SafeNet Authentication Client Integration Guide Using SafeNet Authentication Client CBA for IBM WebSphere Application Server

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Third-Party Software Acknowledgement

This document is intended to help users of Gemalto products when working with third-party software, such as IBM WebSphere Application Server.

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Description

Remote access poses both a security and a compliance challenge to IT organizations. The ability to positively identify users (often remote users) requesting access to resources is a critical consideration in achieving a secure remote access solution. Deploying remote access solution without strong authentication is like putting your sensitive data in a vault (the datacenter), and leaving the key (user password) under the door mat.

A robust user authentication solution is required to screen access and provide proof-positive assurance that only authorized users are allowed access.

PKI is and effective strong authentication solution to the functional, security, and compliance requirements.

SafeNet Authentication Client (SAC) is a public key infrastructure (PKI) middleware that provides a secure method for exchanging information based on public key cryptography, enabling trusted third-party verification of user identities. SafeNet's certificate-based tokens provide secure remote access, as well as other advanced functions, in a single token, including digital signing, password management, network logon, and combined physical/logical access.

The tokens come in different form factors, including USB tokens, smart cards, and software tokens. All of these form factors are interfaced using a single middleware client, SafeNet Authentication Client (SAC). The SAC generic integration with CAPI, CNG, and PKCS#11 security interfaces enables out-of-the-box interoperability with a variety of security applications, offering secure web access, secure network logon, PC and data security, and secure email. PKI keys and certificates can be created, stored, and used securely with the hardware or software tokens.

SafeNet Authentication Manager (SAM) provides your organization with a comprehensive platform to manage all of your authentication requirements, across the enterprise and the cloud, in a single, integrated system. SAM enables management of the complete user authentication life cycle. SAM links tokens with users, organizational rules, and security applications to allow streamlined handling of your organization's authentication infrastructure with a flexible, extensible, and scalable management platform.

SAM is a comprehensive token management system. It is an out-of-the-box solution for Public Certificate Authorities (CA) and enterprises to ease the administration of SafeNet's hardware or software tokens devices. SAM is designed and developed based on the best practices of managing PKI devices in common PKI implementations. It offers robust yet easy to customize frameworks that meets different organizations' PKI devices management workflows and policies. Using SAM to manage tokens is not mandatory, but it is recommended for enterprise organizations.

For more information, refer to the SafeNet Authentication Manager Administrator Guide.

IBM WebSphere Application Server provides the ability to deploy and run applications with flexible, secure, and Java EE-certified runtime environments – from lightweight production environments to large enterprise deployments.

This document provides guidelines for deploying certificate-based authentication (CBA) for user authentication to IBM WebSphere Application Server using SafeNet tokens.

It is assumed that the IBM WebSphere Application Server environment is already configured and working with static passwords prior to implementing SafeNet multi-factor authentication.

IBM WebSphere Application Server can be configured to support multi-factor authentication in several modes. CBA will be used for the purpose of working with SafeNet products.

Applicability

The information in this document applies to:

- SafeNet Authentication Client (SAC) SafeNet Authentication Client is the middleware that manages SafeNet's tokens.
- IBM WebSphere Application Server

Environment

The integration environment that was used in this document is based on the following software versions:

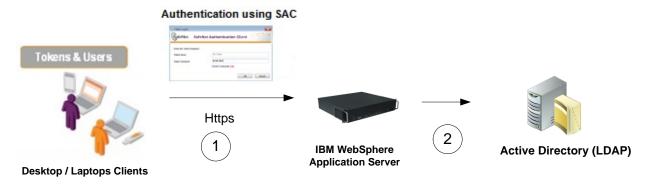
- SafeNet Authentication Client (SAC)—Version 10.0
- IBM WebSphere Application Server—Version 8.5
- Windows Server 2008r2 Active Directory and CA server
- Windows 7 x32 as Client

Audience

This document is targeted to system administrators who are familiar with IBM WebSphere Application Server, and are interested in adding multi-factor authentication capabilities using SafeNet tokens.

CBA Flow using SafeNet Authentication Client

The diagram below illustrates the flow of certificate-based authentication:



1. A user attempts to connect to the IBM WebSphere Application Server using the IBM WebSphere Application Server client application URL. The user inserts the SafeNet token on which his or her certificate resides, and, when prompted, enters the token password.

