



ARMA Vancouver Island and Government Records Services

EDRMS in Theory and Practice
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Our Safari into EDRMS

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Itinerary

- Operations and functions
- History of records and Information management
- ARMA's principles
- Processes
- Challenges
- Lessons learned





Mission:

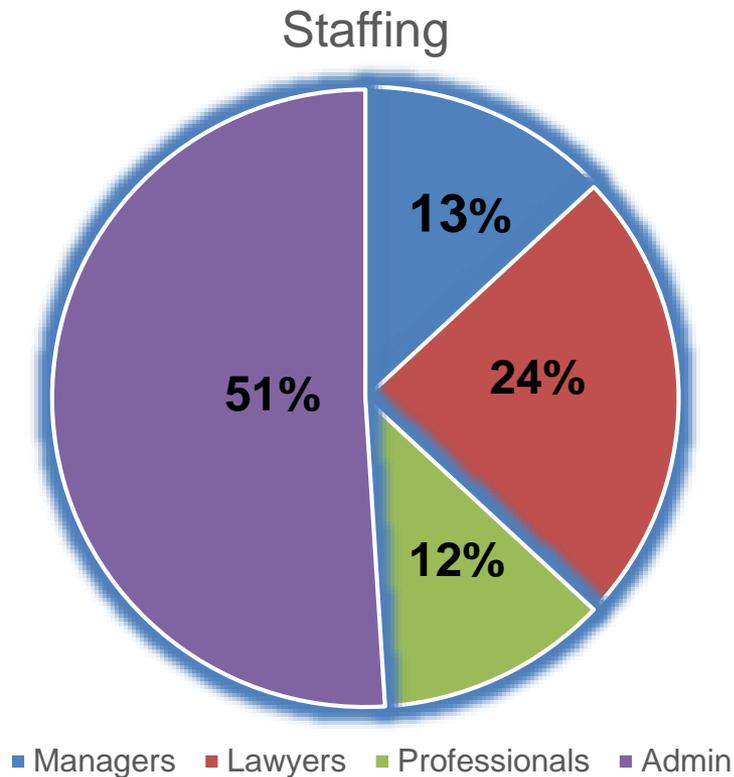
“The principle aim of the Law Society of BC is a public well-served by a competent, honourable and independent legal profession. The secondary aim is the promotion and protection of lawyers’ interests provided it does not derogate from the principal aim.”

Functions

- Operational functions
 - Admission
 - Investigations
 - Practice advice
 - Audits, research, analysis
 - Informing & protecting public
 - Custodianships, locums
 - Lawyers Insurance Fund

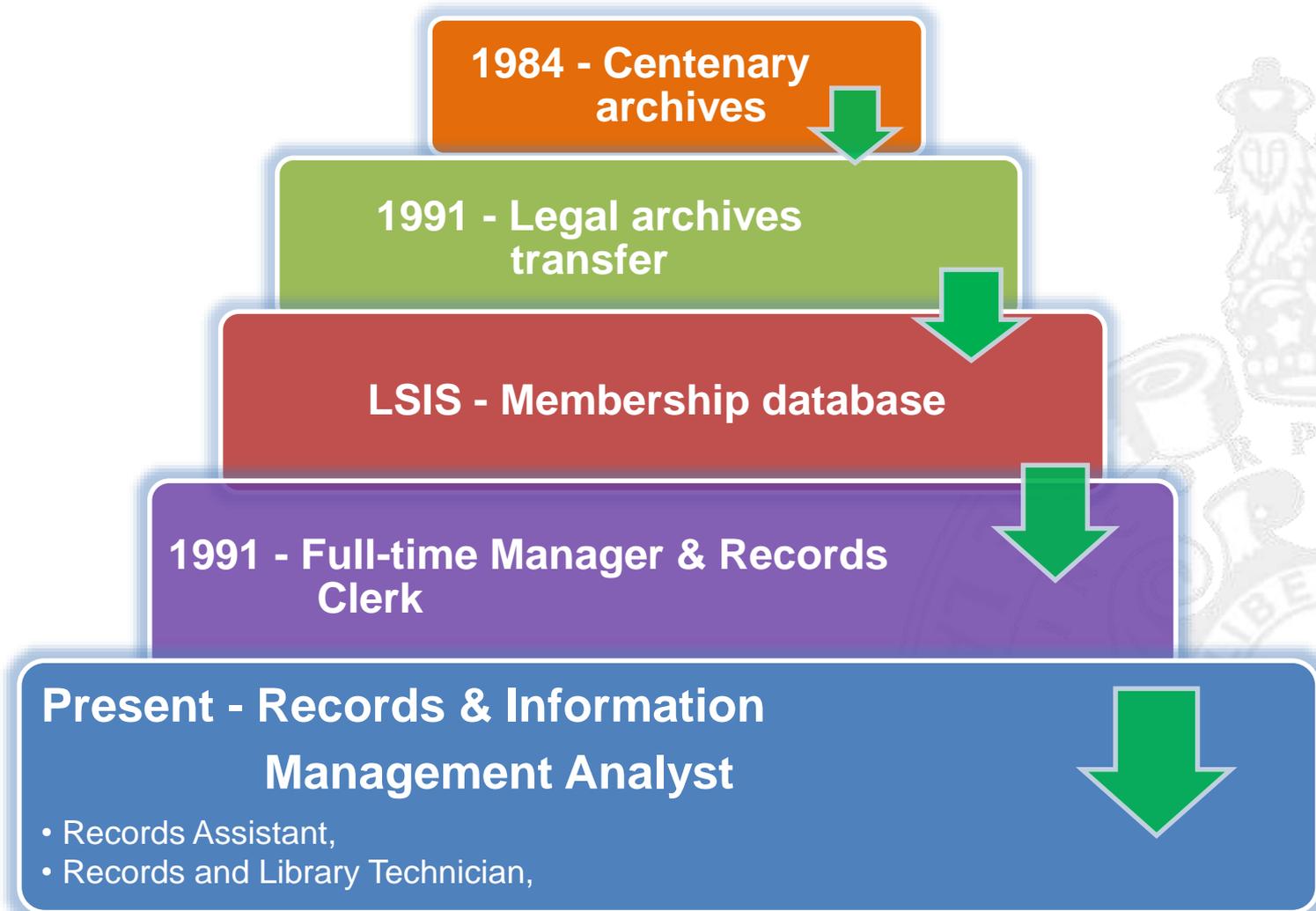


Staff Breakdown



- 101 Administrative professionals
- 47 Lawyers
- 26 Managers
- 24 Professionals (Accountants, Human Resources, etc.)

