

NTS Services Spotlight: Forensic Investigative Studies

Your Key to Successful Product Liability Litigation



The strength of any product liability case is solid, forensic evidence, verified by a reputable third party expert. National Technical Systems (NTS) is an OSHA-certified Nationally Recognized Test Laboratory (NRTL), accredited to an extensive array of product testing standards across many industries. Our global resources and fifty years of product engineering and evaluation experience makes NTS the premier expert in forensic investigative analysis for successful Product Liability Litigation.

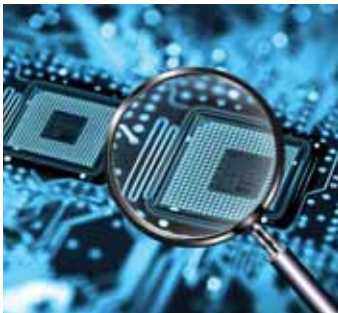
Our Services

NTS has merged forensic expert investigative services with proven reliability testing practices, to form a unique service offering for product liability attorneys and their clients. NTS has the engineering resources and capabilities to provide expert testimony. We have combined our knowledge of technical best practices with targeted forensics, to develop reliability data tests and analyses that addresses the core issues of any product liability case. These tests and expert analyses can demonstrate your client's diligence towards validating their arguments and can become the basis of a clear separation of expert testimony.



Our services include the following:

- ▶ Accelerated life testing to identify design, material, component or manufacturing related problems or inadequacies.
- ▶ Demonstration of product behavior in various circumstances or environments.
- ▶ Demonstration of "one product warranty life" and classical MTBF and MTTF (Mean Time Between Failure and Mean Time To Failure)
- ▶ Reproducing failures experienced in the field and developing fault trees to pinpoint sources
- ▶ Ability to reproduce environments, in order to formulate bona-fide third party expert opinions
- ▶ Successful relationships with regulatory agencies such as FAA, FDA and NHTSA, as well as standards committees across many industries and disciplines



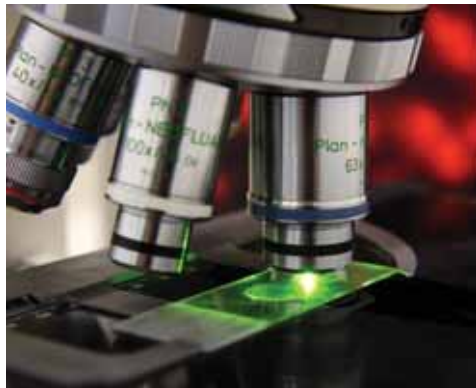
Our Credentials

NTS owns and operates a network of independent test laboratories, accredited to ISO/IEC 17025 by the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA) for an extensive list of services. We formally certify products to applicable domestic and International Product Safety requirements. Our technical professionals are recognized in the court of law as experts and are widely known in their various fields of discipline.

NTS brings a sterling reputation and a broad range of professional credentials to the table in support of the technical evaluation services that we provide. Expert witnesses are frequently challenged on their general credentials as much as their specific testimony. When you engage NTS to support your Product Liability Litigation, you can rest assured that your forensic evidence comes with unassailable credentials behind it. If you are preparing for Product Liability Litigation, don't go to trial without NTS experts at your side!

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Our Infrastructure

With over 20 engineering and evaluation laboratories across North America, NTS can address local needs with its expert services and personnel quickly and efficiently, rapidly assembling the team that is right for your case. Whether it is to bolster the scientific basis of your arguments or to limit your exposure to a downside or adverse ruling, the NTS forensic reliability experts are ready to provide the testing and other forensic investigative services you need.

NTS currently operates test laboratories in the following locations:

- ▶ Acton, MA
- ▶ Albuquerque, NM
- ▶ Boxborough, MA
- ▶ Camden, AR
- ▶ Culver City, CA
- ▶ Dana Point, CA
- ▶ Detroit, MI
- ▶ Fremont, CA
- ▶ Fullerton, CA
- ▶ Indianapolis, IN
- ▶ Los Angeles, CA
- ▶ Newark, CA
- ▶ Pittsfield, MA
- ▶ Plano, TX
- ▶ Rockford, IL
- ▶ Rustburg, VA
- ▶ Santa Clarita, CA
- ▶ Tempe, AZ
- ▶ Tinton Falls, NJ
- ▶ Wichita, KS
- ▶ Asia
- ▶ Europe

About NTS

National Technical Systems is a trusted partner that helps organizations to access domestic and international markets. We are your single source for a full range of integrated engineering solutions, product testing, standards compliance, project management, and managed services. Globally accredited by leading regulatory agencies, NTS can provide cost-effective programs to meet your requirements — at your site, or at one of our many US or international facilities. NTS is the nation's largest independent standards compliance and product testing company, serving companies within the aerospace, defense, automotive, wireless and telecommunications, electronics, energy, medical device, software, and hardware markets.



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