2. After successful authentication, the user is allowed access to IBM WebSphere Application.

Prerequisites

This section describes the prerequisites that must be installed and configured before implementing certificate-based authentication for IBM WebSphere Application Server using SafeNet tokens:

- To use CBA, the Microsoft Enterprise Certificate Authority must be installed and configured. In general, any CA can be used. However, in this guide, integration is demonstrated using Microsoft CA.
- If SAM is used to manage the tokens, Token Policy Object (TPO) should be configured with MS CA Connector. For further details, refer to the section "Connector for Microsoft CA" in the SafeNet Authentication Manager Administrator's Guide.
- Users must have a SafeNet token with an appropriate certificate enrolled on it.
- SafeNet Authentication Client 10.0 should be installed on all client machines.
- SafeNet Authentication Client should be installed on the certificate authority from where a certificate will be enrolled on the token.
- Active Directory, LDAP server, IBM WebSphere Application Server, and client are up and running and should communicate with each other.

Supported Tokens in SafeNet Authentication Client

SafeNet Authentication Client (SAC) supports a number of tokens that can be used as a second authentication factor for users who authenticate to IBM WebSphere Application Server.

SafeNet Authentication Client 10.0 (GA) supports the following tokens:

Certificate-based USB tokens

SafeNet eToken 5110/5105

Smart Cards

- IDPrime MD 830-FIPS
- IDPrime MD 830-ICP
- IDPrime MD 3810
- IDPrime MD 3810 MIFARE 1K

Software Tokens

SafeNet eToken Virtual

Configuring IBM WebSphere Application Server

Configuring IBM WebSphere Application server requires:

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Configuring an LDAP Repository

1. In a web browser, open the following url:

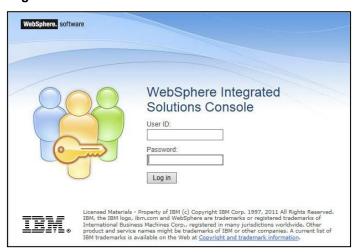
http://<WebSphere Application Server IP address or name>:<port number>/ibm/console Or

https://< WebSphere Application Server IP address or name>:<port number>/ibm/console



NOTE: The port number will be according to the created installation profile.

2. On the WebSphere Application Server login window, enter the administrator user ID and password, and then click **Log in**.

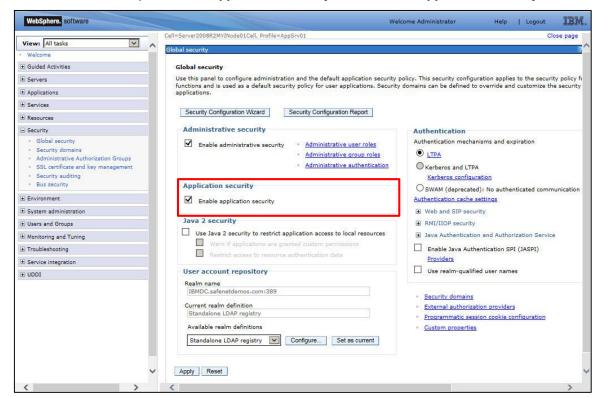


After successful login, the WebSphere Application Server Administrator console is displayed.

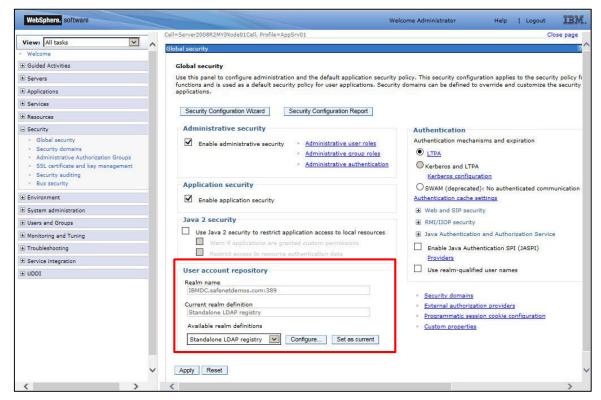


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3. On the WebSphere Application Server Administrator console, in the left pane, click **Security** > **Global security**, and then in the center pane, under **Application security**, select **Enable application security**.

