# Case Study: How I Recovered Corrupt Images from my Stolen Laptop.

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### The Issue:

Photos were corrupt after my laptop was stolen and mishandled.

### The Story:

We are unaware of an instance unless any incident causing that happens in our life!

Such incident happened with me few days back when I lost my Laptop. I am a creative director at an organization and usually spend a lot of time with my laptop experimenting with hell lot of photos, videos, slides and photo editors. Undoubtedly there were numerous pictures, audios and videos on my laptop. The ironic part was that, many of them were of recent time and I am usually, very poor in keeping a backup unlike those photographers who were very adept for any future contingency plans.

Sorry but I think I was too optimistic to be fearful on that (ha..ha..) which I realized later.

So what actually did happen?

While on my way back to home from my office, I took a halt at a local café to meet one of my colleagues while leaving my belongings (laptop and other accessories) in the car backseat. To my dismay when I came back, they were gone and the car's window was open. While narrating the incident, my friends accused me of such insanity to leave my valuable belongings unattended or carefully not locking my car's window. But that was not I was worried of. I was worried of so many pictures which were edited by me and my team investing lot of time and efforts to each and every picture.

We complained the police department and since they knew how to do their work efficiently, I got a call from them that my laptop was found at a mobile store. I rushed to

take it back home; only one thing was running on my mind thinking about my files. I got them, however they were not like that before. It was as if some operations had been done on the laptop and many of my photos were corrupt and distorted.

The next big question on mind: What next now?

### The Suggestion:

One friend of mine suggested the name of Stellar Phoenix Jpeg Repair Software.

### The solution:

I had heard about image repair software but personally had no hands on that. My friend, who spends lot of time reading and consulting about latest software and gadgets, installed this product on my laptop. My laptop was working fine and the software also was also able to recognize and repair the images. The best part was that, it was able to extract thumbnails also. First I wasn't so sure of the fixing for every photo. But when I looked at the preview of the files during repair process, I hopped up with joy to find my images with no alteration in size or resolution!

### The Result

All the damaged or corrupt photos were listed in a tree like structure. I was able to preview and the images were repaired, restored in preferred location without any variations in quality.

#### The Conclusion

I concluded two things. First it is always good to keep a backup and be on the safer side to prevent us from such data loss. Secondly, though there are many image repair products available online but when a JPEG image repair software is the need, Stellar Phoenix JPEG repair software is the best answer so far.