EnCase® Forensic for Law Enforcement

Every Investigation Matters

Guidance®
SOFTWARE
The World Leader in Digital Investigations™

EnCase® Forensic

Who benefits from EnCase®?
- *Case Developers*
- *Computer Forensic Examiners*
- *Prosecutors*
- *Child Exploitation Units*
- *Fraud Examiners*
- *Language Specialists*
- *White Collar Crimes Units*
- *Sex Crimes Units*
- *Robbery/Homicide Units*
- *Gang Units*
- *Missing Persons Units*
- *Homeland Security*
- *Narcotics/Vice Units*
- *Legal Units*

The computer is an infallible witness; it cannot lie. Digital evidence contains an unfiltered account of a suspect's activities, recorded in his or her direct words and actions. This type of evidence can provide the pivotal data investigators need to turn an open investigation into an open and shut case.

In order to obtain and analyze this information in a rapid, cost-effective manner, investigators need a powerful technology solution to help them produce evidence for existing charges, identify accomplices, add to charges and/or counts and provide leads for other unsolved investigations.

Get More Out of Every Investigation

EnCase® Forensic is the industry-standard technology solution for capturing, analyzing and reporting on digital evidence. Powerful filters and scripts enable investigators to build a case based on forensically sound evidence. Investigators can collect actionable intelligence from Internet activity, chat sessions, email, documents, graphics, address books and over two hundred additional file formats. They can recover digital evidence residing in deleted files, reformatted disks, swap and slack space, hidden files, print spools and more. In addition, EnCase Forensic helps investigators review data that other tools cannot access, including system files and encrypted data.

Save Money and Reduce Liability

By shortening the investigation life cycle, EnCase Forensic helps organizations save money and reduce risk of liability. Investigators can save time by using flexible search options, canned filters and customized scripts to help them automatically parse out and present relevant data. Within a few hours, they can obtain the same actionable evidence that typically takes days or even months to collect using traditional methods. With a more accurate, efficient and rapid digital evidence review processes, organizations can improve public safety and ultimately reduce the risk of liability for the agency.

Proven, Court Validated Technology

Investigators know they can act on digital evidence only when they are careful to use proven, court validated collection and preservation methodologies. Guidance Software developed EnCase Forensic in cooperation with law enforcement. For over a decade, EnCase Forensic's forensically sound collection and preservation procedures have withstood thousands of court challenges in local, state and federal jurisdictions worldwide.

Case Study: Digital Evidence Reduces Violent Crime

A police department in a small Southern California town received a call reporting a nighttime robbery in a secluded parking lot. The suspect nabbed the victim's purse while she was getting into her car. Officers began surveillance of the parking lot. 48 hours later the suspect attempted to strike again and was arrested. His arrest led to the seizure of a computer.

Using EnCase® Forensic, investigators found information on the suspect's hard drive that led to evidence of a series of gang-related robberies, drugs and weapons violations and critical new evidence pertaining to several gang-related incidents in the area. Police were able to add more charges to the initial robbery charge, with longer sentences due to the state's tough gang laws. Using actionable intelligence collected from the hard drive, police were able to apprehend additional subjects on multiple charges far beyond purse snatching.

Case Summary

It is important to note that the initial robbery did not directly involve a computer, but digital evidence collected from the suspect's computer proved to be a great facilitator. Because investigators were able to obtain actionable evidence so quickly, they apprehended several gang members, effectively neutralizing an active gang and increasing safety in the community. Overall, the town experienced a reduction in violent crime after using EnCase Forensic to support all types of investigations, not just computer-related crimes.

Benefits & Features

EnCase® Forensic helps you...

- Solve more cases
- Find evidence for additional charges (in the same investigation)
- Obtain longer sentences
- Increase the number of plea bargains
- Build a comprehensive affiliate database (e.g., gangs, organized crime)

