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Enabling Business Continuity

CASE STUDY & PORTFOLIO

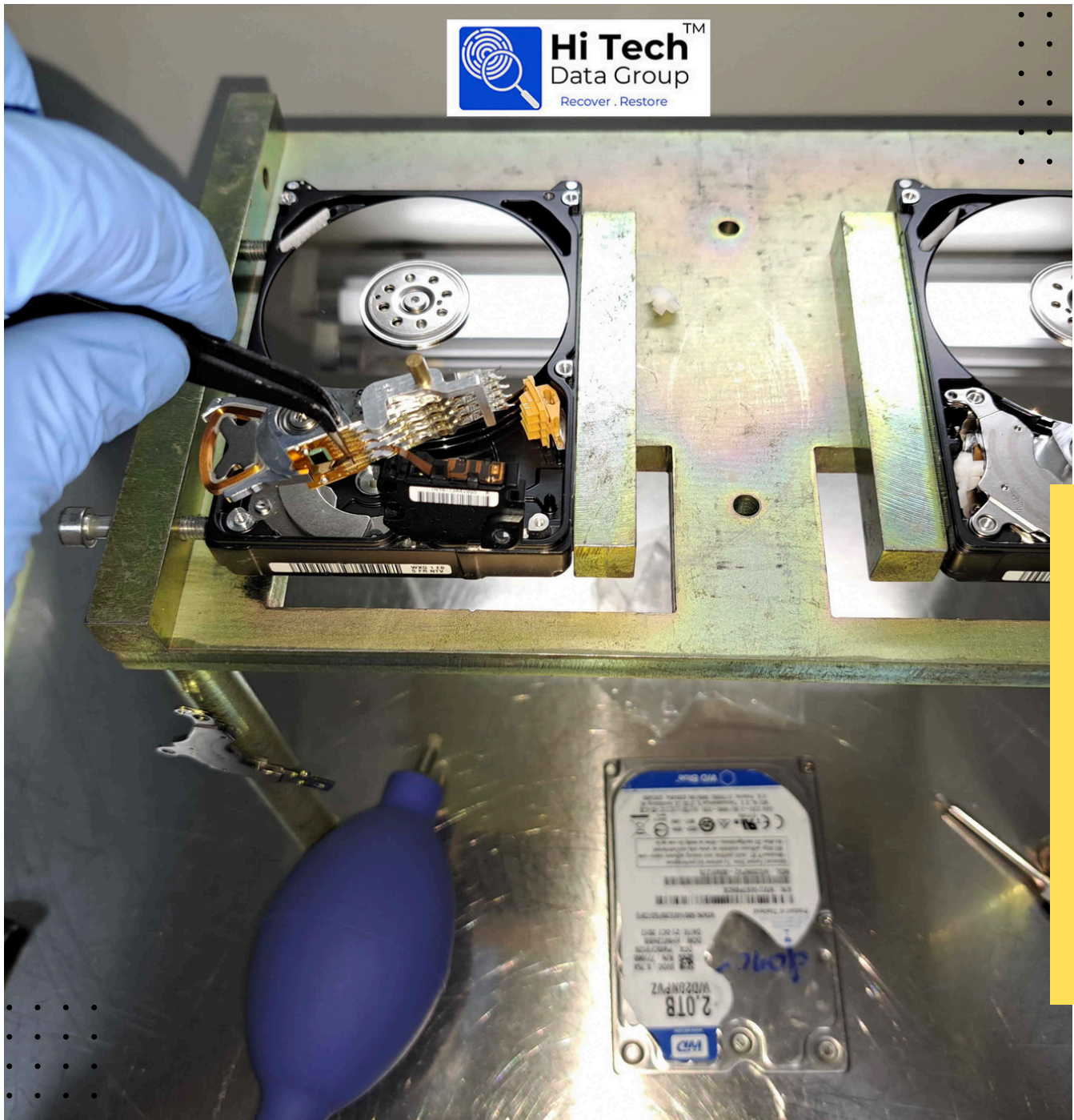
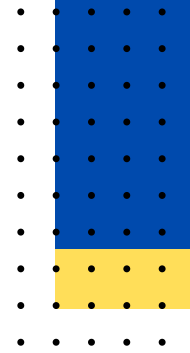


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CASE 1 – SAS DRIVES: DELL SERVER RAID FAILURE:

Hi Tech Data Group successfully recovered data from a failed dell server under raid.

- ✓ **Type of Server:** Dell PowerEdge R740
- ✓ **RAID Configuration:** RAID 5 with 4 SAS Drive
- ✓ **Issue:** RAID configuration failure on a corporate server resulting in data inaccessibility.
- ✓ **Approach:** Thorough analysis of RAID array integrity, followed by meticulous raid reconstruction imaging and data extraction.
- ✓ **Result:** Successful restoration of critical business data with minimal downtime, ensuring business continuity.



CASE 2 – HP RAID SERVER CORRUPTION:

Hi Tech Data Group successfully recovered data from a corrupted HP Server under Raid.

