

The Agentic Fund-Administration Model: Control, Headcount and Fee Margin

Evidence Lineage, Exception Operations and Accountable Automation

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Abstract

Fund administration converts governing documents, investor instructions, banking records, asset data and regulatory obligations into subscriptions, capital calls, distributions, reconciliations, valuations, reporting and auditable books. Fragmented systems, manual rekeying, variable documents, delayed evidence and exception-heavy workflows can consume skilled capacity and compress service margins. Agentic systems can retrieve, classify, extract, calculate, reconcile, draft and route work; they can also propagate a wrong entity, period, entitlement, bank instruction or fee treatment at scale. This paper develops an evidence-led operating model for agentic fund administration across private equity, private credit, venture, real assets and other alternative funds. Forty modules cover mandate boundaries, operating models, entity masters, governing documents, investor onboarding, subscriptions, cash, reconciliations, capital activity, fees, allocations, NAV support, valuations, investor reporting, regulatory reporting, DDQs, side letters, tax evidence, transfer agency, payments, exceptions, service levels, human authority, model and prompt controls, data rights, security, resilience, third parties, testing, quality measurement, workforce redesign, economics, pricing, client migration, oversight, audit evidence, incident response, change governance, outcome monitoring and evidence-gated rollout. Five figures, five tables, eight frequently asked questions and twenty-six authoritative references support fund-, vehicle-, investor-, transaction-, jurisdiction-, obligation- and period-specific review. Illustrative methods and values require replacement with approved governing documents, contracts, legal advice, regulatory interpretation, accounting policy, tax advice and operational evidence. The framework does not substitute for fiduciary, fund, securities, accounting, valuation, legal, tax, data-protection, cyber or investment advice.

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1. Define the administration mandate

Set the funds, vehicles, jurisdictions, services, records, decisions and exclusions covered by each operating mandate and documented service contract scope, with named owners, review dates and approved evidence boundaries.

Controlled evidence includes fund; vehicle; jurisdiction; service; obligation; owner; exclusion; approval. The immediate decision is to freeze scope and authority before introducing agents. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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2. Map the operating model

Managers, administrators, depositaries, custodians, banks, accountants, counsel and technology providers need explicit roles and hand-offs.

Controlled evidence includes party; role; activity; input; output; decision right; escalation; contract. The immediate decision is to locate accountability across the service chain. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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3. Create the legal-entity master

Funds, feeders, blockers, SPVs, investors, counterparties and bank accounts require stable identifiers and relationships.

Controlled evidence includes entity; identifier; domicile; ownership; account; status; effective date; source. The immediate decision is to prevent entity and account confusion. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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4. Digitise governing documents

Partnership agreements, offering documents, side letters, subscription terms and policies define the permissible treatment.

Controlled evidence includes document; version; clause; vehicle; party; right; obligation; reviewer. The immediate decision is to bind each workflow rule to controlling text. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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5. Control investor onboarding

Eligibility, identity, authority, sanctions, tax status, bank evidence and approvals should be complete before acceptance.

