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**John Ashley Joins Encore Discovery Solutions as  
Executive Vice President, Consulting & Forensics**

*Renowned Expert in Electronic Evidence Will Advise Clients on Computer Forensics, Data Analytics, and Electronic Discovery Best Practices*

Phoenix, Ariz., July 20, 2010 - Encore Discovery Solutions, a knowledge-based provider of electronic discovery and related services, has announced that computer forensics expert John F. Ashley has joined the company as Executive Vice President, Consulting & Forensics. He is based in the Washington, D.C. area.

Mr. Ashley serves as a consultant and testifying expert witness for Encore's global practice areas of electronic discovery, computer forensics and data analytics. He is also a member of the senior management team at Encore, responsible for developing and implementing effective strategies to assist law firms and corporate legal departments with litigation readiness, document preservation, forensics, data collections and data analytics services. "John is a highly regarded expert in computer forensics and electronic discovery," said Greg Mazares, president & CEO of Encore Discovery Solutions. "His global experience in hundreds of complex matters represents yet another key point of differentiation for Encore versus other services providers."

In the United Kingdom, Mr. Ashley was the head of the Greater Manchester Police Department's Computer Examination Unit, which at that time was the largest criminal computer forensics unit in Europe. He was responsible for overseeing computer examinations in Manchester, England, North Wales, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man and was often requested by other jurisdictions to conduct and supervise electronic retrieval projects and computer forensic investigations. Since moving to the United States, Mr. Ashley has served as a computer forensics and electronic discovery expert in several of the highest profile litigation matters, both as founder and principal of his own consulting firm and previously as national practice leader with First Advantage, a competing electronic discovery services provider.

Mr. Ashley has qualified and testified as an expert witness in the field of computer forensics and electronic discovery on approximately 80 occasions in Europe and the United States. He has presented to the Houses of Parliament and taught courses on computer evidence recovery at Bramshill Police Staff College, the British Computer Society, and various universities including the American University in Washington, DC. His work has been featured on the Discovery Channel and he was interviewed on the television news program *60 Minutes* in connection with techniques he used to successfully prosecute a high profile mass murder case in the United Kingdom.

The addition of Mr. Ashley is further evidence of Encore's continued development as a leading services provider in the electronic discovery industry. "My decision to join Encore is based on the outstanding company infrastructure, very impressive growth through the recent recession and the strong focus on client satisfaction," said Mr. Ashley. "I look forward to helping the company grow further and to continue to gain ground as an industry leader for many years to come."

### **About Encore Discovery Solutions**

Through a combination of knowledge and innovation, and with a focus on helping clients achieve favorable results, Encore Discovery Solutions provides a broad range of discovery services to major law firms and corporate legal departments across the U.S. According to independent industry surveys, Encore is ranked as one of the leading providers of electronic data discovery and related services, including data collections, forensics, and analytics; data minimization; data processing; Web hosting, and document productions. For more information, please visit [www.encorediscovery.com](http://www.encorediscovery.com).

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