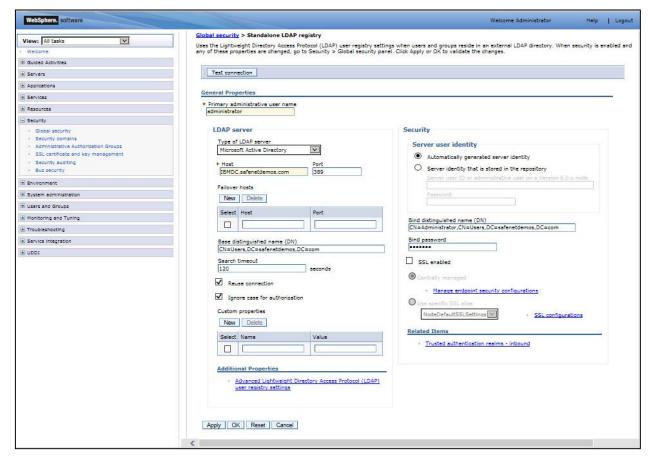


- 4. Under **User account repository**, perform the following steps:
 - a. In the Available realm definitions field, select Standalone LDAP registry.
 - b. Click Set as current.
 - c. Click Configure.



5. Under General Properties, complete the following fields, and then click OK:

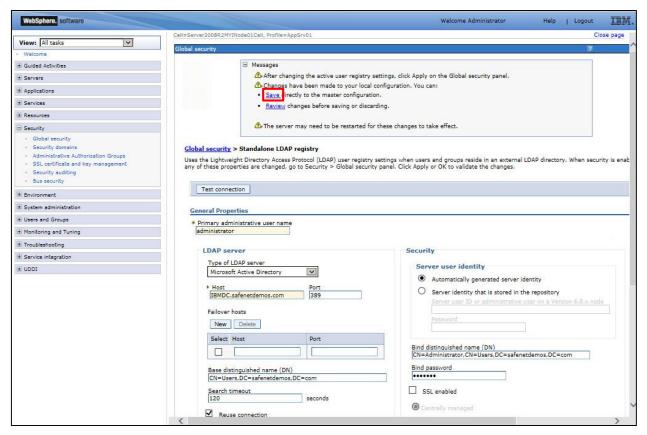
Primary administrative user name	Enter the user name of the primary administrative user. The user is defined with administrative privileges in the user registry.	
Type of LDAP server	Select Microsoft Active Directory.	
Host	Enter the LDAP server host name or IP address.	
Base distinguished name (DN)	Enter the base distinguished name of the directory.	
Bind distinguished name (DN)	Enter the full distinguished name of the administrator.	
Bind password	Enter the administrator password.	



6. Click Save.



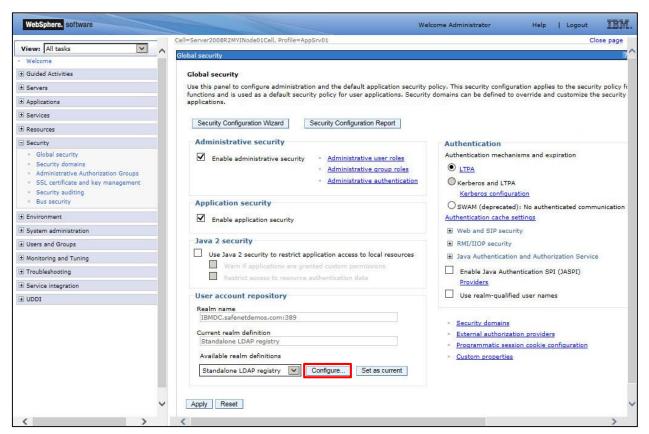
NOTE: Click **Test connection** to ensure that the connection with the LDAP server is successfully established.



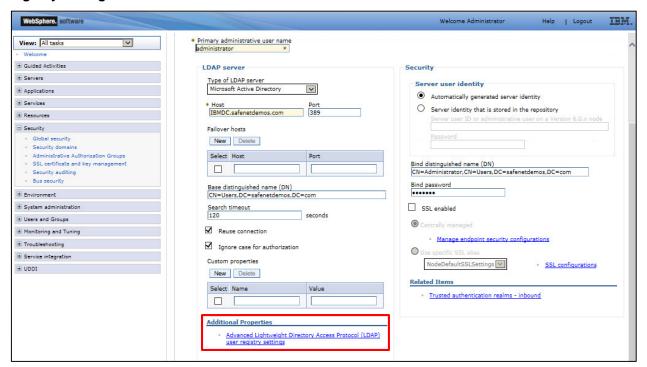
7. In the left pane, click **Security > Global security**, and then in the center pane, under **User account repository**, click **Configure**.