Controlled evidence includes investor; beneficial owner; document; check; result; reviewer; expiry; approval. The immediate decision is to stop incomplete or unauthorised admission. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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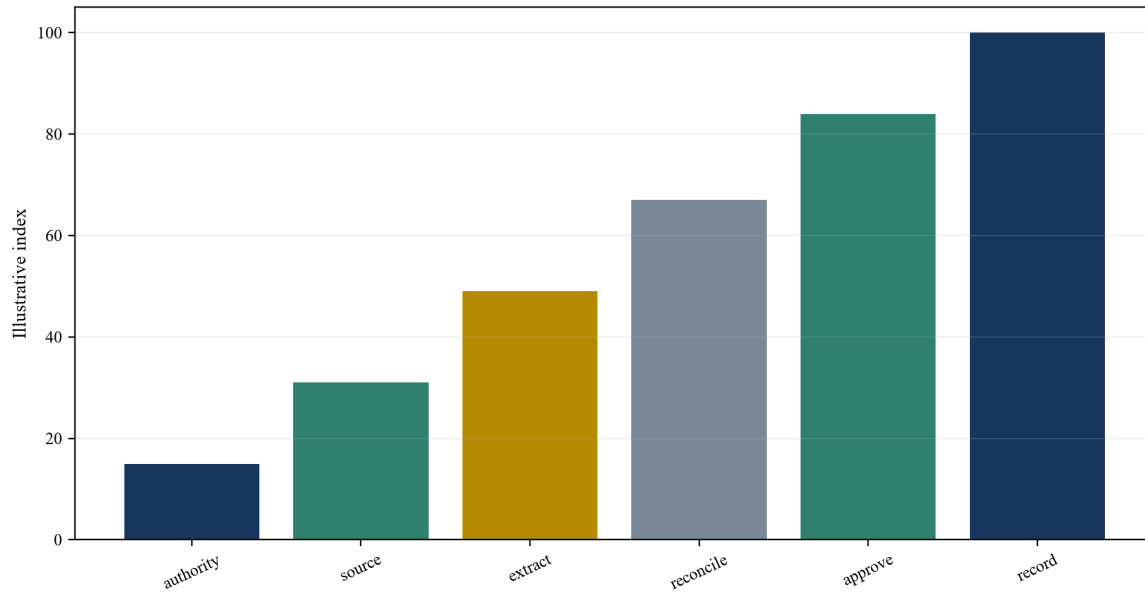
Table 1. Administration control contract

Element	Required evidence	Decision
scope	fund, service and obligation	what work is permitted
source	document, system and cut-off	what evidence governs
authority	role, segregation and approval	who may act
outcome	record, cash and client consequence	how completion is proved

Replace illustrative classifications with company-specific evidence and approved transaction treatment.

Figure 1. Evidence-to-record administration chain

FIGURE 1. EVIDENCE-TO-RECORD ADMINISTRATION CHAIN



Every record and instruction should remain connected to authority, source, transformation, review and outcome.

6. Orchestrate subscriptions

Commitments, closings, equalisation, currency, settlement and conditions precedent need a single traceable case.

Controlled evidence includes investor; vehicle; commitment; close; currency; condition; cash; status. The immediate decision is to convert an approved subscription into complete records. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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7. Reconcile cash and bank evidence

Receipts, payments, value dates, references, currencies and bank statements should reconcile to authorised instructions.

Controlled evidence includes account; transaction; amount; currency; value date; reference; source; match. The immediate decision is to separate confirmed cash from expected movement. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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8. Administer capital calls

Call basis, allocation, notice, due date, bank instruction, receipt and default treatment require governing-document support.

Controlled evidence includes vehicle; call; investor; allocation; notice; due date; receipt; exception. The immediate decision is to issue and close each call from authorised evidence. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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9. Administer distributions

Waterfalls, entitlements, withholding, currency, bank verification and approvals determine distributable cash.

Controlled evidence includes vehicle; event; proceeds; entitlement; tax; account; approval; payment. The immediate decision is to prevent wrong-party, wrong-amount and wrong-account payments. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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10. Calculate management fees

Bases, rates, step-downs, offsets, waivers, side letters, taxes and periods need versioned calculation logic.

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11. Allocate income and expenses

Fund-level and deal-level income, expenses, broken-deal costs and special allocations require policy and contractual evidence.

Controlled evidence includes ledger item; vehicle; investment; investor class; rule; amount; period; reviewer. The immediate decision is to apply the authorised allocation treatment. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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12. Support NAV production

Positions, cash, accruals, debt, expenses, FX, valuations and ownership should reconcile before NAV approval.

