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AI Delegation and Approval Matrix

A practical framework to automate, delegate, and govern leadership decisions.

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What AI Can Handle

This page outlines the four decision bands and example leadership use cases. It clarifies when automation, delegation, or escalation is appropriate.

Key move Pilot one process end-to-end before scaling.

PRACTICAL CHECKLIST

- 01** Automate routine status reports using predefined data sources and templates; no human review needed unless anomaly detected.
- 02** Delegate cross-functional task orchestration to AI agents: assign tasks, track progress, flag blockers for owners.
- 03** Manager-approved decisions: policy changes, budget reallocations up to threshold require manager sign-off.
- 04** Executive-reserved: strategic pivots, M&A, risk appetite changes, and charter updates.
- 05** Data and tools: dashboards, templates, and guardrails; ensure data quality and access controls before automation.
- 06** Human-in-the-loop: AI drafts communications or reports; humans review for tone, accuracy, and compliance.

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11-Week Pilot Plan

Practical weekly steps to pilot the matrix in leadership workflows. Each week adds one automation, one delegation, and one guardrail.

Key move Start with a single pilot process and scale conservatively.

PRACTICAL CHECKLIST

- 01** Week 1: map priority leadership decisions and identify required data sources and owners.
- 02** Week 2: implement automated dashboards for top 3 metrics with anomaly alerts.
- 03** Week 3: delegate task orchestration to AI agents; define task templates and SLAs.
- 04** Week 4: require manager approval for budgets beyond threshold; test alerting workflow.
- 05** Week 5: establish guardrails for data privacy, compliance, and model usage.
- 06** Week 6: run a war-room review; capture learnings and adjust automation rules.
- 07** Week 7: define ownership and cadence for measurements; publish a shared metrics dashboard.

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Guardrails and Ownership

This page defines guardrails, approvals, and ownership for AI-enabled leadership processes. It ensures accountability and auditable decisions.

Key move Document decisions in a living policy; approvals require traceability.

PRACTICAL CHECKLIST

- 01** Risk: data privacy, integrity, and model hallucinations; implement access controls and validation.
- 02** Guardrails: threshold limits for automation, retry policies, and escalation paths.
- 03** Approvals: stamp of authority mapping per decision band with required approver role.
- 04** Ownership: assign process owners, data stewards, and AI copilots with clear responsibilities.
- 05** Measurement: define KPI, frequency, and reporting method; track drift and ROI.
- 06** Audit logs: keep decisions, inputs, and outputs for compliance.
- 07** Workflow ownership: confirm who can modify automation rules and when human review is required.

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I build AI systems that combine distributed architecture, retrieval, knowledge graphs, security, and practical workflow design. My focus is AI that can be used repeatedly by real teams: understandable, reliable, and grounded in the work people already do.

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