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The professional services website guide

A website that wins instructions

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Your buyer is a careful researcher with a lot to lose. Before they ring any firm they will have read three or four websites, formed a view about who feels credible, and quietly ruled out anyone who made them work too hard. The decision is mostly made before the first conversation, which means your website is doing the early selling whether you designed it to or not.

THE CLICKINGMAD TEST

If a prospective client cannot name one of your people after two minutes on the site, the site is hiding your best asset.

What the website has to do

Demonstrate expertise without showing off, which in practice means answering the questions clients actually bring rather than describing your departments. Put real people on the page, because professional services are bought from humans, and a firm that hides its people behind stock photography reads as having something to hide. And remove every scrap of friction from the moment of contact, because a researcher who has finally decided to talk should never have to hunt for the way in.

What to put in the brief

The services that actually earn the margin, not the full alphabetical list. The partners or principals willing to be named, photographed and quoted, because their visibility is the trust signal everything else leans on. Your compliance and disclosure requirements, named early, so the compliance review at the end is a formality rather than a rewrite. And the proof: real testimonials, real outcomes, and whether your client relationships allow either to be public.

What to measure

Instruction-stage enquiries and booked calls, tracked properly, because they are the number the website exists to move. Rankings for your services in your towns. And where new clients say they found you, asked at intake and actually recorded, because it is the cheapest attribution data there is.

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