NOTE: Ensure that **Standalone LDAP registry** is selected in the **Available realm definitions** field.

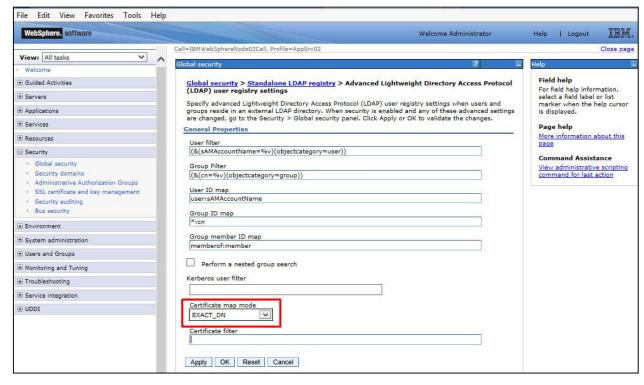


8. Under Additional Properties, click Advanced Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) user registry settings.



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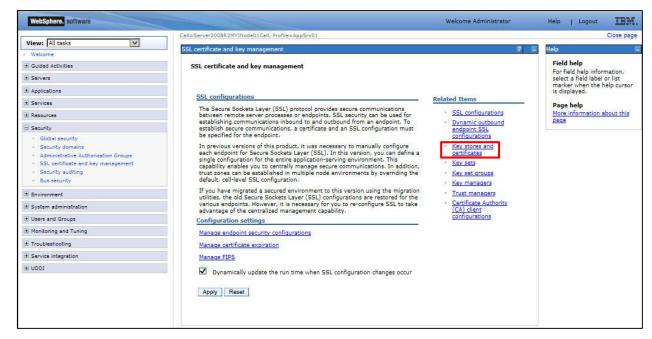
9. Under General Properties, ensure that in the Certificate map mode field, Exact_DN is selected.



Adding a CA Root Certificate

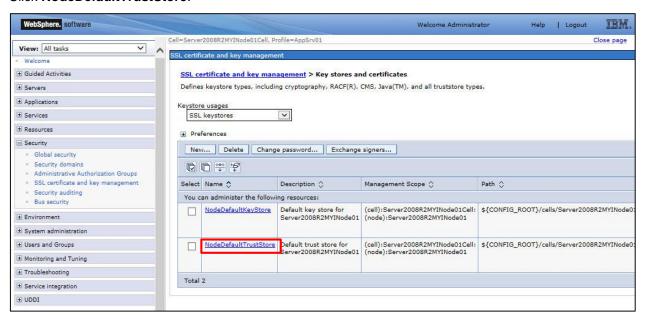
Add a CA root certificate to the default trust store on the IBM WebSphere Application server.

On the WebSphere Application Server Administrator console, in the left pane, click Security > SSL certificate
and key management, and then in the center pane, under Related Items, click Key stores and
certificates.

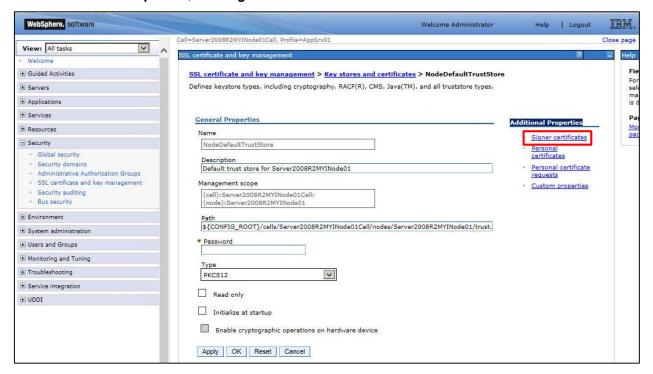


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2. Click NodeDefaultTrustStore.

