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Assessor versus Assessed Debates on PCI DSS topics



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Who are these guys?

- Shared history of performing assessments since the beginning days of PCI DSS
- Now on opposite sides of the table
 - Todd runs GRC for fast-moving fintech firm
 - Jacob still conducts and manages assessments
- Want to share our collective insights and hard-won experience with you

Rough Agenda

- Scope and applicability: the oldest argument
- Identity and access management
- Dealing with vulnerabilities

Few caveats

- We know we won't coincidentally land on your exact scenario, configuration, or scope configuration
- We're party to some of the goods on upcoming draft of PCI DSS 4.0 standard and also the relevant NDA
- We speak for ourselves and not our employers, past or present, nor PCI SSC, card brands, the White House, etc.

Here's what we can do

- Give you some sharpened questions to ask your teams and your assessors
- Point out some pitfalls we've encountered along the way of our journeys
- Help you break the ice on contentious topics

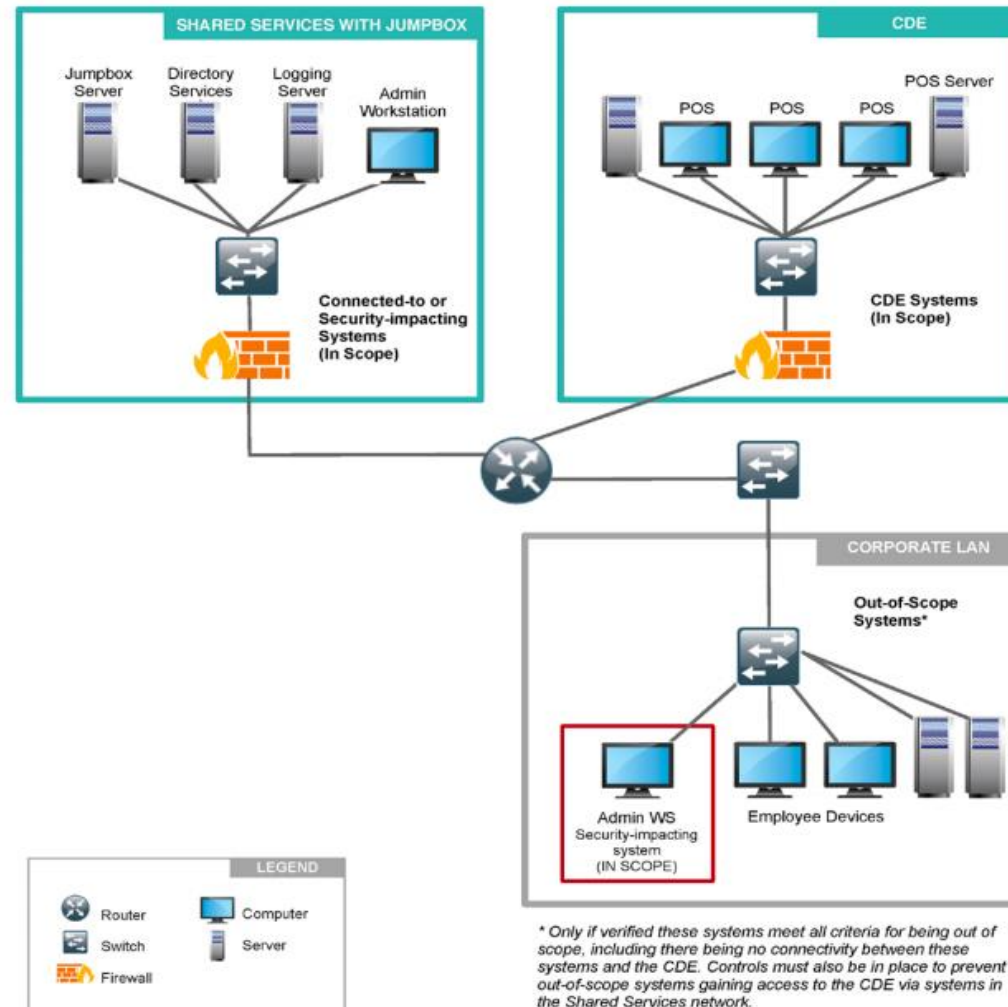
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Scope and applicability



Want to discuss politics,
religion, or scoping?

Maybe you've seen this diagram



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Scope isn't a naughty word

- Consider the applicability of requirements to an in-scope system
- In scope means you consider it and assess it, not that you apply all requirements to it
 - Maybe some lesser set of requirements apply

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Identity and Access Management

Hello?



Is it me you're looking for?

I can see it
your eyes

I can see it in
your smile

You're all I've
ever wanted

(and) my arms
are open wide

'Cause you know
just what to say

And you know
just what to do

And I want to
tell you so much

I love you

'Cause I wonder
where you are

And I wonder
what you do

Are you somewhere
feeling lonely

Or is someone
loving you?

Tell me how to
win your heart

For I haven't got
a clue

But let me start
by saying

I love you

Are you somewhere feeling lonely?

