THE ULTIMATE CALL EXPERIENCE JOURNEY

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FIRST ORION is the Leading Provider of the Digital Call Experience.

Our solutions are built on innovation and data.

CALL PROTECTION
Protecting Consumers from fraudulent phone calls

BRANDED CALLING
Helping enterprises showcase their brand so customers answer the calls they want to receive

STIR/SHAKEN
Ensuring our clients' calls are compliant with standards

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SCAMS ARE BIG BUSINESS.

• Nearly 1 in 3 Americans say they’ve fallen victim to a phone scam in the past year
• That’s roughly 59 MILLION Americans that have lost over $29.8 BILLION dollars to phone scams alone from June 2020 to 2021*
• If you took the money that scammers made in the last year and ranked it among the Fortune 500, they’d be sitting at #101

Evolution of the Scam Industry

…and the critical role of analytics

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- Neighbor Spoofing Rotate #s
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2020 – 2022
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- PBX Hacking
- 2015

Consumers voice their frustration with unwanted/scam calls and industry takes notice

- National Do Not Call Registry
- Over-the-top Applications
- End-User Tools: Complaint filing, Number lookup, Blocking

1st Generation Blocking Over-the-Top was a huge breakthrough for an escalating problem, but it was only scratching the surface based on technology limitations.
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• Government & Industry response to Robocall Mitigation
  • Robocall Strike Force formed
  • The birth of STIR/SHAKEN standards

• Do Not Originate registries

• Introduction of business phone number registries

• Network-based solutions

Taking advantage of consumers started to become BIG BUSINESS, making 2nd generation blocking via the network necessary to keep up with evolving bad actors.
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- Call categories provided end user additional Insights into the calling party
- Discernment among legitimate Business, Scam, and Nuisance was NECESSARY!
- User preferences gave called party further control over call disposition

Preemptive category blocking gives users control and allows them to set defined dispositions for calls they do or don't want to receive
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Rise in spoofed calling numbers increases consumer confusion

• STIR/SHAKEN is a go!
• TRACED ACT signed into law
• Carrier-based blocking of “bad actors”
• Proprietary spoof protection solutions
• Proprietary branded calling solutions

Industry starts taking aggressive measures against illegal spoofing and branded calling brings further insight into who is calling

Analytics...
Advanced AI + ML + Emerging Technologies
Enterprises want Richer End-User Interactions

Using Branded Calling Solutions

• Enterprises are waking up to the value of Brand recognition via a call
• Conversely, stopping a Bad Actor from hijacking a Brand and Enterprise calling becomes mission critical
• Business legitimacy and right of use is at the center of enabling Enterprises with this level of technology
• Advanced spoof mitigation solutions beyond STIR/SHAKEN required
• Business and asset vetting takes center stage for branded calls

The future of telecommunications requires advanced analytics and programmatic solutions to meet the demands of tomorrow.
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  - RCD and standards-based branded calling
  - FCC deadlines for S/S and robocall mitigation

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Bad actors are evolving, Analytics are evolving...and so is the call experience!

- Analytics...
  - AI + ML + Emerging Technologies
  - Good Call Verification + Data Variety

Additional Spoof Mitigation features and deeper analytics will be necessary to protect brands and end users.
Example Results from the Industry Evolution

IF WE AREN’T CAREFUL, USERS HAVE A VARIETY OF EXPERIENCES
Without careful consideration by Telco's and Service Providers, users will become confused on what calls to answer!
The Call Experience is Influenced by Every Step of the Evolutionary Journey

- Consumer Call
- Enterprise/Business Originated Call

OSP
- STIR/SHAKEN Authentication

TSP
- STIR/SHAKEN Verification

Which Wins?

- Scam
- Business Name
- Business Logo
- Blocked
- Sent to Voicemail

Final Call Disposition / Display

The technology that manages the various call experience inputs must continue to evolve as well!

- Local Policy
- End-User Preferences
- Carrier Preferences

Analytics
Ultimate Call Experience

Restoring confidence and knowledge to every call

• Knowing “Who’s” calling and context of “Why” is standard
• Advanced analytic solutions are standard, using advanced tooling
• Empowering end-users and service providers with advanced capabilities and control over local policy
• Enterprise and brand protection
• Continuous feedback, research, and learning

The Ultimate Call Experience is a journey – not a final destination
Scammers will continue to evolve and so will consumer expectations. Therefore, data analytics, tools and methodologies must continue to evolve.

The Journey Continues…
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