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Present:

EHR Audit Trail Forensics: Electronic Medical Record (EMR) / Electronic Health Record (EHR) Forensics

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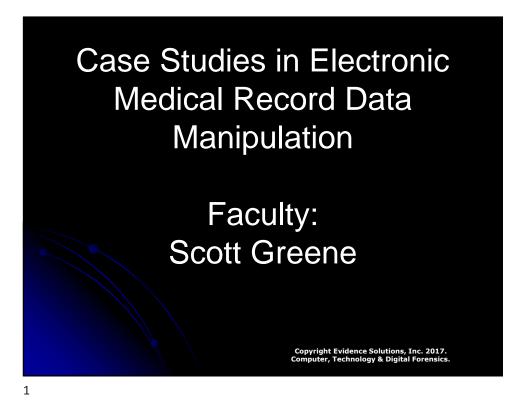
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Electronic Medical Record Forensics

Audit Trail Forensics

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Scott Greene



How am I going to get there? A Civil Case: Medical Billing With a few other things thrown in... EMR Forensics For Instance Copyright Evidence Solutions, Inc. 2017. Computer, Technology & Digital Forensics.

Electronically Stored Information in Litigation

- Frequently we are presented with data that appears perfectly normal and supports a particular side to a case.
- Unfortunately software, displays data in a sorted and organized form. Manipulated Data will not be evident when looking at standard reports.

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Reasons to examine electronic data

- Almost all documents are now 'word processing' documents.
- Nearly all business activities are now computerized
- E-mail communications have surpassed telephone and postal (snail mail) communication.
- Text Messages now overshadow E-mail

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What can data Forensics Tell Us?

- Almost Everything: from the character of the user to their interests, activities, financial health, acquaintances and more.
- Collected from their life online: applications, email systems, web browsers and free space.
- The details from their life, outlook, intelligence and interactions are as individual as any fingerprint.
- All Public & Private business transactions, communications with accomplices, fraud indicators and much more are frequently available.

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Billing Case

- Plaintiff Company:
 - Contracted to bill for a high end medical specialist with his own surgical facility.
 - Maintained:
 - That they properly billed for all services.
 - The did so in a timely manner.

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Billing Case

- Defendant Doctor/Surgical Facility
 - Maintained that the Plaintiff did not bill timely
 - Determined that the Plaintiff chose to concentrate on the large ticket bills

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Case BS (Before Scott)

- Procedural issues of the billing dispute
- Discovery disputes billing company claimed that it didn't have certain data
- Arbitrator failed to order production of billing software until eve of arbitration

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Scott's Special Master Tasks

 Evidence Solutions was tasked with analyzing the software and determining what standard reports were available from the system.

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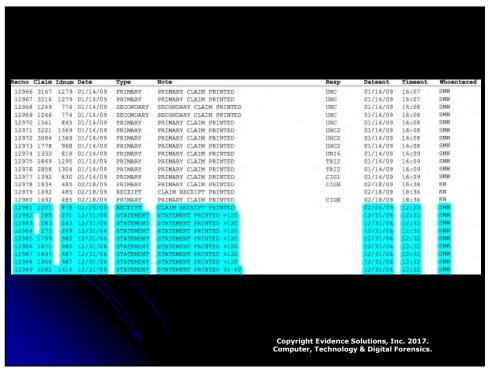
Scott's Special Master Tasks

• Unable to get the software running we decided to look at the data.

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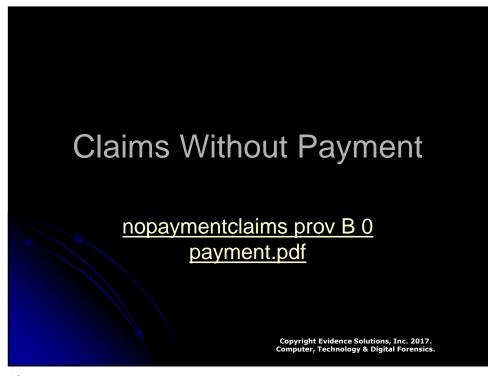
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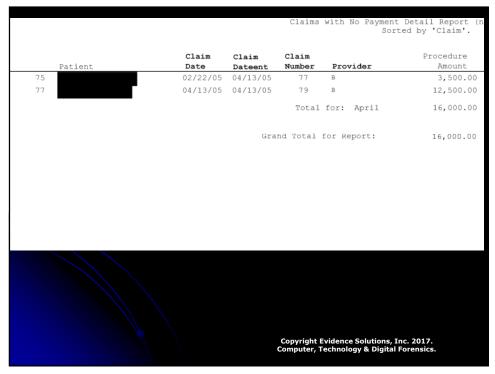