A Brief History



Information Culture

- Little appetite/appreciation
- In house databases
- E-Drive: departmental groupings
- P-Drive: personal files
- Official record was paper copy
- Name-it, file-it, destroy-it
- E-mail reduction



Core Process Review

- Categories of solution
 - EDRMS
 - Communications
 - New processes
 - Policy changes
 - Training
 - Access to information



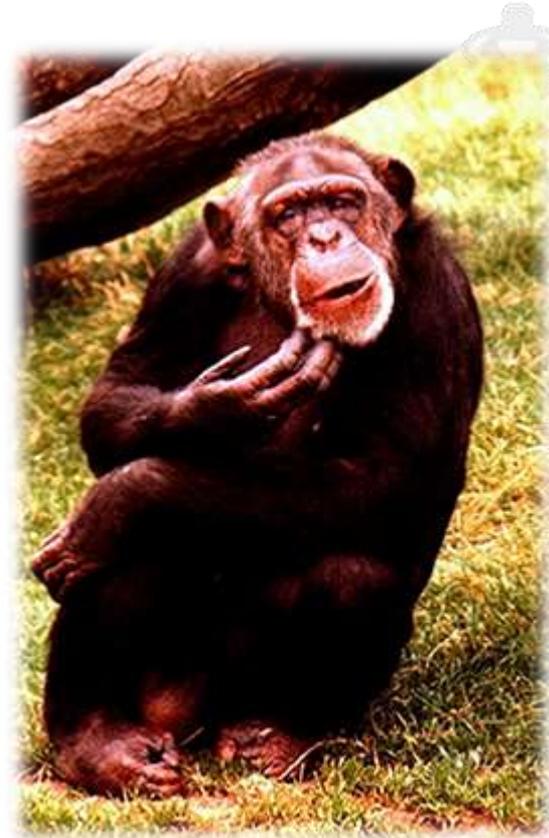
Core Process Review Findings

- Solutions were not compatible
 - Universal spreadsheet
 - Colour coded binders
 - Historical records digitized
 - Scan reports for access



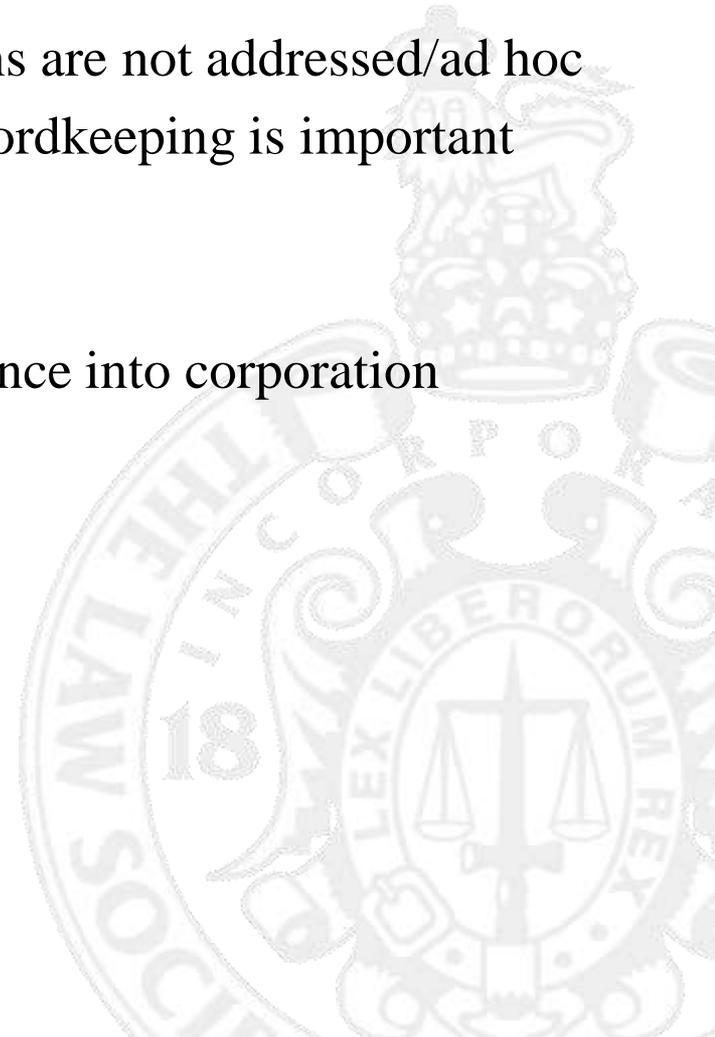
Next Step

- Consulted with third party regarding
 - Law Society Information System
 - Case management system
 - Leveraging LSIS
 - Business & IT policies
 - Law Society culture impact
 - How records are managed



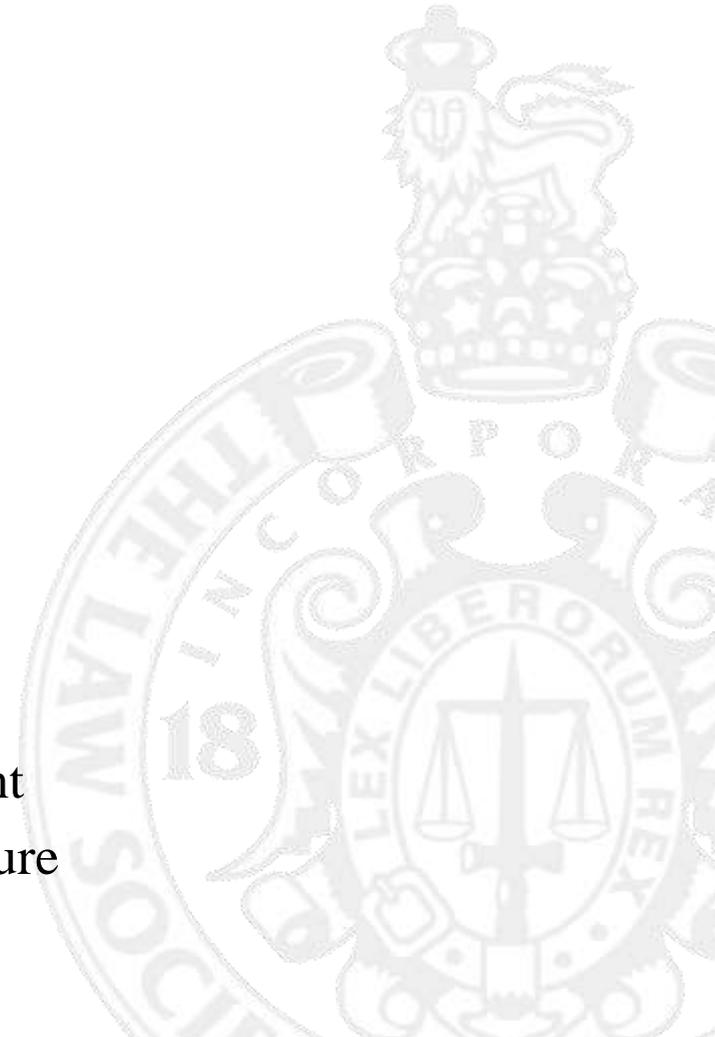
ARMA's Principles

- Level 1 (Sub-Standard)-recordkeeping concerns are not addressed/ad hoc
- Level 2 (In Development)-recognition that recordkeeping is important
- Level 3 (Essential)-legal requirements met
- Level 4 (Proactive)-initiating improvements
- Level 5 (Transformational)-integrated governance into corporation



