# MMA WEBINAR SERIES Brand Safety

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Session 4 – November 17, 11am ET

Brand Safety Incident Management, Governance, and performance Management

#### Today's Agenda for Session 4: Brand Safety Incident Management, Governance, and performance Management

**Opening Remarks** Background on work, about MMA and recent news

**MMA & Webinar Series Context** 



Lou Paskalis, President & COO, MMA Global



**Brand Safety Strategy Guide** Presenting chapter 7 and chapter 8 from the strategy guide

Chapter presentation including Q&A



Jessica Ruscito North America Brand Lead Dorel Juvenile



**Bryan Steele** Manager, Connected Vehicle Brand Marketing General Motors



**Twitter's Take** Communicating in times of crisis, connecting with culture, & more

#### Panel discussion Speakers



Alex Josephson Vice President, Global Head of Twitter Next



Beverly Jackson Vice President, Global Brand and Consumer Marketing



**Stacy Minero** 

Global Head of Twitter

Meg Haley Global Head of Revenue Product Strategy **Concluding Remarks** What's BSI & how can it help you be a brand safety expert

**Overview of BSI** 



Neal Thurman Co-founder, Brand Safety Institute, Director Coalition for Better Ads







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**Brand Safety** What is Brand **Brand Safety Determine Your Tool and Vendor** The Impact and Safety, why does Incident **Brand Safety** Management Future of Brand it matter, and who Management, Standards, Safety: What **Best Practices**, are the Governance, and **Exploring Brand** Should You Lookout Resources & stakeholders Performance for? **Budgeting for** involved? Management **Brand Safety** October 26, 2021, November 17, 2021, August 25 2021, December 8, 2021, 11:00AM EDT 11:00AM EST 11:00AM EDT 11:00AM EST BSI Brand Safety In: **f** Brand Safety Institute BSI Brand Safety Institu BSI Brand Safety Institu BSI Brand Safety Institut gm **CVS** UNIVERSITY OF PMX AT&T aPlace for Mom. BANKOFAMERICA Health BANK OF AMERICA BANK OF AMERICA BANKOFAMERICA



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- EJ Conlin, **Travelers**

#### Academic Team

- Andrew Stephen, Assoc. Dean of Research
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- Lauren Grewal, Assistant Professor of Business Administration, Dartmouth University



### The Brand Safety Strategy Guide, created for Marketers by Marketers



#### MMA'S BRAND SAFETY STRATEGY GUIDE

A ROADMAP TO BRAND SAFETY EXCELLENCE INCLUDING BEST PRACTICES AND WORKSHEETS



#### MMAs Brand Safety Guide

Comprehensive 55+ page strategy guide for marketers, by marketers to:

- Deepen Brand's knowledge around creating a corporate brand safety strategy
- 2. Formulating proactive responses
- 3. best practices, by leading marketers, and
- 4. practical worksheets.

Full guide **available to MMA Members** after webinar series is complete. Chapter 1: What Is Brand Safety Ad Why Does It Matter?

Chapter 2: Stakeholder Roles & Responsibilities

**Chapter 3: Determine Your Brand Safety Standards** 

**Chapter 4: Resources And Budgeting** 

**Chapter 5: Brand Safety Tool Selection** 

Chapter 6: Brand Safety Vendor Selection & Management

Chapter 7: Brand Safety Incident Management

i. Worksheet: Brand Safety Incident Tracker

ii. Worksheet: Brand Safety Incident Mgmt. Process Flow

Chapter 8: Brand Safety Governance & Performance Management

- i. Worksheet: KPIs Dashboard
- ii. Worksheet: Service Agreement and Terms & Conditions

Chapter 9: The Future Of Brand Safety?



