

DATABASE MIRRORING

Database mirroring is a solution for increasing the availability of a SQL Server database. Mirroring is implemented on a per-database basis and works only with databases that use the full recovery model.

Benefits of Database Mirroring

Database mirroring is a simple strategy that offers the following benefits:

- Increases availability of a database.

In the event of a disaster, in high-safety mode with automatic failover, failover quickly brings the standby copy of the database online (without data loss). In the other operating modes, the database administrator has the alternative of forcing service (with possible data loss) to the standby copy of the database. For more information, see [Role Switching](#), later in this topic.

- Increases data protection.

Database mirroring provides complete or almost complete redundancy of the data, depending on whether the operating mode is high-safety or high-performance. For more information, see [Operating Modes](#), later in this topic.

A database mirroring partner running on SQL Server 2008 Enterprise or later versions automatically tries to resolve certain types of errors that prevent reading a data page. The partner that is unable to read a page requests a fresh copy from the other partner. If this request succeeds, the unreadable page is replaced by the copy, which usually resolves the error. For more information, see [Automatic Page Repair \(Availability Groups: Database Mirroring\)](#).

- Improves the availability of the production database during upgrades.

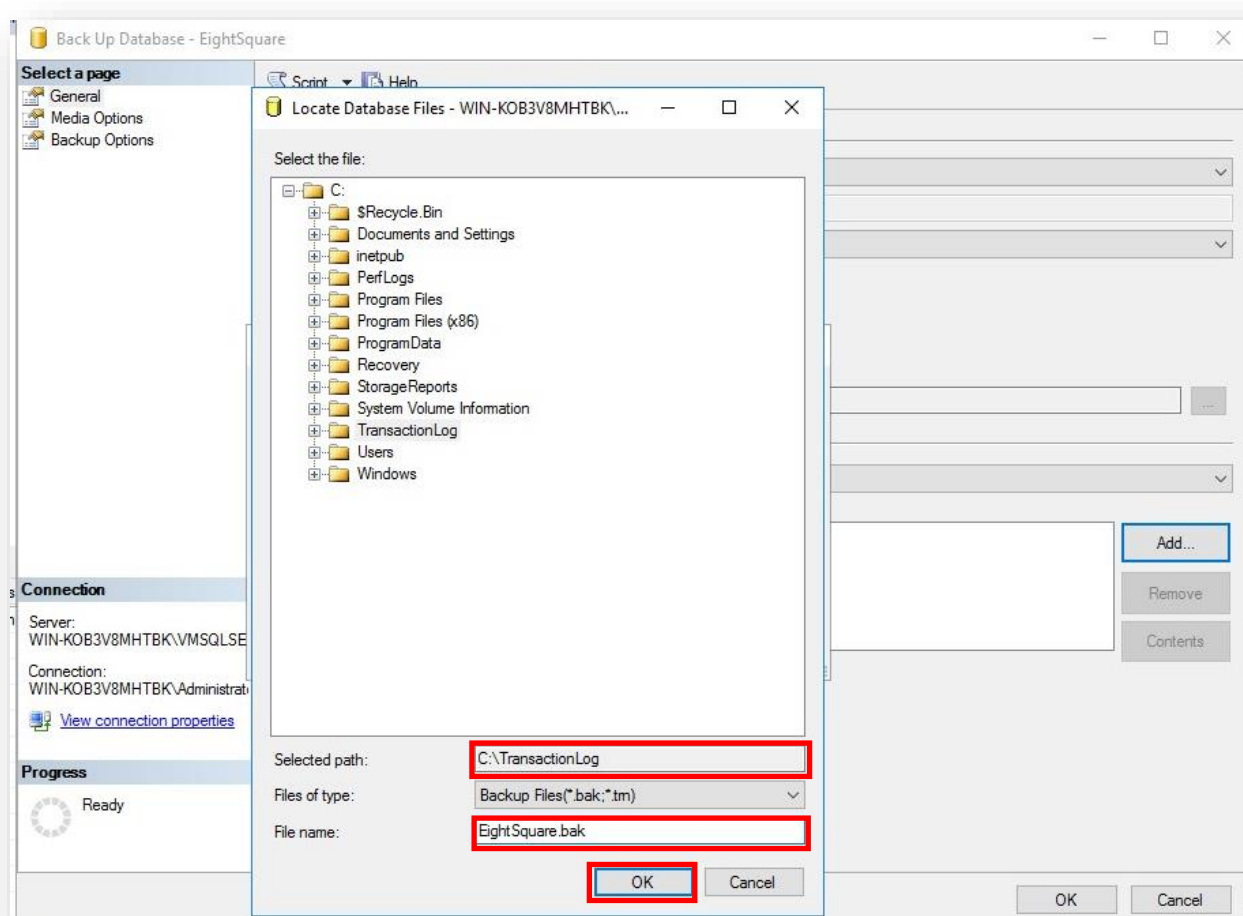
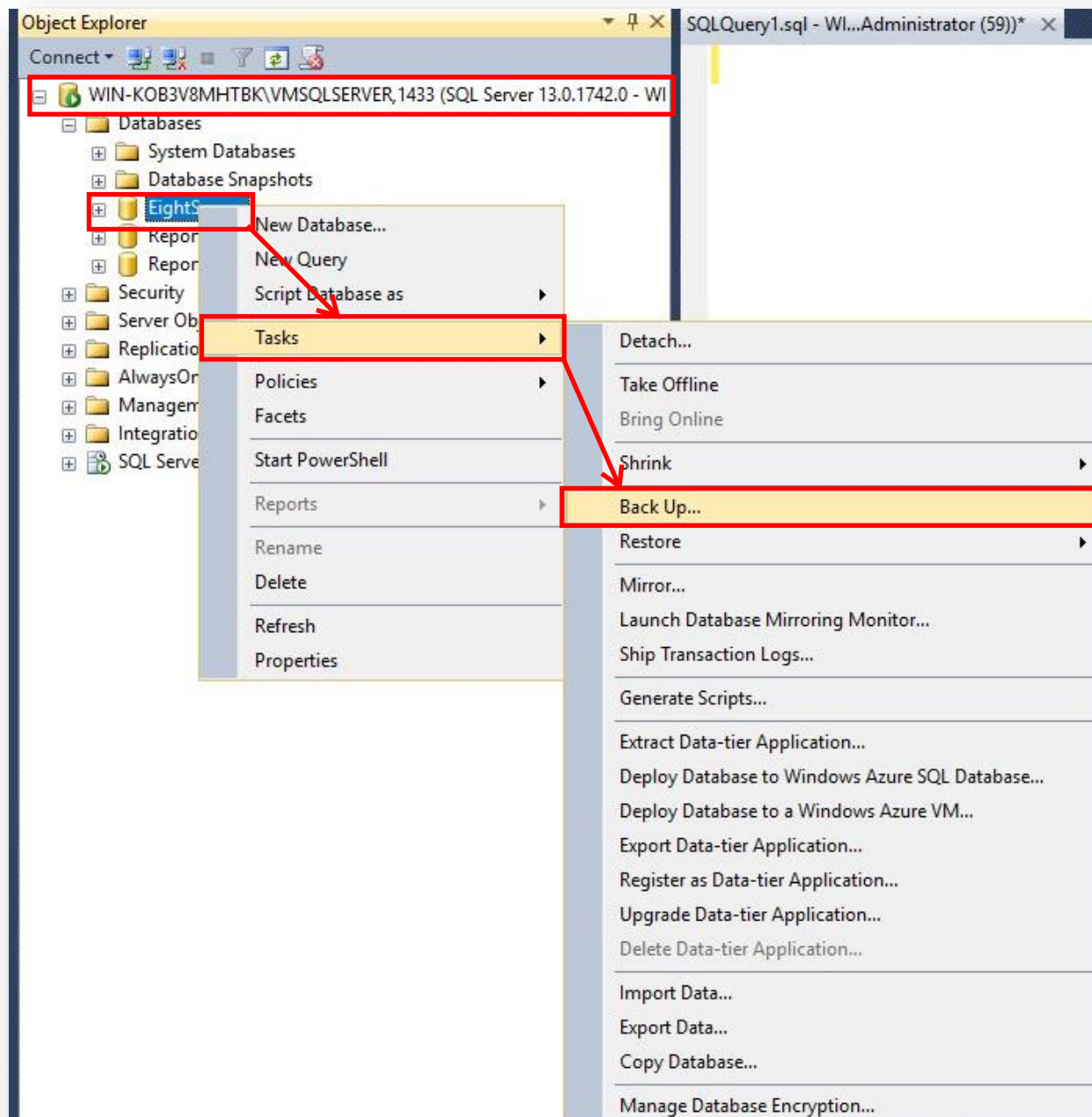
To minimize downtime for a mirrored database, you can sequentially upgrade the instances of SQL Server that are hosting the failover partners. This will incur the downtime of only a single failover. This form of upgrade is known as a *rolling upgrade*. For more information, see [Upgrading Mirrored Instances](#).