Information Management Assessment Report Findings

- Accountability ☆ ☆
- Transparency ☆ ☆
- Integrity ☆
- Protection ☆ ☆
- Compliance ☆
- Availability ☆
- Retention ☆ ☆
- Disposition ☆ ☆
 - Most standards were rated as in development
 - Law Society not an information centric culture

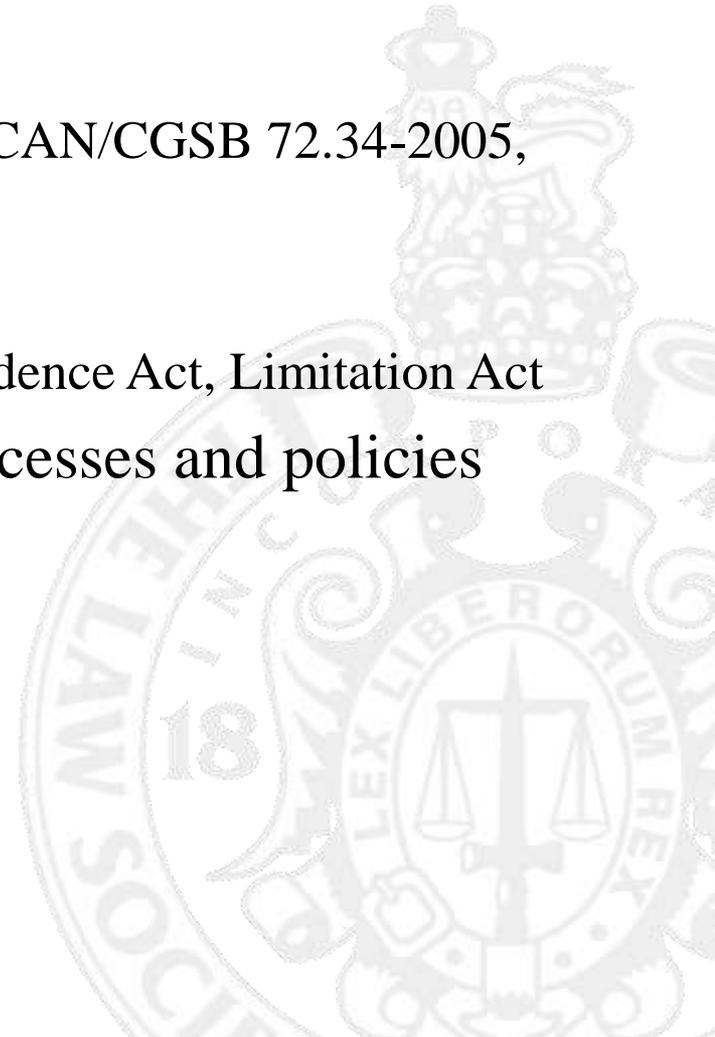


Implementation Process



Standards for the Project

- External standards
 - ISO 15489 Records Management, ARMA, CAN/CGSB 72.34-2005, DoD 5015.2
 - Results will comply with
 - Legal Profession Act, FOIPP, Canadian Evidence Act, Limitation Act
- Different information management processes and policies
- LSIS modifications





LEO

“It’s the king of the jungle and it’s the biggest project, the Law Society has ever undertaken to date.”

Time Frame



Information Policy Principles

- Information is a critical asset
- Whole Law Society approach
- Respect for privacy
- Security access
- Transparency and accountability
- Responsibility of all staff



Information Management Policy

Privacy

Records Management Procedures

EDRMS

Classification, Retention, Disposition

Email Record Procedures

Legal Archives

Document Security

Imaging & Scanning Procedure

Legal Holds

Document Naming Guidelines

Managing Case Files (LSIS)