### The Strategy Guide: Chapter 7 and 8



**Bryan Steele** Manager, Connected Vehicle Brand Marketing General Motors



Jessica Ruscito North American Brand Leader, Dorel Juvenile

Bryan holds the position of Manager, Connected Vehicle Brand Marketing, and joined General Motors in 2013. During his time at GM, he has overseen GM's Global Media Partnerships, Industry Group relationships, reviews of the Media Tech Stack, Gaming/esports Strategy, and Emerging Media efforts. Additionally, he established GM standards for enterprise-wide Ad Quality and authored GM's Responsible Media Principles.



A seasoned marketing professional with experience across a variety of industries, Jessica is committed to the adoption of innovation and the connections between media, marketing and technology. In her current role as North America Brand Leader, she oversees marketing strategy and execution across the full portfolio of Dorel Juvenile Brands in the US.





# **Incident Management Process**

Prepare for the inevitable: an incident that can impact the brand's reputation.

#### Before You Implement Your Incident Management Process & Declare a Crisis

#### If an incident occurs:

Determine if it requires a response at all and if the full process is even required.

 Give one team comprised of stakeholders from the agency, media, and corporate communications teams the autonomy to make decisions.

Agree at the outset on who is **R**esponsible, **A**ccountable, **C**onsulted, and **I**nformed (the RACI model).



Brief the CMO, their team, legal, risk, compliance, analytics and social teams as needed.







#### **Incident Management Process Steps**

For incidents considered a 'crisis' – risking brand reputation

Put out the fire

Initial communication steps

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Understand the source of the incident

Measure the potential impact

Take action

Communicate your actions

#### **Map Your Process Flow**

- Determine the person and/or function responsible for each step in the process.
- Identify the time range between each of the steps.
- Establish estimated times for each step in the process.

## **Step 1: Put Out the Fire**

If your brand may be at risk, pause any/all activity that may have put it at risk.

If the specific source is known, pause that media.

If the specific source is not known, pause any media that might be causing the issue.







### **Step 2: Initial Communications**





## **Step 3: Understand the Source of the Incident**

 $\checkmark$  Identify media partners with unsafe content.

Ensure brand safeguards are functioning properly.

✓ Understand how the incident occurred and how to prevent it in the future.

- Was it preventable?
- Is this a media partner you want to continue to work with?
- Are other media buys vulnerable to the same situation?
- Do you have enough safeguards in place?





## **Step 4: Identify the Potential Impact**

#### **Evaluate the Fallout**



What is the impact to the health of the brand if the media remains active?



What is the business impact of pausing the media?



Will this result in a temporary or permanent loss of an otherwise effective media partner?



Will this result in a reassessment of the vendor(s) your organization works with?

#### **Conduct an Assessment**



Is the situation affecting other brands, or only mine?



Will returning to this publisher have a negative impact on my brand's image?



Is the offending media partner critical to the campaign's success?



Can my brand survive without this publisher in the short/mid/long term?



Are there committed dollars at stake?

## **Step 5: Determine an Action plan**

# How much risk are you willing to accept if you think the media has benefits for the business?

- Do you have a long-term solution so that media can be reactivated?
- What data do you need to make a decision to reactivate?
- ) What steps can my media buyers take to ensure this never happens again?
- What steps can the publisher take to ensure risk mitigation?
  - Is any partner uniquely critical to my brand's success?
  - Can target audiences be found on other channels?
  - How might a shift in media partners impact performance?

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## Step 6: Communicate Your Actions

- Align on internal messaging to offer a detailed explanation of what happened and the cause.
- Explain what additional measures were implemented and how there is an ongoing process in place for monitoring.
- If media has been reactivated, clarify the steps that were taken to ensure brand safety.
- If media remains paused, outline the existing process and what's needed prior to a reactivation.
- Offer ongoing updates if the situation remains uncertain.
- Offer a brief, curated recap of the internal message points to publishers.





