

Penetration Test Report

Rekall Corporation

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Introduction

In accordance with Rekall policies, our organization conducts external and internal penetration tests of its networks and systems throughout the year. The purpose of this engagement was to assess the networks' and systems' security and identify potential security flaws by utilizing industry-accepted testing methodology and best practices.

For the testing, we focused on the following:

- Attempting to determine what system-level vulnerabilities could be discovered and exploited with no prior knowledge of the environment or notification to administrators.
- Attempting to exploit vulnerabilities found and access confidential information that may be stored on systems.
- Documenting and reporting on all findings.

All tests took into consideration the actual business processes implemented by the systems and their potential threats; therefore, the results of this assessment reflect a realistic picture of the actual exposure levels to online hackers. This document contains the results of that assessment.

Assessment Objective

The primary goal of this assessment was to provide an analysis of security flaws present in Rekall's web applications, networks, and systems. This assessment was conducted to identify exploitable vulnerabilities and provide actionable recommendations on how to remediate the vulnerabilities to provide a greater level of security for the environment.

We used our proven vulnerability testing methodology to assess all relevant web applications, networks, and systems in scope.

Rekall has outlined the following objectives:

Table 1: Defined Objectives

Objective	
Find and exfiltrate any sensitive information within the domain.	
Escalate privileges.	
Compromise several machines.	

Penetration Testing Methodology

Reconnaissance

We begin assessments by checking for any passive (open source) data that may assist the assessors with their tasks. If internal, the assessment team will perform active recon using tools such as Nmap and Bloodhound.

Identification of Vulnerabilities and Services

We use custom, private, and public tools such as Metasploit, hashcat, and Nmap to gain perspective of the network security from a hacker's point of view. These methods provide Rekall with an understanding of the risks that threaten its information, and also the strengths and weaknesses of the current controls protecting those systems. The results were achieved by mapping the network architecture, identifying hosts and services, enumerating network and system-level vulnerabilities, attempting to discover unexpected hosts within the environment, and eliminating false positives that might have arisen from scanning.

Vulnerability Exploitation

Our normal process is to both manually test each identified vulnerability and use automated tools to exploit these issues. Exploitation of a vulnerability is defined as any action we perform that gives us unauthorized access to the system or the sensitive data.

Reporting

Once exploitation is completed and the assessors have completed their objectives, or have done everything possible within the allotted time, the assessment team writes the report, which is the final deliverable to the customer.

Scope

Prior to any assessment activities, Rekall and the assessment team will identify targeted systems with a defined range or list of network IP addresses. The assessment team will work directly with the Rekall POC to determine which network ranges are in-scope for the scheduled assessment.

It is Rekall's responsibility to ensure that IP addresses identified as in-scope are actually controlled by Rekall and are hosted in Rekall-owned facilities (i.e., are not hosted by an external organization). In-scope and excluded IP addresses and ranges are listed below.

Executive Summary of Findings

Grading Methodology

Each finding was classified according to its severity, reflecting the risk each such vulnerability may pose to the business processes implemented by the application, based on the following criteria:

Critical: Immediate threat to key business processes.

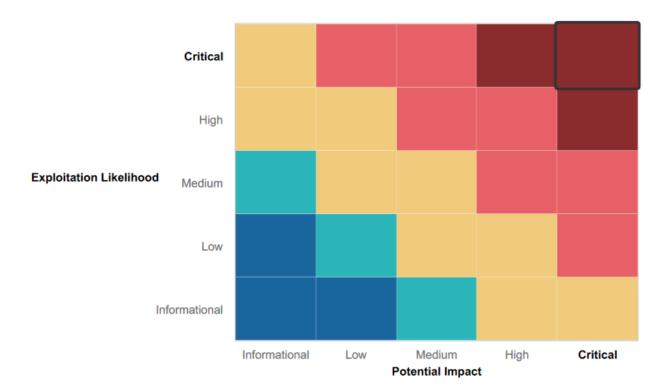
High: Indirect threat to key business processes/threat to secondary business processes.

Medium: Indirect or partial threat to business processes.

Low: No direct threat exists; vulnerability may be leveraged with other vulnerabilities.

Informational: No threat; however, it is data that may be used in a future attack.

As the following grid shows, each threat is assessed in terms of both its potential impact on the business and the likelihood of exploitation:



Summary of Strengths

While the assessment team was successful in finding several vulnerabilities, the team also recognized several strengths within Rekall's environment. These positives highlight the effective countermeasures and defenses that successfully prevented, detected, or denied an attack technique or tactic from occurring.

