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ACC Records Management University

Class 1: Introduction to Modern Records Management: Creating a Records Policy and Schedule







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Today's Faculty



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Mark Diamond President & CEO, Contoural

As founder and CEO of Contoural, Inc. Mark Diamond is one of the industry thought leaders in proactive records management, privacy, litigation readiness, compliance and governance strategies. As a trusted advisor he and his company work with more than 30% of the Fortune 500, plus many mid-sized firms, federal agencies, as well as non-profits. Contoural is also helping the Association for Corporate Counsel launch a law firm security assessment program.

ACC Records Management University Syllabus

Class 1: Introduction to Modern Records Management: Creating a Records Policy and Schedule

- Key concepts of a modern records program
- Creating a compliant and easier-to-execute records retention schedule
- How privacy, data governance and other initiatives fit into a records program

Class 2: Records Program Execution – September 21, 2022

- Determining the right level of program maturity for your company
- Getting a records program started or restarted
- How to avoid from getting stuck, or restarting a stalled initiative
- Designing a records program so it drives effective privacy, eDiscovery, and employee productivity





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Class 3: Automating Records Management – On Demand

- The Five Second Rule Creating combined records management, privacy, data classification and access control processes that employees can follow quickly
- A quick review of technologies to automate programs, including technologies that most companies already own today
- How to delete email, files and other information quickly and defensibly
- Combining policies, processes and technologies to automate records management

Class 4: Records Management Training, Employee Behavior Change Management and Organizational Development – On Demand

- How messaging, communications plans, training and audit can be combined into an effective employee behavior change management strategy
- Creating records management messages that resonate, even for employees that don't care about records management
- Creating and staffing a records management organization





What is Records Management?

Records Management, sometimes referred to as Records & Information Management, or "RIM," refers to the systematic control over the lifecycle of records.

Everyone manages records as part of their work - creating, using, storing, and ultimately destroying documents on a daily basis.







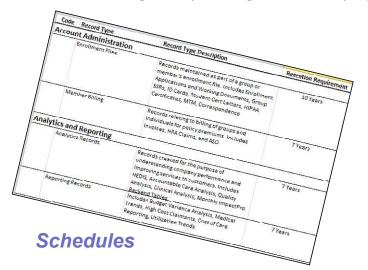
Records Management Policies and Schedules

Record Retention Policies

- Sometimes referred to as a Records Retention and Destruction Policy. It governs the management of all records, in any format.
- Typically, it is an enterprise policy that applies to all employees in all locations and business units.
- The Policy is the stated intent for an organization to comply with applicable contractual, regulatory and legal recordkeeping requirements



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Records Schedules

- The Records Retention Schedule is typically an addendum to the policy and lists all record types and their retention periods.
- Some schedules detail the legal citations supporting the retention period.
- Schedules can be organized in a various of formats.



What are Business Records?

- *Reflect business actions or decisions*
- Can exist in any media format (paper, electronic, email, DVDs, images, etc.)
- Retention justified either by legal or regulatory requirement and/or business value
- May be stored in various locations (physical and/or electronic)
- Have defined retention requirements







Non-Records

1. Convenience Copies

Convenience Copies are documents copied to you as a convenience. You probably often receive email with copies of documents attached; your department did not create them, so you have no responsibility for retaining them.

Convenience Copies should only be kept as long as needed to do your job. If you no longer need a Convenience Copy, dispose of it.

3. Work Papers

Work Papers are short-term records created as part of a project or in conjunction with working on a task.

These records include notes, reference materials, or other documents created and used when accomplishing a task.

Dispose of Work Papers as soon as you no longer need them.

2. Drafts

There are often many drafts created of a final record. Dispose of drafts once superseded by a new draft or the final version.

If retention of drafts is required for legal or regulatory reasons, keep them for the period identified in the Schedule. Otherwise, dispose of them.

4. Transitory Information

Transitory Information are emails and other documents with no on-going business value.

Transitory Information can include notes, out-of-office messages, and personal email.

Dispose of Transitory Information immediately.

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Working Documents

Working Documents are short-term records created as part of or in conjunction with working on a task.

These records include notes, reference materials, or other documents created and used when accomplishing a task.

However, some working documents become part of an official record when the task is complete.

Many companies allow retention of working documents for a limited period, e.g., 18 months, in a managed repository.