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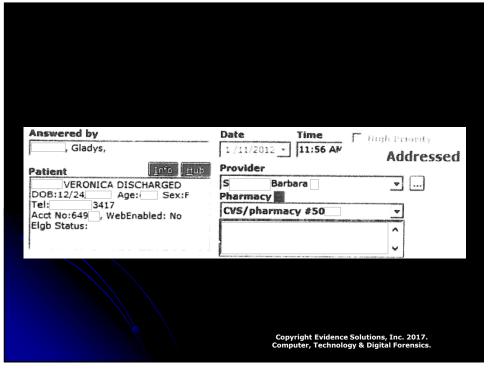


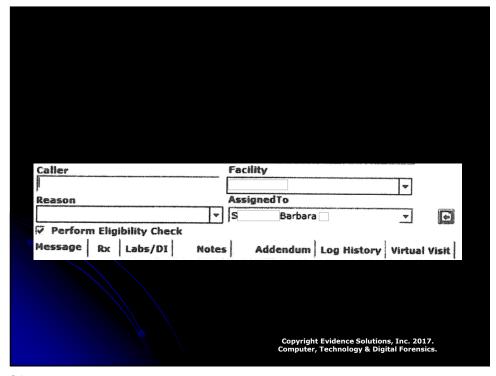


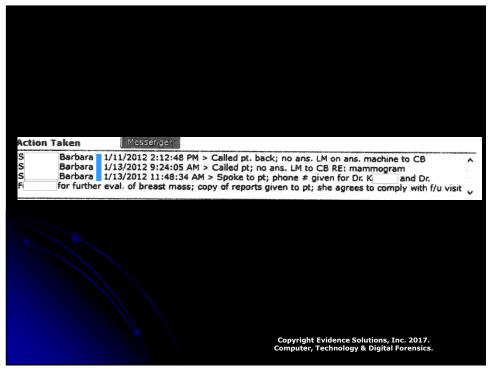
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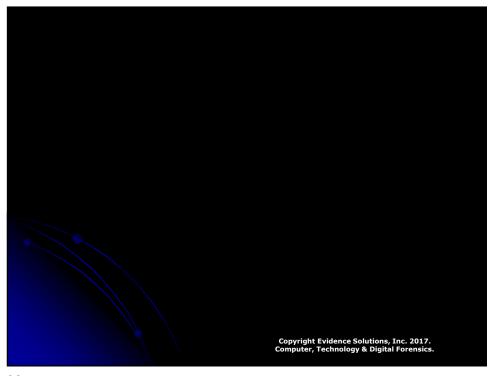


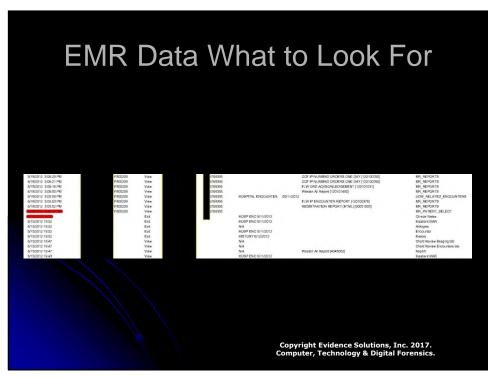
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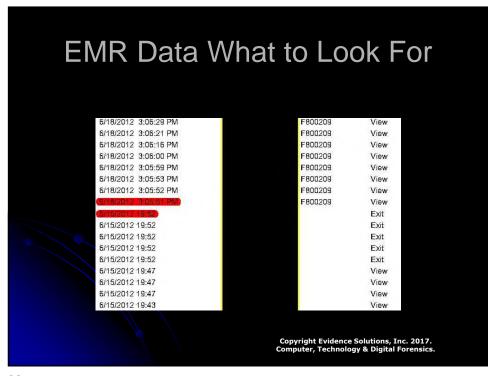


