



Formation Data Systems wins Silver in the Server-Based Storage Category for the 2016 Products of the Year Awards.

*FormationOne selected for scores in value, innovation and functionality by the editors of
TechTarget's Storage Media Group, users, industry experts, analysts and consultants*

FREMONT, Calif. – February 13th, 2017 – [Formation Data Systems](#) (Formation), a company revolutionizing enterprise storage, today announced that the FormationOne™ Dynamic Storage Platform (FormationOne) has been selected as a silver award winner in the TechTarget Storage Media Group 2016 Products of the Year award in the Server-Based Storage category. The FormationOne software scored highest for innovation and functionality in the server-based storage category based on scores from the competition judges which was made up of editors, users, analysts and industry experts.

The FormationOne software-defined storage runs on industry-standard x86 servers and dynamically tiers virtual volumes across solid-state drives (SSDs) and hard disk drives (HDDs). FormationOne's unified connector design provides flexible interfaces for block (iSCSI), file (NFS/SMB) and object (Amazon S3) data interfaces. One key feature, TimeLine, provides transactional data journaling for continuous data protection (CDP) with integrated snapshots and clones, and enables customers to recover data from any point in time. FormationOne's quality of service, called PriorityOne, allocates and prioritizes I/O to specific application workloads -- within configured performance thresholds -- based on policies.

"It is an honor to be selected as a Silver winner in the Server-Based Storage category for the 2016 Products of the Year award by the SearchStorage team," said Mark Lewis, CEO of Formation Data Systems. "This is great validation by a panel of esteemed judges and industry experts and it is representative of the hard work and dedication that the Formation team has put into this product for our customers."



The Formation Advantage

Available today, FormationOne provides customers with:

- Single-Origin Data™ Integrated data reduction de-duplicates the data to minimize the storage requirements. Provides unlimited snapshots and clones for data protection and repurposing.
- TimeLine™ Continuous Data Protection journals data activity to the finest detail to minimize data loss based on data governance and retention policies.
- PriorityOne™ Provides dynamic QoS control for every volume allowing the ability to control throughput in a mixed workload environment with very predictable workload performance.
- Unified Data Connectors: iSCSI block store, NFS/SMB file store, and Amazon Web Services S3 compatible object store.
- FormationOne SafeGuard™ Remote replication and copy data management. Cloud disaster recovery (DR), backup archive and tiering. SafeGuard replicates to AWS or private clouds.
- Dynamic Data Tiering™: Dynamically allocates high-priority work loads to SSD for all-flash performance. Maps tier 2 and replica copies to HDD for cost optimization.

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About Formation Data Systems

Formation Data Systems' mission is to help IT organizations realize the transformative benefits of modern storage technology. Formation has delivered the revolutionary FormationOne™ Dynamic Storage Platform that combines the agility, flexibility and simplicity of public cloud web-scale approaches with the control, security and customization capabilities of private datacenter storage. FormationOne has been built for Enterprise IT, SaaS application providers, and service providers, seeking ways to transform the agility and economics of their storage and data management environment. The platform is generally available. Go to formationds.com for more information.