

# Exterro Survey of Federal Judges Shows Gain in E-Discovery Competency

Exterro Inc. has released the results of its **Third Annual Federal Judges Survey: E-Discovery Advice for Becoming a Better Attorney**, yielding key takeaways on e-discovery competency, areas for improvement, and new FRCP rules – one year later.

Twenty-two federal judges completed this year's survey, conducted by Exterro, answering 25 questions about the state of e-discovery. In addition to data from each question, the published report includes expert commentary from retired federal judges and industry thought-leaders, Exterro says in a release.

On the question of e-discovery competency, most respondents said that the typical attorney does not possess the subject matter knowledge required to counsel clients effectively on e-discovery matters.

Most respondents indicated that applying the principles of cooperation and proportionality is the area that offers the greatest potential for improvement among counsel.

And 82% of the judges surveyed believe that the new FRCP rules have helped solve many current e-discovery problems.

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