

\$4.5M Recovered. Hundreds of Hours Compressed to 10

THE MISSION

Brandlin & Associates is a national forensic accounting firm. Their team was engaged by the liquidating trustee of a high-profile Hollywood motion picture studio that had filed Chapter 11 — suspected of having its principal skim money from operating accounts due to inadequate accounting controls.

THE CHALLENGE

Identifying Fraudulent Transfers in a Chapter 11 Investigation

To investigate whether the debtor's principal had skimmed money from the studio's operating accounts — with limited trustee funding and the need to prove fraud quickly enough to secure approval for a deeper investigation.



Lack of Accounting Controls

Segregation of duties issues had developed due to reduced infrastructure and fewer personnel at the struggling studio.



Funding Constraints

The liquidating trustee had limited funds available for a complete forensic investigation — requiring rapid initial findings to justify further work.



Volume at Speed

8,500 unique transactions needed to be analyzed, including 2,500 transfers totaling \$130 million.



Scope Pressure

The team needed to prove fraud quickly enough to get client approval for a second phase — or the investigation would end there.



Manual Process Burden

Without Valid8, additional manual effort would have been required to achieve the same level of coverage and analytical precision.

SOLUTION

Valid8 Uncovers the Fraudulent Transfers

Valid8 prepared fully reconciled data within 24 hours — enabling rapid identification of all fraudulent transfers.

- ✓ **Rapid Data Processing:** Statements uploaded to Valid8 with fully verified, reconciled data returned within hours — providing a complete picture of the studio's financial health.
- ✓ **Transfer Identification:** 2,500 transfers totaling \$130 million identified within minutes using patented algorithms.
- ✓ **Fraud Documentation:** Within days, Brandlin & Associates identified at least \$4.5 million in fraudulent transfers — with evidence packaged and ready to present to the client.

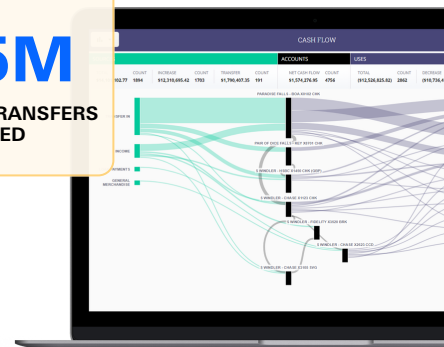
RESULTS

\$4.5M in Fraudulent Transfers Identified.

Valid8 prepared data in less than 24 hours.

Within days, Brandlin & Associates had identified \$4.5 million of fraudulent transfers across 8,500 unique transactions — and the client immediately approved a more comprehensive second phase.

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\$4.5MFRAUDULENT TRANSFERS
IDENTIFIED

Performance Wins

Fraudulent Transfers

\$4.5M

Identified across 8,500
unique transactions

Transfers Analyzed

\$130M

2,500 transfers
identified
in minutes

Actual Case Time

~10 Hrs

vs. hundreds of hours
estimated
without Valid8

Data Ready

< 24 Hrs

Fully reconciled data
prepared
within 24 hours of
upload

"Valid8 prepared data in less than 24 hours. We identified \$4.5 million in fraudulent transfers and got the client to engage in a more comprehensive second phase, all within a week."

Brandlin & Associates

WRAP UP

Speed and Precision in Chapter 11

When fraud is clearly documented in hours rather than months, clients approve further work. Speed of proof directly enables scope expansion — and that's exactly what happened here.