Who are You?"	Agency	
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Brand Safety Incident *	(None)	
Site Name/locident URL *		
Description *		
Advertiser/ Client Name *		*
Device	(None) •	
Your Name *		
Your Email *		
Agency Name *	(None) •	
Campaign Name		
Campaign Flight Start Date	12 AM + (	• 00
Campaign Flight End Date	12 AM - (	• 00
Advertisers Impacted / Identified		
Media Type *	Display Mobile Search Social Video	
Date Notified *	12 AM + 0	• 0
Associated Incident Number		
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if external, how was it notified		
Has brand responsed publicly?		
If yes, link to the response		
Has spend been paused?		
if Yes, on platform only or entire campa	lign?	
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#### Incident Tracking Template

#### Guidance

Implement an incident report system whereby brand safety incidents are documented, tracked, and archived to build an intelligence hub.

This also helps you gather the info you need to decide whether you need to proceed with hitting the panic button or not. Refer to the template within the guide.

#### Brand Safety Incident Process Flow Template



#### Guidance

The process map above illustrates an incident process scenario. Determine the person and/or function responsible for each step in the process. Identify the time range between each of the steps. For example, about how long after being alerted to a brand safety incident should it take before the person with knowledge of the incident communicates with internal and external stakeholders about the issue? Establish estimated times for each step in the process.

# Governance & Performance Management

How do I know my strategy is working?

## Key Stakeholder Roles & Responsibilities

Align on their respective piece of brand safety and the metrics they are responsible for monitoring (Chapter 2).

Establish and maintain KPIs and holding people accountable to them, documenting and sharing the KPIs with the company at large (Chapter 5).

✓ Selection of brand safety monitoring partner (Chapter 5).

✓ Work with legal counsel to embed brand safety guidelines into partner contracts.

✓ Ongoing check-ins with vendors/partners (Chapter 6).





## Performance Measurement

# Accountability should be established with agency partners based on:

- KPI Program [Quality & Visibility].
- Savings Validation [of Media Costs].
- Service Assessment [Brand Safety Management].

#### **Industry Insights**

Keeping your company informed on the topic of brand safety and leveraging insights from other companies or case studies in the news are important steps to staying ahead of the curve. As such, stakeholders should lean on resources that can keep them abreast of timely insights on this topic. Sample tools can include the following:

- Industry trade publications.
- Google News Alerts.
- Industry Associations.
- Social Media Listening Tools.

#### **KPI DASHBOARD**

КРІ	Unit	Monthly Target	Monthly Actual
Total number of campaigns	#		
Total number of media partners			
Total Impressions			
Brand safe impressions			
- Breakdown by channel	#, %		
- Breakdown by ad format (display, video)	#, %		
Non-brand safe impressions			
- Breakdown by channel			
- Breakdown by ad format (display, <u>video</u> )			
<ul> <li>Breakdown by failed reason (failed by black- list, keyword, unsafe content)</li> </ul>			
Breakdown of unsafe content failures	#, \$		
Brand Safety Savings (mainly with vendors)	\$		
• Blocked			
•Flagged			

#### Create your own Dashboard

- Complete a dashboard with your brand's KPIs as outlined here.
- Set the target and measure the actual results on a monthly basis.
- Use a dashboard like this to assess your efforts or vendor performance.

## Service Agreement and Terms & Conditions

Once Brand Safety KPIs and parameters have been put into place, it is important for this to be legally documented in either MSA agreements or the Terms and Conditions (T&Cs) set forth with agency and/or media partners.

Working with legal counsel to embed these will further assist you in protecting your marketing efforts and partner performance. Below are samples of both MSA and Terms and Conditions where your custom brand safety language should be included:

Sample Master Service Agreement (ANA): <u>https://www.ana.net/miccontent/show/id/ii-media-buying- services-agreement-template-2018</u>

Sample Digital Marketing Terms & Conditions (IAB): <u>https://www.iab.com/guidelines/standard-terms- conditions-internet-advertising-media-buys-one-year-less/</u>





Craft a brand safety incident plan for and with relevant stakeholders

Identify the root cause of the problem and discuss how it could have been prevented

Remain engaged in ongoing monitoring and assessment.



