

Thompson Coburn Signs Managed Services Deal with Iris Data Services

Kansas City, February 3, 2015 – Thompson Coburn, a full-service law firm with offices in Chicago, Los Angeles, St. Louis, Southern Illinois, and Washington, D.C., signed a multi-year agreement with Iris that includes Arc and Horizon. Arc gives the firm their own Relativity environment without the hardware, software, or license to buy. Horizon clients essentially pay for the eDiscovery processing results they need without having to purchase servers or software.

“Arc and Horizon are consistent with our philosophy to provide clients with advanced technologies while maintaining cost certainty for clients regardless of case size,” said Steve Sherman, litigation partner at Thompson Coburn.

“Managed services provides the scalability we need,” said Phil Rightler, CIO at Thompson Coburn. “That was an important factor in our decision. We will not need to provision storage in our datacenter to accommodate the collection of large cases. Our partnership with Iris allows us to expand our eDiscovery capacity quickly on demand, then scale back down with little, if any, impact on the IT infrastructure and administrators.”

“Arc makes perfect sense for us,” said Michael Cole, the senior manager of litigation support at Thompson Coburn. “With managed services, we don’t have to worry about IT issues because the infrastructure is completely supported by Iris. Having Arc allows us to focus on what we do best, which is serving our clients.”

“Thompson Coburn constantly looks for ways to stay ahead of the game,” said Major Baisden, president of Iris. “The firm saw managed services as a way to streamline their resources so that they can focus all of their energy on making their clients happy.”

Managed services appealed to the partners, IT team, and litigation support team at Thompson Coburn because the firm could have Relativity at their fingertips without the upfront costs of the license, hardware, or software. Iris Horizon also gave them the processing power of Nuix, LAW, and Ipro. The partners wanted to give all of their clients the best services possible, no matter what the size of the case. Managed services with Iris furthers the firm’s vision to do just that.

About Thompson Coburn

Thompson Coburn is a full-service law firm with 380 attorneys nationwide, practicing in more than 40 areas of law. In 2014, the firm was selected as one of the top 30 firms in the nation for providing exceptional client service, as ranked by BTI Consulting, the country's leading provider of strategic research to law firms and general counsel.

About Iris

Iris Data Services is the global leader in [eDiscovery managed services](#). Iris’ suite of products includes [Horizon](#), managed services processing that seamlessly integrates best-in-class applications, and [Arc](#), a private Relativity environment for a fixed monthly fee. Iris’ U.S. headquarters is in Kansas City and its European headquarters is in London. Iris also maintains offices throughout the United States, Europe, India, and China. For more information about Iris, visit www.irisds.com.

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