



Meet the Team: Robin LeDonne, Senior Project Advisor



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Meet Acorn's Senior Project Advisor, Robin LeDonne. Based in Acorn's Chicago Office, Robin plays a key role in the planning and implementation of eDiscovery projects, consulting with clients, and providing direction and support to Acorn's operations. In 2003, Robin began her career in civil litigation, most notably representing victims of sexual abuse. Dealing with vast amount of paper discovery, during a time when many firms were transitioning to become paper free, she was interested in how data itself would be organized in the future. Soon thereafter, in 2008, Robin transitioned to the eDiscovery industry, starting first as a document reviewer, then as a project manager. Through a focus on client communication and consultation, Robin is able to provide customized solutions and deliver results tailored to her client's needs and expectations.

Robin finds that being levelheaded and agile are essential skills one must have in this industry.

"In this industry, you have to be able to pivot. Projects can shift dramatically and quickly from the onset, such as the anticipated files collected may end up being different than what is actually collected. Having the ability to take the situation in stride, and switch gears when necessary, is an essential skill in this industry."

Robin finds fulfillment in her work because of her passion for solving problems. She enjoys being presented with a challenge and working diligently to figure out a solution that will meet her clients' needs. She likes to be able to help clients if there is a workaround or a workflow that needs adjustment.

When reflecting on her past work, Robin noted the project she is most proud of was working with one of her former clients who was new to eDiscovery and had several new associates and paralegals. Due to their unfamiliarity with the eDiscovery industry, they had a lack of consistency with their policies, and Robin was able to develop a workflow for their entire law firm that handled the complete process through the EDRM. She created workflows for collecting, processing, loading, and producing data that was unique to this particular law firm and met their needs. Through designing this standard workflow, as well as holding training sessions for the team, Robin was able to reduce the timeframe for delivering tasks by 50%, ultimately streamlining the workflow. Through this experience, Robin learned that it is best to not expect clients to understand eDiscovery right off the bat. When working with a new client, she ensures that they understand all areas of eDiscovery and how creating a standard workflow can be beneficial to effectively complete eDiscovery projects.

When asked, why Acorn, Robin cited:

"With Acorn being a smaller company, it is nimbler and makes it easier to be able to pivot and make changes to a standardized workflow. That was very attractive to me. My colleagues are also all Expert-level or higher in Relativity and I enjoy being part of a group that are excited about eDiscovery in the same way that I am. I feel like being on a smaller team provides even more of an opportunity for innovation in an ever-changing niche. eDiscovery is always changing, and being part of a smaller team allows you to flow better with the changes since we are able to be more innovative as we don't have as much red tape."

Outside the office, Robin enjoys going to concerts and shows, as well as singing karaoke and going for hikes.

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