

# Leading Toxic Tort Law Firm Selects BlueVault for Streamlining their Case Management Efforts

Maron Marvel Bradley & Anderson LLC needed an enterprisefocused case management system to manage one of the largest chemical tort cases in history. They chose BlueVault.



#### **Project Overview**

Maron Marvel Bradley & Anderson LLC, a national law firm devoted to litigating toxic tort, products liability, pharmaceutical, medical device, environmental, and complex commercial disputes through discovery, trial, and appeal, assists Fortune 100 clients with managing many thousands of tort claims.

After encountering various claims-management challenges such as plaintiffs spread across multiple jurisdictions, information locked within proprietary systems of regional and local counsel, and the ever-increasing rigors of compliance and regulatory reporting, Maron Marvel Bradley & Anderson LLC determined they needed a new system for:

- Managing cases
- Storing data
- Sharing information
- Collaborating with local and regional counsel
- Analyzing and reporting on case data and costs
- Managing audits
- Supporting Reconciliations and Recommendations

# **Project Scope**



"Rather than forcing our clients, our partners, and members of our firm to use software that didn't fully address their legal needs, we worked with BlueVault LLC to create a comprehensive system that eased the burdens associated with managing nationwide litigation."

James J. Maron Maron Marvel Bradley & Anderson LLC Not finding a suitable mass tort case management and litigation management solution on the market, Maron Marvel Bradley & Anderson LLC spearheaded the building of a cloud-based case-management technology platform. They commissioned BlueVault to develop a powerful, scalable, enterprise-class suite of solutions that enables multi-firm and in-house legal teams to connect, communicate, and collaborate securely and cost-effectively so that they can more effectively manage nationwide litigation.

Specifically, BlueVault was charged with developing a system that included:

- Robust case management features
- Secure data storage, data sharing, and collaboration
- 24/7 web access
- Easy-to-use reporting and analytic tools
- The ability to scale for larger organizations/clients

#### BlueVault was also charged with:

- Conducting a comprehensive needs analysis and review of the firm's and the client's needs and existing processes
- Devising a plan to help Maron Marvel Bradley & Anderson LLC, their clients, and local/regional counsel partners transition data from their current systems
- Following a formal process for developing detailed requirements and design specifications
- Assisting Maron Marvel Bradley & Anderson LLC and their clients with building appropriate reports
- Training system users at Maron Marvel Bradley & Anderson LLC, at local and regional counsel, and at clients.

## **Customer Challenges**

As national coordinating counsel for global clients, Maron Marvel Bradley & Anderson LLC faced numerous challenges associated with managing mass litigation claims. The challenges were amplified in certain litigations due to the massive size of the body of claims, including thousands of claims and plaintiffs. Challenges included:

- · Lack of insight into the data, documents, and decisions of local and regional counsel
  - Difficulty in seeing trends and predicting outcomes
  - Frequent duplication of efforts
  - Inconsistencies in time management, billing, and rates
- Lack of consistency in case data and documents
  - Potential for poor decisions
  - Potential for missed documents
  - Potential for erroneous filings
  - Potential for compliance issues
- Lack of collaboration between geographically dispersed in-house counsel, national coordinating counsel, and local/regional counsel
  - Pursuit of inconsistent strategies in discovery and case prosecution and case defense
  - Duplication of efforts (filings, depositions, third-party interactions, etc.)
  - Use of disparate, incompatible systems with inaccessible data silos
  - Inability to access real-time data via multiple devices in various locations
- Data security concerns



"BlueVault enables me to see the most recent information on all my cases nationwide and to make decisions based on the trends I'm seeing."

Wayne A. Marvel Maron Marvel Bradley & Anderson LLC

#### **World-Class Solution**

The Fortune 100 client organization trusts the experience, skill, dedication, and overall approach of Maron Marvel Bradley & Anderson LLC to manage their complex mass tort claims, and they trust the firm to deliver and utilize an enterprise-focused case management system. With constantly evolving defense team needs, expanding regulatory requirements, and increased need for real-time, cross-facility, and cross-counsel collaboration, it is essential that legal case and data management technology meet today's demands.

In these high-profile, mission-critical mass tort engagements, BlueVault engineered and implemented a world-class solution that provided:

- Enterprise-class case management
- Universal data sharing and storage for collaboration and synchronization between firms and companies across the country
- 24/7 Web access
- Reporting and analytics for creating dynamic litigation intelligence data
- Audit management
- Reconciliation support
- Total scalability
- World-class security



"Working directly with the attorneys enabled our developers to build a system that maintains continuous focus on the legal workflow."

Chris Thomas
President
BlueVault LLC

## **Business Benefit and Overall Case Impact**

Maron Marvel Bradley & Anderson LLC, their legal partners, and their clients realize multiple benefits by using BlueVault's case management software, including:

- Gaining significant efficiencies in case and claims management
- Attaining analytical power to make mass tort defense decisions based on realtime data and customizable reports
- Enabling national counsel to see historical and predictive trends in:
  - Regional litigation wins and losses
  - Cost savings / Profit and loss margins
  - Insurance claims / Medicare compliance
  - Spending by local and regional counsel
  - Overall legal team productivity
- Gaining real-time, searchable access to medical records, depositions, pleadings, attorney notes, and other information to facilitate consistency among legal teams in defense and resolution of claims
- Centralizing case data to enable all approved legal personnel involved in a case to share relevant information and strategy
- Enhancing data security and backup

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# About BlueVault, LLC

BlueVault LLC offers real-time, cloud-based solutions that efficiently link large-scale litigation teams and enable them to manage and share key information and documents related to high-volume mass tort litigation and related corporate governance duties.

Created by lawyers dedicated to helping companies manage their risk exposure while streamlining the associated litigation support processes, BlueVault LLC is uniquely positioned as a technology company that originated from legal DNA. This unique combination of proven technical and legal expertise enables BlueVault LLC to meet the sophisticated demands of top-level corporate counsel—as well as the demands of their diverse legal partners—when it comes to managing mission-critical mass tort defense cases.

