

THE VALUE

What fractional channel leadership actually gets you

Expertise on day one

No ramp time. You get a practitioner who has built programs before, not someone learning on your dime.

Right-sized cost

Pay for the hours and outcomes you need, not a full-time salary, benefits, and equity for a role you're still validating.

Flexible engagement

Scale up as traction builds. Wind down without severance complexity. The engagement scales with your needs.

Revenue accountability

A fractional leader worth their rate is measured against pipeline and partner activation, not activity metrics.

Pattern recognition

They've seen what breaks at your stage. IPP mistakes, deal registration pitfalls, MDF waste, they've already lived through it.

An existing network

The right hire brings relationships with VARs, MSPs, and GSIs that would take a new FTE years to build.

WHAT TO EVALUATE

Six things to get right when hiring fractional

01 Segment fluency

Have they built programs with VAR, MSP, or SI partners, not just managed a PRM? Make them walk through your specific partner motion

02 Revenue-first mindset

Beware of leaders obsessed with process artifacts: portal builds, tier docs, enablement decks. Ask how they measure success at 90 days.

03 Stage match

A leader from a 2,000-partner enterprise program may be wrong for a 0-to-1 launch. Confirm they've operated at your scale before.

04 Defined scope and deliverables

Ambiguous engagements drift. Nail down hours per week, what they own vs. advise, and what outcomes define success before signing.

05 Channel conflict posture

How do they protect your direct motion while building indirect? Their answer reveals whether they've navigated real GTM complexity.

06 Transition plan

A good fractional engagement builds toward independence. Ask what assets, processes, and hires they leave behind when they exit.

Let's talk fractional channel management.

Book a 30-minute discovery call today

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