Controlled evidence includes vehicle; period; account; position; valuation; accrual; source; sign-off. The immediate decision is to assemble a reviewable NAV evidence pack. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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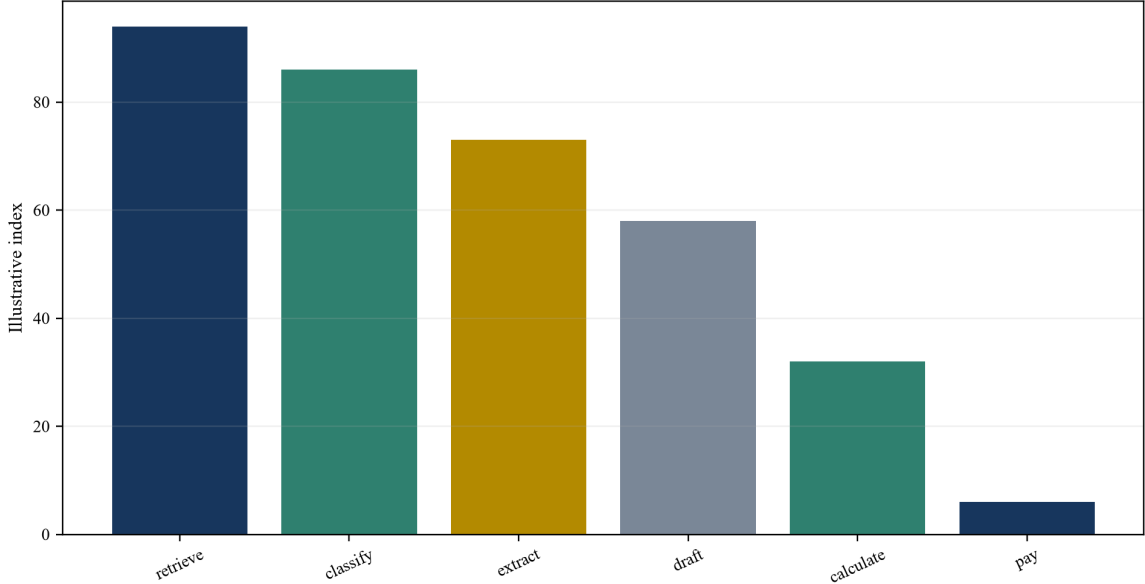
Table 2. NAV evidence architecture

Layer	Evidence	Failure risk
position	asset, quantity and ownership	wrong population
cash	bank evidence and reconciliation	unconfirmed balance
valuation	method, inputs and approval	unsupported mark
ledger	period, accrual and sign-off	unreconciled NAV

Replace illustrative classifications with company-specific evidence and approved transaction treatment.

Figure 2. Human-authority boundary

FIGURE 2. HUMAN-AUTHORITY BOUNDARY



Human authority should increase with financial, legal and client consequence.

13. Govern valuation inputs

Manager marks, third-party valuations, market data, models, overrides and committees should remain distinguishable.

Controlled evidence includes asset; method; input; source; date; reviewer; override; approval. The immediate decision is to keep valuation judgment visible and accountable. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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Keep each case tied from source to final record. Show the full set, gaps, date, owner, ledger tie and next check. Test the right fund, person, deal, site and period. Keep failed cases, late effects, weak data, faults, manual edits, client loss and control breaks in view. Name the cause, next act, owner, due date, review and final proof.

14. Produce investor statements

Capital accounts, commitments, calls, distributions, fees, NAV and performance need consistent cut-offs and definitions.

Controlled evidence includes investor; vehicle; period; metric; opening; movement; closing; source. The immediate decision is to publish statements reconciled to approved books. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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15. Control regulatory reporting

Forms and returns should map each reported field to source, definition, period, transformation and accountable sign-off.

Controlled evidence includes jurisdiction; return; field; definition; source; transformation; reviewer; filing. The immediate decision is to make each submission independently reproducible. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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16. Respond to DDQs and data requests

Recurring investor, lender, auditor and regulator questions should use approved facts, versions and owners.

Controlled evidence includes requestor; question; source; answer; period; reviewer; approval; delivery. The immediate decision is to accelerate responses without inventing disclosure. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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17. Operationalise side letters

Investor-specific rights need structured obligations, triggers, evidence, owners, deadlines and conflict review.

Controlled evidence includes investor; clause; right; trigger; action; owner; deadline; evidence. The immediate decision is to prevent negotiated rights from disappearing into documents. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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18. Control tax evidence

Residency, withholding, classifications, elections, certificates and investor reporting require jurisdiction-specific advice and records.

Controlled evidence includes party; jurisdiction; status; document; period; treatment; adviser; expiry. The immediate decision is to route tax-sensitive actions through approved evidence. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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Evidence should separate facts, calculations, judgment and planned action. Each output needs a source, owner, period, cost, control and consequence. Tests should show how results change when volume, quality, timing or system performance weakens. Rules need review dates, owners and expiry conditions; stale logic should not govern records or payments.

