

While the concept of early case assessment has been around for years, the advent of sophisticated document processing and review tools has revolutionized this process. While many vendors promote the ECA features of their document management tools, Womble Carlyle's BullDox ECA is the only stand-alone ECA product offered by a law firm.

The BullDox ECA Methodology features these phases:

1. Discuss claims, key players and universe of potentially responsive documents. Establish fee arrangement and schedule.
2. Identify, preserve and collect Electronically Stored Information (ESI) related to claim.
3. Analyze collected documents and create review set of documents likely to be significant.
4. Review and code the review set.
5. Review key documents and interview key players.
6. Deliver written, privileged initial claim assessment, outlining key factual and legal issues and evaluating liability and damages.

## BENEFITS OF EARLY CASE ASSESSMENT INCLUDE:

- **Fixed Price and Schedule** – Projects can be priced at a fixed fee based on the number of documents involved, and will be completed within an agreed-upon timeframe, typically less than 60 days.
- **Accelerated Decisions** – You will receive a detailed report quickly so that you can accurately assess your exposure and plan your strategy.
- **Meet Preservation Obligations** – Our team will collect and preserve documents to facilitate your compliance with the preservation requirements of state and federal courts.
- **Significantly Reduced Costs** – Minimize and accurately predict discovery costs by culling down case data sets and reducing duplications.
- **Unbiased Assessment** – Because our team is independent from trial counsel, we are able to offer an accurate assessment of a case's strengths and weaknesses absent any bias.
- **Expert Analysis** – Womble Carlyle has 20+ years of experience providing document review services and 100+ years of litigation experience in all areas of the law.
- **Privileged Advice** – Unlike products offered by software vendors, BullDox ECA is done by attorneys and is fully protected by the attorney-client and attorney work-product privileges.
- **Internal Investigations** – In addition to larger litigation-based reviews, Womble Carlyle can process small amounts of data for internal investigations, such as employee disputes and whistle blower claims.

Please contact us to protect your business while minimizing litigation costs.

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