

Re: fn_trace_gettable threatening my sanity

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Just to follow up in case anyone else runs into this, the apparent solution is so ridiculous as to be unbelievable: my stored procedure was retrieving the trace file name from a table where it was inserted by the procedure that created the trace. The file name stored was something like 'D:\Trace\Trace1.TRC', with the file type added by the procedure (since you're not supposed to include the file type when specifying the file on the trace create). When the file type was changed to lowercase as in 'D:\Trace\Trace1.trc', everything worked. You could alternate the two fn_trace_gettable selects, one with uppercase and one with lowercase to see the problem behavior and desired behavior quite readily and repeatably.

Is there some kind of case sensitive file system thing going on in XP 2003, or is this just a bizarre SQL bug?

– thanks,
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