19. Administer transfers and ownership changes

Assignments, consents, eligibility, consideration, effective dates and register updates need controlled completion.

Controlled evidence includes interest; transferor; transferee; consent; condition; date; register; approval. The immediate decision is to change ownership only after documented conditions pass. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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20. Protect payment instructions

Creation or amendment of beneficiary details requires independent verification, segregation and controlled release.

Controlled evidence includes beneficiary; account; evidence; verification; initiator; approver; release; outcome. The immediate decision is to resist fraud and unauthorised payment change. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

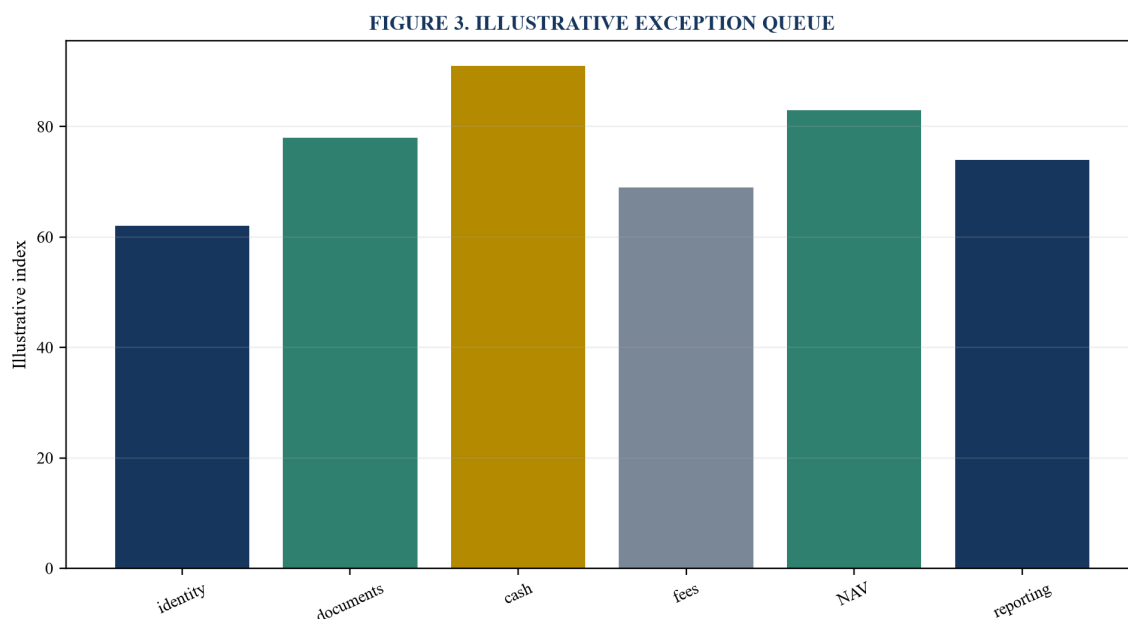
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Table 3. Payment-control matrix

Stage	Evidence	Control
instruction	authorised source and purpose	maker validation
beneficiary	independent account evidence	out-of-band check
release	amount, currency and entitlement	segregated approval
outcome	bank confirmation and ledger	post-payment reconciliation

Replace illustrative classifications with company-specific evidence and approved transaction treatment.

Figure 3. Illustrative exception queue

Replace indices with measured mandate-specific volumes and consequences.

21. Build the exception operating model

Unmatched cash, missing documents, broken rules, overdue approvals and inconsistent data should enter one accountable queue.

Controlled evidence includes case; severity; source; discrepancy; owner; deadline; decision; closure. The immediate decision is to turn silent failure into visible resolution work. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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22. Define service levels and materiality

Cycle time, cut-offs, tolerances, severity and escalation should reflect contracts, obligations and economic consequence.

Controlled evidence includes service; trigger; deadline; tolerance; severity; escalation; remedy; owner. The immediate decision is to prioritise work by consequence. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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23. Set human authority and segregation

Retrieval, extraction, calculation, drafting, approval and payment should have explicit permissions and separation.

Controlled evidence includes task; agent role; human role; permission; reviewer; approver; prohibition; log. The immediate decision is to retain accountable control over consequential actions. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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24. Govern models, prompts and tools

Each agent, model, prompt, connector and rule needs purpose, version, owner, validation and approved use.