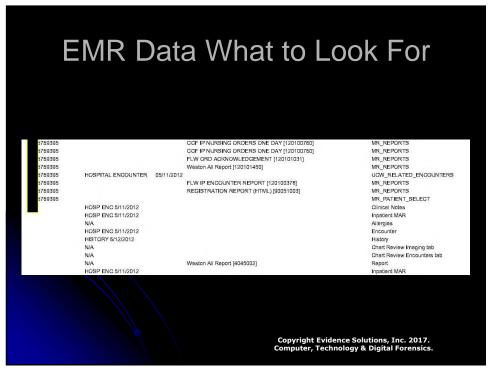




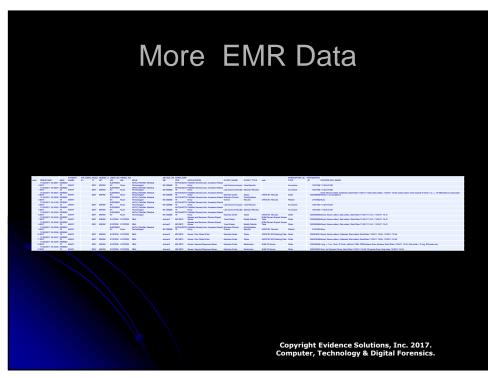


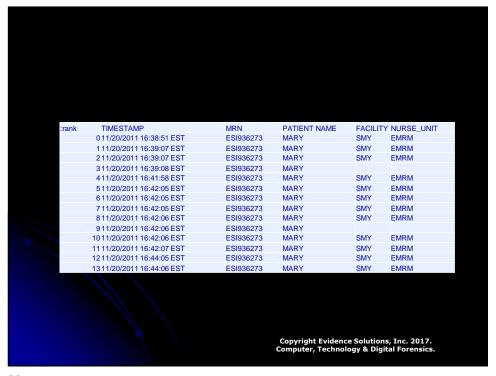


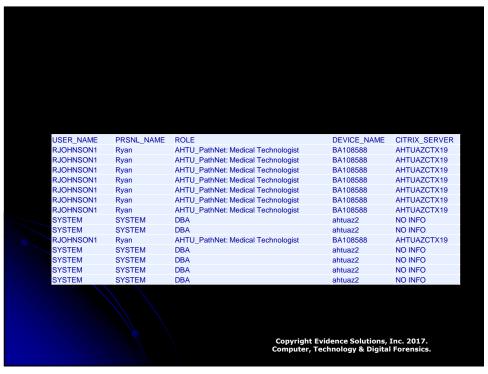




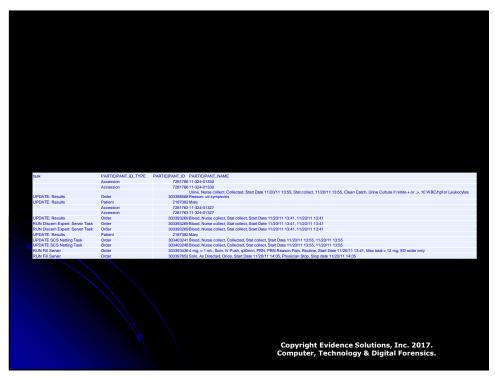


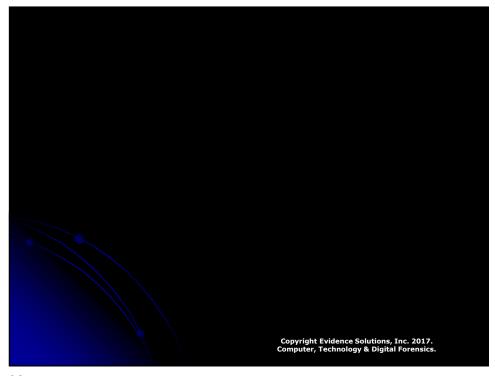












What to Ask for?