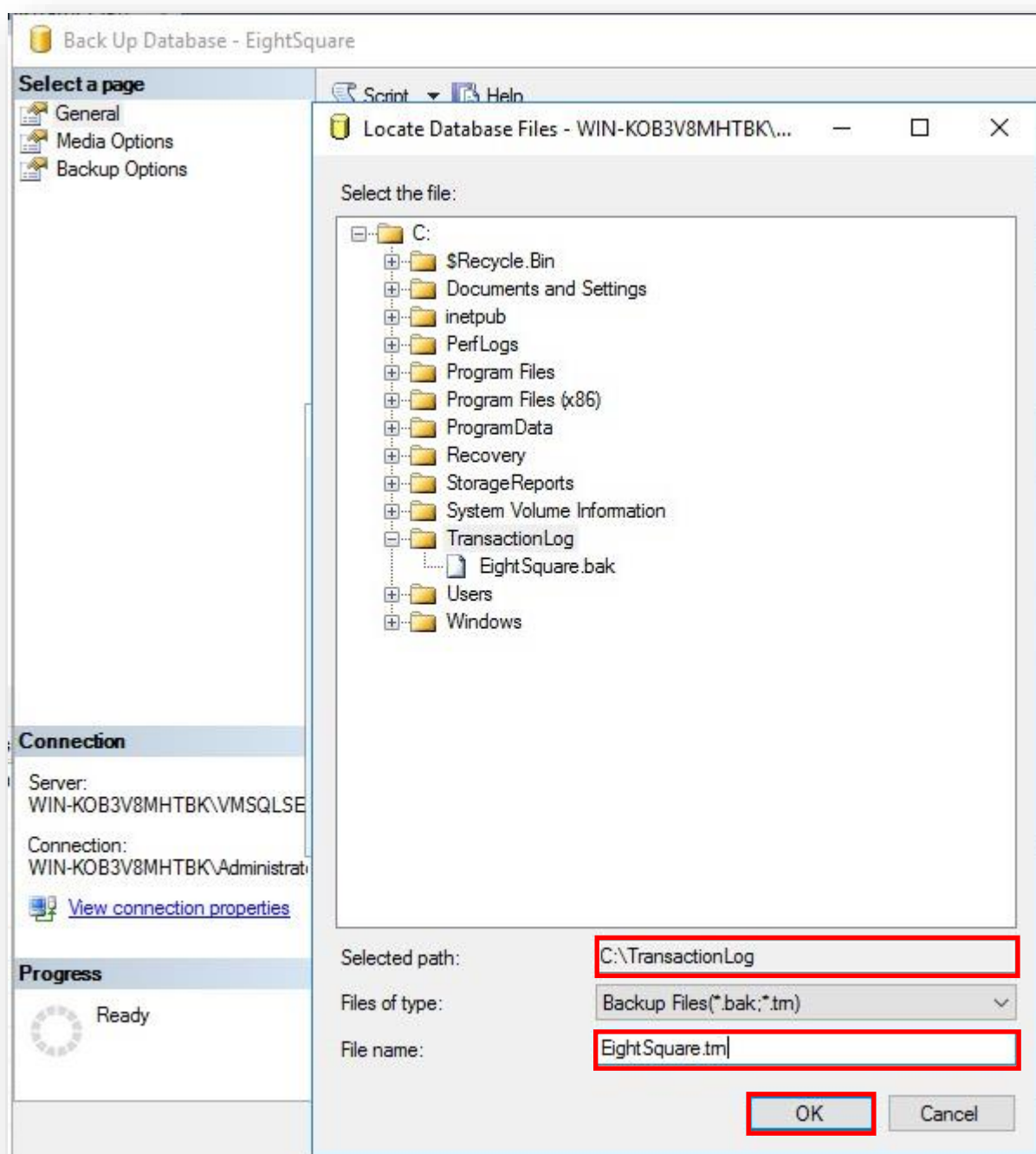
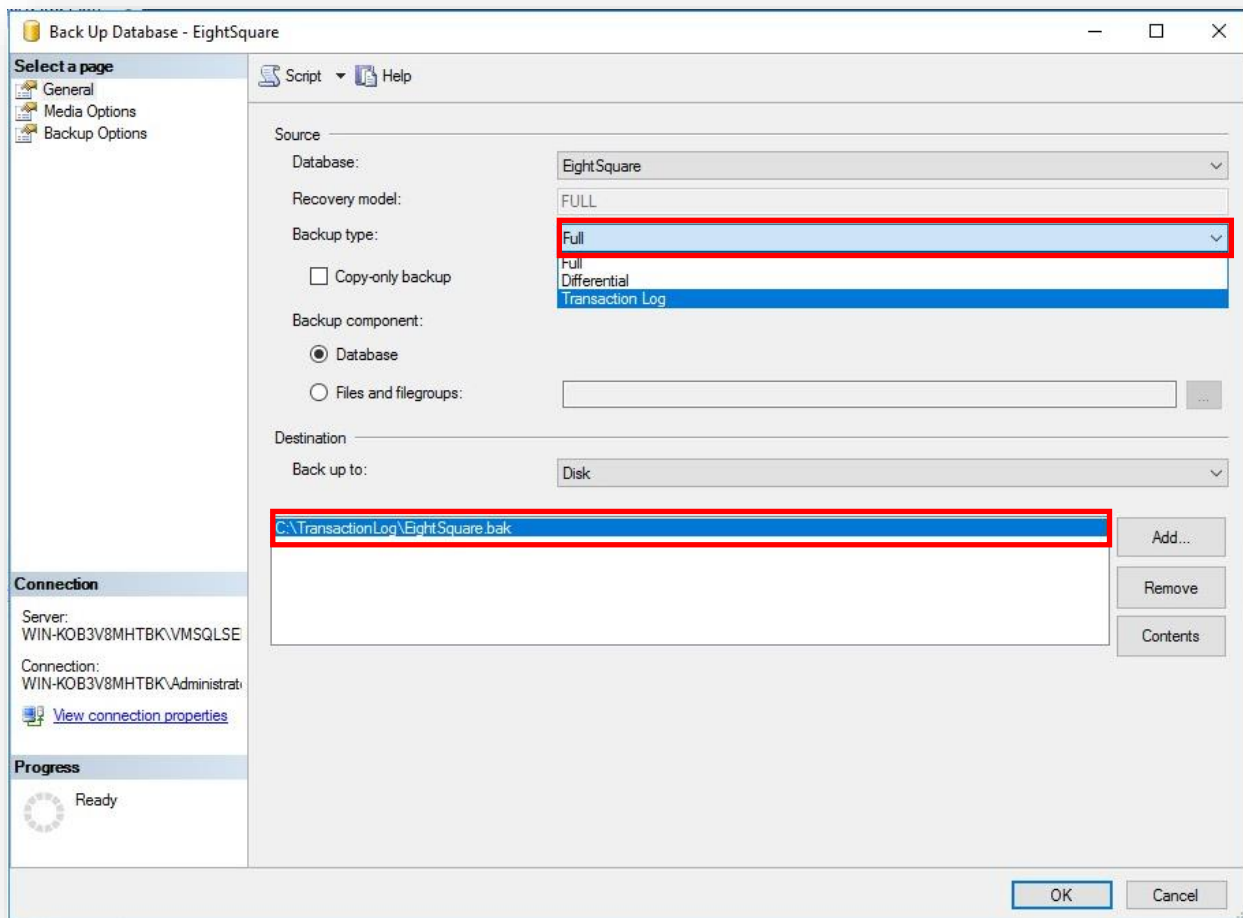
There are three steps of Database Mirroring.