Controlled evidence includes component; purpose; version; input; output; dependency; validation; status. The immediate decision is to make the automation estate governable. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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25. Preserve data rights and confidentiality

Investor, fund, bank, portfolio and vendor data should remain within contractual, privacy and secrecy authority.

Controlled evidence includes dataset; party; licence; purpose; location; access; retention; deletion. The immediate decision is to keep processing within evidenced rights. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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26. Secure identities and privileged access

Human and machine identities need least privilege, credential protection, monitoring and rapid revocation.

Controlled evidence includes identity; role; system; privilege; credential; approval; event; revocation. The immediate decision is to reduce unauthorised access and action. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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27. Design operational resilience

Important services require mapped dependencies, impact tolerances, continuity arrangements and recovery evidence.

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28. Oversee third parties and concentration

Administrators, cloud platforms, model providers, data vendors and banks require diligence, contracts, monitoring and exits.

Controlled evidence includes provider; service; subcontractor; concentration; SLA; incident; substitute; exit. The immediate decision is to bound outsourced and common-provider risk. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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29. Validate representative workflows

Tests should cover funds, investors, documents, currencies, periods, amendments, adverse cases and error consequences.

Controlled evidence includes use case; population; test; expected result; observed result; error; reviewer; approval. The immediate decision is to approve automation only for evidenced populations. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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Representative tests should retain the expected result, observed result, error consequence, reviewer decision and approved use boundary.

30. Measure quality and control performance

Accuracy alone can conceal missed cases, wrong materiality and downstream rework.

Controlled evidence includes metric; denominator; false positive; false negative; rework; consequence; period; owner. The immediate decision is to measure errors by operating consequence. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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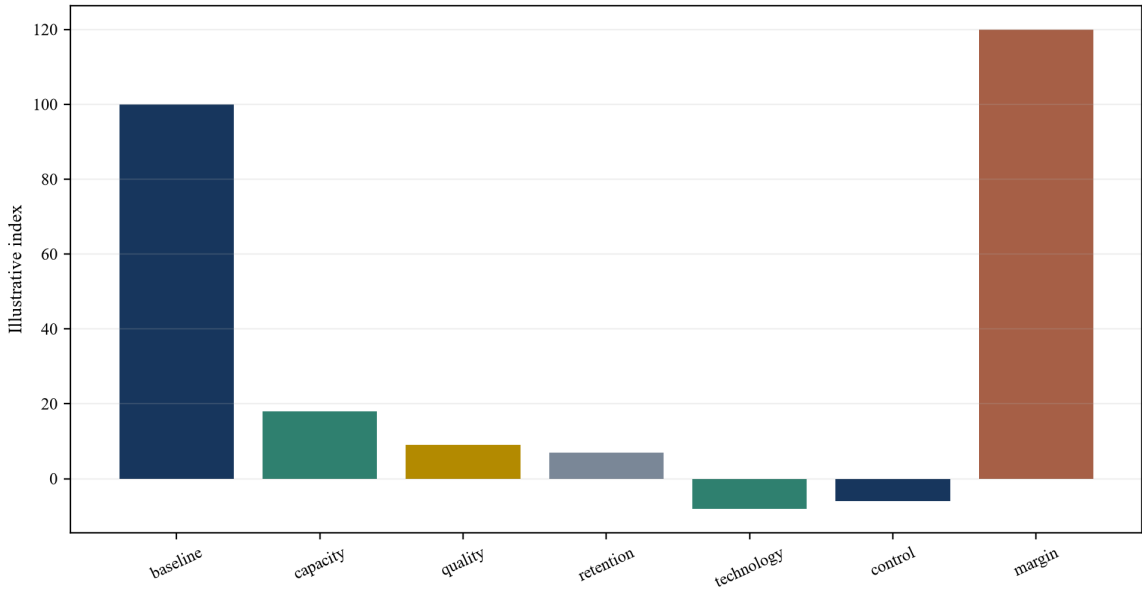
Table 4. Agent validation evidence

Test	Metric	Escalation
population	coverage and exclusions	restrict scope
extraction	field and clause accuracy	human review
calculation	reperformance and tolerance	stop action
workflow	exception and outcome evidence	revalidate use case

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Figure 4. Fee-margin value bridge

FIGURE 4. FEE-MARGIN VALUE BRIDGE



Operational value survives only after technology, control, resilience and transition costs.

