**Question 1:** Using Microsoft Word, OpenOffice or Pages, create a standard template that you can use in a chain of custody

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| Property / Evidence Chain Of Custody Form | | | | | | | | |
| Case Name: | | | | | | Reason Obtained: | | |
| Case Number: | | | | | |
| Item Number: | | Evidence Type / Manufacturer: | | Model Number: | | | Serial Number: | |
| Content Owner / Title: | | | | Content Description: | | | | |
| Content Owner Contact Information: | | | | | | | | |
| Forensic Agent: | | Creation Method: | | HASH Value: | | | Creation Date / Time: | |
| Forensic Agent Contact Information: | | | | | | | | |
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| Chain Of Custody | | | | | | | | |
| Tracking Number | Date / Time | | Released By | | Received By | | | Reason For Change |
|  | Date: | | Name / Title: | | Name / Title: | | |  |
| Time: | | Signature: | | Signature: | | |
|  | Date: | | Name / Title: | | Name / Title: | | |  |
| Time: | | Signature: | | Signature: | | |
|  | Date: | | Name / Title: | | Name / Title: | | |  |
| Time: | | Signature: | | Signature: | | |

**Question 2:** See if you can find a court case in which a live memory image of a computer played a significant role in the outcome. Discuss the use of the live memory image in this case

**Answer:** The case I have chosen is Columbia pictures vs Bunnell (Torrent Spy). In this case the plaintiff (Columbia) filed a copyright infringement suit against the defendant (Torrent Spy). The case was heard by the Los Angeles District Court and ruled on the 29th May 2007 that data stored in RAM was “discoverable”.

Torrent spy was quite a well-known and popular search engine at the time that was responsible for indexing material that would have breached copyright infringements. This material was available to download through popular torrent software such as bit torrent. Torrent spy had never logged its users IP addresses, however due to their privacy policy. However, a federal magistrate ordered Torrent Spy to activate logging and hand over the logged data to Columbia Studios.

The magistrate judge reasoned that because the IP addresses existed in RAM on the defendants web servers that they were “electronically stored information”. As a result of this, they would have to be collected and handed over under the rules of federal discovery. The defence filed to try and have the judge’s decision over ruled, however this was declined by the district court judge.

In the end, torrent spy was forced to uphold the ruling and also were required to pay out quite a considerable sum to the plaintiff as a result of it.