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CLI for Data Classification

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Using Agent via command line interface (CLI) executable

Previously (versions prior to 3.0) it was possible to call the Agent executable with parameters to change classification/distribution/compliance of a file from command line.

Starting with version 3.0 we do ship a separate CLI executable with each Agent installation (**GVClient.CLI.Windows.exe**) that can be used to:

- manually apply a given classification to a file.
- manually apply a given distribution to a file.
- manually apply a given compliance to a file.
- apply classification/distribution/compliance as described in Expert Configuration, section **externalLabelMappings**.

NOTE: For the CLI functionality to work as expected in this document Agent version 3.5.9 is required.

What does it do?

By calling the CLI with parameters we run actions listed in previous paragraph and as a result **ADD** or **OVERWRITE** metadata of requested file.

What does it not do?

- It is not possible to **REMOVE** any metadata from the file, you can only **ADD** or **OVERWRITE**.
- It is not possible to add visual markings to the file (December 2023).
- No machine learning capabilities - we need user to provide required classification/compliance/distribution as parameter.

Supported files

NOTE: This tool **DO NOT** currently support all Data Classification-supported files as per the document located here: [Forcepoint Data Classification Powered by Getvisibility Synergy Supported File Types](#)

It only supports files that have metadata. So, for example DOC/XLS/PPT files are **NOT SUPPORTED**.

Setup and functionality

Basic functionality and parameters

To classify a file using CLI and add PCI compliance you can run it as:

```
GVClient.CLI.Windows.exe filename.docx --silent --overwrite --save --tag e16409a7-1700-4153-9090-3955bc2f0ae8/Classification/Confidential --tag f14fc1f1-8950-40d5-8a29-45909da947d6/PCI/true
```

- **--silent** - Optional. Silent executes the command in the background.
- **--save** - Optional. A "Save" parameter is required to write changes to the files. W/o "save" the commands are executed in a "dry-run" mode
- **--tag** - Optional. Tag parameter specifies what labels to write to a file.

- **--map-external** - Optional. Map-external will use the mapping specified in the configuration under the "externalLabelMappings" stanza, as shown in the screenshot below. This parameter checks file's metadata with the regex specified in the configuration and applies a GV label specified in tagset and tag sections of the externalLabelMapping stanza of the configuration.
- **--overwrite** - Optional. Overwrite means to disregard all existing GV tags inside of a file. For example, if we want to tag a file, and a file is already tagged by GV, then we will not overwrite GV tag if the overwrite option is specified.

Running CLI will result in logs being shown in the console. You can redirect the logs to a file or null device if you are running the CLI for multiple files.