- ✓ **Type of Server:** HP ProLiant
- ✓ **RAID Configuration:** RAID 0 with 5 drives
- ✓ **Issue:** Server corruption due to hardware malfunction, leading to data loss.
- ✓ **Approach:** Utilization of advanced recovery tools and techniques such successful reconstruction of custom file system to recover data from corrupted server drives.
- ✓ **Result:** Full recovery of lost data, including critical business documents and customer records, enabling seamless operations.



CASE 3 – SEAGATE NAS STORAGE FAILURE:

Hi Tech Data Group successfully recovered data from a Seagate NAS storage after failure.

- ✓ **NAS Model:** Seagate Business Nas
- ✓ **Number of Drives:** 4-drive RAID 5 configuration
- ✓ **Issue:** Failure of NAS storage system causing loss of multimedia files and project data.
- ✓ **Approach:** Comprehensive assessment of NAS storage components, followed by targeted data recovery procedures which include raid array rebuilding and data extraction.
- ✓ **Result:** Successful retrieval of multimedia files and project data, ensuring continuity in client operations and project delivery.



CASE 4 – SEAGATE PHYSICAL HEAD SWAP:

Hi Tech Data Group successfully recovered data from a Seagate hard drive producing clicking sounds.

- ✓ **Hard Drive Model:** Seagate 4TB
- ✓ **Cause of Damage:** Physical head crash
- ✓ **Issue:** Physical head damage in HDD resulting in data inaccessibility.
- ✓ **Approach:** Looking for a matching donor; whereby a matching donor is found. Delicate head swap procedure to restore data accessibility while ensuring data integrity.
- ✓ **Result:** Successful recovery of data from the damaged HDD, preserving data integrity and preventing further data loss.



CASE 5 – WESTERN DIGITAL HEAD REPLACEMENT: WITH COMPLEX FIRMWARE ISSUES

- ✓ **Hard disk Type:** Western Digital 500GB HDD
- ✓ **Hard Drive Model:** Western Digital WD
- ✓ **Issue:** Head failure in HDD causing data loss and disk inaccessibility.
- ✓ **Approach:** Looking for a matching donor; whereby a matching donor is found Precision head replacement technique to restore HDD functionality and Meticulous Firmware repair procedure e.g rebuilding of module 190
- ✓ **Result:** Complete recovery of data from the faulty HDD, safeguarding critical business information and preventing potential revenue loss.



CASE 6 – WD FIRMWARE CORRUPTION:

- ☑ **Hard Drive Model:** Western Digital 4 TB WD
- ☑ **Issue:** Firmware corruption in the storage drive leading to data loss.
- ☑ **Approach:** Firmware repair and recovery procedures to regain access to the inaccessible data.
- ☑ **Result:** Successful restoration of data from the corrupted drive, mitigating data loss risks and ensuring data availability.



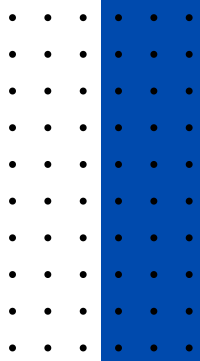
CASE 7: SSD DATA RECOVERY – FIRMWARE DAMAGE

- ☒ **Hard Drive Model:** Disk Type: Solid State Drive – SSD
- ☒ **Issue:** SSD could not be accessed.
- ☒ **Approach:** We diagnosed the SSD and found out that it has a firmware damage. We repaired the firmware with our specialized tools and then imaged the entire disk for data extraction.
- ☒ **Results:** Family images and videos were successfully recovered.



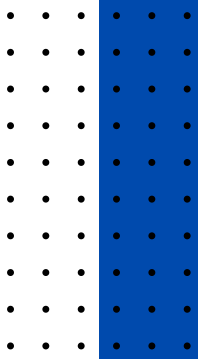
CASE 8: HDD SUBMERGED IN WATER AFTER FLOODS

- ☒ **Disk Type:** Western Digital HDD
- ☒ **Issue:** Hard drive submerged in water after the recent flooding in Nairobi.
- ☒ **Approach:** We were able to repair the PCB, fix firmware issues, image the disk & extract data
- ☒ **Results:** All data was successfully recovered.



CASE 9 – TOSHIBA HDD BAD SECTOR RECOVERY:

- ☒ **Disk Type:** Toshiba 2.5" HDD
- ☒ **Issue:** Bad sectors on the storage drive causing data read errors and data loss
- ☒ **Approach:** Advanced bad sector recovery techniques to retrieve data from affected areas. This includes meticulous firmware exploration of valid data sections
- ☒ **Result:** Efficient recovery of data from the drive with bad sectors, preserving data integrity and preventing further data loss.



CASE 10 – WD MYCLOUD NAS STORAGE:

- ☑ **NAS Model:** WD MYCLOUD HOME DUOS
- ☑ **Number of Drives:** 2-drives RAID 1 configuration
- ☑ **Issue:** NAS RAID array failure leading to the loss of financial records and client databases.
- ☑ **Approach:** RAID array reconstruction and meticulous recovery of financial and client data.
- ☑ **Result:** Restoration of critical financial records and client databases, facilitating seamless business operations and client services.



