Any Windows gurus out there? Peter?

I have an IDL program that creates a file in one
part of the program. Later, another part of the
program reads the file and deletes it. However,
I find that FILE_DELETE by itself doesn't delete
the file. Instead, it gives a really unhelpful
message that it "had a problem deleting the file".
Really!?

To actually delete the file, I have to use FILE_CHMOD
first, with the A_WRITE keyword set (!?). *Then* I can
use FILE_DELETE and get it to work.

Any ideas why this might be the case? I'm running the
program as the Administrator.

Cheers,

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