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How Iceberg RevOps helped TaskRay answer these questions

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A common hurdle for early-stage SaaS companies like TaskRay is not having an operations infrastructure that measures marketing attribution. They might know what they need, but solving client problems and managing day-to-day operations take priority over improving internal operations.

Iceberg RevOps stepped in as TaskRay’s Revenue Operations partner to guide its evolution beyond limited marketing attribution metrics. Now with a new data framework and comprehensive attribution dashboard, TaskRay sees the most significant trends in its marketing investments and knows where to doubledown or scale back.

Mike Davis, Vice President of Sales at TaskRay, wanted to know the answers to two deceptively simple questions.

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Mike could see which individual pieces of content generated leads, but he couldn’t easily get to the insights that drive investment decisions.

- What lead source category (e.g. webinars, ebooks) is the most effective at bringing in leads?
- How many times has a prospect engaged with TaskRay?
- What’s the most recent time a prospect interacted with a campaign?
- Did a lead result from inbound or outbound prospecting?
- What was the last marketing touchpoint a prospect had before they converted from a lead to an opportunity?

TaskRay has no shortage of technical ability. But Mike’s ops teams didn’t have the time or full business strategy to own the project of expanding visibility into its own marketing funnel.
Key Report Definitions

**Lead Source**
This field represents the means by which a person’s information was originally obtained by the company. Lead Source is the most broad attribution category. It gives a general idea of how a prospect interacted with the sales or marketing teams.

The values in Lead Source should rarely change, and only marketing should control them. Limiting this field to a small number of non-specific values is important for reporting purposes—these values make it easy to quickly understand things like whether the prospect interacted with sales and marketing.

Examples:
- Ebook
- Product
- Prospecting
- Regional event

**Lead Source Detail**
Lead Source Detail is the next level of detail after Lead Source. If Lead Source is “Website”, then Lead Source Detail tells you how the prospect found the website (ex: “Paid” or “SEO”).

Lead Source Detail values change more often than Lead Source, but they should still remain clean and tightly managed by marketing only.

As with Lead Source, overly specific values (ex: “Sales 3.0 Conference 2020”) cause reports to become quickly cluttered.

**Campaign Source**
Campaign Source is the most specific level of attribution detail. It tracks the specific campaign associated with a prospect’s action. Every Campaign Source value aligns with a Salesforce campaign. Campaign Source values change constantly—a new one is added every time Marketing creates a new campaign in Salesforce. This is the appropriate field for highly specific values like: “Sales 3.0 Conference 2020”.

Campaign Source values are created whenever you create a new campaign in Salesforce. Once a campaign is created and activated in SFDC, you can create a workflow in HubSpot that updates all relevant contacts with the new value.

For example, if you create and activate a new SFDC campaign called “Shipping Best Practices Webinar - 11/05/2020”, all prospects who fill out a landing page form to sign up should enter a HS workflow that marks Campaign Source field(s) with the name of this campaign.

**First [lead source] / [MQL date]**
for each lead, contact, and account
The “First” version of each attribution field shows how the prospect entered the database.

This is synonymous with “Original,” so for some leads and contacts this value could be years old.

**Last [lead source] / [MQL date]**
for each lead, contact, and account
The “Last” version of each attribution field shows how the prospect most recently interacted with the sales or marketing teams.

**Conversion**
The “Conversion” version of each attribution field tells you the last action a prospect took before they were converted from a Lead to an Opportunity.

**MQL Date**
This is the first or last date (depending on the field name) when a prospect became a Marketing Qualified Lead. It’s synonymous with “when Marketing passed a prospect off to Sales,” which means MQL fields are critical in several ways:

- MQL Dates are used in reporting to understand which prospects were passed to sales this week/month/quarter.
- Updates to Last MQL Date trigger workflows that assign leads and contacts to the sales team.

**# Times MQL**
A prospect can become an MQL multiple times. For example, a prospect may fill out a demo request, then never respond to sales’ calls or emails. Six months later, if they fill out a demo request form again, they will become an MQL and will be passed to the sales team again. This field tells you how many times a prospect has taken an action that made them an MQL.
Iceberg implemented an operational framework that puts guardrails around the most critical attribution data flowing between third party sources like HubSpot to Salesforce.

The end result is a multi-layered view of marketing and campaign performance across the lifecycle of every lead through opportunity creation.

**GOAL:** Expand visibility into marketing funnel

PROSPECT / LEAD JOURNEY

**BEFORE**

- ASSET TITLE

**AFTER**

1. OPPORTUNITY SOURCE
2. MEETING SOURCE
3. MQL SOURCE
4. ASSET CATEGORY
5. ASSET TITLE
The Results

Now we have this beautiful dashboard where at a glance we can see month by month where our leads, MQLs, first meetings completed, opportunities, and closed-won deals are coming from.

All the way through the funnel—at every touch point and milestone—we know which marketing activities are actually working.”

— Mike Davis
VP of Sales, TaskRay
“Before Iceberg], we could see how individual webinars performed, but we never knew how webinars as a class performed. Being able to see results by asset type reinforced our need to host more webinars because that family of assets performs really well for us.”

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TaskRay’s marketing attribution dashboard displays leads, meetings and opportunities by marketing tactic.

Rather than stitching together the performance of individual assets to understand the big picture, TaskRay’s dashboard provides an immediate 30,000-foot view of marketing attribution that drives faster and more accurate investment decisions.

TaskRay also uses these insights to improve the sophistication of how SDRs prioritize lead follow-up.

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Ready to ramp up your own marketing ROI?

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