31. Redesign roles and capacity

Automation changes work content, skills, spans, hand-offs and control ownership across delivery teams.

Controlled evidence includes role; activity; volume; time; skill; capacity; control; transition. The immediate decision is to move human capacity towards judgment and exceptions. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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32. Build the full-cost economics

Licences, integration, data, testing, oversight, remediation and resilience affect realised operating value.

Controlled evidence includes cost; timing; owner; volume; saving; avoidance; revenue; cash. The immediate decision is to evaluate economics after all recurring costs. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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33. Connect economics to fee margin

Cycle time and headcount changes create value only when they improve capacity, service, retention, price or collected cash.

Controlled evidence includes client; service; volume; fee; cost-to-serve; capacity; retention; margin. The immediate decision is to translate operational change into realised margin. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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34. Design pricing and commercial terms

Unit, tiered, fixed, minimum and outcome-linked pricing should reflect scope, variability, controls and exceptions.

Controlled evidence includes service; unit; volume band; price; minimum; exception; indexation; approval. The immediate decision is to align price with controllable service economics. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

Finance should distinguish expected activity, authorised instructions, confirmed cash and approved books. Every projected benefit needs full cost, accountable ownership and a route to collected fees, cash protection and sustained value.

Evidence should distinguish observation, estimate, management plan and transaction judgement. A supported claim includes timing, full cost, dependency, transferability and a cash consequence. Sensitivity should show how the conclusion changes when adoption, demand, quality or persistence underperforms. Material assumptions need validation dates, accountable owners and explicit expiry conditions so that stale expectations do not survive into pricing or financing decisions.

35. Migrate clients without losing evidence

Parallel runs, opening balances, documents, exceptions and sign-offs should protect continuity during conversion.

Controlled evidence includes client; fund; dataset; cut-over; reconciliation; exception; acceptance; rollback. The immediate decision is to move each mandate through controlled acceptance. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

Operations, finance, legal, compliance, tax, technology, risk and client teams should use stable identifiers and cut-offs. Material outputs should be traced from governing evidence through transformation, review, approval, record and outcome with retained evidence.

The operating team and finance team should use the same definitions. Native records should support aggregate dashboards, and sample testing should follow representative cases from input through outcome and cash. Exceptions, failed cases and client concessions remain part of the population. Reconciliation should cover opening and closing balances, acquisitions, disposals, foreign exchange, allocation changes and manual adjustments that could otherwise mimic operating improvement.

36. Build manager oversight

The manager remains responsible for delegated activities and needs information, expertise, challenge and documented decisions.

Controlled evidence includes service; provider report; metric; issue; challenge; decision; action; closure. The immediate decision is to make oversight effective rather than ceremonial. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

Material risks cover stale files, wrong parties, bad rules, missed cases, access abuse, payment fraud, data leaks, vendor failure and service outages.

Decision makers need both upside and downside. The analysis should state which party controls conversion, what investment remains, when cash appears, which risks survive and whether the result continues after a change of ownership. Unsupported precision should be replaced with bounded scenarios. The committee should record the decision consequence of each range, including price, structure, funding, covenant, integration and monitoring implications.

37. Assemble audit and examination evidence

Source records, calculations, changes, approvals, exceptions and retention should be retrievable by obligation and period.

Controlled evidence includes obligation; record; source; version; actor; timestamp; approval; retention. The immediate decision is to reconstruct each material action. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

Administration evidence should remain fund-, vehicle-, investor-, transaction-, obligation-, jurisdiction- and period-specific. The review should preserve missing records, failed cases, conflicting sources, overrides, exceptions, adverse outcomes and remediation evidence.

Reviewers should be able to retrieve each material source, transformation, exception, approval and retained record by fund, obligation and period.

38. Respond to incidents and near misses

Data leakage, system error, missed filing, wrong statement or payment event needs containment, assessment and learning.

Controlled evidence includes incident; detection; scope; consequence; containment; notification; cause; remediation. The immediate decision is to limit harm and prevent recurrence. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

Finance should distinguish expected activity, authorised instructions, confirmed cash and approved books. Every projected benefit needs full cost, accountable ownership and a route to collected fees, cash protection and sustained value.

