

Web Application Security Assessment Summary Report May 23, 2022 (v1.0)

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Vladimir Prelovac CEO, Founder Kagi Inc. Palo Alto, CA

Dear Vladimir,

In May of 2022, Illumant completed a comprehensive web application security assessment of a search application developed by Kagi Inc. ("Kagi"). The purpose of the assessment was to attempt to identify vulnerabilities and weaknesses, to assess their criticality through attempted exploitation, and to provide recommendations for remediation where applicable.

The assessment component performed can be summarized as follows:

• Credentialed and uncredentialed penetration testing of Kagi's web-based application

Based on the results of our assessment, while we found some security issues that deserve consideration, as we do for just about every organization and application we assess, we believe that overall Kagi's application and underlying data are reasonably secure. Reasonably secure means that, the security issues discovered present a low risk, and it would require a hacker with rare skills and sophisticated tools, and/or the identification of new, as yet undiscovered vulnerabilities to compromise the security of the assessed application.

In comparison with other applications from organizations of similar size and profile, we find Kagi's application to be more secure than average, which is not to say that it could not become the target of a successful security breach before others, but that the information security risk to the application is lower than that of applications from comparable organizations.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with this assessment. Some additional summary information is provided on the following pages. Full details are provided in separate assessment reports.

Sincerely,

Matija Siljak

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Executive Summary

In May of 2022, Illumant completed a web application security assessment primary product application belonging to Kagi. The scope included a technical security assessment from an external (or hacker's) perspective with and without credentials. This report summarizes our findings.

Assessment Components

Based on the findings we arrived at a security rating for Kagi's application as "Reasonably Secure". The definitions of each classification rating are as follows:

Assessment Component	Description	Rating
Web Application Security Assessment (WASA)	Vulnerability analysis and penetration testing of applications with and without credentials (including comparison with OWASP's application security top 10)	Reasonably Secure

Conclusion

Based on the security assessment components above, we assess Kagi's application security rating as "Reasonably Secure." The definitions of each classification rating are as follows:

Rating	Definition	
Highly Secure	There were no findings of material significance. This indicates that the organization's applications, systems, networks and data are well protected.	
Reasonably Secure	While there may be recommendations for improving the security of the applications, systems, networks and data under review, appropriate action has been taken in the past to ensure the security of the organization	
Marginally Secure	The security findings identified are significant enough to suggest a heightened risk of a successful attack or intrusion if remediation actions are not taken.	
Not Reasonably Secure	Appropriate actions necessary to secure the applications, systems, networks, applications and data have not been taken	

A **reasonably secure** rating implies that the organization has done a good job securing applications and associated information, relative to organizations of similar size and profile. Kagi is above average in comparison with other organizations we have reviewed.

This does not mean, however, that the organization is not exposed to some risk of successful cyber-attack. Vulnerabilities we may not have identified, and potential future vulnerabilities, separately or in combination, could be exploited to successfully compromise the security of the application and/or other systems. The likelihood of this, however, is much lower than average compared to similar organizations (same industry vertical, similar size and complexity).

Still, it behooves Kagi to continue to improve its security posture by addressing the lower risk issues described in the detailed reports to further improve its security posture.



Summary of Findings

The key findings for each component are listed below:

Web Application Security Assessment (WASA):

- Cross Site Scripting (XSS). Authenticated attackers can inject arbitrary JavaScript in the context of the user. These scripts fail to execute due to CSP protections implemented correctly, however, HTML injection is still possible.
- Sessions remain active until logout without any observed inactivity timeout.
- Session tokens are passed via insecure methods. This makes it easier for an attacker to steal the tokens and impersonate a valid user.
- The application uses a weak password policy. This increases the chances for an attacker to obtain valid credentials via other attacks such as brute forcing.
- Insufficient Brute Force Protection. It is possible to perform brute force attacks against certain infrastructure unabated.
- Username enumeration. It was possible to enumerate valid user accounts. With enough time and attempts, an attacker may be able to successfully brute force a matching password and gain access to the internal network.



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