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## **CDS Becomes First eDiscovery Provider Approved for EU-U.S. Privacy Shield Framework**

### **Certifies Compliant Privacy Policy for Transferring Personal Data**

NEW YORK – Complete Discovery Source (CDS), a leading eDiscovery company, is the first full-service eDiscovery provider to be certified by the US Department of Commerce and the EU Commission’s joint Privacy Shield Framework as compliant to handle transfers of personal data from the EU to the US.

“This certification illustrates our commitment to making CDS ready, willing, and able to handle data transfers from the EU with the expertise necessary to ensure compliance with the EU Directive,” said Dino Medina, CDS General Counsel. “Simply put, we are quicker, more knowledgeable, and more thorough with overseas privacy demands. CDS’ Privacy Shield certification, together with our EU data center and Digital Customs, our proprietary portable, full service data management appliances, give us a three-tiered arsenal for effectively serving multi-national clients.”

The Privacy Shield comprises a set of seven Principles governing the participating organizations’ collection, use, and retention of Personal Data from European Union member countries. While applying for certification under the Privacy Shield Framework is voluntary, once an organization has satisfied the requirements, an enforceable commitment is created under US law.

#### **About EU-U.S. Privacy Shield Framework**

The EU-U.S. Privacy Shield Framework was designed by the U.S. Department of Commerce and European Commission to provide companies on both sides of the Atlantic with a mechanism to comply with EU data protection requirements when transferring personal data from the European Union to the United States in support of transatlantic commerce. On July 12, the European Commission deemed the Privacy Shield Framework adequate to enable data transfers under EU law. The Privacy Shield program, which is administered by the International Trade Administration (ITA) within the U.S. Department of Commerce, enables U.S.-based organizations to apply to the Privacy Shield Framework in order to benefit from the European Commission’s adequacy determination. A complete list of certified companies can be found at <https://www.privacyshield.gov/list>.

#### **About Complete Discovery Source**

Complete Discovery Source (CDS) is a leading eDiscovery company, providing litigation technology and hosting, advisory services, and managed services to support complex discovery matters. CDS is the first choice of the Am Law 100 and Fortune 500 and is recognized as Best in End-to-End eDiscovery by the National Law Journal and New York Law Journal. With a team of seasoned legal experts and technicians, CDS uses advanced, tested, and defensible services and software to support all stages and types of eDiscovery. Supporting a number of eDiscovery tools, CDS is an Orange-Level Best-in-Service Relativity® Provider and provides one of the largest and highest volume footprints delivering that platform. CDS is headquartered in New York with regional offices in Chicago and Washington DC. The company maintains highly secure ISO 27001 certified hosting and SSAE 16 Type 2 audited data centers in the US and Europe.

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