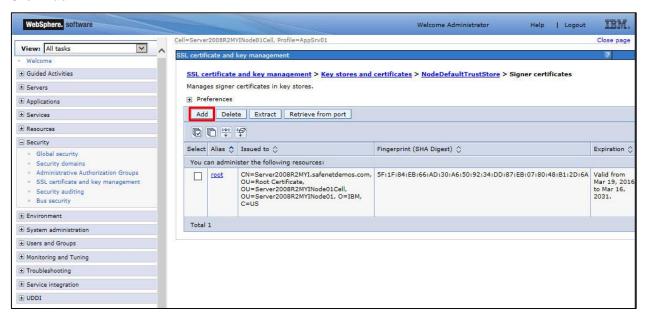


3. Under Additional Properties, click Signer certificates.



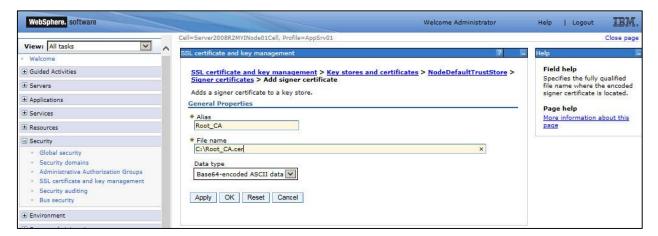
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4. Click Add.



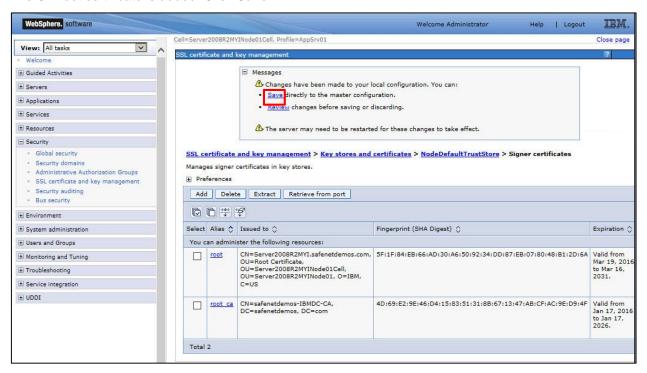
5. Under General Properties, complete the following fields, and then click OK.

Alias	Enter an alias for the signer certificate (for example, Root_CA). The alias is used to refer the signer certificate in the key store.
File name Enter the full path to the signer certificate file.	



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6. The CA root certificate is added. Click Save.



Setting up the Application to Use the Client Certificate Authentication

Performing client certificate authentication with the .ear application requires:

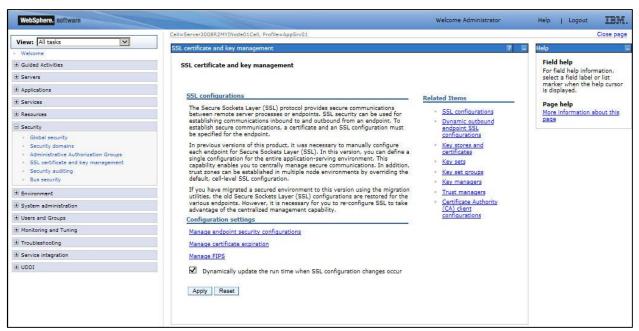
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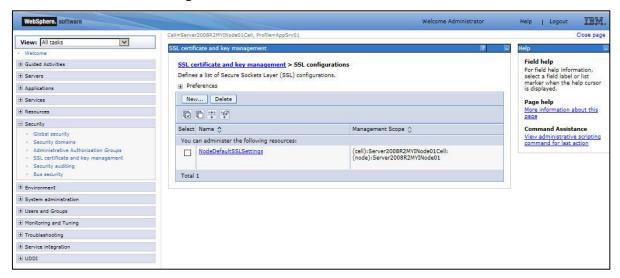
NOTE: In this solution, the IBM WebSphere **DefaultApplication.ear** application is used.

Defining Quality of Protection (QoP) Settings for the SSL Client Authentication

 On the WebSphere Application Server Administrator console, in the left pane click Security > SSL certificate and key management, and then, in the center pane, under Related Items, click SSL configurations.