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Align stakeholders on KPIs, benchmarks, and performance management.



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Establish protocols for ongoing stewardship and responsibility for performance and stick with them.

Revisit your KPIs, metrics for brand safety, performance management tools, and processes on a regular basis.



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## Twitter's Take



**Alex Josephson** Vice President, Global Head of Twitter Next, Twitter

Alex Josephson leads Twitter Next a global team of strategists, technologists and designers who partner with the industry's most recognized brands to create ideas "worth talking about" on Twitter and beyond Twitter. His team focuses on identifying behavioral insights to inform campaign activations that drive conversation and make a cultural imprint.





**Stacy Minero** Global Head of Twitter ArtHouse, Twitter

At Twitter Stacy leads a creative team that partners with Fortune 1000 brands to earn outsized attention and drive business impact. Her team works closely with brands to develop content marketing strategies and launch break-through creative ideas on Twitter. She recently oversaw the launch of Twitter's in-house editing service, which helps brands and agencies optimize video assets for the feed.





**Beverly Jackson** Vice President, Global Brand and Consumer Marketing, Twitter



**Meg Haley** Global Head of Revenue Product Strategy, Twitter

Beverly Jackson is a groundbreaking pioneer in the area of social media, content strategy and brand campaigns. Her creative campaigns for some of the world's most iconic brands have been nationally recognized for their innovative storytelling and business impact. Her work has been responsible for exponential growth and data driven results at every organization where she has led a team. Meg Haley leads Twitter's Revenue Product Specialist organization, overseeing our GTM and Commercialization efforts. Her team focuses on supporting our revenue teams and our partners in finding success across Twitter's products and solutions. Prior to Twitter, Meg worked at The Coca-Cola Company in Brand Management working across key flagship brands driving business strategy, innovation, marketing and customer engagement efforts.



#### Key Messages for Discussion

- 1. Communicating in times of crisis
- 2. How to authentically connect with culture
- 3. Proactive ways to engage with and build up the community ahead of time
- 4. Get guidance from Twitter as the brand, as a marketer...we consider these things in the work that we do



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## **Concluding Remarks**



**Neal Thurman** Co-Founder of the Brand Safety Institute

Neal Thurman is the Co-founder of the Brand Safety Institute and Director of the Coalition for Better Ads. Mr. Thurman's career has been intertwined with the evolution of digital technologies for more than 20 years.

He is also the Co-chair of the Education Committee of the Global Alliance for Responsible Media (GARM).





## About The Brand Safety Institute

The Brand Safety Institute was founded to professionalize and advance the executive capacity needed at every company in the digital advertising supply chain to protect their brands and the brands they steward through research, accreditation, networking, and education.





## Our Mission

STUDY AND RESEARCH Study and research around the emerging field of Brand Safety and best practices for executives who work in brand protection.

FELLOWSHIP

Fellowship with a large and growing community of other Brand Safety leaders across the industry to network and share knowledge, experience, and best practices.

ACCREDITATION

Accreditation of Brand Safety Officers to provide industry recognition for leaders in the field who have achieved expertise in the complicated and quickly-evolving challenges in the space

EDUCATION

Education for brand safety professionals around the tools, tactics, and technologies available to help protect their organization's brand and contribute to a Brand Safe ecosystem.



### Three Layers of Brand Safety





## What is a Brand Safety Officer?

A certified professional who has undertaken education to deepen their expertise in key areas of brand safety

Is responsible for leading the safeguarding their own firm's brand

Contributes to the community of BSOs to help safeguard the broader digital ad supply chain.

#### MMA/BSI Partnership

- Exclusive 25% discount on BSO
   Certification CODE: MMABrandSafety
- Launching the Certified Brand Safe
   Workforce Program for leading brands





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