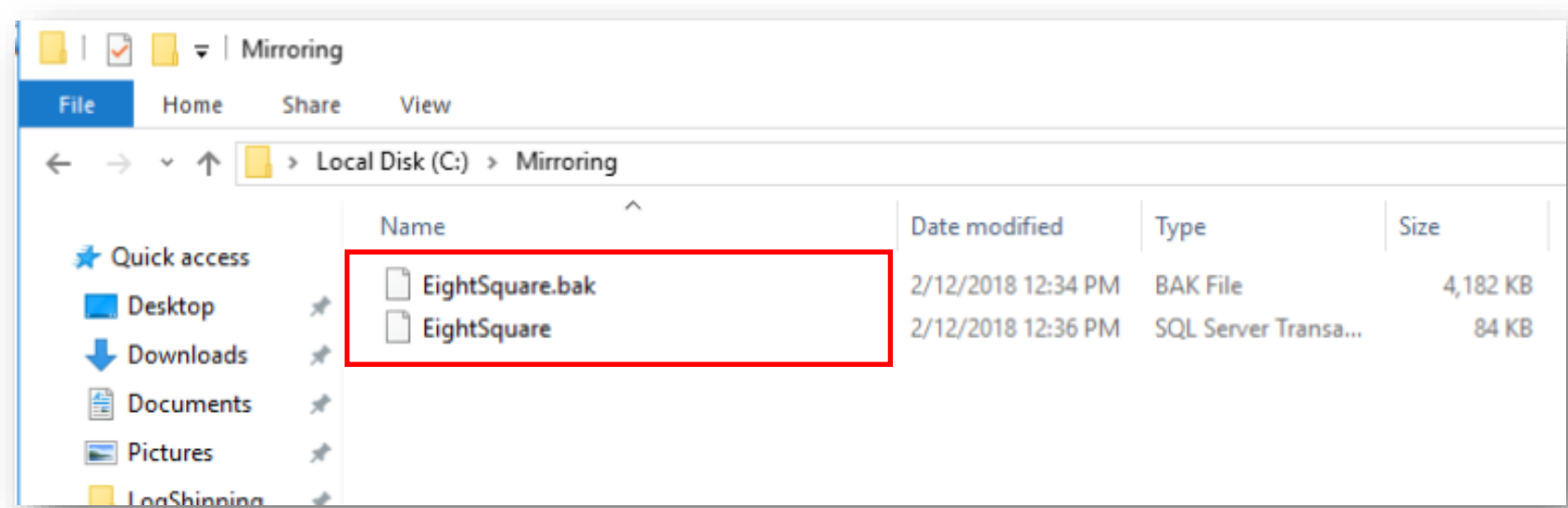
1. Full back up of Principle database and backup of Transactional logs.
2. Restore full backup and Transactional log backup on Mirroring server.
3. Configure Database Mirroring.

