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Situation

Building on years of experience, Werksmans now has four offices, with 400 endpoints across South Africa, handling sensitive documents and communications daily. It is of the utmost importance that this data is protected from IT security threats.

The current reality is that new malware is being created daily and conventional anti-virus solutions are no match for these advanced attacks. Cyber-crime has become more profitable for hackers, with malware variants such as Ransomware targeting victims for direct financial gain.

Werksmans CTO David Williams recognises this growing issue and the potentially devastating effect it could have on their business. “As an organisation that deals with confidential information, a Ransomware attack is a risk we are not willing to take”, says Williams.

Challenges

As an existing Panda client, Werksmans again turned to Panda for the solution to this problem.

Werksmans needed a solution that goes beyond conventional IT security and employs a proactive approach to protecting the user, while having minimal effect on other areas of the business. Williams says “Our main concerns are to protect our business and data from cyber criminals, however in the course of doing so we cannot disrupt day to day business, nor can we afford to place a heavy burden on our IT infrastructure”.

Panda recommended Adaptive Defense 360, a cloud based security solution that employs new Endpoint Detection and Response (EDR) technology to track and classify all running programs on the network. This means that only programs classified as goodware will be allowed to run, eliminating the risk of new malware accessing the network.

Evaluation

After an initial testing phase Werksmans began the implementation of Adaptive Defense 360 across their network, working closely with Panda's technical department to ensure a smooth process. Since installing Adaptive Defense 360 Werksmans have been unaffected by Ransomware attacks that have plagued other businesses.

"We are pleased with the results and comfortable in the knowledge that we are safe from a range of threats. I wouldn't hesitate to recommend Adaptive Defense to any organisation that is concerned about protecting their business and data from cyber criminals".

Solution

Adaptive Defense 360 is the first of its kind, combining new Endpoint Detection and Response (EDR) technology with Endpoint Protection (EPP) capabilities, to ensure protection against APT's, Ransomware and Zero-Day attacks.

"One of the things that makes Adaptive Defense great for us is that there is very little burden on our IT staff", says Williams. Adaptive Defense 360 uses Big Data stored in the cloud to ensure that detection, prevention and remediation all happen with a high degree of autonomy.

Benefits

- Complete protection against targeted and zero-day attacks.
- 100% managed service.
- Continuous status information on all Endpoints in the network.
- Forensic Information.
- Protection from vulnerable operating systems and applications.
- SIEM available.
- Close technical support by qualified local technicians.
- Full EPP capabilities.

Customer's Profile

Established in 1900's Werksmans Attorneys is a leading South African corporate and commercial law firm offering an extensive range of legal services to multinationals, listed companies, financial institutions, entrepreneurs and government.

The firm's success in both corporate and commercial law is built on a solid foundation of insightful and innovative deal structuring and legal advice; a keen ability to understand business and economic imperatives; and a strong focus on achieving the best legal outcome for clients.

