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Keep reading to go beyond integration — and straight to real-time collaboration.
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Thomson Reuters Audit Solutions

**Experienced**
- Experienced auditors on staff with more than 300 years of combined practice experience.
- Authors are practicing CPAs; some of the most knowledgeable, experienced professionals in the business.
- Deep industry experience offers practical, “how-to” solutions.
- Developed by practitioners, for practitioners.

**Efficient**
- New streamlined engagements.
- Consistency across engagements.
- Automated engagement processes.
- Tailored solutions for small non-complex audits.

**Flexible**
- Multiple options to meet your firm’s needs.
- Use with any engagement software or integrate for a complete system.
- Apply to any size audit, large or small.

**Innovative**
- Advanced technology; desktop, cloud, and mobile.
- Dynamic audit process; Checkpoint Tools and SMART Audit Suite.
- Powerful online resource; Checkpoint®.
- Leading engagement management; AdvanceFlow.

**Comprehensive**
- Complete research and guidance solutions.
- Extensive breadth and depth of industry coverage.
- Latest news and current awareness.
- CPE and training options (online, in-house, Checkpoint Learning, AuditWatch™).
Cloud-Based Convenience Meets Enterprise-Level Power: AdvanceFlow

AdvanceFlow is the first audit management application that gives you the power to work and collaborate on even the most complex jobs anytime, anywhere. Engagements, workpapers and colleagues are available in real time with just a click, whether you’re in the office, in the field, or anywhere else.

It’s a new level of convenience and a new set of possibilities — backed by the audit management and trial balance power to handle the most complex clients and the most data-intensive jobs.

Powerful workpaper management
We've built in features that make it easy to manage even the most data-intensive engagement, with extensive templates, a high level of customizability, the ability to perform several tasks at once, and much more.

Sophisticated trial balance capabilities
The working trial balance in AdvanceFlow has the power you need, even for large consolidation and fund clients. Fast imports and sophisticated filtering and tabbing help you get the job done quickly and accurately.

Streamlined document management
AdvanceFlow is built to complement the GoFileRoom® platform that’s already used by most of the top accounting firms across the US. It integrates document management into the audit process, paving the way to more streamlined workflows and making it easy to maintain a consistent document retention policy across the firm.

Unparalleled integration
AdvanceFlow features deep integration with a variety of other applications including PPC’s SMART Practice Aids®, GoSystem Tax® RS, UltraTax CS®, a variety of other tax applications, and the Microsoft® Office suite of products.

• Anytime-anywhere access to the full functionality of AdvanceFlow, as well as all workpapers and data.
• Real-time collaboration with no syncing, no complicated file transfer process, and no version control issues.
• Flexible system configuration allows each staff member to customize their workspace to fit their job and provides customizable security settings.

Cloud-based convenience
The cloud-based architecture of AdvanceFlow puts the tools you need for complex audits at your fingertips — anytime, anywhere. No downloads, no versioning contacts, no software installations, or updates.
Cloud-Based Convenience

The first application of its kind that’s designed to work completely in the cloud, AdvanceFlow makes all the resources you need available anytime, anywhere. The full power of the application is available to you in the cloud; even linked balances and integration with third-party software are available in the office, in the field, or anywhere else.

Just log in and go to work

• **Real-time collaboration capabilities** enable you to work and exchange files with colleagues online, from anywhere.

• **Reduced IT burden** with no syncing, no version control issues, no complicated assignment, or transfer of files. The full power of the application is just a username and password away.

• **Instantaneous access to the entire audit**, including engagements, workpapers, files, trial balances, reports, and notes. All in real time, all with just a few clicks.

• **Ultimate security and reliability** from a network of world-class data centers means that your applications and data stay safe and secure.

Cloud-Based Power

With AdvanceFlow, your workpapers are just a click away.
Powerful Workpaper Management Features

We understand that enterprise-level engagements require a higher level of data processing and multitasking. So we’ve built an extensive variety of workpaper management features into AdvanceFlow, enabling your team to get the job done faster and more accurately — no matter where you happen to be.

Customize your workspace

• **Multi-monitor support** gives you a larger workspace and enables you to customize it to fit the way you work.

• **Customizable workspaces** with tabs, ribbons, and windows that each user can arrange in any way they choose according to their specific job requirements.

• **Workpaper Preview feature** enables you to view many workpapers without opening their native application.

• **Engagement Window feature** provides a fast overview of current projects and intuitively associates related entities.

• **Workpaper wizard** makes it easy to create Microsoft Excel® spreadsheets and Microsoft Word® documents that link to the trial balance.

Get up and running fast

• **Powerful documentation capabilities** make it easy to add documentation quickly and even enable users to add many documents at once.

• **Extensive template library** helps you get started fast with an extensive selection of pre-created folders and structures.

• **Multi-user access** enables multiple users to access workpapers and trial balance simultaneously — the same set of workpapers can be edited and reviewed at the same time.