- Most systems required authentication to access administrative services.
- No default or commonly known credentials were found across internal services.
- The Windows domain controller had up-to-date patches applied.
- Network segmentation was in place to isolate certain sensitive services.
- Firewall rules restricted unnecessary inbound traffic.
- Critical internal tools were hosted on non-standard ports.

Summary of Weaknesses

We successfully found several critical vulnerabilities that should be immediately addressed in order to prevent an adversary from compromising the network. These findings are not specific to a software version but are more general and systemic vulnerabilities.

- Web applications allowed reflected XSS, LFI, and SQL injection due to lack of input validation.
- Internal tools allowed command injection via unsanitized system calls.
- Sensitive data was exposed via hardcoded credentials, HTML source, HTTP headers, and public robots.txt.
- Remote code execution was possible on multiple systems due to unpatched vulnerabilities.
- Post-exploitation access revealed excessive user privileges and lack of credential protection (e.g., plaintext in memory).
- Weak segmentation between compromised user machines and critical domain controllers enabled lateral movement.

Executive Summary

Over a three-day assessment, Rekall Corp's internal and external network surfaces were evaluated through a structured penetration test simulating real-world attack patterns. The objective was to assess Rekall's defenses against unauthorized access, data leakage, privilege escalation, and system exploitation.

The engagement began with reconnaissance of public-facing domains, revealing WHOIS details, SSL certificates, and internal infrastructure IPs. Web application testing uncovered multiple reflected XSS vulnerabilities across input forms. Additional issues included exposed credentials in source code, sensitive metadata in headers, and a misconfigured robots.txt file disclosing internal directories.

Local File Inclusion (LFI) vulnerabilities were identified via file upload bypasses, and SQL Injection was used to bypass login authentication. Command injection vulnerabilities were discovered in both DNS and MX record checkers, enabling unauthorized command execution.

Network scanning and service enumeration led to the identification of critical hosts running exploitable services. Remote Code Execution (RCE) was achieved on multiple targets — including Tomcat Manager, a vulnerable CGI endpoint, and a host with unpatched Nessus findings. Metasploit was used to deliver payloads, establish shells, and maintain access.

The final phase focused on post-exploitation and privilege escalation. Public GitHub credentials granted initial access, which expanded through SLMail exploitation, LSASS credential dumping, and lateral movement. Full domain compromise was achieved after capturing the Domain Administrator hash on the Rekall Domain Controller.

Summary Vulnerability Overview

Vulnerability	Severity
Reflected XSS Vulnerabilities Across Multiple Pages	High
Sensitive Data Exposure via Headers, Source Code, and robots.txt	Medium
Local File Inclusion (LFI) Exploitation	High
SQL Injection on Login.php	Critical
Command Injection Vulnerabilities on Networking Pages	High
WHOIS and SSL Reconnaissance Information Exposure	Informational
Host Discovery and Drupal CMS Detection	Medium
Critical Vulnerability on Host 192.168.13.12 (Nessus Scan)	Critical
Remote Code Execution via Tomcat Manager	High
Remote Code Execution via Shellshock Exploit	High
Post-Exploitation Privilege Escalation and Lateral Movement	Critical

The following summary tables represent an overview of the assessment findings for this penetration test:

Scan Type	Total
Hosts	6
Ports	18

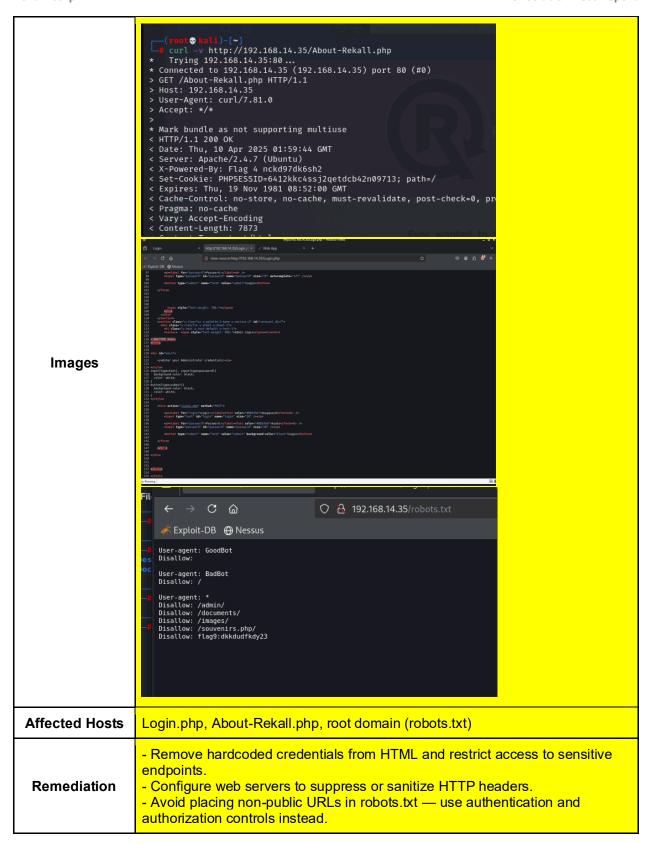
Exploitation Risk	Total
Critical	3
High	3
Medium	1
Low	0