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Computer Network Security

Mobile Device

Reasonable Use

Remote Network Access

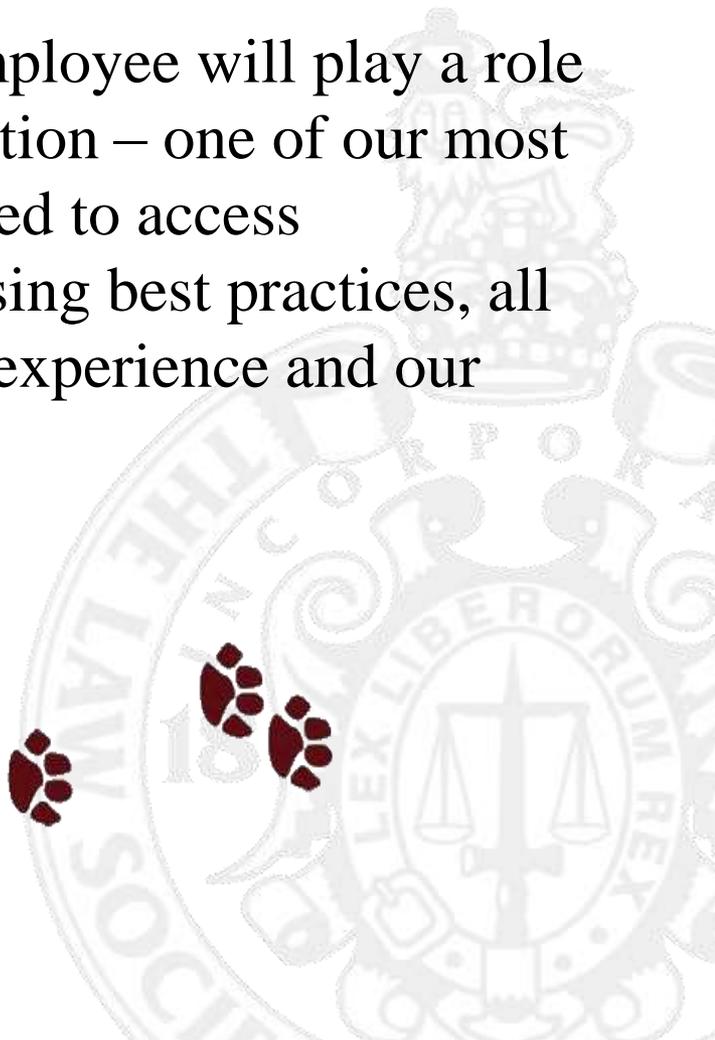
Software, Hardware

System Backup & Restoration

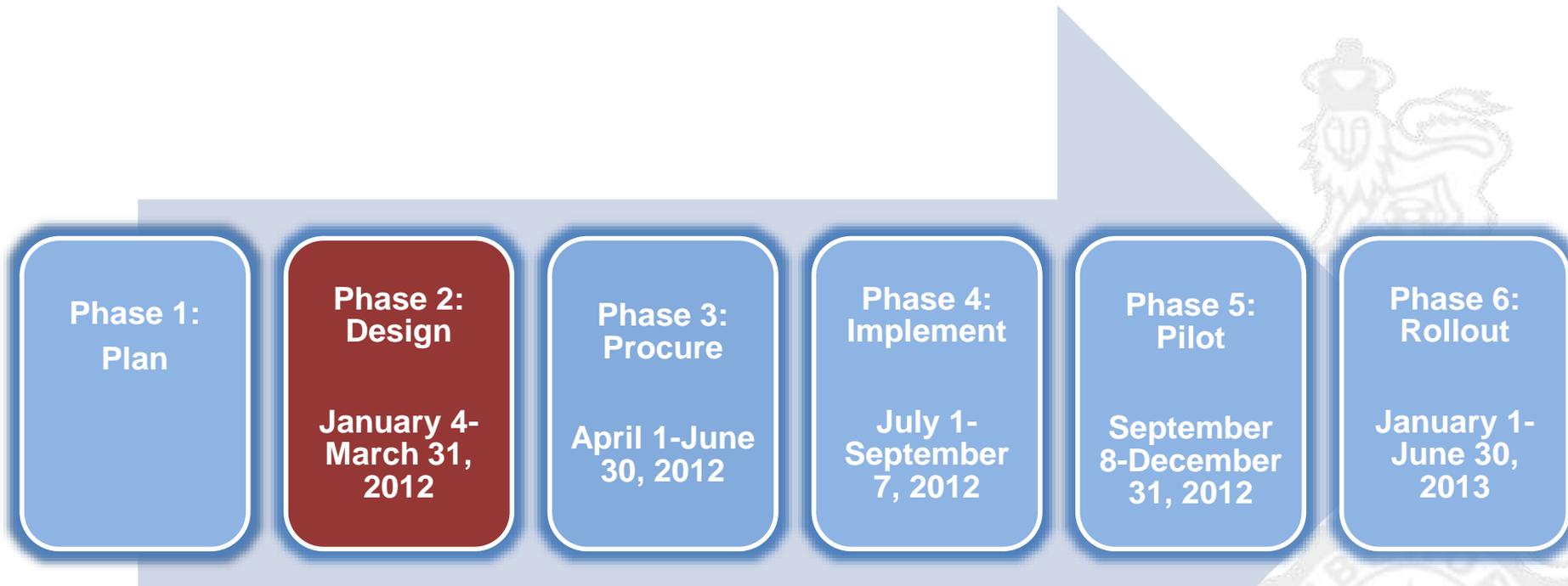
Telecommunications



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Time Frame - Design



User Needs Survey

- *Records & Information Management Analyst* Myshkaa McKeen interviewed staff
 - 188 persons
- Managers are not document creators
 - Staff need tools to increase effectiveness

Updates from one-on-one sessions

Eighty-seven percent of staff have scheduled a meeting with records analyst, Myshkaa McKeen to provide feedback on their individual needs for document management and collaboration.

Here are some of the comments

“An ability to find and access all information I need to do my job.”

from meetings already held about what you hope to get out of the document management system implementation:

“Managing files more efficiently, easy to find and easy to use documents/templates.”

“Better control of electronic

documents so that it is clear which files are drafts vs. final ...”

“An ability to find and access all information I need to do my job.”

Don't miss out on your opportunity to have your electronic document needs heard! Contact [Myshkaa](#) today to set up your meeting.

Leo Liaisons



- Gathering information
 - Key issues
- Report back to departments
- Weekly meetings
 - Feedback
 - Taxonomy
 - Security
 - Metadata
 - Migration plan
- Deadline: April 30, 2012

File Plan

| Term \ File \ Part |
|--|
| 01-Act, Rules and Code |
| 02-Administration |
| 03-Benchers, Committees and Meetings |
| 04-Building, Facilities, Properties |
| 05-Communications |
| 06-Credentials and Registration Services |
| 07-Custodianships |
| 08-Discipline and Regulation |
| 09-Education |
| 10-Equipment and Supplies |
| 11-Finance |
| 12-Human Resources |
| 13-Information Systems and Services |
| 14-Juricert |
| 15-Lawyers Insurance Fund |
| 16-Legal Matters |
| 17-Policy and Strategic Planning |
| 18-Practice Advice |
| 20-Tribunal |
| 21-Trust Regulation |
| 97-Temporary Space |
| 98-Templates |
| 99-File Where? |



Discipline File Plan

| Term \ File \ Part |
|--|
| 1510-Ombudsperson Inquiry Case Files |
| 1535-Complaints - Administration |
| 1545-Complaints - Case Files |
| 1605-Practice Standards - Administration |
| 1615-Practice Standards - Case Files |
| 1620-Discipline - Administration |
| 1630-Discipline - Case Files |
| 1680-Investigations - Case Files |
| 1760-Member Assistance Programs - Individual |
| 1770-Monitoring Enforcement for Discipline |
| 2105-Unauthorized Practice - Administration |
| 2110-Unauthorized Practice - Case Files |
| 3925-Financial Difficulty - Case Files |