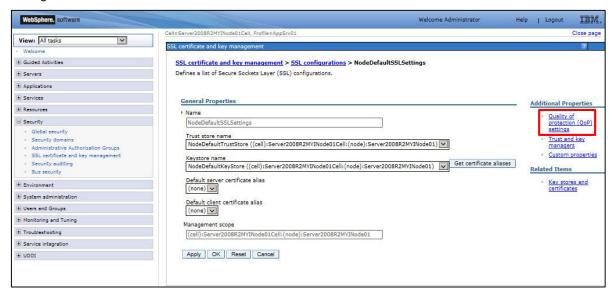


2. Click NodeDefaultSSLSettings.



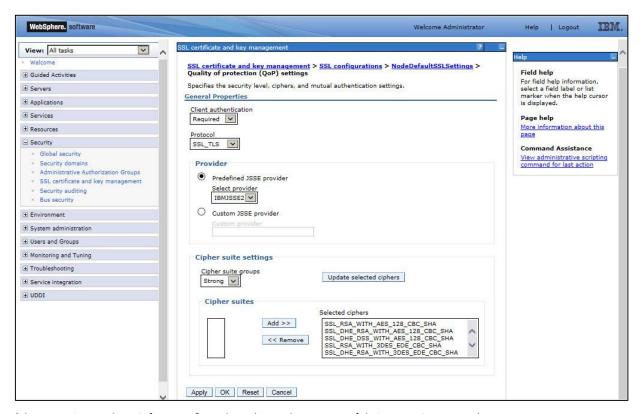
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3. Under Additional Properties, click **Quality of protection (QoP) settings** to define Quality of protection (QoP) settings for SSL.



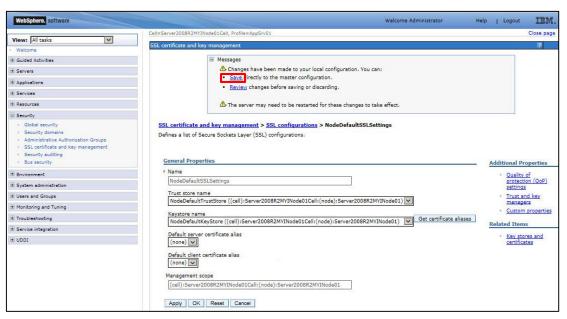
4. Under General Properties, complete the following fields, and then click OK.

Client authentication	Select Required.
Protocol	Select SSL_TLS.



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Click Save.



Updating the Application to Support the Client Certificate Authentication



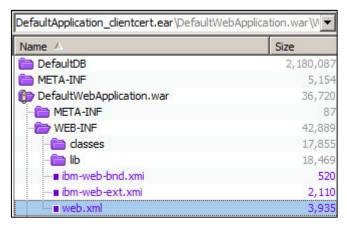
NOTE: It is assumed that **Defaultapplication.ear** is exported and edited.

1. Open the **web.xml** file that is located at the following path:

<path where the .ear directory is exported>/DefaultWebApplication.war/WEB-INF/web.xml



NOTE: The **web.xml** file is located in the directory where the **Defaultapplication.ear** file is exported.

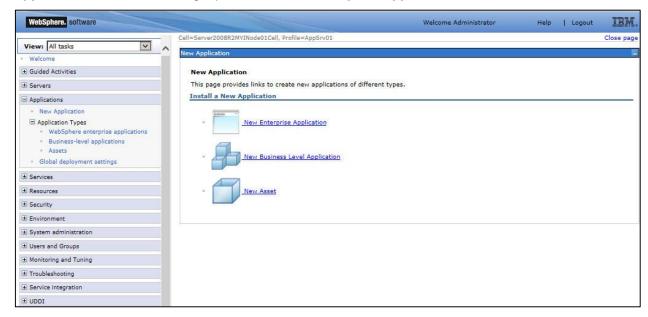


- 2. Edit the web.xml file.
- 3. In the **web.xml** file, add or replace the **<login-config>** tag with the following content to add the client certificate authentication method.
 - <login-config>
 - <auth-method>CLIENT-CERT</auth-method>
 - <login-config>
- 4. Locate the **<transport-guarantee>** tag and replace it with the following content to change the transport guarantee setting to **CONFIDENTIAL**.
 - <transport-guarantee>CONFIDENTIAL</transport-guarantee>
- 5. Save and close the web.xml file.

Installing the Enterprise Application

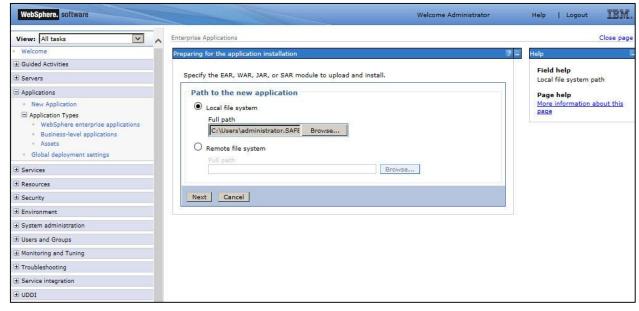
Install the Enterprise application after the web.xml is edited.

