

ZL Unified Archive File System Archiving

Key Benefits:

Policy-based retention management and deletion of old files

Dramatically reduce Tier 1 storage costs by off-loading older data to archive

Reduce total storage footprint using ZL's Global Single Instance Storage

Increase productivity through improved user access to data with ZL's advanced search tools

Reduce legal liability via the "Safe Harbor" provision with a consistent and defensible deletion policy on a centralized corporate datastore

Improve e-discovery workflow with industry fastest, most flexible search engine integrated to the zDiscovery Manager platform for Early Case Assessment



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More than 95% of all information is created electronically, and more than 80% of those files are never printed. Managing the vast inventory of many terabytes of electronic files and records is a major obstacle for the modern organization. Proper file management can give a corporation a competitive edge as they are able to more effectively leverage the information within the company, but improperly managed files leave companies vulnerable to legal liability while increasing costs and burdening IT.

New demands for storage management require electronic documents to be tracked for retention purposes and accessed quickly, on an ad hoc basis, both tasks for which traditional HSM solutions are ill suited.

ZL Unified Archive File Archiving and Management is designed to handle large volume file archival with integrated retention management, responsive search, and information access, making it an ideal solution to meet the unstructured files challenge.

Scattered Files Pose an E-Discovery Hazard

Much of an organization's data lies idle and will never be used again; however, that information is still a legal liability. Without the ability to classify and delete information, the information risk exposure the organization faces continues to grow.

ZL leverages the highly granular Rules and Policy Engine to assign retention periods based on file characteristics, including categories triggered by words within the file. Files are automatically deleted when the retention period expires, reducing liability.

Due to the recent changes in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, organizations are now required to include electronic documents in the legal discovery process. Organizations need the ability to preserve documents via legal hold, search and identify relevant documents, apply attorney client privilege classification, produce the documents, and undergo Early Case Assessment. Scattered files are expensive, difficult, and time-consuming to collect for E-Discovery.

ZL's centralized repository of corporate data is an ideal platform for E-Discovery. Rapid search ensures maximum time available for Early Case Assessment. Additionally, centralization of data and defensible automated deletion policies eliminates the risk of being forced to search across workstations, peripheral devices, and other potential pockets of data.

The Cheap Storage Trap

While it may be true that the cost per gigabyte of storage hardware has plummeted with recent technological advances, the true cost of storage continues to rise. Storage administration remains one of the highest IT costs. Moreover, multiple copies of identical files are scattered across e-mail servers, filer servers, desktops, laptops, and peripheral devices, eliminating the benefit from a 10x drop in storage cost with a 10x increase in file volume.

ZL UA File Archiving consolidates all corporate data within a single vault, dramatically reducing storage requirement with industry leading SIS technology. Optional stubbing leaves pointers in the files' original locations to maintain end-user experience.

Orphaned Files Are Virtually Inaccessible

A comprehensive enterprise search capability is key to maximizing employee productivity by ensuring access to existing data. As employees turn over or move between

departments, different methods of folder structuring can leave replacements unable to find required files, hurting productivity as employees spend possibly hours manually searching file-stores for relevant files or, even worse, must recreate them. At the same time, the marketplace is getting more competitive, and organizations need to access the right information faster to stay ahead.

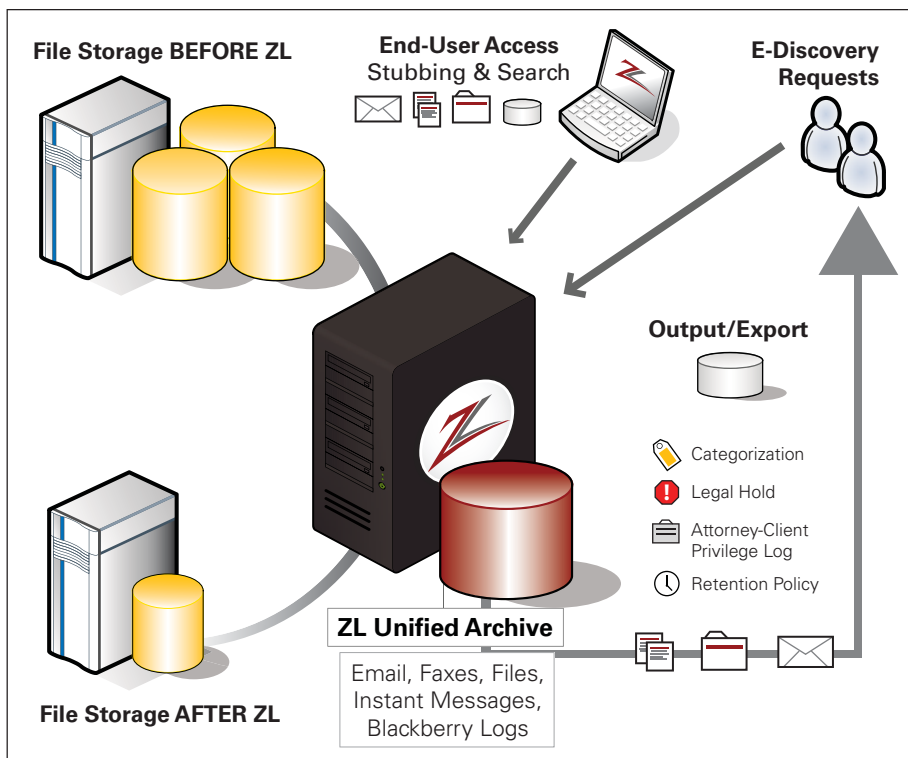
ZL crawls specified file repositories and ingests all files, including over 1000 different file types, making them searchable by user, by department, and across the organization. ZL's industry fastest search and industry leading features maximize information accessibility.

The ZL Platform

Enterprises keep a finite amount of e-mail online to maintain manageability. This prompts users to maintain their own message stores on their desktops. In either case, both the enterprise and the end-user end up with loss of access and knowledge of important message content and business information. Executives lose the ability to "take a pulse" of company activities or identify an individual or pool of data for a particular expertise. In short, the enormous potential of leveraging e-mail's valuable storehouse of corporate knowledge is also lost.

About ZL Technologies, Inc.

Established in 1999, ZL Technologies, Inc. provides cutting-edge enterprise software solutions for e-mail and files archiving for regulatory compliance, litigation support, corporate governance and storage management. ZL's Unified Archive, offers a single unified platform to provide all the above capabilities, while maintaining a single copy and a unified policy across the enterprise. With a proven track record and enterprise clients which include top global institutions in finance and industry, ZL has emerged as the specialized provider of large-scale e-mail archiving for e-discovery and compliance.



Key Features:

Central repository for 1000+ file types, e-mail (including from Microsoft Exchange, IBM Lotus Domino, and other SMTP-based e-mail servers such as SendMail), Lotus Quickr, faxes, instant messages, and BlackBerry records.

Ability to capture from remote office or telecommuters

Policy-based retention management

Granular rule conditions based on file name or extension, file type, file size, file age, relative path, etc

ZL GRID supports parallel indexing for rapid ingestion and searchability

In the event of index corruption, rapid rebuild feature that can provide full search restoration in a fraction of the time it takes to re-index all the data

Multiple legal holds with automatic deletion upon lifting the hold(s)

Native HSM capability to move data from one device to another

End-user records classification

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