Case Files

Term \ File \ Part

20-Discipline Inquiry Case Files

30-Conduct Meetings Case Files

40-Conduct Review Case Files

45-Conduct Review Subcommittee Report

50-Citation Case Files

60-Professional Conduct Records



Security Matrix

Law Society Security Matrix

Full = Full access including read/write/delete

Read = Read only access

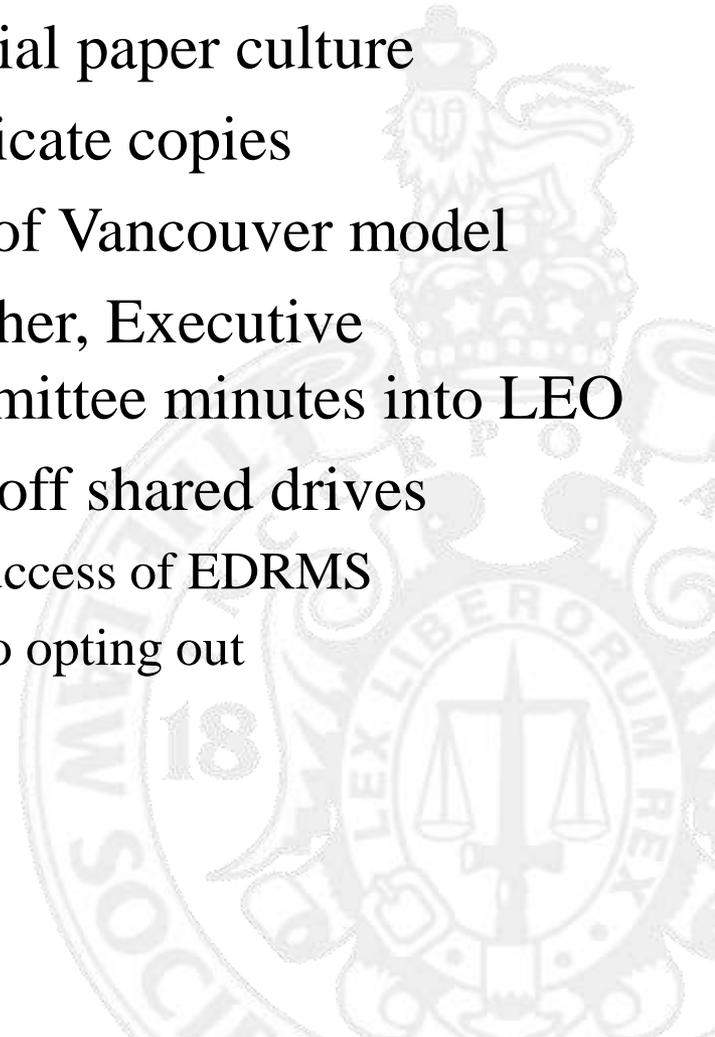
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| | CEO | CIO | CLO | CFO | Communications | Custodian | Discipline | Director Education |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|----------------|-----------|------------|--------------------|
| Primary Group Default Security | | | | | | | | |
| CEO | Full | | | | | | | |
| CIO | Read | Full | Read | Read | Read | Read | Read | Read |
| CLO | Read | | Full | | | | | |
| CFO | | | | Full | | | | |
| Communications | Read | Full | Read | Read | Full | Read | Read | Read |

Migration Planning



- Official paper culture
- Duplicate copies
- City of Vancouver model
- Bencher, Executive Committee minutes into LEO
- Shut off shared drives
 - Success of EDRMS
 - No opting out



Document Profile Form

| | | | |
|---|------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Document Name* | | | |
| Document Type* | | ... | |
| Keywords | | | |
| Author* | | Application* MS POWERPOINT | |
| Creator | TSOHI | Taj Sohi | Storage Type |
| | | | Keep |
| File Classification | | | |
| File Plan No.* | | Marked as Record Date | |
| ... | | | |
| Category | | | |
| File | | | |
| LSIS Fields | | | |
| File No. (Multiple allowed) | ... | Link to LSIS | |
| Person ID (Multiple allowed) | ... | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Company Name | ... | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| History | | | |
| Created: | 29/09/2014 | Date Published | Event Date |
| Edited: | 29/09/2014 | Received Date | Year (yyyy) |
| eMail | | | |
| Email From | | Email cc | |
| Email To | | Email Bcc | |
| Date/Time EMail Sent | | Date/Time EMail Received | |
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| Security | | | |



Researching Local Organizations

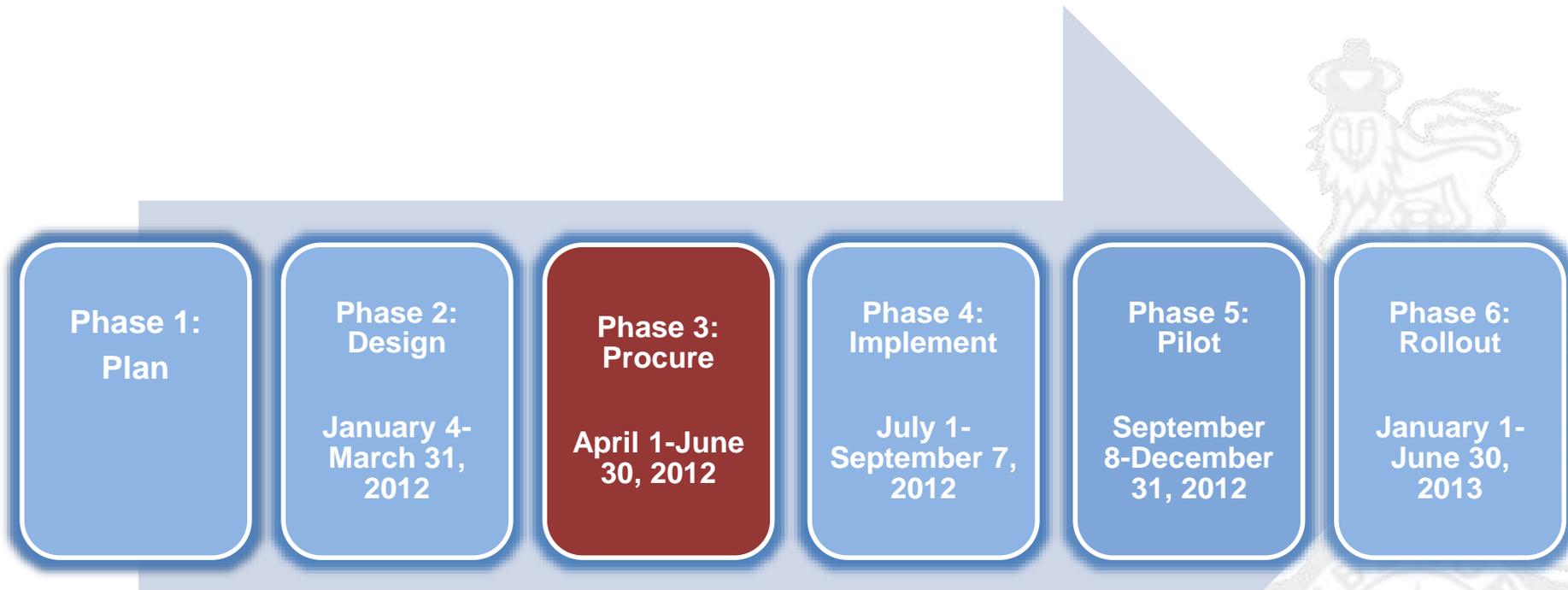
- Spring 2012
 - Local site visits
 - City of Richmond
 - City of Vancouver
 - BC Securities Commission
 - Powerex
 - Questions
 - Concerns



Safari into LEO



Time Frame - Procure



Request for Proposal

- 4 vendor demonstrations
- Contract finalized
 - OpenText eDocs RM 4.3.1.1004
 - OpenText 5.3. Edocs
 - Email auto bulk filer by Traen
 - PDF docs (OCR engine on the server side)



