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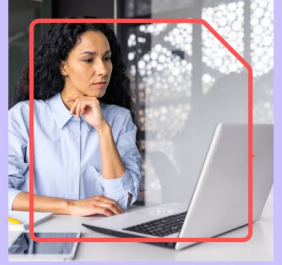carah.io/CustomerExperienceEngagement

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Webinar Summary

Carahsoft hosted the Docusign Document Process Improvement for State and Local Government webinar on Wednesday, April 30th. In this session, experts shared how manual document processing can be time-consuming, prone to errors and costly. This webinar explores how agencies are modernizing document request workflows using secure, automated digital solutions. Discover how Docusign can streamline identity verification, approvals, and delivery—reducing processing times from weeks to hours while maintaining compliance and security. Gain insights on challenges like fragmented systems, manual processes, lack of visibility, and collaboration hurdles. Presenters demonstrated how Docusign's intelligent document platform—including AI tools, centralized repositories, and integration with existing systems—can automate and optimize document handling from creation to execution and storage.

Manual Processes Are Holding Agencies Back

Many government agencies still rely on outdated methods like emailing Word documents and manually tracking progress in spreadsheets. This creates bottlenecks, introduces errors and limits transparency across teams. These inefficiencies lead to compliance risks, missed deadlines, and overburdened staff—often contributing to burnout and employee turnover. Streamlining document handling is a key opportunity to improve operational efficiency and staff satisfaction.

The "Document Layer" Unlocks Cross-Agency Collaboration

Docusign introduces a "document layer" that integrates with existing systems of record (like HR, ERP, or case management platforms) without needing to replace them. This layer enables collaboration across departments by centralizing document creation, approval, and storage. It eliminates silos that prevent smooth interdepartmental workflows, while improving visibility for all stakeholders. Agencies can deploy this solution in as little as 8–10 weeks, accelerating transformation without a heavy lift.

Automation Increases Accuracy and Reduces Risk

Generate agreements using guided intake forms, pre-approved templates, and clause libraries. This standardization reduces manual errors, ensures consistent legal language, and speeds up approval cycles. Even third-party documents are captured and routed into workflows with appropriate metadata and audit trails. The result is greater compliance, fewer delays, and more confidence in the final output.

AI Empowers Faster, Smarter Legal Reviews

AI-powered tools flag nonstandard or risk clauses, suggest alternative language, and even answer questions about document content using natural language. Legal reviewers can complete tasks that used to take 20 minutes in just 20 seconds. This AI-assist functionality helps maintain consistency, reduce risk, and free up legal teams to focus on strategic work. The result is a faster, more reliable review process that strengthens agency oversight and decision-making.

Key Takeaways

- **Automation accelerates every stage from request and review to execution and management while keeping teams connected and ensuring deadlines are met.**

- **Centralized storage and intelligent search unlock valuable data for better reporting and decision making.**

- **Compliance and governance with built-in security, and audit trails, and automated workflows reduce reliance on legal oversight while maintaining control.**

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