

## McCabe Terrill

## LEGAL

McCabe Terrill uses Sophos Endpoint Security and Control to protect its systems and client information from corruption by viruses, spyware and adware. Since installing the software, the firm has improved its IT efficiency in several key areas and is reassured that technical support is included in the Sophos licence and is available around the clock.



### Business challenge

McCabe Terrill is a mid-sized Australian law firm with offices in Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane. The firm has built a strong reputation on high quality and cost-effective services in all areas of corporate and commercial law, across many industries.

Today, many computer security threats are engineered to steal corporate information from specific targets with the goal of reaping illegal financial windfalls. Faced by the ever changing challenge of managing this risk, McCabe Terrill has ensured that its information security systems are a business priority of paramount importance. The firm's in-house technology division has been

charged with ensuring client information, as well as its own systems, are protected at all times by comprehensive network, endpoint computer and email security solutions from Sophos.

McCabe Terrill has been a long-time customer of Sophos's anti-virus solution. Recently, the firm upgraded its server and PC architecture, deploying a mix of Windows 2003 servers and desktops, and remote laptops running XP Pro and Windows Vista. Due to its previous success with Sophos, the firm chose to continue protecting every PC, server and laptop with Sophos's comprehensive endpoint security solution across.

### Key facts

#### Company

McCabe Terrill

#### Location

Sydney, Australia

#### No of users

80+

#### Servers, desktops and laptops

Windows 2003  
Windows XP Pro  
Windows Vista

#### Solution

Endpoint Security and Control

*"Sophos Endpoint Security and Control offers world-class protection against computer viruses, which is something you simply cannot put a price on."*

*Sherwyn Fernando, National IT Manager, McCabe Terrill*

## Technology solution

Sophos Endpoint Security and Control provides the latest malware protection to help improve end-user productivity and reduce recurring IT management costs. Sophos's integrated solution outperforms competing products by providing information about the health and compliance of endpoint computers, controlling what users can do on their desktops while protecting against security threats.

With Sophos Endpoint Security and Control, McCabe Terrill can detect viruses, spyware, adware and suspicious file behaviour with a single scan, freeing up computer processing power to support other IT activities. Sophos Endpoint Security and Control also identifies unauthorised applications such as VoIP, IM, media players or gaming software, enabling McCabe Terrill to block these at its own discretion.

Sherwyn Fernando, McCabe Terrill's National IT Manager, explains, "The computer threats our firm faces today are significantly more complex and dangerous, than those we faced even only a year ago. With many hackers now employing social engineering tricks and attacking our network from multiple angles, it's vital we fight them off with a solution that is both business grade and offers the highest detection rates. Sophos has protected our systems for a number of years now and we have never had a threat slip through the security net we have in place. Our decision to upgrade our systems and then protect them with Sophos's endpoint security solution was made in total confidence that we can continue to proactively repel all threats."

Sophos now protects ten Windows servers as well as more than 100 PCs and laptops for McCabe Terrill. Also, many of the firm's partners and employees now protect their home computers with Sophos, an option for all Sophos customers in Australia, and a perfect match for McCabe Terrill's flexible workplace location policy.

While only needing access to Sophos's technical support on rare occasions, the fact that this is included in the cost of the license and is based in Sydney is of vital importance to the firm. According to Michael Manak, McCabe Terrill's General Manager, "McCabe Terrill prides itself on developing strong and personal relationships with our clients so we gain a real understanding of their businesses and Sophos has demonstrated the same

level of commitment to us. Sophos's Asia Pacific technical support services are located in Sydney, so we are reassured that technical support is only a phone call – and only a few kilometres away – should we ever need to use it."

## Business results

McCabe Terrill's IT systems and client information are comprehensively guarded against potential computer security risks by Sophos. For Sherwyn, the fact that the firm has never had a malware outbreak or been put at risk by a phishing attack while using Sophos, is testament to the success of its own processes as well as the quality of Sophos's solution.

Sherwyn believes that Sophos has helped the firm's IT division improve its efficiency in several key areas. "While we've taken a no-compromise approach to our security, our partners, employees and even our clients still enjoy significant flexibility and the systems we have deployed place little strain on our infrastructure. The fact that Sophos only needs to scan once to detect all malware is of significant advantage to us. With our partners and employees working around the clock, we don't want to clog up our system resources by running multiple security scans looking for different threats."

Furthermore, McCabe Terrill uses Sophos Enterprise Console, which provides the company with a single point from which to deploy, update and report on every computer protected by Sophos. Sherwyn explains, "By simplifying and automating our protection, we have been able to reduce the time we spend on managing our security, thereby also reducing our costs. By synchronising Sophos with our Microsoft Active Directory we have also ensured that all our security policies across the network are automatically enforced as new computers are installed."

McCabe Terrill Principal, Matthew Curll, concludes, "With Sophos we know that we have the best software and excellent support teams on board to help us fight off threats and protect our business and our clients. Sophos has become one of the world's most respected software companies and is a perfect match for our own brand and service ambitions."



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