

Mimecast For Legal Services

Mimecast is the only true cloud solution for email that provides cyber security, electronically stored information (ESI) discovery and resilience for the legal services industry.

Law firms hold highly valuable and confidential client data and that makes them a particularly attractive target. Be it personal information (divorce, custody battles), business transactions that are pending (mergers and acquisitions), or intellectual property, the data is highly valuable to attackers. Imagine the impact a data breach would have. It might damage a law firm's reputation, embarrass a client or perhaps jeopardize a deal, merger or acquisition. Beyond reputational risk there are legal and ethical obligations to secure a client's sensitive data.

ESI is increasing across all industries at an explosive rate. Data protection, confidentiality, preservation (or destruction) is key within the legal services world. Message content (including metadata) is frequently used in legal proceedings and so that data must be quickly discoverable. While that kind of discovery and retrieval may seem only to apply to clients, it's just as essential to law firms should they become the subject of litigious action.

The legal services industry has a high degree of variability with regard to investment in IT security. It is essential to have a secure gateway solution for email hygiene, malware/ransomware detection as well as a robust data loss prevention (DLP) solution. Communication resilience in the form of an alternative mail delivery route in the case of server downtime is imperative. Rapid access to archives using a multitude of devices gives modern firms the anytime, anywhere access that is necessary.

Why Mimecast:

- A proven, multi-layered cyber resilient solution to protect against sophisticated cyberattacks and loss of availability
- Over 3,500 legal services firms trust Mimecast to make email safer and more resilient
- A 100% cloud SaaS solution enables organizations to quickly scale, as needed, and simultaneously reduce operational and capital costs
- Comprehensive security and improved resilience for Microsoft Office 365, Microsoft Exchange and Google G Suite
- A single console for email & web security, archiving and continuity management
- A single online repository consolidates both archived and live email for comprehensive e-Discovery across mobile and stationary devices
- Centrally managed and rapidly deployed litigation holds
- Security awareness training and phish testing platform improves employee behavior and reduces cyber risk
- Comprehensive data retention policies provide in-depth control over data purge requests by clients (i.e. GDPR)

Real Customers. Real Solutions.

“Mimecast has a good reputation and a strong legal client base, and having made some enquiries I saw that fellow IT Directors were keen to recommend them. Mimecast became an obvious choice for us.”

—Karen Jacks

IT Director, Bird and Bird LLP

“Mimecast provides a comprehensive solution that addresses e-discovery needs, using an intuitive user interface in a simple, SaaS-delivered package.”

—Nancy Stagg

Principal, Fish & Richardson

SELECT CHALLENGES FACING THE LEGAL INDUSTRY

High Value Target for Cybercrime

Lawyers rely heavily on email to exchange sensitive information with their clients. The law firms hold a lot of valuable data for these clients, ranging from confidential personal data to corporate strategies and trade secrets. As a result, law firms have been identified as high-value targets by cybercriminals. Attackers rely heavily on email and the web to penetrate their victims and to spread their attacks.

Mimecast: Targeted Threat Protection (TTP) delivers comprehensive protection against malware, ransomware, malicious URLs and attachments, spear-phishing and impersonation attacks. Secure Messaging enables lawyers to initiate secure delivery of email and file attachments with their clients. Integrated web security services boosts defenses by preventing infiltration and spread of attacks.

Cyber Security Risk Management

The legal industry, as a whole, does not have a clear, consistent set of regulations focused around data protection and security response planning. As a result, many law firms are behind in developing robust cyber risk management policies and best practices. Successful cyberattacks can have huge negative consequences for law firms including reputational damage, disrupted business operations, loss of client trust and lawsuits due to legal and ethical violations; all of these lead to lost business.

Mimecast: Delivers a multi-layered, cyber-resilient approach empowering law firms to defend against reputational damage, safeguard sensitive data, and enable employees to continue sending and receiving email even in the event of primary mail server outage.

Upholding the Firm's Reputation

Law firms act as trusted advisors for both individuals and businesses. Legal services is a relationship-based business and lawyers work hard to maintain client trust and loyalty. Failure to secure customer data can cause severe damage to a firm's reputation leading to unwelcome publicity, loss of client trust as well as legal and ethical violations leading to loss suits and lost business.

Mimecast: Internal Email Protect (IEP) monitors, detects and remediates email-borne security threats that originate from within the email systems, preventing the spread of attacks between internal users and third parties, including clients.

Empower Attorneys and Staff to Make Better Security Decisions

Research shows that 90%+ of breaches involve human error and law firm employees are no exception. Employees are the weakest link in the chain of securing information and preventing data leaks. Attorneys are not always aware of the risks and best practices for managing firm and sensitive client information. Educating attorneys and staff enables them to be aware of the evolving threat landscape and make smarter decisions that help protect the organization.

Mimecast: Comprehensive cybersecurity training mitigates unintentional insider threats and strengthens the 'human firewall'. Mimecast Awareness Training helps law firms protect their employees, intellectual property, client data and brand reputation by improving security awareness and reducing risk.

Reliable, Round-the-Clock Access to Email and Data

Lawyers need to be available to clients and able to quickly access critical information for use in legal proceedings and other types of litigation 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. This data must be quickly discoverable and easy to retrieve across both mobile (laptop, tablet, mobile phone) and non-mobile (desktop) devices as well as different operation systems (windows, android, iOS, etc).

Mimecast: Facilitates the ability to locate and export and/or destroy required data with our robust cloud archive, 7 second search SLA, e-Discovery and case review tools and more across all device types. A 100% service availability SLA ensures emails and attachments are always accessible, even in the event of a cyberattack.

Mimecast (NASDAQ: MIME) makes business email and data safer for thousands of customers with millions of employees worldwide. Founded in 2003, the company's next-generation cloud-based security, archiving and continuity services protect email and deliver comprehensive email risk management.