

Technology-Led Discovery for Complex Litigation and Investigations

For more than 25 years, Grant Thornton has supported law firms, corporations and public bodies in managing some of the most complex discovery exercises undertaken in Ireland and abroad. The growth of digital communications has transformed litigation. Relevant evidence now resides across email systems, cloud platforms, collaboration tools, mobile devices, enterprise applications and legacy archives. Modern discovery exercises frequently involve millions, and sometimes hundreds of millions, of documents spread across multiple systems and jurisdictions.

Successfully navigating this environment requires more than review software. It requires the ability to engineer efficient discovery processes, deploy advanced analytics and manage digital evidence in a defensible and proportionate manner.

Grant Thornton operates Ireland's most established forensic technology and eDiscovery practice, combining digital forensics, advanced data analytics and industry-leading eDiscovery platforms including RelativityOne and Nuix.

Our specialists have supported some of the most complex discovery matters undertaken in Ireland, including large-scale commercial litigation, regulatory investigations and statutory inquiries involving multi-jurisdictional data sources and extremely large datasets.

What differentiates our approach is our ability to design the discovery process around the case itself. Rather than forcing matters into predefined workflows, we develop bespoke analytics, automation and AI-driven tools to streamline the identification, review and production of relevant evidence.

Operating from our ISO27001-certified forensic laboratory, we securely manage and analyse large volumes of digital evidence - routinely handling hundreds of terabytes of data across complex matters. By combining deep litigation experience, forensic rigour and cutting-edge technology, GT help legal teams identify the evidence that matters - faster, more efficiently and with complete confidence in the defensibility of the process.

Ireland's Largest Litigation Discovery Delivered by Grant Thornton

30TB+ Data Collected
1000+ Backup Tapes
500M+ Documents
~85% Review Cost Reduction



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Grant Thornton is one of the world's leading organisations of independent assurance, tax and advisory firms. These firms help dynamic organisations unlock their potential for growth by providing meaningful, forward looking advice. More than 73,000 people across over 149 countries, are focused on making a difference to clients, colleagues and the communities in which we live and work.



Defensible Data Acquisition

Effective discovery begins with the accurate identification and preservation of digital evidence. Our digital forensic specialists work with legal teams to identify key custodians, systems and communication platforms and conduct forensically sound collections that preserve evidential integrity. We collect data from virtually any source, including (but not limited to):

- Microsoft 365 and enterprise email platforms.
- Cloud collaboration tools including Teams, Slack etc.
- Laptops, desktops and mobile devices.
- File servers and network storage,
- Legacy archives and backup environments.

All collections follow strict chain-of-custody protocols to ensure evidence remains defensible in court.



Discovery Strategy

Every litigation matter is different, and discovery workflows must reflect the specific characteristics of the case. Rather than forcing matters into predefined workflows, we work closely with legal teams to design discovery processes tailored to the litigation strategy and dataset.

This includes:

- discovery scoping and planning.
- workflow design and review prioritisation.
- analytics-driven document reduction strategies.
- review management and reporting
- ongoing project governance and optimisation

This approach ensures discovery exercises remain efficient, proportionate and strategically aligned with your case.



Secure Processing

Once collected, data must be processed, structured and secured for analysis and review. Using high-performance processing infrastructure powered by Nuix, we rapidly transform complex datasets into structured review environments while maintaining strict data governance and security controls.

Operating from our ISO27001-certified forensic laboratory, we securely manage large volumes of digital evidence and maintain long-term evidence repositories where required.

Our infrastructure routinely manages hundreds of terabytes of data across complex discovery matters, ensuring secure and scalable access for review teams.



Discovery at Scale

Grant Thornton has supported some of the largest and most complex discovery exercises undertaken in Ireland and abroad.

Our infrastructure and team are designed to support matters involving extremely large datasets, including:

- litigation involving hundreds of millions of documents.
- datasets spanning multiple jurisdictions and systems.
- simultaneous review teams operating across jurisdictions.
- complex investigations and regulatory inquiries.

Our scalable technology platforms and infrastructure enable legal teams to interrogate both smaller and vast datasets rapidly and effectively.



AI Augmented Review

Artificial intelligence is transforming how large document collections are reviewed. We deploy AI-augmented review workflows, including tools such as Relativity aiR, to assist legal teams in rapidly identifying relevant material within large datasets. These technologies support:

- AI-assisted document summarisation and issue identification.
- rapid classification of relevant and irrelevant material.
- prioritisation of high-value documents for legal review,
- accelerated first-level review and investigation.



Litigation & Expert Support

Discovery processes must withstand scrutiny in court. Our specialists work closely with legal teams to ensure discovery exercises are conducted in a defensible and proportionate manner. We regularly assist with:

- Preparation of discovery affidavits and evidential documentation.
- Analysis of opposing parties' productions.
- Identification of key evidence within complex datasets.
- Independent expert witness testimony relating to digital evidence

With over 25 years supporting complex litigation and investigations, Grant Thornton understands both the technical and evidential requirements of modern discovery.