

White paper

Enabling Seamless and Secure IT and Administrative Consolidation for Federated *Federal Departments*

The current administration is pursuing broad IT and administrative consolidation at the Department level to reduce duplication, improve efficiency and cost savings, and enhance cybersecurity. However, de-federation poses a number of implementation challenges, including integrating legacy IT systems, technical complexities, risk to data and potential security breaches, and a poor end user experience disrupting mission. To enable IT consolidation and decrease disruption, Island, the Enterprise Browser, offers a seamless and secure approach to enable IT consolidation. Drawing on deep experience in supporting mergers and acquisitions, Island eliminates points of friction for integration while maintaining robust security and access controls.

Using the Island Enterprise Browser for technology consolidation provides the following benefits to federal Departments:

- Deprecating and integrating systems and applications without disruption to agency missions.
- Maintaining user productivity and morale throughout technology consolidation.
- Ensuring compliance with agency-specific regulations and federal cybersecurity mandates.
- Minimizing the attack surface and enforcing zero trust during the IT consolidation.

Island enables IT integration by providing simplified deployment and management at scale, access to the right data at the right time from any device during the integration journey and ensuring a smooth end user experience.

Simplified Deployment and Management at Scale

To facilitate IT consolidation, Island can be rapidly deployed using existing federal endpoint management tools and integrating with existing technology stacks and controls, including identity providers. IT teams can preconfigure access to consolidated technology resources based on role, agency, or location. Additionally, real-time dashboards track onboarding progress and browser usage, enabling immediate support and ensuring successful adoption. Using Island's enterprise browser means that an employee can immediately access consolidated applications and resources. This enables Departments to consolidate technology at Headquarters quickly and securely, without costly hardware replacements or complex VDI setups. By reducing friction, cutting costs, and providing reusable onboarding playbooks, Island enables de-federation at a lower cost and with higher levels of efficiency. With Island, the browser becomes the gateway to shared services across the Department, removing previously stove-piped processes. Because compliance is fundamentally built into the browser, there is no need for non-headquarters elements to adopt separate controls or security layers, and compliance is adapted across the entire Department as federal requirements evolve.

Access the Right Data at the Right Time from Any Device

With Island, agencies can fundamentally reduce the cost burden of government-issued devices. Users can log onto the browser on any device, anywhere and immediately access centralized services. Meanwhile, all sensitive data stays where it belongs, because the security controls are built into the browser and managed centrally. This eliminates the need for agencies to manage hardware, VDI sessions, or multiple user profiles. Instead, the

browser becomes the standardized interface across the entire agency. With Island, the browser also becomes the common display layer for all resources, whether legacy on-prem, SaaS, or cloud-native systems. For access to on-prem apps, Island eliminated the need for clunky VPN solutions. For SaaS apps, Island gives agencies consistent visibility and control by applying data loss prevention controls, logging all user activity, and standardizing SSO (Island also offers integrated privileged access management and an enterprise password manager for applications that aren't SSO enabled).

Enable User Productivity and Security During and Post-Integration

Users can continue using their existing endpoints by simply installing Island and authenticating. Once logged in, employees gain immediate access to both Agency and Department-wide applications through a secure, familiar browser interface, eliminating the need to manage hardware, VDI sessions, or multiple user profiles. Personalized onboarding messages and resource hubs welcome users on their first day, reducing confusion and ensuring a smooth, seamless transition.

Why Island for IT Consolidation?

The Island Enterprise Browser enables Federal Departments to consolidate technology at headquarters quickly, securely, and without costly hardware replacements or complex VDI setups. Deployed to existing devices, it gives employees immediate, secure access to HQ applications through a familiar browser, while IT manages granular access, compliance, and real-time adoption metrics. By reducing friction, cutting costs, and providing reusable onboarding playbooks, Island supports smooth integration and secure offboarding—all with minimal disruption to mission-critical work.