1.Full back up of Principle database and backup of Transactional logs.

The very first step in database mirroring is to take full backup of principle database and also take Transactional log backup. For which right click on the Database on Principle server which we are planning to mirror the steps is shown in the screenshot below.

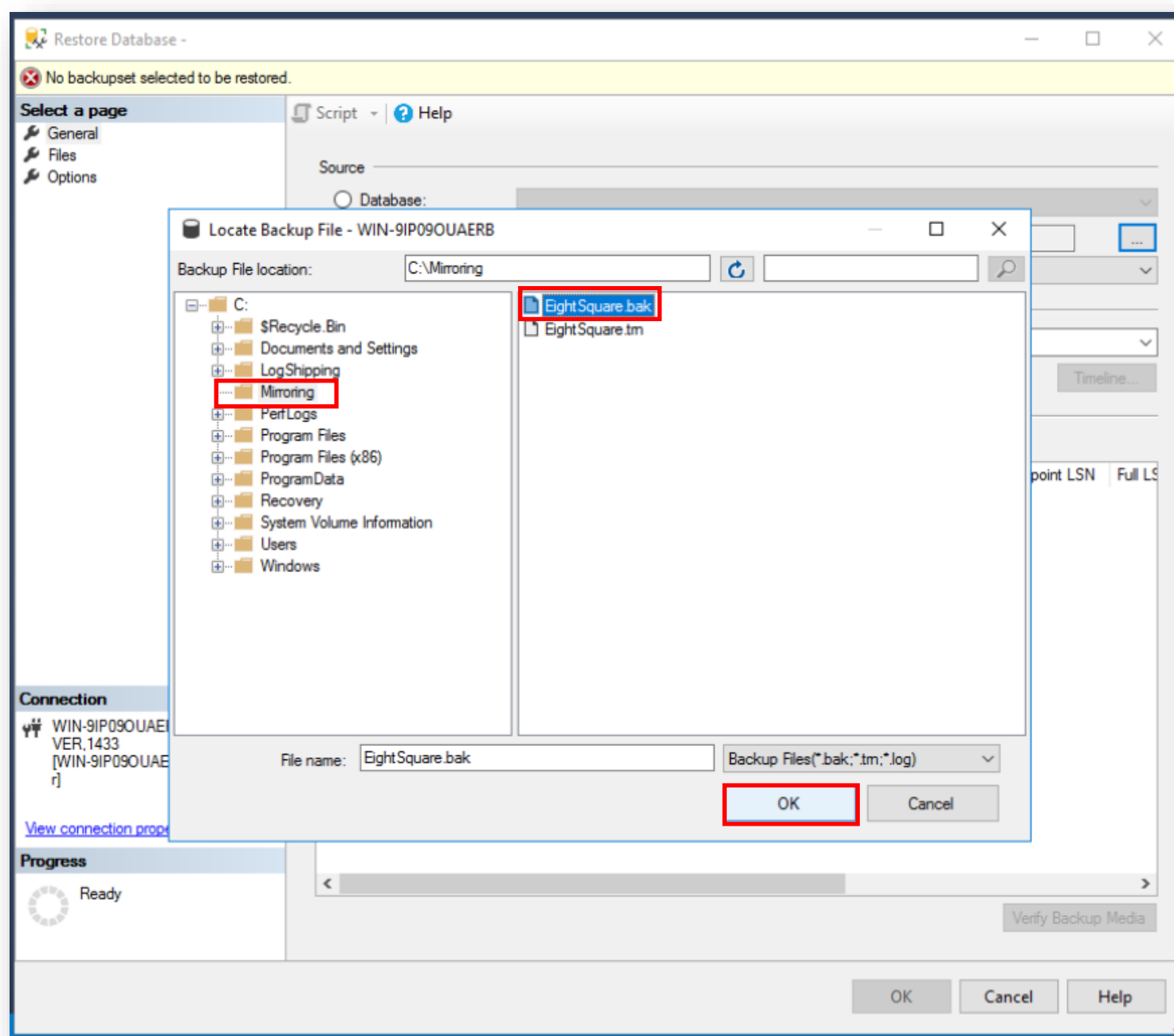
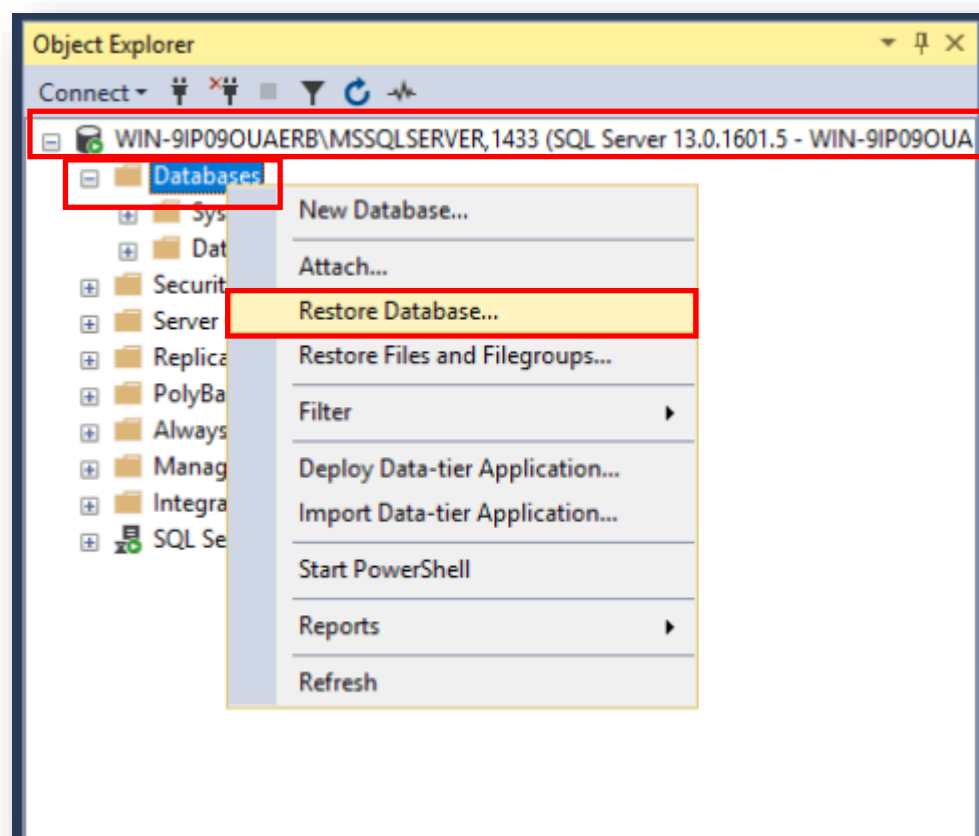