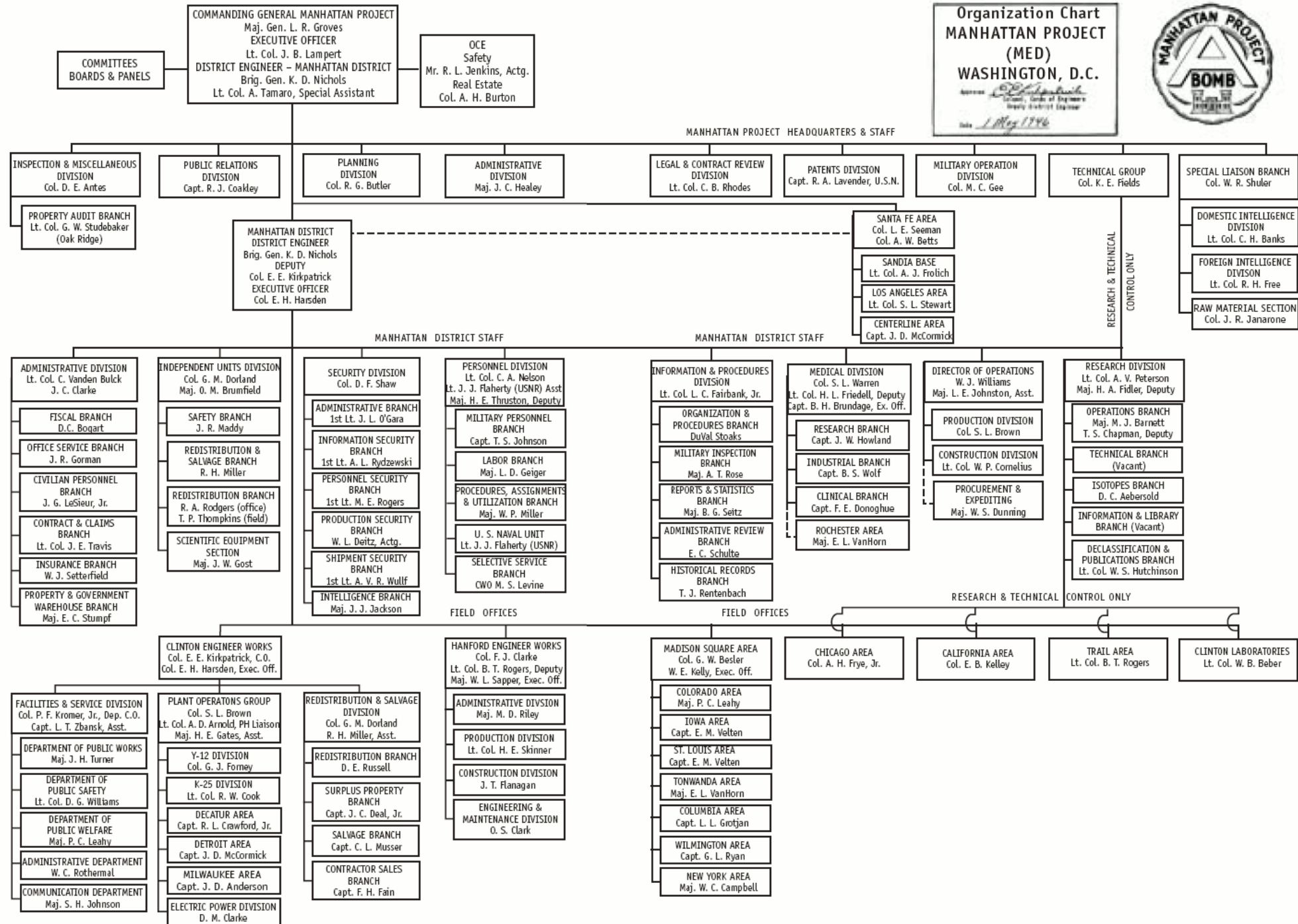
NIST 800-63B: “Do not require that memorized secrets be changed arbitrarily (e.g., periodically) unless there is a user request or evidence of authenticator compromise.”

PCI DSS v3.2.1: “Change user passwords/passphrases at least once every 90 days.”

DISCUSS.

Service accounts and friends

- Current version of DSS doesn't give you much to work with
- Categorize your accounts:
 - Service
 - Default
 - Emergency access
- Control access to credentials:
 - Password vault
 - Alert on use
 - Change password values after use



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Vulnerability Management

tag cloud of **tech service**
providers **hit** by
ransomware
in **2019** would go **here,**
but our **lawyers** **no.**
told us

How I learned to stop worrying and love scanning

- You may always have vulnerabilities show up in your scan results
- How long does a vulnerability stick around in your organization?
- More priority for applying fixes to software components

Variations on the theme

- Lots of pentest-like options available
- Consider the sort of testing that gives you results with the clearest picture of what an attacker could do (even if they're the most damning)
- What meets Requirement 11.3? What achieves other things?

Sounds like marriage counseling

- Plan your strategic conversations now
 - Figure out your ongoing communication
- Changes to environment and scope implications
 - Start discussing with the other party now
- Sustainability and Maturity
 - How do you demonstrate your mature understanding of risk?