

Re: data access strategy

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Thanks Ekrem,

Correct, there is a domain which is why my app was originally setup to use windows authentication. I have now change the sql instance to use mixed mode and tested the login credentials locally. All works OK.

I am using a named instance (.\sqlexpress) and I have set that instance to listen on 8082. testing locally using Data Source=192.168.1.1,8082

instead of the usual

Data Source=192.168.1.1\sqlexpress

Suggests to me that it's working.

I have asked the guys managing my firewall to open 8082 and forward it to my server but I can't make a connection to the database.

I've just discovered that the connection works via VPN when using 192.168.1.1\sqlexpress instead of servername\sqlexpress which is how I previously had it setup.

So temporary way is to use the VPN but I'd like to build a module of my app to run on a windows mobile device so I'll keep trying to get remote DB access working.....unless this is a really bad idea.

Russ

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