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Founded 25 years ago, Paul Fredrick designs, manufactures and directly distributes men’s clothing, including tailored dress shirts, stylish Italian ties, trousers, suits and more. The Company sells its collections through catalogs, the company website and social media sites, such as Amazon and Living Social. Without the overhead of wholesalers and storefronts, Paul Fredrick is able to proudly provide great style at everyday prices. At the same time, this distribution model makes the Company’s contact centers in Pennsylvania and Georgia critical links to servicing its customers. Contact center representatives field a variety of calls including placing orders, assisting customers with website orders, returns, exchanges, promotional offers, billing questions, etc. Paul Fredrick is committed to providing superior customer service and understands the ability to review recorded conversations is key in monitoring and continuously improving service quality.

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Industry
• Retail Men’s Clothing

Challenges
• Previous recording solution was incredibly slow and painstakingly difficult to use
• Required reliable voice and screen recordings to better support commitment to customer service
• Needed tools to evaluate and mentor agents
• Desired more detailed information to focus and streamline training efforts

Solution
• Encore™ Workforce Optimization Suite

Results
• Able to reliably and efficiently record both calls and desktop activities
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• Improved and streamlined evaluation process
• More effective training based on evaluation results

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Paul Fredrick decided a more advanced system was needed and discussed its options with Wolfe Communication Systems, Inc. who recommended dvsAnalytics’ Encore Recording and Quality Management solution. This recommendation was based upon Encore’s innovative tools for easy retrieval and review of recordings, its reputation for reliability and its seamless integration with the Company’s NEC UNIVERGE SV8300 communication platform. The Encore solution installed at Paul Fredrick included:

- Reliable and efficient voice and screen recording
- Flexible options to quickly retrieve recordings based on varied and unique call data
- Comprehensive tools to create and conduct evaluations and mentor agents
- Numerous reports for reviewing and analyzing results

Fisher comments, “The web-based Encore installation was seamless.” The Company is looking forward to using more advanced Encore features as well, such as call calibration, which promotes consistency among supervisors when scoring agents.

Results

After using the system, Paul Fredrick confirms that Encore has been a great asset for the Company. Lisa Brugger, Supervisor and Email Coordinator, says, “Encore helps employees learn to provide customers with correct information. Some agents take 50-60 calls a day and it’s difficult to remember exactly what happened on each call, so the voice and screen recording is valuable when reviewing calls and training agents.” She continues to explain that Encore’s evaluation tools have helped supervisors streamline the grading process.

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