Case Study

Broad Security Review

The Client: Hunt Companies

Hunt has a long history within real estate nvestment, infrastructure, and military housing markets. Founded in 1947, Hunt remains a private, family owned company. The organization is now proud to be the 3rd largest U.S. Apartment Property Manager, and the 4th largest Affordable Multifamily Property Management Company. With around 130 lines of business, the company's scale and diversity create unique challenges from an information security perspective. Hunt builds its reputation on integrity, performance, and a focus on excellence in corporate governance. Its therefore no surprise that they were keen to engage with a cyber security partner, such as **ZDL Group**.

The Assignment:
Baseline of Controls and a Roadmap for Improvement

Hunt needed a way to establish a baseline of information security controls that were currently in place at a corporate level. This would then be used as a benchmark for the entire organization. Putting controls in place at corporate level would enable the organization to drive a consistent information security posture from the top down, as well as ensuring ownership of information security at a senior level.

Once the baseline corporate controls were in place, Hunt would work with **ZDL Group** to develop a roadmap for further strengthening of the information security posture and trickle down across the company, to better secure each individual line of business.

The Service:
Broad Security Review

ZDL Group performed a Broad Security Review of the client's external and internal network infrastructure, public facing web applications, mobile applications, corporate wireless networks, and physical security.

This strategic and broad approach is popular with clients as it enables them to effectively see what an attacker would see, simulating a real-life attack rather than a one-off discreet test.

ZDL Group also carried out spear-phishing campaigns and an OSINT gathering exercise to test the organization's exposure to risk and resilience to a cyber attack.

The Broad Security Review allowed ZDL Group to compile a comprehensive report spanning several disciplines, identifying not only client weaknesses but also areas of strength. This, in turn, enabled the client to build a targeted and actionable roadmap, resulting in an exponential strengthening of the client's overall information security posture.

Our Client's Feedback:

'*It has been an absolute pleasure working with **ZDL Group**. As an organization Hunt prides itself on excellence in corporate governance, so it has been refreshing to find another company, **ZDL Group**, who share our values and commitment to excellence in this area.*

*By engaging with **ZDL Group** we are in a much better position, where we now have a deeper and richer understanding of risk in our business. Not only this, we also now have the strategies in place to reduce these risks at pace.*

The service and quality we received, from first engagement to delivery of the broad security review reports (and beyond) has been excellent.

*I would happily recommend **ZDL Group** as a strategic cyber security partner, and I'm looking forward to continuing our relationship for years to come*'

Randy Stroud, CISO – Hunt Companies

Delivering Excellence in Cyber Security

At ZDL, we believe that effective risk management requires a holistic 360° approach. We take a comprehensive view of our clients' cyber security risks and provide quality services to address those risks.

Our approach to Total Security Management helps make our clients' infrastructure, applications and data more secure in the face of a continually evolving Threat Landscape. Our aim is to build a partnership with our clients, built on a mutual respect and understanding of each other's businesses. We become a part of our clients' team, a valued partner; an intrinsic part of their business.

ZDL's 4 key service areas are designed to focus on our clients' cyber resilience journey. Our unique portfolio of services enables you to build an agile, responsive security infrastructure and strategy.

Our Services

Ethical Hacking

- Broad Security Review
- Red Teaming
- Security Audits
- Penetration Testing
- Cloud Security & Security Ops Testing
- Source Code Review/Coding Standards
- Social Engineering
- Physical Security

Training

- Security Awareness Programmes
- Secure Coding School for Developers
- Bespoke Senior Exec Security Training
- Runbook training/ Scenario Workshops
- Phishing & Resilience Programmes
- Physical Security Awareness
- Online Assessment / CBT Developer Training

Managed Services

- Supplier Evaluation Risk Management (VenDoor)
- Incident Response Preparedness
- Security Training for Developers - Annual Programme
- Managed Detection and Response (MDR)
- Virtual Information Security Manager
- OSINT/Threat Intelligence

Compliance

- Policy Review & Creation
- 360° Assessment
- PCI Remediation Support
- ISO/ NIST/EU GDPR Standards Agreement
- Business Continuity Management
- IR Management Review
- ISO Readiness Programmes
- Office365 Configuration Review

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