

Thales and Oper8 Global deliver trusted Cloud Security for Law Firm

The customer

The customer is a leading Australian law firm with partners and staff across offices located throughout Australia. With its history dating back more than 150 years, their vision is to be a preeminent, independent firm renowned for providing outstanding client service, innovative solutions and value.

This firm regularly undertakes highly complex and day-to-day transactional legal work for a wide range of clients across multiple industry sectors, specialising in law relating to banking and finance, corporate advisory, dispute resolution, government, intellectual property, patents, property and construction. Clients include major Australian (more than a quarter of the ASX 200 companies), multinational organisations, as well as many small to medium-sized businesses and high-net-worth families and individuals.

Business Challenge

Data security is critical to this law firm's business operations and its ability to service its clients. A robust Encryption at Rest for all data was specifically required by many clients (especially financial institutions) as part of the fundamental requirements of doing business with them. With ever-increasing cyber incident risk, legislative changes in the cyber incident space, increased regulatory scrutiny and penalties for cyber incident breaches, this firm recognised that it was vital to implement a significant uplift to its overall security posture. This is especially important since its existing document management solution has no native encryption option.

Solution

This law firm worked closely with its technology partner, Oper8 Global to identify and select a solution to encrypt data at rest in order to solve client compliance requirements and manage cyber risk. Thales' world-leading CipherTrust solution was evaluated and chosen as the trusted solution.

The critical component of the Thales solution is a highly robust 'CipherTrust Manager' that handles all the encryption key management and access to those keys in a highly redundant manner. This allows data to be encrypted on disk without the risk of losing access to it. Access to the keys and the data can be managed with a high degree of granularity. This is critical to supporting security operations performance at this firm.

Result & Benefits

With the Thales CipherTrust solution in place, this law firm has been able to exceed its customers' requirements and expectations with the following benefits:

- Sensitive data are encrypted
- Privileged users no longer have access to plaintext
- SQL servers managing data are also fully encrypted
- No business impact ie no server downtime during data encryption

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" Many legal organisations are happy to give advice to clients on how to mitigate regulatory cyber security risks. This firm has gone one step further and demonstrated with their investment to apply industry-leading data security for their client data, that they are willing to set the example for everyone else to follow."

– Brian Grant, Australia and New Zealand Director, Thales



“ The pragmatic approach that this law firm took meant that they were not only compliant, but were also protecting their data. We are delighted to work with them and look forward to working together in the future.”

– Nick Lovell, Sales Director, Oper8 Global

About Thales

The people you rely on to protect your privacy rely on Thales to protect their data. When it comes to data security, organizations are faced with an increasing number of decisive moments. Whether the moment is building an encryption strategy, moving to the cloud, or meeting compliance mandates, you can rely on Thales to secure your digital transformation.

Decisive technology for decisive moments.