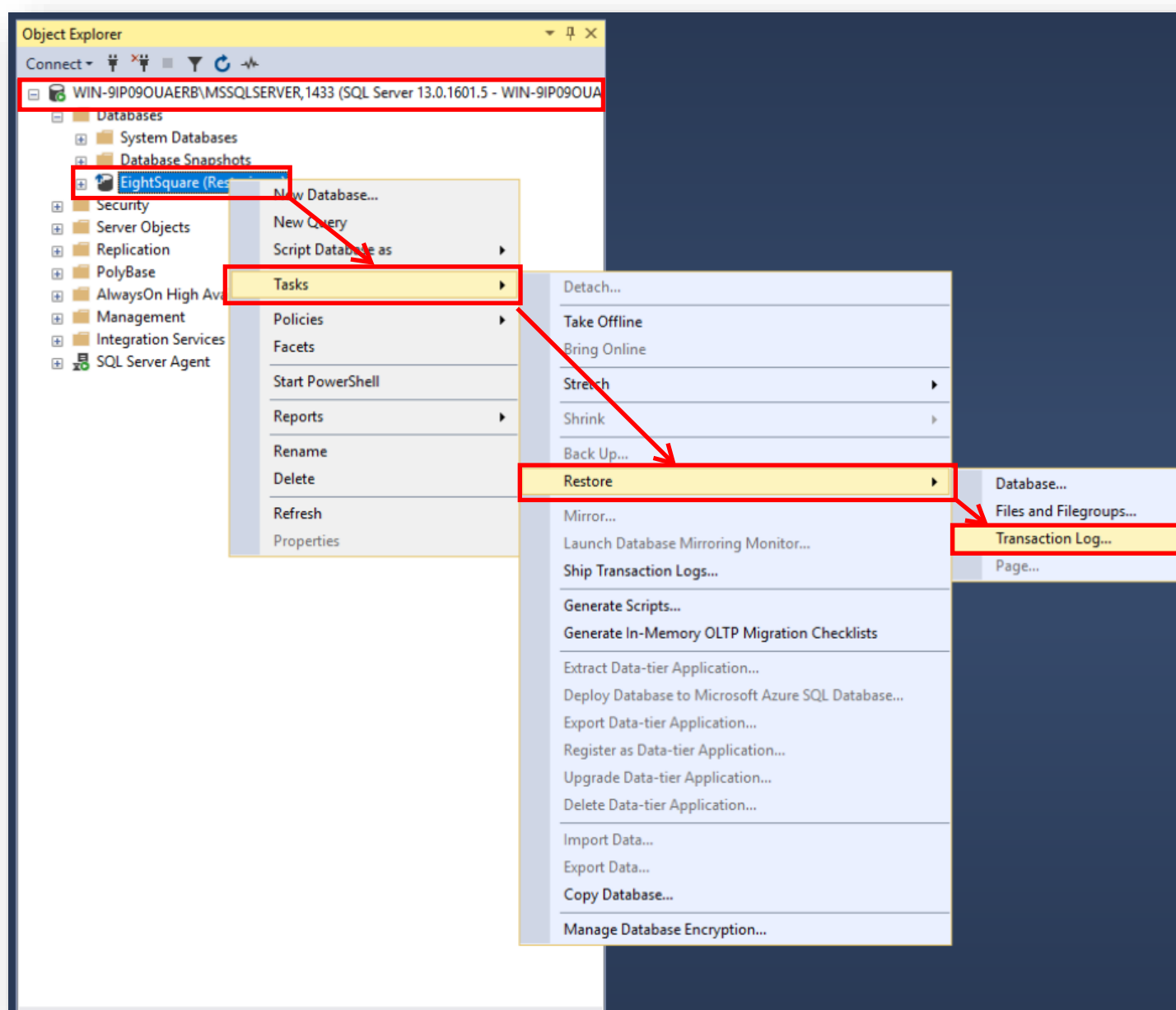