Legal Holds May Supersede Record Retention Destruction Dates

Instructions for complying with a Legal Hold:

- Carefully read the Legal Hold Notice you receive from the Legal Department.
- Save and store documents normally.
- Do not delete, destroy, alter or modify existing documents.
- Continue to preserve documents until you receive a Legal Hold Release.
- When the Legal Hold is released, review the preserved records.
 - Destroy any records whose retention period expired during the Legal Hold.
 - Continue to keep the remaining records until the end of their designated retention period.





Rethinking Records Retention Schedules

Traditional Approach

- Retention biased towards paper records
- Focuses almost entirely and legal and regulatory record retention, for the most part excluded business value.
- Dictates policies to business units, does not engage them
- Records program is a stand-alone entity
- Once policy is published little or no audit



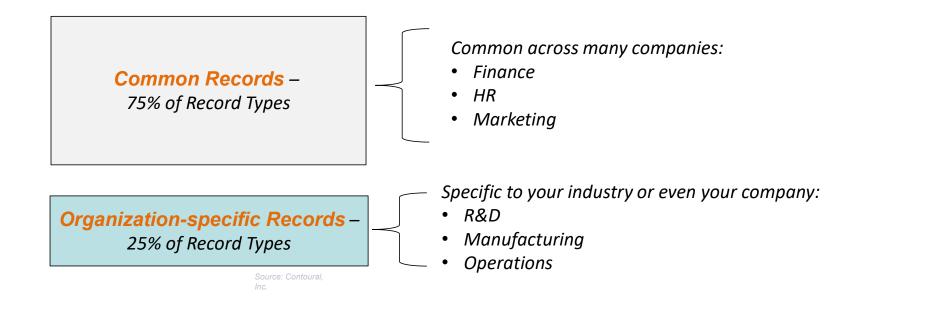
Modern Approach

- Includes a comprehensive list of record types across all media
- Records identified based on legal and regulatory requirements and business value
- Represents a consensus across key stakeholders and business units on what to save for how long and what can be deleted
- Lends itself to be integrated with privacy, eDiscovery, and other compliance frameworks
- Includes processes to demonstrate it is being followed, making it defensible

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Have We Captured All The Record Types?





Strategies to Increase Comprehensiveness Quality and Maturity

Electronic Survey-only Industry Average Participation Rate: **2% to 8%.** Risks missing information

60 minute interviews with groups of 1 to 5 people produce the highest quality data, which can be supplemented with online surveys



"Minimal Spanning Tree" Interviews – Collecting the most information with the fewest interviews.



"Deep Dive" on documents and records for accuracy and completeness

Source: Contoural, Inc.



Involve the business on both ends – data collection and schedule validation. Participation is good for buy-in and compliance when the schedule is rolled out.





Globalizing Your Records Management Program

Identify Differences from the U.S. and other countries

- Update Policies, Process, Procedures, Retention Schedules
- Regional and Country Exceptions, Local Practices
- Define Change Management & Communication Plans (localization)
- Define a Schedule to Roll-Out Changes
- Connect through the Organization No Surprises
- Follow-Up Regularly
- Rinse, Repeat

Governance Structure & Organizational Structure

Define a global framework

Set-up or augment a governing steering committee

Define roles & job descriptions

Define country specific differences in roles

Setting up a liaison for each business unit / country

Define communication, audit and review processes





Data Retention Policy vs. Records Retention Policy and Schedule

New Data Retention Policy

- Legal and Regulatory Retention and Disposition Requirements
- Business Value
- Personal Information

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Record Retention Policy and Schedule

- Legal and Regulatory Retention Requirements
- Business Value





When Record Retention and Privacy Requirements Collide

So how do you keep business records and information for as long as the business utility exists, but only keep personal information "no longer than necessary" and be able to delete on demand?

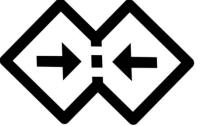
Use your records retention schedule processes to help.

Just as you work through the business and legal need for other records, do the same for your records containing personal information.