• **Powerful multi-tasking capabilities** enable you and your colleagues to perform several tasks at once. Begin an import or export, assemble workpapers, leave notes, and create journal entries, all without having to wait for the prior process to finish.
Sophisticated Trial Balance Capabilities

The trial balance capabilities built into AdvanceFlow can handle even the most complex and most demanding clients. You can import source data quickly and easily, then give your whole team access to the trial balance and use multiple tabs to filter accounts and examine subsidiaries, funds, and tax groupings.

Handle complex trial balance clients

- **Fast imports and exports** make it easy to transfer data from spreadsheet files.
- **Customizable views** make it easy to set up and save the column structure of your working trial balance tabs.
- **Extensive account filtering** enables staff members to quickly focus on a specific account segment of the account list.
- **Powerful binder structure** makes it easy to manage multiple consolidation clients.

- **Customizable viewing and filtering** gives you a set of powerful tools to analyze and manage the trial balance for complex jobs, including global, consolidated, and fund clients.
- **Streamlined groupings and coding** for all types of engagements and entity types.
- **Customizable dashboards** show important alerts and give you quick access to your most-used applications.

Enterprise-Level Power

AdvanceFlow has the power to handle even the most complex trial balance clients.
Unparalleled Integration

AdvanceFlow brings you a new level of productivity by combining the convenience of the cloud with the power of the most trusted applications in the profession. From document management to research and workflow, it brings new possibilities to the audit tools you trust.

Microsoft Office

• **Seamlessly link data from AdvanceFlow to Microsoft Excel**, including trial balance, dates, and text.

• **Create dynamic Microsoft Excel workpapers and reports**, with balances linked to the trial balance.

• **Sign off** on completed items.

• **Use notations**, tick marks, and references.

• **Workpaper wizard** makes it easy to link Microsoft Excel spreadsheets and Microsoft Word documents to the trial balance.

• **Preview feature** enables you to view documents without opening their native applications and enables multiple employees to view and collaborate on the same document simultaneously.

PPC’s Smart Practice Aids

• **Integrate seamlessly** between SMART Practice Aids and AdvanceFlow.

• **Automatically include SMART Practice Aids documents** in the AdvanceFlow binder.

• **Automatically flow changes to SMART Practice Aids documents** to AdvanceFlow.

• **Review and manage SMART Practice Aids documents in your web browser** as part of your AdvanceFlow engagement.
Enterprise-Level Security

Document level security options ensure the integrity of all your files

AdvanceFlow offers multiple layers of security, so that only authorized users can access specified documents. The system also offers features that protect emailed documents, so only the intended recipients can open and view them. The advanced security options in AdvanceFlow enable you to maintain full control over your documents while ensuring their integrity.

The system allows you to:

• **Prevent unauthorized access** through the AdvanceFlow website, restricting “back-door” access that inherently exists with in-house systems.

• **Restrict access to audit workpapers** and ensure confidentiality, as required by professional auditing standards.

• **Easily configure access and security privileges** for every user via the system’s administration module.

• **Achieve retention and deletion of all audit documentation** in accordance with your firm’s policies.

• **Restrict document viewing, annotating, editing, and other functions** by user groups, drawers, or even specific documents (for example, by document type).

• **Maintain user accounts, passwords, and related expiration dates** via an advanced user administration module.

• **Protect emailed documents** by using the on-the-fly PDF Passwords feature, so only intended recipients can open and view.

• **Control file room structure**, index fields, and drop down values.

• **View detailed document audit trails** to monitor every action taken with a document from the time it was created.

Built-in security and automatic back-ups safeguard against corrupted or lost data

With AdvanceFlow, you can be assured that your data is in the safest location possible. The system uses sophisticated network and data center security technologies to protect all your documents and data. Access control employs username and password authentication and 128-bit SSL encryption. And all user sessions are tracked — providing a complete audit trail.

AdvanceFlow is hosted from multiple, redundant data centers that ensure a level of continuity, availability, back-up, and disaster recovery not available with an in-house system. DVD copies can also be made of all files and documents on a routine basis.

Ultimate Security

Rest assured your data is in the most secure location, one of our data centers.
Extend the Power of AdvanceFlow to Your Clients: NetClient CS Client Portals

NetClient CS client portal services make it easy to share documents from AdvanceFlow with your clients in a secure, online environment — making it far more efficient and convenient to communicate and collaborate with clients. You select the documents your clients can access by simply posting them to each client’s secure portal. Once documents are approved and posted, you can choose to have GoFileRoom automatically email your client, alerting them to the online availability of their documents. Some of the many benefits of private client portals include:

• **Extended client service** — Make critical documents available to clients instantly and conveniently — anytime, anywhere.

• **Enhanced image** — Offer clients convenient online services and position yourself as a tech-savvy firm.

• **Improved compliance** — Use a secure website with username/password and 256 SSL encryption to meet new laws and guidelines for protecting sensitive documents.

• **Increased security** — Enjoy greater security and confidentiality than you would using email with secure, encrypted portal access through the Internet.