- Request for Production
- No. 1: All information in your possession regarding your patient Jane Smith. This request is specifically intended to require production of information beyond what may be deemed the medical records or the "designated record set."

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What to Ask for?

No. 1: In the event you maintain an electronic medical records system, this request for production is intended to require the production of every possible data set (or categories of data) that your electronic medical record system can provide. In the event you claim that information in your possession is privileged or work product, provide a privilege log specifying the privileged items.

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 No. 2: The print screen of Defendant's EMR computer system that provides the data sets that Defendant may select for printing of Plaintiff's medical records.

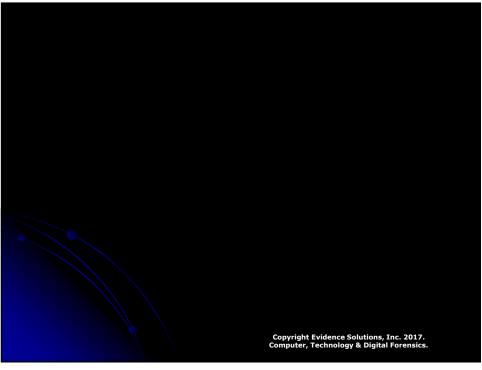
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 No. 3: Any Room Activity Report, Detailed Room Activity Report, and/or any report documenting any visit by hospital personnel or health care providers to decedent/patient's room or that tracks the location and timing of decedent/patient in the hospital

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Doctor's Company: ehr are causing medical errors

- Analysis of EHR Contributing Factors in Medical Professional Liability Claims
- Lack of Physician training: Not seeing available data, including radiology. GYN not seeing recent CT.
- Alerts: Failure of system to transmit data to caregivers, including critical value alerts

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Doctor's Company: ehr are causing medical errors

• Analysis of EHR Contributing Factors in Medical Professional Liability Claims

• Data Entry: wrong patient, wrong test, wrong data.

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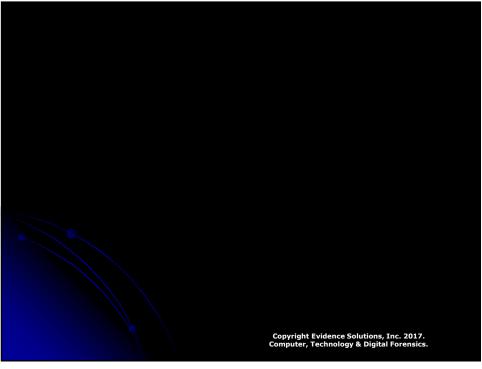
Meta Data
Inside The System
Outside The System

Hosted Locally
Cloud Based

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Manipulation Back Charting Changing Dates New Data Entered Later Editing of the Database Copyright Evidence Solutions, Inc. 2017. Computer, Technology & Digital Forensics.



What to do / How to do it

- Meta Data is Everywhere
 - it can tell a much different story than the data
- How do you know when to call for help?
 - upfront a consultant can steer a case in the right direction
 - data that looks suspicious

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What to do / How to do it

- Are there things that should signal suspicion that data has been altered?
 - If it is too good to be true, it probably is.
- Can you do a quick review of data produced to advise on what deeper review is possible?
 - Yes

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What to do / How to do it

- Do you have some practical tips for us in writing discovery requests?
 - Yes I have templates that can be used for all sorts of discovery requests

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Directly out of high school, Scott went to work for IBM as a programmer.

In 2008 he created Evidence Solutions, Inc., a full service Computer, Technology & Digital Forensics firm, from the Technology Forensics department of Great Scott Enterprises.

Scott has developed and presented strategic planning seminars, taught numerous classes in database design & optimization, cyber security and technology forensics. Scott's extensive knowledge draws clients to him from all over the United States as well as Internationally for consulting and expert witness services in the field of Technology, Computer & Digital Forensics. His extensive and diverse experience allows him to be an expert in many facets of computer & digital technology.

Scott and Evidence Solutions have been involved in Civil & Criminal Cases, for Plaintiff, Defense and Special Master in Justice, Superior & District Courts as well as Internationally.

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