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Load File



Definition - What does *Load File* mean?

A load file is a file used to retrieve specific data sets or images located within legal databases through specific retrieval methods implemented in the load file. A load file can also be used to import the data into another database. Data capturing can be made easy when accessing electronically stored information (ESI), and load files are the actual technological files that access and bring forth selected electronic data that is linked together. Command prompts retrieve the captured ESI within the databases; these prompts enact the load files. Specific links between large volumes of data are included in load files, as are the specific commands used for data in ESIs.



Techopedia explains *Load File*

Database load files can use one load file to import data and another load file to import text. Other singular load files are able to import data *and images*. *Nevertheless, the commonality of all load files is that they contain commands that link data to data, images to images, or data to images. Load files also provide the user with paths that locate where data or images reside. By using data loads, litigators can easily sift through large amounts of ESI, which leads them to specific data that will be presented in court. Litigation support programs rely heavily on data loads. Specified as American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII), load files signify the break notation of where electronic data begins and ends, and some even specify metadata content, depending on document types. Load file systems are considered more useful than image file systems because they can readily separate legal files while handling a large array of multiple file pages.*

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