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Consulting Client Account Planning Playbook

Planning the account's future deliberately, not just reacting to the next RFP or renewal

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Overview

A framework for proactive consulting client account planning — mapping the account's full potential, the relationship's current state, and a deliberate multi-year plan — rather than managing the relationship reactively from one engagement or renewal decision to the next.

How is this different from the Trusted Advisor Account Growth &

Client Retention Playbook? That playbook covers the relationship-building behaviors and mindset for growing an account organically. This one is the more structured planning discipline — a documented account plan with specific goals, whitespace mapping, and a multi-year view — that account teams use as an ongoing planning tool.

Is formal account planning worth the effort for every client

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