



Getting Started with HashiCorp Consul

Objective 5 - Lab Guide

1. Download/copy the Consul Snapshot Agent systemd service file
 - a. <https://github.com/btkrausen/hashicorp/blob/master/consul/consulsnapshots.service>
 - b. Save the file at `/etc/systemd/system/consul-snapshot.service`
2. Configure the Consul Snapshot Agent service file as needed
 - a. `$ sudo vi consul-snapshot.service`
3. Download/copy the Consul Snapshot Agent configuration file (con
 - a. <https://github.com/btkrausen/hashicorp/blob/master/consul/consul-snapshot.json>
4. Configure the snapshot configuration file as needed
 - a. `$ sudo vi consul-snapshot.json`
5. Start the Consul Snapshot Agent service
 - a. `$ sudo systemctl start consul-snapshot.service`
6. View the status/logs of the service
 - a. `$ sudo systemctl status -l consul-snapshot.service`
7. Validate the snapshot has been taken and found in the Amazon S3 bucket
8. Start the service on the second Consul server
 - a. `$ sudo systemctl start consul-snapshot.service`
9. Validate that the second node does NOT obtain leadership
10. Stop the Consul snapshot agent on the first node
 - a. `$ sudo systemctl stop consul-snapshot.service`

11. Restart the Consul Snapshot Agent on the second server node and validate it obtains leadership and takes a snapshot
 - a. `$ sudo systemctl restart consul-snapshot.service`