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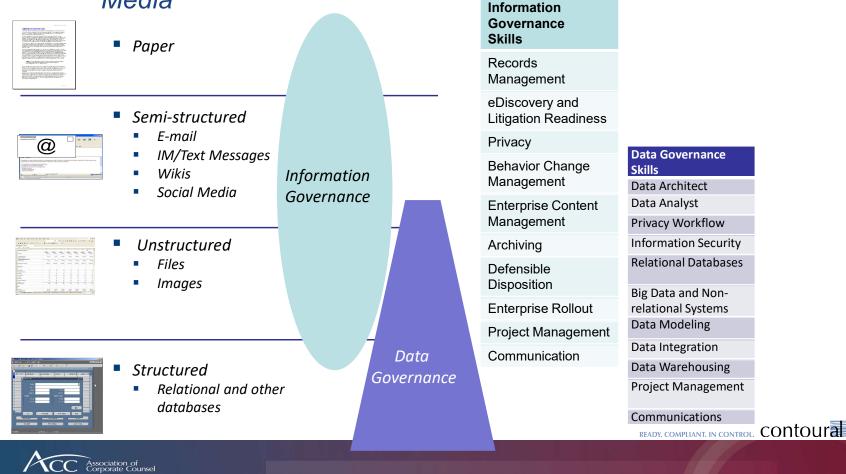
Record Retention Policy and Schedule

- Legal and Regulatory Retention Requirements
- Business Value
- Add personal information
- Add legitimate business purpose process

You do not need a new document – rrespective of the title of the document/s, they provide the same information: the length of time you must keep records.



Information Governance vs. Data Governance



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The Joint Program Hidden Win



Records compliance drives better information management, which drives higher employee productivity.



ACC Records Management University Additional Content

In-house Tales from the Trenches – 20-minute On-Demand Recordings

- Building Shared Records Program Ownership Across Legal, IT and the Business Units
- Getting Legal, IT, and Everyone Else to Agree on What Email, Files and Other Information to Save and Not Save
- How To Develop Program Support (and Funding) from Senior Management
- Key Lessons I Learned in Executing My Records Program
- How We Unstuck Our Records Program
- How We Learned to Have Records Play Well With Privacy and Other Compliance Programs





About Contoural

Largest independent strategic consulting services provider serving more than 30% of the Fortune 500 plus many small and mid-sized companies. Services including records and information management, litigation readiness and control of sensitive information consulting services. Sponsor of the ACC Information Governance Network.

Independent – Contoural does not sell any products, provide document storage services or offer "reactive," matter-specific discovery services.

Cross Functional – Our engagements incorporate a combination of legal, compliance, records management, information technology, security and change management best practices.

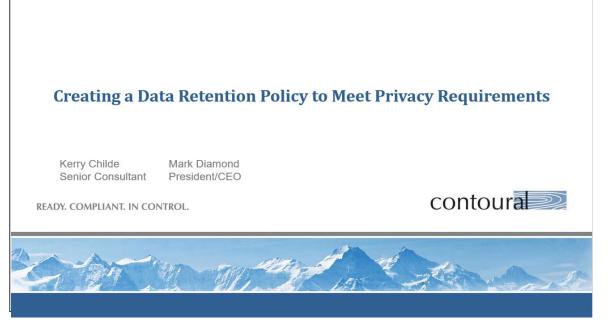
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Experienced – Contoural has served more than 30% of the Fortune 500, a number of federal agencies, as well as numerous mid-sized companies and public entities. Our consultants average more than 24 years of experience in their respective field.

Real Impact – Contoural services provide measurable impact on real-world business needs.



Additional Content: Recorded ACC LegalQuickHit



ACC LegalQuickHit: Creating a Data Retention Policy to Meet Privacy Requirements 9/15/22. Recording available:

- ACC Information Governance Network Home Page
- Email info@contoural.com
- Link:

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New Content: Creating a Data Retention Policy for Privacy



Creating a Data Retention Policy to Meet Privacy Requirements



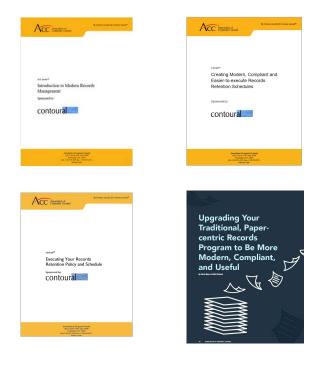






Additional Content

Contoural complimentary content and additional resources at <u>www.contoural.com</u> or email <u>info@contoural.com</u>



- Guide: Introduction to Modern Records Management
- InfoPAK: Creating Modern, Compliant and Easier-to-Execute Records Retention Schedules
- InfoPAK: Executing Your Records Retention Policy and Schedule
- Article: Upgrading Your Traditional, Papercentric Records Program to Be More Modern, Compliant and Useful





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