• **Eliminated technical burden and cost** — Easily manage your secure client portals with little effort, because we maintain them for you.

• **Reduced printing/mailing costs** — You’ll no longer need to print and overnight large quantities of documents or multiple revisions of the same document.

“NetClient CS portals have changed our lives. We feel more confident with the secure file exchange and our clients are more confident too.”

— Diane Harbour

Harbour Tax and Accounting
AdvanceFlow and GoFileRoom: Made to Work Together

The GoFileRoom® cloud-based document management system is already used by the majority of the top accounting firms in the United States. So we’ve created seamless integration between AdvanceFlow and GoFileRoom. GoFileRoom users will enjoy the familiar navigation, workflow, and security features, along with the additional capabilities of AdvanceFlow.

Security and convenience

With the GoFileRoom online solution, you have the security of knowing your data is always there when you need it, 24/7. In the cloud — even in the event of fire, theft, or natural disaster — your data will remain safe and secure, residing in redundant, state-of-the-art data centers. An online solution is also more cost-effective, saving you countless hours of maintaining your own internal system and giving you maximum productivity with minimal IT investment. GoFileRoom gives you:

- **Lower cost of ownership** — Eliminate your investment in hardware purchases, maintenance, and additional IT staff.
- **Rapid deployment** — Completely scalable to your firm’s needs, GoFileRoom can be implemented quickly. And we take care of software updates, so you always have the latest version.
- **More flexibility** — Focus resources on your core business issues, not on IT maintenance. This scalable solution grows as your firm grows — without the risks, costs, and administrative responsibilities associated with developing and maintaining the required infrastructure.

Maximum organization

GoFileRoom standardizes and organizes volumes of documents and offers the flexibility of 24/7 web-based access, so you and your staff can efficiently share, route and review files whenever needed. Remote access lets you access your software and data at any time, from anywhere, securely. Advanced measures ensure the safety and integrity of all your documents.

Whether it’s tax, audit, other client service areas, or internal departments such as human resources or accounts payable, you can quickly and securely locate files and review activity at any time.

Intuitive navigation

- An **intuitive interface** that can be customized based on individual user preferences and ensures fast implementation.
- A **dashboard-style home screen** where you can view key information from different areas of GoFileRoom through a variety of portlets.

Simplified workflow

- **FirmFlow** enables you to instantly access your current work list, view future assignments, and route work through your business process, regardless of location.
- Desktop productivity tools (such as **ControlPanel** and **QuickLaunch**) allow files to be stored and accessed directly from your desktop without logging in through the GoFileRoom product website.
- **Easy one-click storage and retrieval** and batch scanning solution with the option to automatically label and organize individual tax source documents.
- **A Rules Wizard tool** to easily guide you through the process of building public (firm-wide) and private (individual) rules within GoFileRoom.
- **Seamless and meaningful integration** with core tax and accounting applications.
- **Simple email management** — Drag and drop email messages from Microsoft Outlook® directly into GoFileRoom for easy storage.
- **Reduced operating costs** — Enjoy unprecedented cost savings by eliminating paper files, storage fees, postage, and manual administrative tasks.
- **A complete solution to institute a truly paperless office** — Start enjoying the cost and time savings associated with a completely digital work environment. Email messages and other files from Microsoft Word and Excel toolbars directly into GoFileRoom.
Unmatched Client Service

- **Enterprise-level security to keep you in control**, ensure business continuance, and keep client data safe.

- **Proven consulting, training, and implementation services**, as well as usage strategies provided within our *GoFileRoom Best Practices Guidebook*.

- **Improved management control over client engagements** — View real-time, up-to-the-minute information on the status of all your client engagements.

- **Unprecedented levels of productivity** — With 24/7 access, you can locate any file in seconds providing unmatched client service, whether you are in the office, at home, or at a client’s office.

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“We chose GoFileRoom for many reasons, but from the start we could see that the software was intuitive and easy to use.”

*Jim Brasher,*
Tax Services Managing Partner at Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP
Make the Most of Your Software Investment and Maximize Firm Productivity

The CS Professional Suite offers an extensive selection of services that can help you get more out of your software investment, including:

Standard Training
Our standard training is a great way to bring new staff up to speed, let experienced staff revisit specific topics and/or supplement custom training or consulting. Standard training options include On-Demand, Web, Classroom, and Seasonal training.

Custom Training
We offer affordable custom training services that can be tailored to your firm's specific needs. Custom training is taught by our professional instructors and can be delivered either via web training or onsite in a classroom setting.

Consulting Services
Our trained consulting professionals can analyze your firm's workflow processes, provide best practices, and help you develop a successful implementation and rollout strategy for your CS Professional Suite software.

Professional Services
Put the expertise of our software application consultants and IT experts to work for your firm. Our team can customize applications and data to do exactly what you need, create customized reports, migrate and convert data, and even build utilities and tools that can assist your firm with application integration and other technology needs.

Annual SYNERGY Conference
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