Evidence should separate facts, calculations, judgment and planned action. Each output needs a source, owner, period, cost, control and consequence. Tests should show how results change when volume, quality, timing or system performance weakens. Rules need review dates, owners and expiry conditions; stale logic should not govern records or payments.

39. Govern change and model drift

Document versions, regulations, systems, providers and model behaviour change the validity of prior controls.

Controlled evidence includes baseline; change; trigger; impact; test; approval; deployment; monitoring. The immediate decision is to stop stale logic from governing current work. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

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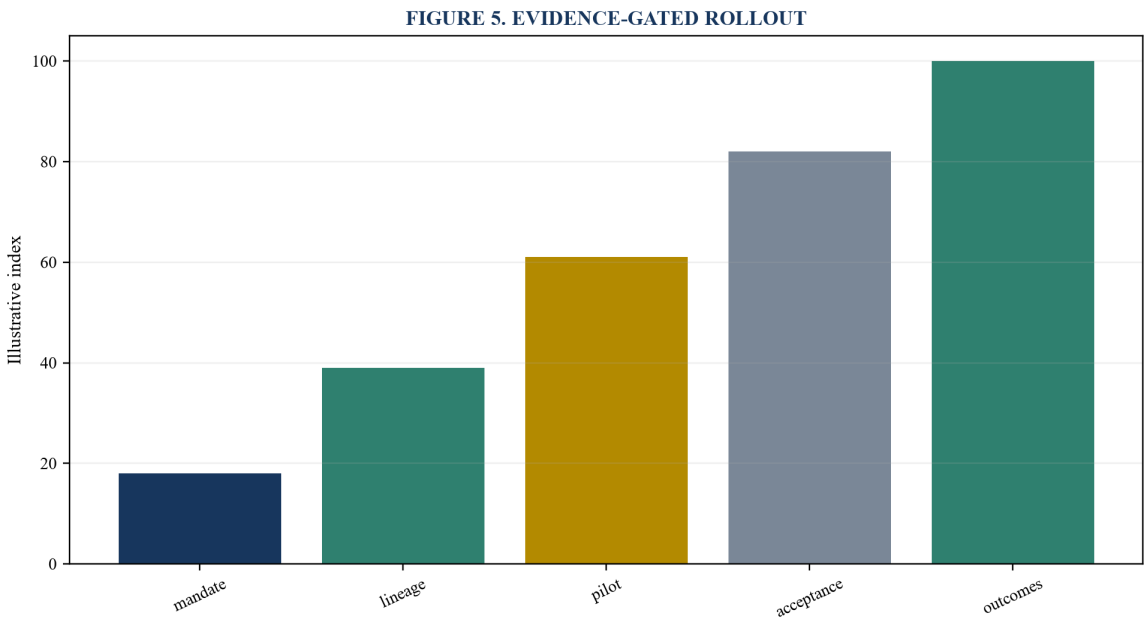
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Table 5. Evidence-gated implementation

Period	Primary work	Gate
days 1-30	mandate, sources and control register	approve baseline
days 31-60	retrieval, extraction and exception pilot	approve bounded use
days 61-100	reconciliations, client workflow and monitoring	approve scaled service

Replace illustrative classifications with company-specific evidence and approved transaction treatment.

Figure 5. Evidence-gated rollout



Scale should follow mandate, source quality, validation, client acceptance and outcome evidence.

40. Implement through evidence-gated cohorts

Sequence low-consequence retrieval and drafting before calculations, records, instructions or payments.

Controlled evidence includes cohort; use case; owner; test; threshold; incident; benefit; gate. The immediate decision is to scale only after evidence, control and outcome gates pass. Definitions should remain stable across investment, risk, committee, operational and financial records.

Material risks cover stale files, wrong parties, bad rules, missed cases, access abuse, payment fraud, data leaks, vendor failure and service outages.

Decision makers need both upside and downside. The analysis should state which party controls conversion, what investment remains, when cash appears, which risks survive and whether the result continues after a change of ownership. Unsupported precision should be replaced with bounded scenarios. The committee should record the decision consequence of each range, including price, structure, funding, covenant, integration and monitoring implications.

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