EnCase® Forensic Platform
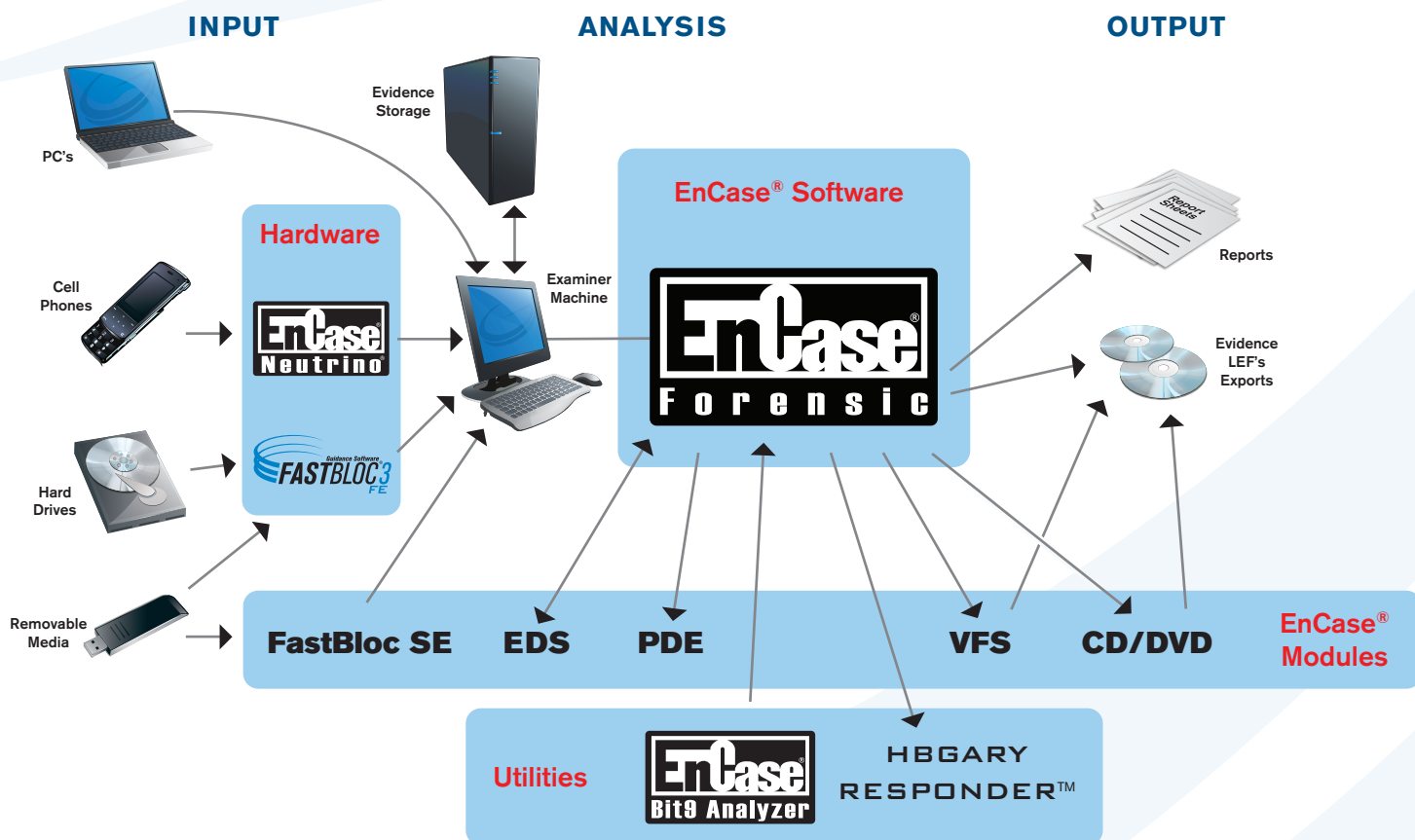
Guidance Software Training
Maximize Your Use of EnCase® Products

Guidance Software is the industry leader in computer forensic training, covering the latest methodologies and techniques. EnCase® On Demand gives you the option to learn from home or you can visit a GSI training center and learn from qualified instructors. All EnCase instructors have extensive computer forensic investigation experience.

EnCase® Forensics Series

- Computer Forensics I
- Computer Forensics II
- Advanced Computer Forensics
- Field Intelligence Model Network Forensics

Government Training Option
Receive a Substantial Discount in Course Fees

Guidance Software gives you the option to purchase five or more seats for your entire agency at a reduced rate. You have complete flexibility in how your organization can distribute its seats. If all members of a single department require EnCase training, five or more people can opt to take the same course separately during different sessions, even at different training centers or On Demand. Organizations can also use their seats for one or two people who need to take multiple courses. You have eighteen months to use your organization's seats at any Guidance Software training center: Los Angeles, Washington D.C., Chicago, Houston, London or The Woodlands, TX (CyberEvidence).

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Our Customers

Guidance Software's customers are corporations and government agencies in a wide variety of industries, such as financial and insurance services, technology, defense contracting, pharmaceutical, manufacturing and retail. Our EnCase® customer base includes more than 100 of the Fortune 500 and over half of the 50, including: Allstate, Chevron, Ford, General Electric, Honeywell, Mattel, Northrop Grumman, Pfizer, UnitedHealth Group, Viacom and Wachovia.

About Guidance Software (GUID)

Guidance Software is recognized worldwide as the industry leader in digital investigative solutions. Its EnCase(r) platform provides the foundation for government, corporate and law enforcement organizations to conduct thorough, network-enabled, and court-validated computer investigations of any kind, such as responding to eDiscovery requests, conducting internal investigations, responding to regulatory inquiries or performing data and compliance auditing - all while maintaining the integrity of the data. There are more than 30,000 licensed users of the EnCase technology worldwide, and thousands attend Guidance Software's renowned training programs annually. Validated by numerous courts, corporate legal departments, government agencies and law enforcement organizations worldwide, EnCase has been honored with industry awards and recognition from *eWEEK, SC Magazine, Network Computing*, and the *Socha-Gelbmann* survey. For more information about Guidance Software, visit www.guidancesoftware.com.