

Case Study # 10

You are a Network Consultant with specialized skills in designing Win2000 directory services. You are recently requested by The ProTax Group to design the Windows 2000 network for the entire company.

Background

Since 1980, ProTax has established a formal tax service to serve the clients needs. Headed by CPAs with many years of experience in a wide array of industries, ProTax staff works year-round to stay abreast of developments in the ever-changing state and federal tax laws.

ProTax professionals offer a full line of tax services

ProTax (Redwood City)

Preparation of tax returns for the following entities:

Individuals,
Corporations,
Partnerships,
Non-profits,
Pension plans,
Gift and estates, and,
Fiduciaries.

In addition to tax return preparation, ProTax also offer services for:

ProTax (San Mateo)

Business and individual tax planning, projections, and valuations
Special reports/projections for tax planning
Representation before taxing authorities
Support for business acquisition, reorganizations, mergers, and incorporations
Sale or purchase of business properties
Executive compensation and benefit programs
Deferred compensation plans
Pension and profit-sharing plans
Employee benefit programs

ProTax (San Bruno)

Assistance with accurate and thorough record-keeping
Sales tax audit prevention
Payroll, sales, and use tax
Especially for individuals:
Estate and gift tax services
Retirement planning
Investment planning
Higher education planning



ProTax is a very special organization. Basically every office is separately owned by different people. They do share resources with each other and to enjoy some synergy. They also share the same brand name when promoting their services.

IT Structure

Currently the offices are running a mixture of NT4, Netware and IBM Mainframe Servers. For clients they have 95, 98 and NT.

Expected IT Structure

ProTax (Redwood City)

Domain 1
100 Staffs

ProTax (San Mateo)

Domain 2
120 Staffs

ProTax (San Bruno)

Domain 3
65 Staffs