- 1. Log in to the WebSphere Application Server Administrator console.
- 2. On the WebSphere Application Server Administrator console, in the left pane, click **Applications > New Application**, and then in the right pane, click **New Enterprise Application**.

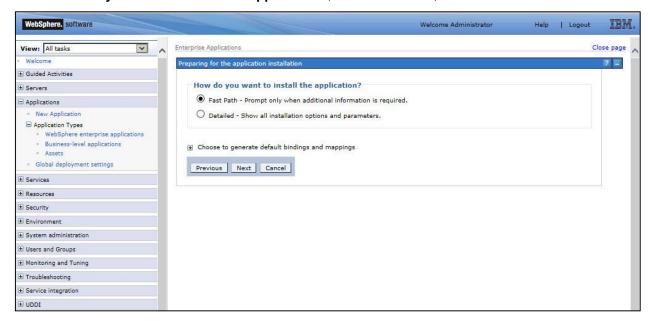


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3. Under **Path to the new application**, select **Local file system**, click **Browse** to select a path to the enterprise application file, and then click **Next**.

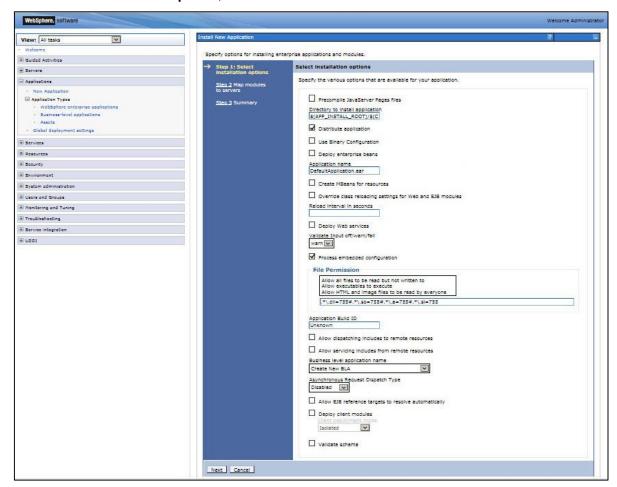


4. Under How do you want to install the application?, select Fast Path, and then click Next.

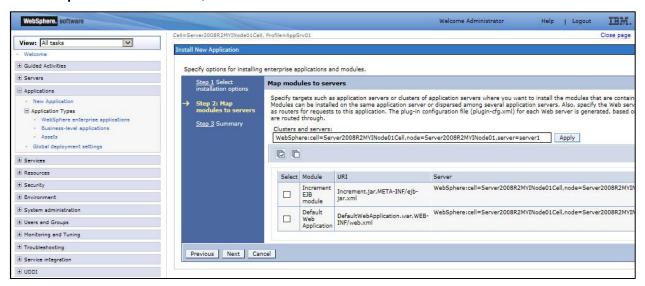


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5. Under Select installation options, click next.