Time Frame - Implement

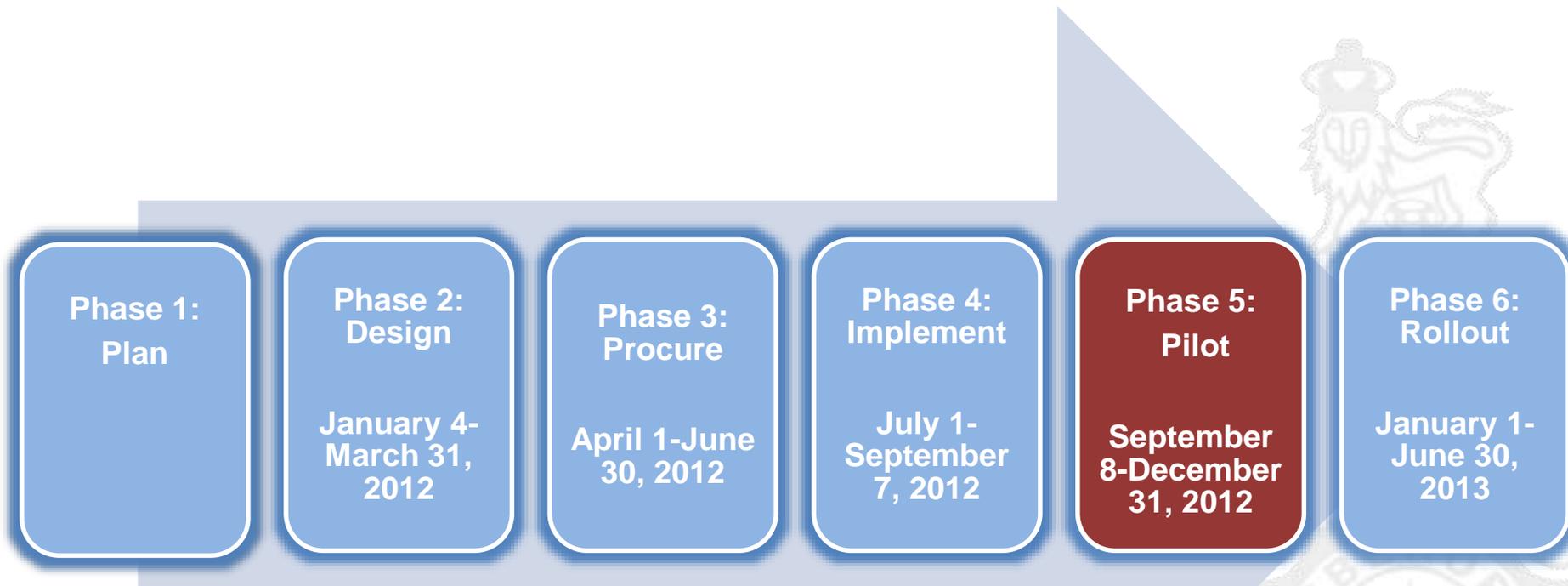


Implementation

- Myshkaa McKeen, *Records & Information Management Analyst*
 - Built the taxonomy from *scratch*
 - Tested the taxonomy construction
- IT did installations



Time Frame - Pilot



Pilot Project



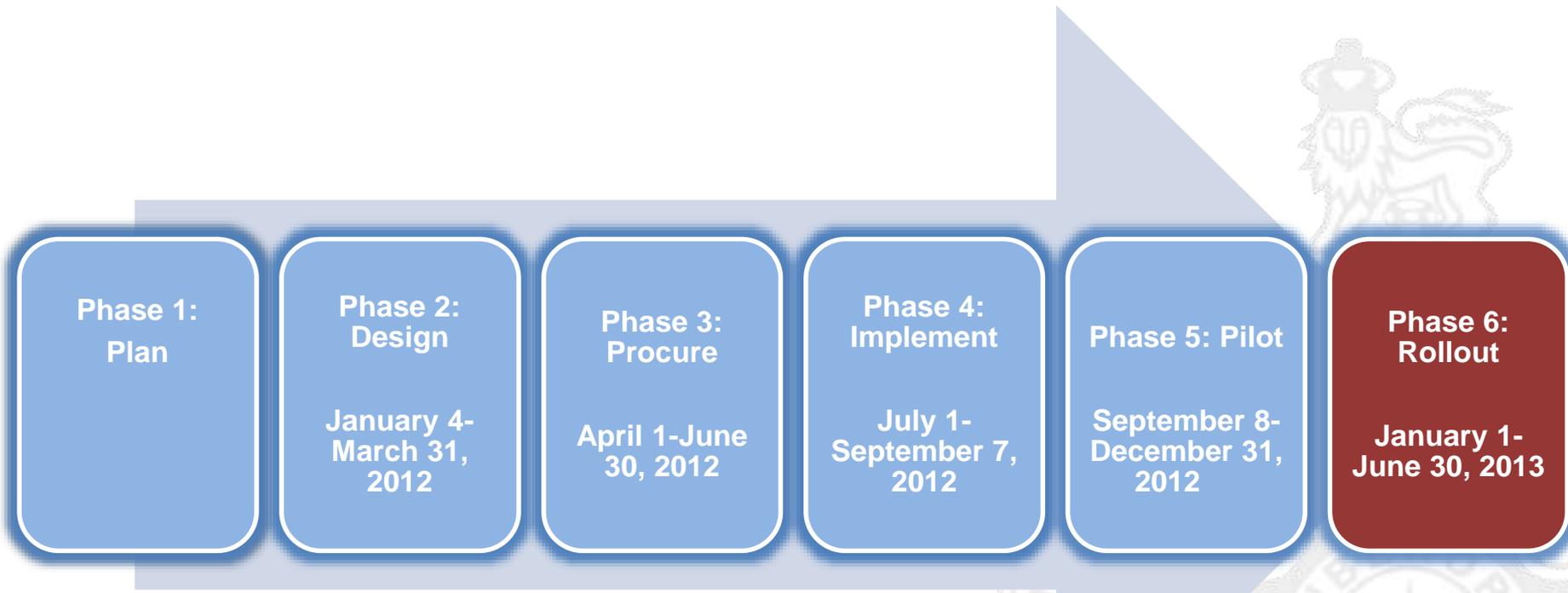
- Selection based on:
 - Risk
 - Profile
 - Technology skills
- Discipline
 - Super user
 - Expanded to other staff
- LSIS linking documents
 - Useful
 - Optional

Approvals

- October 18, 2012 CEO called meeting
 - Finalize policies
 - File plan
 - Closure of shared drives
 - Security
 - Document profile
 - E-mail cap