Vulnerability Findings

Vulnerability 1	Findings
Title	Reflected Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) on Multiple Web Pages
Type (Web app / Linux OS / Windows OS)	Web App
Risk Rating	High
Description	Several pages across the application were found to be vulnerable to reflected XSS. Payloads such as <script>alert('XSS!');</script> were accepted and reflected back in the browser without sanitization. This was demonstrated on the Welcome.php, Memory-Planner.php, and Comments.php pages. These vulnerabilities could allow attackers to execute arbitrary JavaScript in users' browsers, steal session cookies, or deface pages. Flags Captured: 1, 2, 3
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Affected Hosts	Welcome.php, Memory-Planner.php, Comments.php
Remediation	 Apply strict input validation and context-aware output encoding. Implement Content Security Policy (CSP) headers to restrict script execution. Consider server-side and client-side validation in tandem.

Vulnerability 2	Findings
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Title	Sensitive Data Disclosure via HTTP Headers, Source Code, and robots.txt
Type (Web app / Linux OS / WIndows OS)	Web App
Risk Rating	Medium
Description	Sensitive information was exposed in multiple areas of the web application, including: - robots.txt revealed hidden directory paths. - Login.php included user credentials (dougquaid / kuato) in the HTML source code. - About-Rekall.php disclosed internal details via the X-Powered-By HTTP header. This information could be used by an attacker to identify exploitable systems or conduct phishing and social engineering. Flags Captured: 4, 8, 9



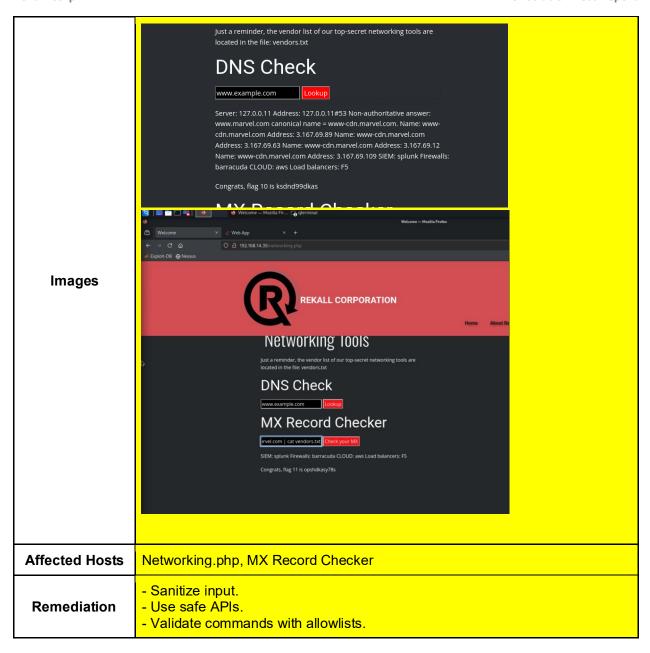
Vulnerability 3	Findings
Title	Local File Inclusion (LFI) via Malicious File Upload

Type (Web app / Linux OS / WIndows OS)	Web App	
Risk Rating	High	
Description	The Memory-Planner.php page accepted improperly validated user file uploads. By naming a payload as payload.jpg.php, we bypassed file type checks and triggered Local File Inclusion. The application accepted the .jpg in the name, but executed the .php code inside. This could lead to arbitrary file access, path traversal, or code execution. Flags Captured: 5, 6	
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Affected Hosts	Memory-Planner.php	
Remediation	 Restrict file uploads to a strict set of MIME types and file extensions using server-side validation. Store uploaded files outside of the web root and rename files upon saving. Disable interpretation of uploaded files as code. 	

