Identity & Source Map

ILLUSTRATIVE PRODUCT DECISION GUIDE | PUBLIC-SOURCE AND SERVICE METHODOLOGY

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1. Cover copy: question and promise

Identity & Source Map

Identity and entity decision: What official requirement changed, for whom and on what date?

Use this review when: New rule, enforcement action, licensing revision or effective date.

Target reader: General counsel, chief compliance officers and trade associations.

Illustrative subtitle: A clearly bounded external-evidence review identifying what original records substantiate, which claims are contested and what the client must request before relying on an assertion.

2. The buyer decision and research boundary

The decision owner must resolve: **What official requirement changed, for whom and on what date?** The matter is activated by a documented event such as **new rule, enforcement action, licensing revision or effective date**. This specimen is intentionally subject-neutral. For the real commission, the research team must insert the actual named entity, decision date, jurisdiction, exact wording of the challenged claim and period before claiming anything factual.

Agreed scope model: One main entity or asset and up to four related names, owners, locations, records or aliases.

What is not automatically included: unbounded jurisdictions, confidential database access, professional regulated opinions, private surveillance, hardware or onsite testing, urgent escalation and any undisclosed third-party subscription costs.

3. What the buyer provides before instruction

- Exact name and identifiers of the relevant company, asset, product, person or project and its jurisdiction.
- The decision they must make, their deadline and the particular assertion or document that prompted it.
- Lawfully sharable materials, with any personal and confidential information minimised.
- Details of known adverse records, disputes and contradictory accounts, rather than a one-sided brief.
- Approval of the written scope, access conditions, final fee, permitted reliance and independent reviewer.

4. Investigative questions prepared for the real commission

- What official requirement changed, for whom and on what date?
- Which regulation original text establishes the relevant subject, version and reporting period?

- Could draft mistaken for law overturn the decision-relevant statement?
- What original agency consultation supports an independent cross-check rather than repeating the same source?
- Which dated records would distinguish wrong effective date from a genuine discrepancy?
- What source result would justify a specialist referral rather than a research conclusion?

5. Evidence acquisition order and verification method

- **Resolve the subject.** Start with `regulation original text` and capture issuer, entity match, record date, retrieval timestamp and original identifier.
- **Triangulate.** Compare `agency consultation` against the first source, testing whether both genuinely derive from independent originals.
- **Establish sequence.** Examine `enforcement notice` and order assertion, contemporaneous record, amendment and current status.
- **Seek negative evidence.** Test `draft mistaken for law`, `wrong effective date` and `wrong subject entity` with documented competing hypotheses.
- **Document the cutoff.** Name what is inaccessible, subscription-controlled, outdated or outside jurisdiction, and stop when the evidence cannot support more.
- **Human review.** Route legal, audit, security, engineering, medical, valuation or licensing questions to an authorised professional if applicable.

Why an evidence analyst is involved: Compare official versions, record applicability questions and flag unsettled dates and transitional rules. The value exists only when the recorded work improves the buyer's decision beyond readily accessible search results, an internal analyst or a self-service AI summary.

6. Ready-to-typeset example evidence matrix

Question/claim; First applicable original record; Best competing evidence; Illustrative state before casework; Next evidence action

Identity, legal capacity and exact subject; `regulation original text`; Alias/period mismatch; Not yet examined; Obtain verified legal or asset identifier

Main decision assertion; `agency consultation`; `draft mistaken for law`; Not yet examined; Request original dated statement and counter-record

Material event timing; `enforcement notice`; `wrong effective date`; Not yet examined; Reconcile dated event and publication chronology

Adverse exception; Independent contrary source; `wrong subject entity`; Not yet examined; Ask precise targeted contradictory question

Meaning of statuses (for the eventual real report):

Evidence state; Meaning for the decision owner

Supported; Applicable original records support the narrowly worded claim for the stated time and entity.

Partially supported; Some elements are established, while material qualifiers, scope or periods remain open.

Contradicted; A more reliable applicable record conflicts with the proposed assertion.

Unresolved; Accessible evidence is absent, ambiguous, outdated or conflicting; further documents are required.

Outside mandate; The question requires a reserved professional function or additional agreed research.

7. Concrete specimen outputs (without fictional findings)

Output committed for this product: Entity or asset-resolution table, link-confidence explanation and original source chain.

Suggested report artifacts:

- **Versioned Rule Comparison**: rows for evidence question, entity match, issuer, record identifier, effective date, retrieval date, contrary document, confidence explanation and reviewer disposition.
- **Effective-Date Table**: a table distinguishing event dates, record publication dates, claim dates, subsequent amendment and unresolved chronological gaps.
- **Counsel Questions**: a controlled clarification list addressed to the relevant source owner or instructing professional.
- A concise executive decision note stating what may be relied upon for the specified purpose and which matters remain unresolved.

Editorial visual specification: Include one actual evidence matrix or original-record timeline only when underlying evidence exists. Never insert decorative charts, fabricated relationships, arbitrary ratings or imaginary completed cases.

8. Source acquisition catalogue for this offer

These are real portals and competitor-method references to evaluate, not proof of any specific subject. Access, freshness, jurisdiction and licensing must be rechecked during production.

Ref; Primary source / comparator; Link; Evidence limitation and status

EBA-2026; European Banking Authority: 18 September 2026 final third-party risk guidelines; https://www.eba.europa.eu/publications-and-media/press-releases/eba-publishes-its-final-guidelines-management-third-party-risk-delivering-more-proportionate-and; WEB CHECKED 2026-10-12. Current official press release; focus on lifecycle for critical/important functions; final applicability must be checked separately

S05; EUR-Lex DORA regulation; https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2022/2554/oj; REGISTER STARTING POINT; NOT NEWLY RECHECKED. Source candidate; subject relevance, date and access must be verified case-by-case.

9. Deliberately adverse questions and professional boundary

- If `draft mistaken for law`, does the strongest original record still justify the same assertion?
- Could `wrong effective date` result from a date mismatch, name collision, incomplete publication or source-update lag?
- What would demonstrate `wrong subject entity` and require a 'cannot determine' outcome?
- **Professional boundary:** Factual source research only; legal interpretation and compliance sign-off reserved to counsel.

10. How a reader commissions the real product

The reader identifies the subject, decision date and three most material questions and requests a **written scope and fixed fee** through the existing website pathway: `/specialist-divisions/regulatory-change-compliance-intelligence/offers/identity-source-map/`. An initial enquiry must not contain confidential attachments. No work begins, payment occurs or information is treated as professionally verified until human acceptance, conflicts, lawful sourcing, pricing and the secure handoff process are complete. This illustrated manuscript does not constitute an offer to undertake regulated activity.

11. Production / reliance quality checklist

- Confirm the appointing client, exact research question, relevant location, decision date, conflicts, privacy, sanctions and licensing.
- Check original source identity, authority, issue date, effective date, retrieval timestamp, version and lawful access.
- Reproduce important calculations and compare at least one plausible contrary explanation.
- Keep allegations, regulatory findings, historical claims and unresolved matches distinct.
- Mark each proposed finding supported, partially supported, contradicted, unresolved or outside mandate; include missing-source requests.
- Confirm that illustrations do not imply a real engagement, completed investigation, certified outcome or affiliation with named comparators.
- Obtain final human sign-off on accuracy, legal boundaries, confidentiality, claims and publication version before release.

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