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BD wrote:

> I am running Server 2003, with a raid array. I have about 160 GB on  
> my e: drive and it has filled up with 132 GB's of shadow copy files.  
> I was first alerted that something was wrong when I attempted to  
> remote desktop into the server and check on some apps. Remote  
> desktop didn't work. I verified that my remote desktop setup was  
> unchanged on both ends but couldn't find out what was happening. At  
> this point I checked the logs and found some issues related to disk  
> space.  
> Upon checking my e: drive, I found 132 GB's of used, yet unaccounted  
> for space, with only about 4 GB free. I finally found the files and  
> they were in the "system volume information" folder on the drive.  
> After further research on this folder I found that it holds the  
> backup information.  
> Every attempt to click on the tab for shadow copy on the properties  
> window of the e: drive freezes that window. Any attempt to go into  
> disk management is unsuccessful as well.  
> As you can see, the lack of available disk space is severely  
> hindering my ability to solve the problem of lack of available disk  
> space.  
> I have read through many posts both here and on other tech sites and  
> found some information on using the "vssadmin" command. Is this my  
> best bet, if so, can someone give me more specific switches/arguments  
> to use with this to either turn off the shadow copy or recover a  
> majority of the space?  
> Also, are there other things I should be looking at that might also be  
> causing these problems?  
>  
> Thanks in advance,  
> BD

Did you try to work in safe mode?

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