CASE STUDY 1: MOBILE FORENSICS AUDIT – EVIDENCE TAMPERING UNCOVERED

- ✓ **Objective:** To determine evidence tampering in a mobile device related to an ongoing investigation.
- ✓ **Process:**
 1. Conducted a comprehensive forensic audit on Mobile device
 2. Utilized advanced tools for data extraction, timeline analysis, and deleted data recovery.
- ✓ **Findings:**
 1. Clear evidence of tampering detected, including altered timestamps and deleted data.
 2. Recovery of intentionally deleted communication threads and manipulation of metadata and GPS data.
- ✓ **Conclusion:** **Hi Tech Data Group** successfully uncovered evidence tampering, highlighting the critical role of Digital Forensics Services in maintaining investigation integrity.



CASE STUDY 2: DVR/CCTV FORENSIC EXAMINATION – EMPLOYEE THEFT



Objective: Conduct a forensic examination of DVR/CCTV footage to investigate the theft of \$200,000 from the company safe, allegedly committed by an identified employee on his off days.



Process:

1. Collected DVR/CCTV footage covering the timeframe of the alleged theft.
2. Scrutinized footage to trace the movements and activities of the identified employee.



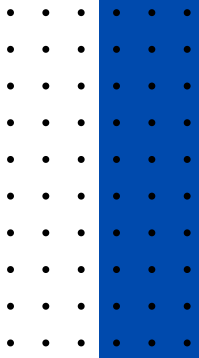
Findings:

1. Unauthorized Access:

- Identified the employee entering the premises on his scheduled off days.
- Detected instances of the employee accessing the secure area containing the safe.



Conclusion: Through meticulous DVR/CCTV forensic examination, Hi Tech Data Group successfully uncovered evidence of an employee stealing \$200,000 from the safe during his off days.



CASE STUDY 3: DOCUMENT FORENSIC EXAMINATION – FORGED STAMP IMPRESSIONS AND SIGNATURE



Objective: Conduct a document forensic examination to determine the authenticity of stamp impressions and a signature.



Process:

1. Received documents for forensic analysis.
2. Employed advanced techniques to scrutinize stamp impressions and signatures.



Findings:

1. Forged Stamp Impressions & Signature:

- Identified irregularities in the texture and alignment of stamp impressions.
- Utilized microscopic analysis to reveal inconsistencies in ink composition.

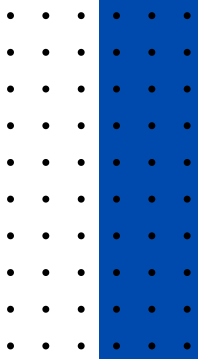


Conclusion: Hi Tech Data Group conclusively identified forged stamp impressions and a signature through meticulous document forensic examination.



CASE STUDY 4: DVR/CCTV FORENSIC EXAMINATION – RECORDING MODULE TAMPERING

- ✓ **Objective:** Conduct a forensic examination of CCTV footage to investigate the theft of cement, revealing suspicious activity suggesting the DVR recording module was intentionally switched off.
- ✓ **Process:**
 1. Collected DVR/CCTV footage covering the timeframe of the alleged theft.
 2. Examined the footage to identify any anomalies or irregularities.
- ✓ **Findings:**
 - a. **Recording Module Tampering:**
 - Observed deliberate actions indicating the DVR recording module was switched off during the period of the theft.
 - Identified an individual with access to the system intentionally disabling the recording functionality.
- ✓ **Conclusion:** Through DVR/CCTV forensic examination, Hi Tech Data Group identified a case of recording module tampering, facilitating the theft of cement.



CASE STUDY 5: MOBILE DEVICE HACK AND IDENTITY FRAUD

- ☑ **Objective:** Investigate a mobile device hack linked to identity fraud.
- ☑ **Process:**
 1. Examined compromised mobile device.
 2. Traced unauthorized access points and activities
- ☑ **Findings:**
 1. Identified an impersonator who hacked the device.
 2. Impersonator committed fraud using the victim's identity.
- ☑ **Conclusion:** Hi Tech Data Group uncovered a mobile device hack leading to identity fraud, underscoring the need for enhanced digital security.



CASE 1: DATA SANITIZATION ON 30 LAPTOPS: HDDS AND SSDS

- ☑ **Objective:** Sanitize 30 Laptops that will then be resold or donated.
- ☑ **Process:**
 1. Sanitization done using NIST 3 Passes military standard.
 2. Report and Certificate created for each device.
- ☑ **Findings:**
 1. After data sanitization, the data cannot be recovered even by data recovery experts or forensics engineer.
 2. Data sanitization give the company peace of mind after disposing the laptops.
- ☑ **Conclusion:** Hi Tech Data Group was tasked to provide data sanitization & shredding services for client. The job was do with international military standards. Reports & Certificates provided.



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