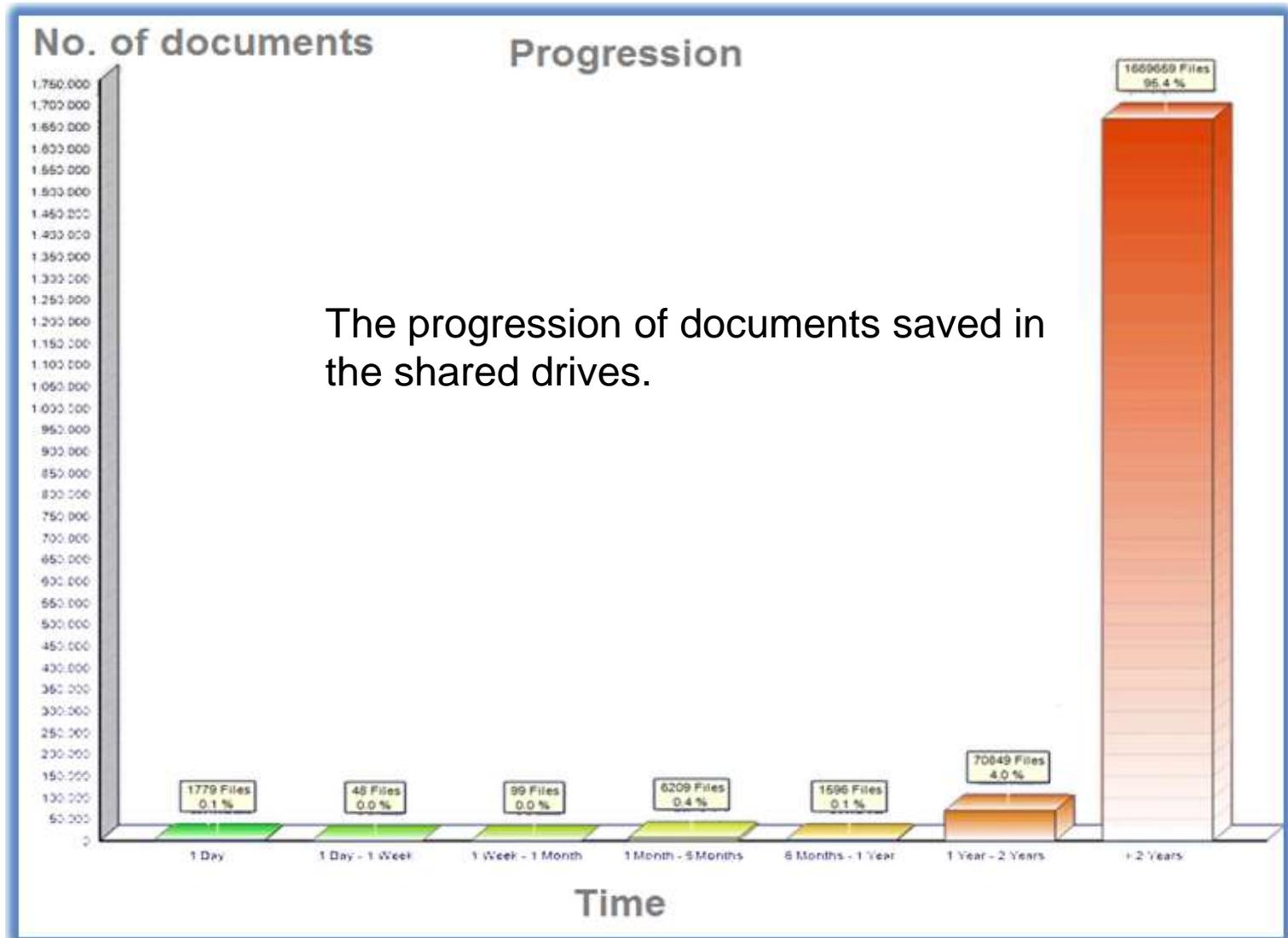
Time Frame - Rollout



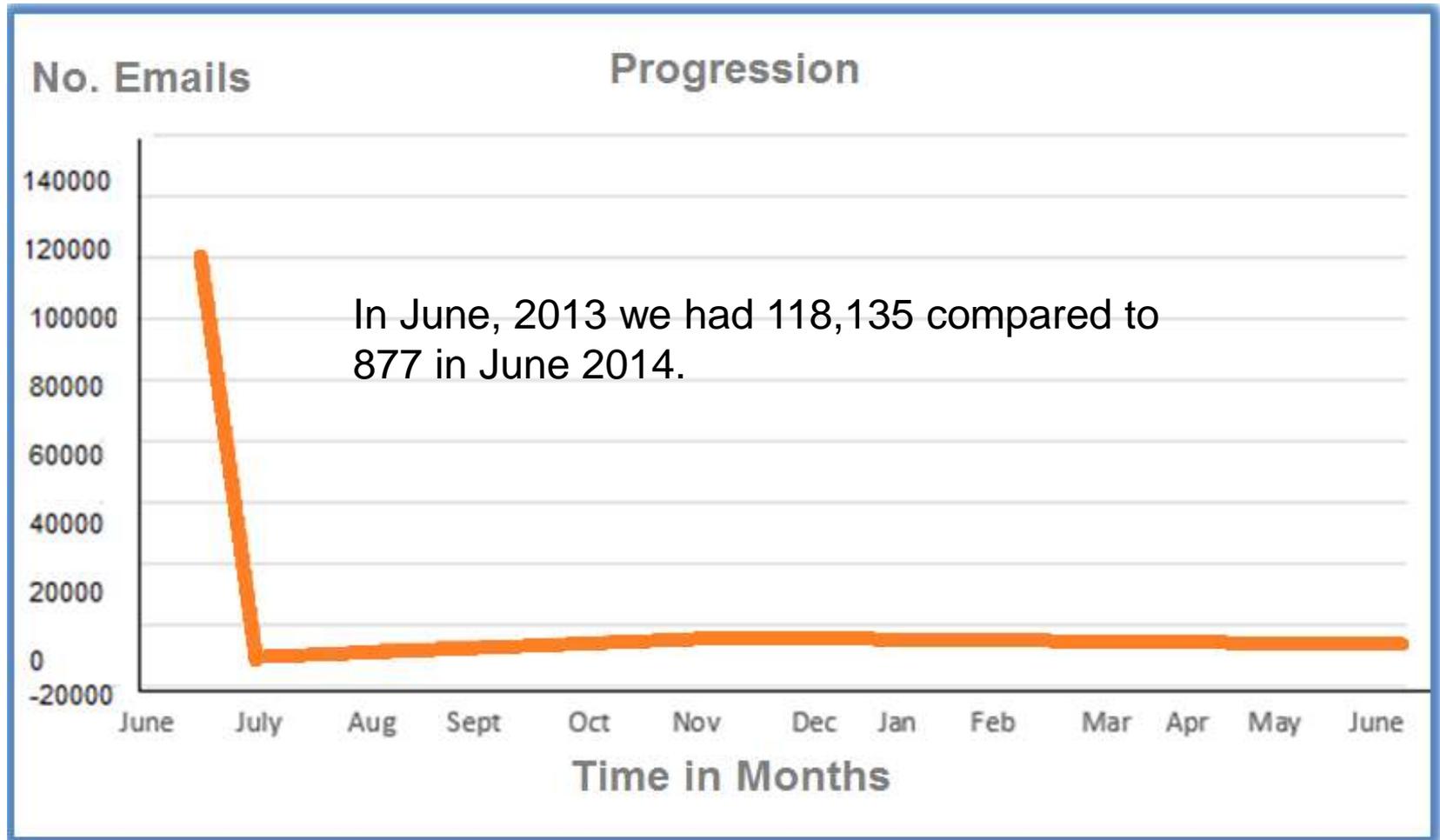
LSBC Show their Pride



Evolution of Shared Drives



Email Filing

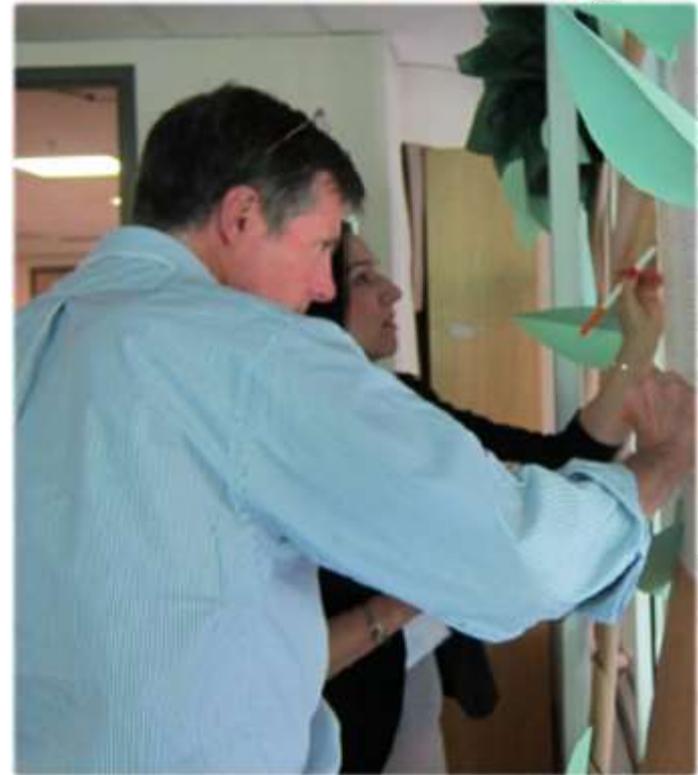


June 30 - Project Completion

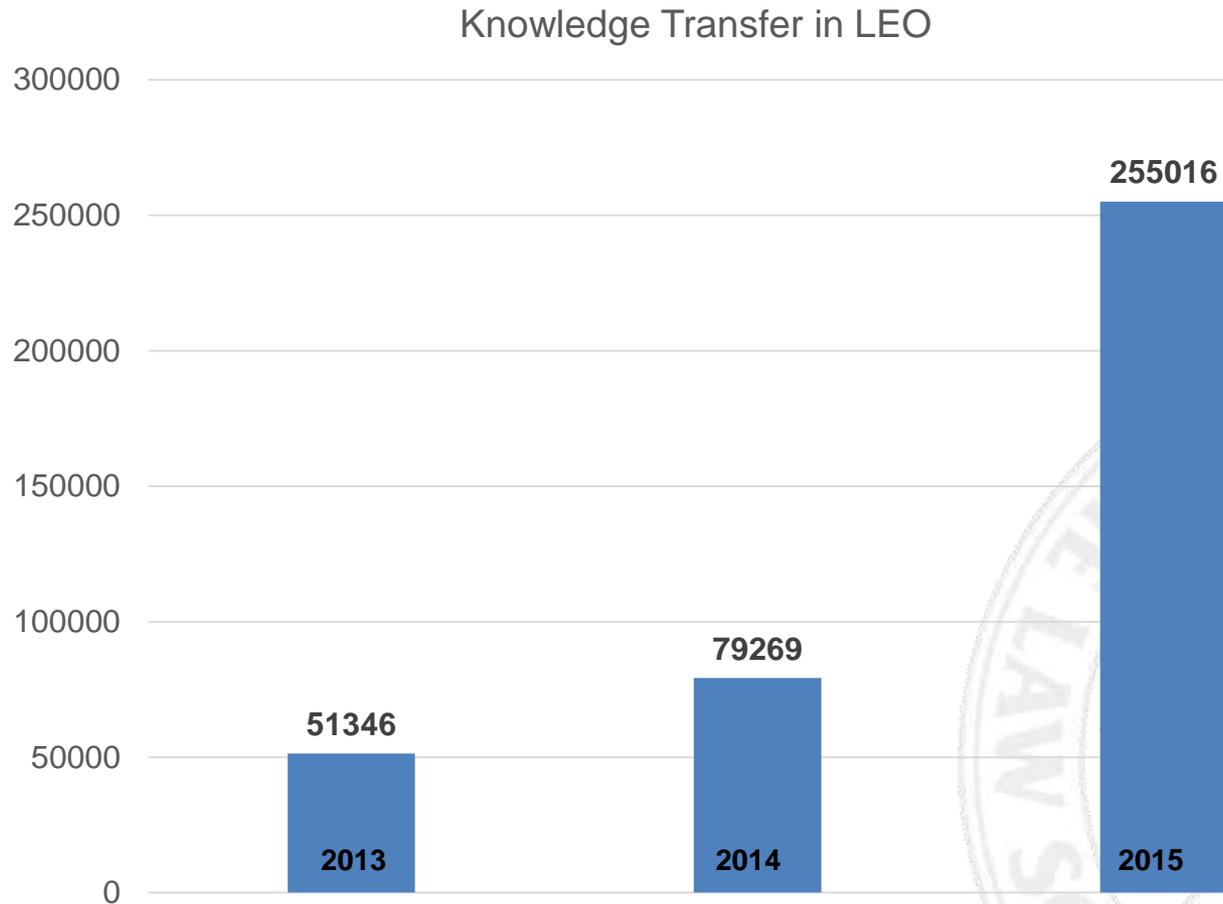


Lessons Learned

- Commitment from top
- Engage the staff
- Stay focused
- Close shared drives
- IT is your ally
- Find the influencers
- Simplicity is key
- Work with the business
- Hold onto your record principles
- Ongoing training
- Recognize your strengths
- Nothing is perfect



Knowledge Transfer



Things we did not Expect

- Privacy endorsement of EDRMS
- Legal holds – RIM role
- Computer Literacy working group
- Knowledge management working group



What's next?

Vision

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Test modules

LSIS

Business analysis

Scanning pilot

Documents as records

Continued training

Digital archiving

Thank you

Questions

Feedback

Comments



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