Sample result:

```
C:\Users\Marcel>C:\Program Files (x86)\GVClient\app-3.5.9\GVClient.CLI.Windows.exe "C:\tools\bj\BJ Files\file-sample_1MB.docx" --silent --overwrite --save --map-external
Got startup args: C:\tools\bj\BJ Files\file-sample_1MB.docx, --silent, --overwrite, --save, --map-external
Initializing application...
Performed classification: { "created": "2023-12-12T11:46:02.000307400Z", "originator": { "userName": "Marcel", "userDomainName": "W10W", "machineName": "W10W", "assemblyName": "CLI", "ipAddress": "100.112.66.43", "identityKind": "PLATFORM_IDENTITY_KIND_CLI" }, "initialOrigin": { "userName": "Marcel", "userDomainName": "W10W", "machineName": "W10W", "assemblyName": "CLI", "ipAddress": "100.112.66.43", "identityKind": "PLATFORM_IDENTITY_KIND_CLI" }, "clientSessionId": "10016d77-ade5-4cf0-985e-15852a763294", "eventTime": "2023-12-12T11:46:02.000307400Z", "user": "Marcel", "agentId": "W10W/Marcel/GVClient.CLI.Windows/100.112.66.43", "ipAddress": "100.112.66.43", "classificationEvent": { "classifiedFile": { "fileId": "bbd35e6c-6a69-5748-532c-c5f05eb98f7d", "path": "C:\\tools\\bj\\BJ Files\\file-sample_1MB.docx" }, "settings": { }, "classificationValue": [ { "id": "ac4a810e-decf-4e3a-a9c2-88fcd6a56e1c", "tagset": { "name": "Classification", "id": "e16409a7-1700-4153-9090-3955bc2f0ae8", "tags": [ { "name": "Classification", "id": "b7c4a4c1-0618-484d-be40-942991ff752e", "tagType": "TAG_TYPE_CATEGORICAL", "defaultValue": { "type": "string", "value": "Public" }, "tagValues": [ { "type": "string", "value": "Public" }, { "type": "string", "value": "Internal" }, { "type": "string", "value": "Confidential" }, { "type": "string", "value": "Highly Confidential" } ] } ], "tagType": "TAG_TYPE_CATEGORICAL", "displayName": "CLASSIFICATION"}, "created": "2023-12-12T11:46:02.406912700Z", "values": [ { "key": { "name": "Classification", "id": "b7c4a4c1-0618-484d-be40-942991ff752e", "tagType": "TAG_TYPE_CATEGORICAL", "defaultValue": { "type": "string", "value": "Public" }, "tagValues": [ { "type": "string", "value": "Public" }, { "type": "string", "value": "Internal" }, { "type": "string", "value": "Confidential" }, { "type": "string", "value": "Highly Confidential" } ] }, "value": { "type": "string", "value": "Confidential" } ], "confidences": [ { "key": { "name": "Classification", "id": "b7c4a4c1-0618-484d-be40-942991ff752e", "tagType": "TAG_TYPE_CATEGORICAL", "defaultValue": { "type": "string", "value": "Public" }, "tagValues": [ { "type": "string", "value": "Public" }, { "type": "string", "value": "Internal" }, { "type": "string", "value": "Confidential" }, { "type": "string", "value": "Highly Confidential" } ] }, "value": 1 } ] ] ] }
```

figure 1.

Applying classification based on existing metadata content.

Other limitations

User under which the CLI is executed needs access/write rights to a file you are trying to modify. This may cause issues if CLI is executed under different user context.

This is specifically true for any DLP since it is not executing script in user context, rather SYSTEM.

Troubleshooting

NOTE: Verify customer is using Agent with at least version 3.5.9

- Log files for CLI can be located at:
%AppData%\Roaming\GVClient.CLI.Windows\Logs
- Example of log after running CLI with --map-external:

```
360 INFORMATION: Loading metadata from "C:\tools\bj\BJ Files\file-sample_1MB.docx" - 14 entries.
361 INFORMATION: Loading metadata from "GVClient.Common.Utils.Base64EncodedMetadataDictionary" - 1 entries.
362 DEBUG: Reading tagset e16409a7-1700-4153-9090-3955bc2f0ae8/Classification...
363 DEBUG: Reading value for tag Classification
364 DEBUG: Got property value Confidential
365 DEBUG: Property value is NOT equal to tagTemplate
366 DEBUG: Property value is NOT equal to tagTemplate
367 DEBUG: Property value is equal to tagTemplate
368 DEBUG: Property value is NOT equal to tagTemplate
369 DEBUG: Property value is NOT equal to tagTemplate
370 DEBUG: Some tagValues were found
371 DEBUG: ReadTagsetValue finished
372 DEBUG: WriteMetadataTagsetValues started
373 DEBUG: GetInternalMetadataAccessor started
374 DEBUG: GetInternalMetadataAccessor finished
375 INFORMATION: Loading metadata from "C:\tools\bj\BJ Files\file-sample_1MB.docx" - 14 entries.
376 INFORMATION: Loading metadata from "GVClient.Common.Utils.Base64EncodedMetadataDictionary" - 1 entries.
377 DEBUG: Writing tagset e16409a7-1700-4153-9090-3955bc2f0ae8/Classification...
378 INFORMATION: Saved metadata to "C:\tools\bj\BJ Files\file-sample_1MB.docx" - 14 entries.
379 INFORMATION: Saved metadata to "GVClient.Common.Utils.Base64EncodedMetadataDictionary" - 1 entries.
380 DEBUG: Updating Confidential -> Confidential
381 INFORMATION: Document saved.
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```

figure 2.



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