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Blast from the past ! You're welcome.

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<[stsrury@xxxxxxxx](mailto:stsrury@xxxxxxxx)> wrote in message  
[news:1164011133.792992.89550@xx](mailto:news:1164011133.792992.89550@xx)

Thank-you both for your timely reply! Apologies for not thanking you sooner, we went with the "backup-to-a-place-with-full-perms-and-index-from-there" route.

Thanks again!

Roger Abell [MVP] wrote:

You would likely be wary about doing massive changes to the existing permissions of stored content. There is no magic account, as the NTFS permissions are always obeyed, except when access is done via the backup/restore APIs. If the current permissions do not reliably provide a grant of permissions to such as Administrators, then there is no group you could use to allow an account to "become magic". If your content is not too huge, you could try use of NTbackup to copy content to an area where, when restored, it is restored without restoring permissions. You would have the same structures, but differently rooted, and if these new restore roots granted to the magic group, then this could be indexed by an account in the group. Otherwise, you would need alter permissions on the originals.

<[stsrury@xxxxxxxx](mailto:stsrury@xxxxxxxx)> wrote in message  
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Hi all,

We are starting a document retention project. As part of this

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project,  
we need to index all data on all file servers. The indexing  
program  
runs under a domain account.

How do I create the account in such a way that it has full  
access to  
every file and folder in the domain? (I've explained the  
security  
implications to mgmt)

I tried it as both a "domain administrator" and "backup  
operator" but  
neither account was able to access everything. Is there  
another way to  
go about it?

Thanks in advance for any tips.

Cheers!