing IBM ediscovery and information management infrastructure enabling:

- ✓ Legal holds and discovery workflow for corporate counsel
- ✓ Data governance and discovery automation for IT
- ✓ Global retention schedule management for defensible disposal
- ✓ Seamless integration with IBM discovery and information management tools

About PSS Systems

PSS Systems helps companies eliminate unnecessary legal risk, and discovery and data management costs. Its Atlas suite is the recognized leader in legal information governance with customers like Abbott, Amgen, BASF, BP, Citigroup, ConocoPhillips, First Data, GE, Merrill Lynch, Pfizer, Travelers and Williams. PSS is the innovator that started the legal holds market in 2004 and has the largest concentration of customers and domain experts anywhere. PSS is a trusted business partner to its customers, offering expert insight, best-in-class software, and continuous innovation to address emerging challenges. PSS founded and sponsors the Compliance, Governance and Oversight Council (CGOC) as a part of its commitment to advancing corporate retention and preservation practices.