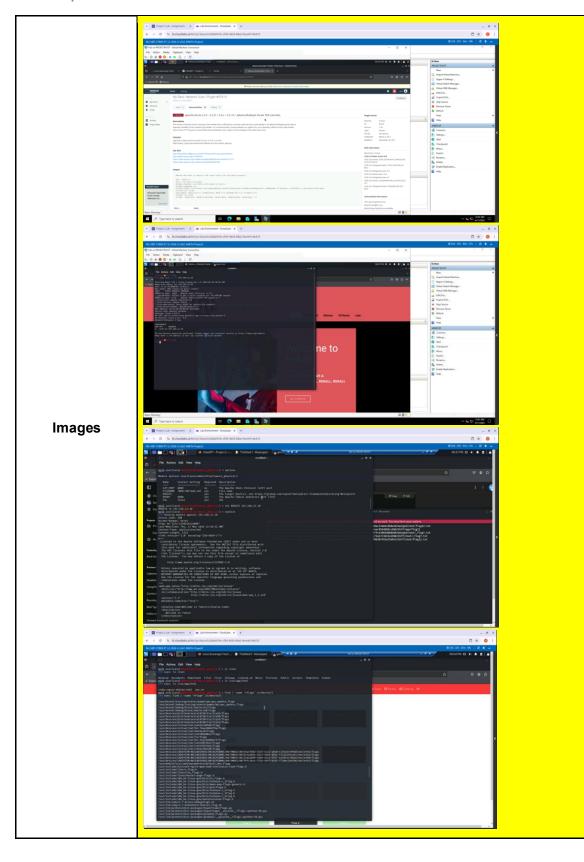
Vulnerability 4	Findings
Title	SQL Injection on Login.php
Type (Web app / Linux OS / WIndows OS)	Web App
Risk Rating	Critical
Description	The login functionality on Login.php was vulnerable to SQL Injection. By submitting a crafted input such as ok' or 1=1, the backend SQL query

	was manipulated to always evaluate as true, bypassing authentication entirely. This vulnerability allows attackers to log in as any user, potentially exposing sensitive data or enabling privilege escalation. Flag Captured: 7
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Affected Hosts	Login.php
Remediation	 Use parameterized queries and prepared statements. Avoid direct insertion of user input into SQL queries. Implement input validation and proper error handling.

Vulnerability 5	Findings
Title	Command Injection in DNS and MX Record Lookup Pages
Type (Web app / Linux OS / Windows OS)	Web App
Risk Rating	High
Description	User inputs in DNS/MX lookup fields were passed directly to the shell. Payloads like && cat vendors.txt and cat vendors.txt were successful. Flags: 10, 11