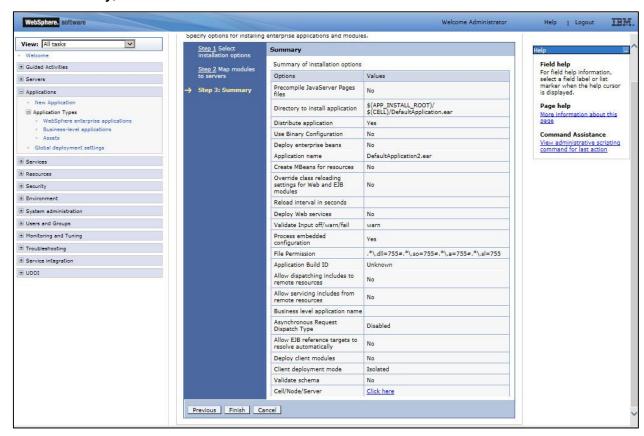


6. Under Map modules to servers, click Next.

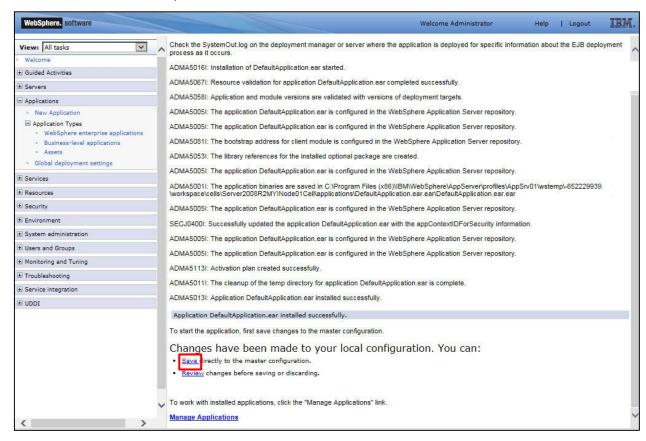


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7. Under Summary, click Finish.



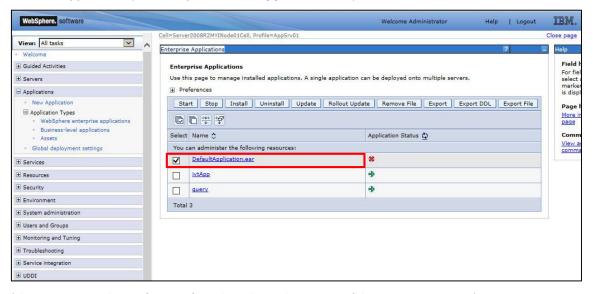
8. After successful installation, click Save



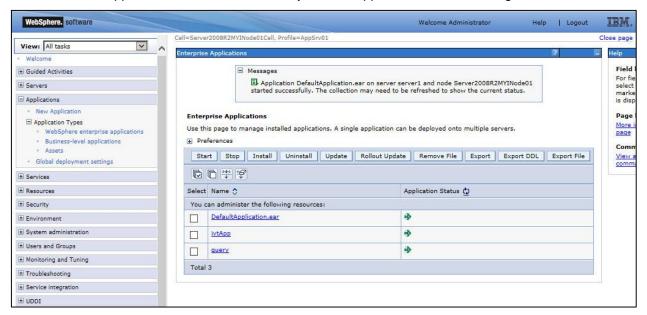
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Starting the Enterprise Application

 On the WebSphere Application Server Administrator console, in the left pane, click Applications >
 Application Types > WebSphere enterprise applications, and then in the center pane, select the installed application (for example, DefaultApplication.ear).



2. Click **Start**. The application is started successfully and the application status is changed to ...



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Running the Solution

Before running the solution, ensure that a Smart card user certificate must be present on the SafeNet USB token.

- 1. Insert the SafeNet USB token into the client machine.
- 2. In a web browser, open the following url:

https:// <Server IP or Name>:<SSL Port>/<Application>

Where, <Server IP or Name> is the IP address or name of the IBM WebSphere Application server, <SSL Port> is the SSL port number based on the created installation profile, and <Application> is the application path (for example, /snoop) in Default App.Ear.

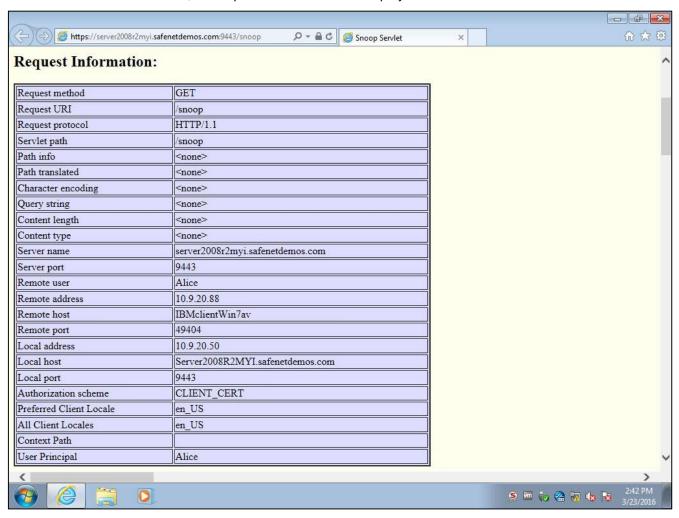
3. You will be redirected to the **Confirm Certificate** window. Click **OK**.



4. On the SafeNet Authentication Client login window, enter the token password, and then click OK.



After successful authentication, the requested information is displayed.



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