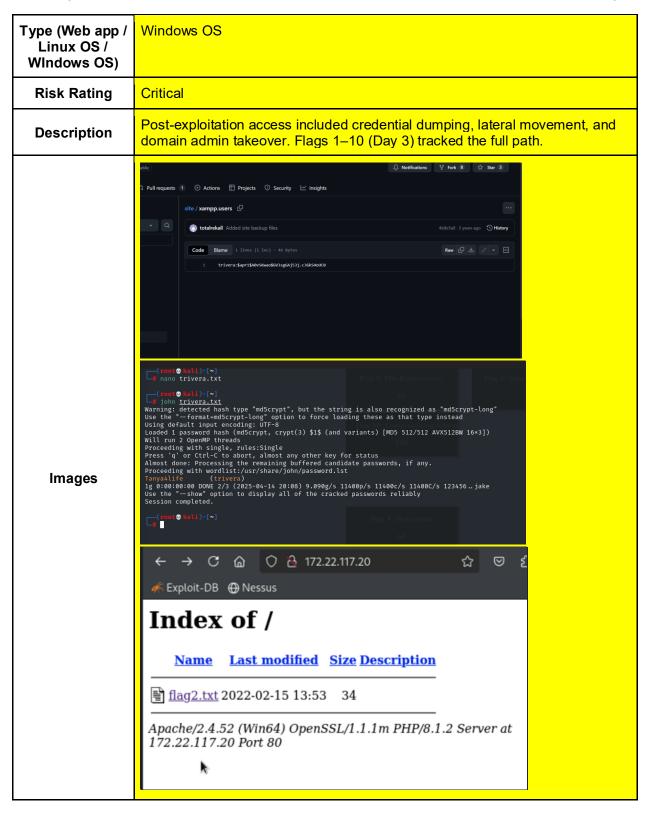


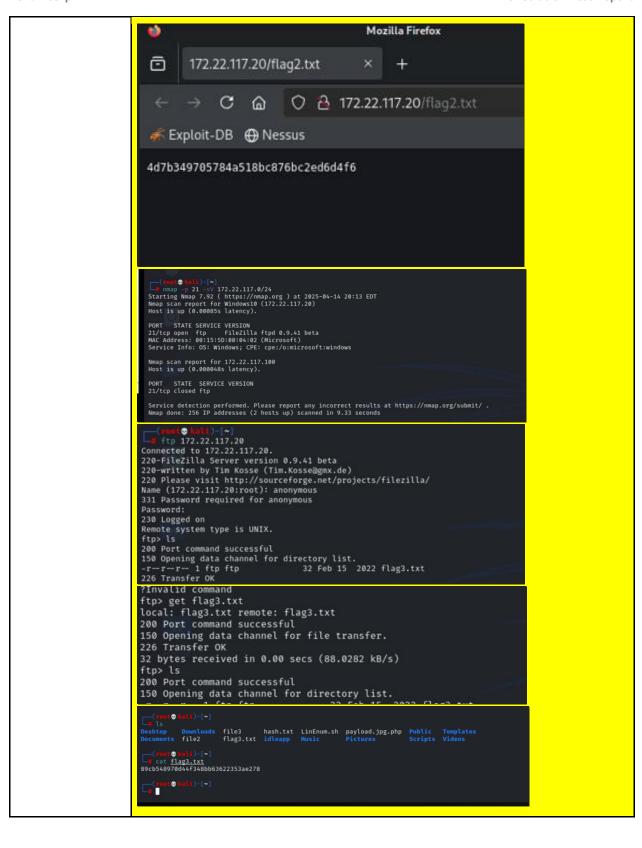
Vulnerability 6	Findings
Title	Remote Code Execution via Tomcat, Shellshock, and Unpatched Vulnerabilities
Type (Web app / Linux OS / WIndows OS)	Web App / Linux OS
Risk Rating	Critical
Description	Exploits used: Tomcat WAR deployment (Flag 7), Shellshock on CGI (Flag 8), critical Nessus vuln on .12 (Flag 6). Full system access achieved.

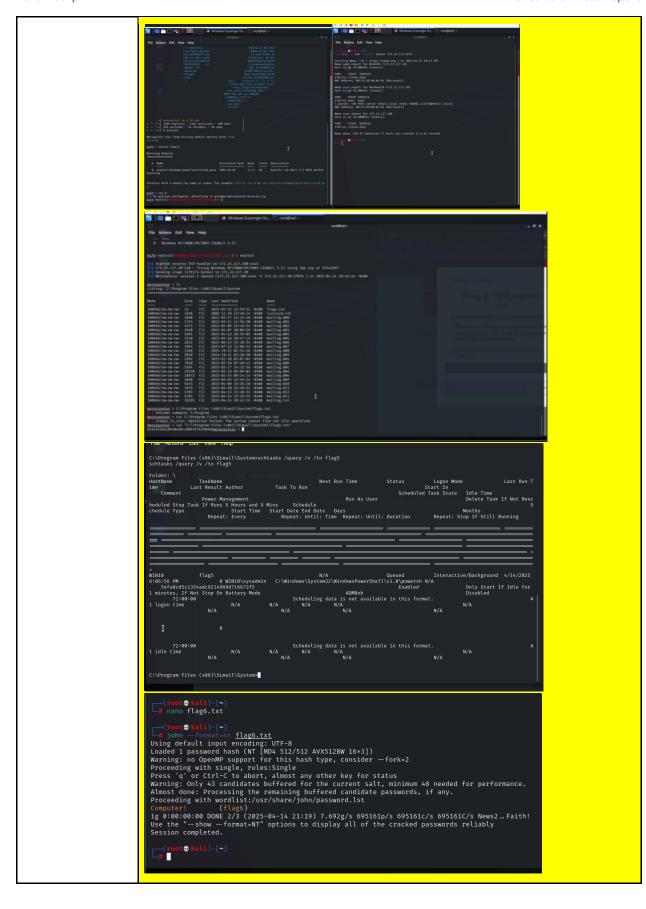




Vulnerability 7	Findings
Title	Post-Exploitation, Credential Dumping, and Privilege Escalation







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        Desktop

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Affected Hosts
                                                                                             Win10, WinDC01
                                                                                             - Harden endpoints.
                                                                                            - Use Credential Guard.
     Remediation
                                                                                            - Remove excessive privileges.

    Audit lateral movement logs.
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Add any additional vulnerabilities below.