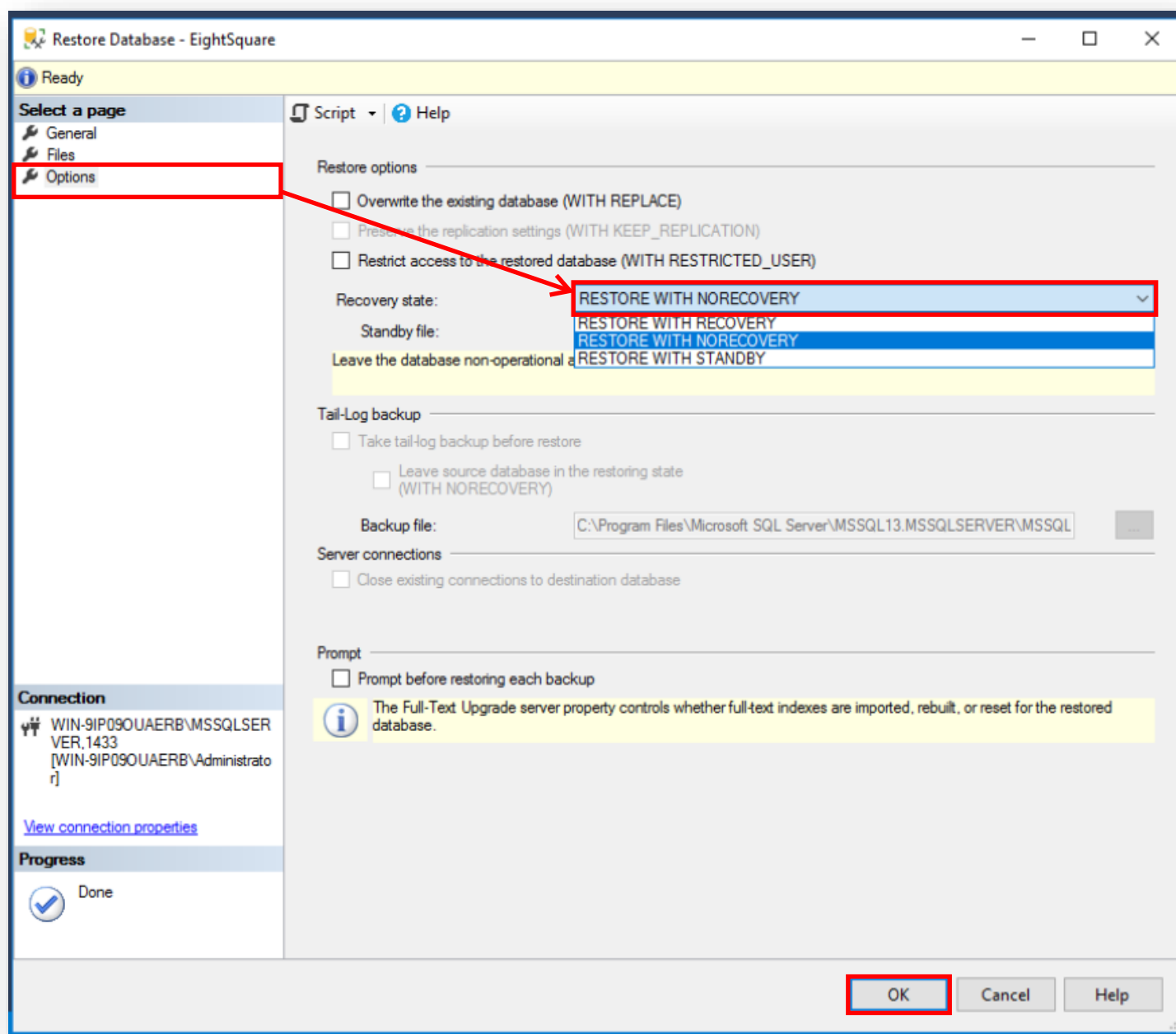


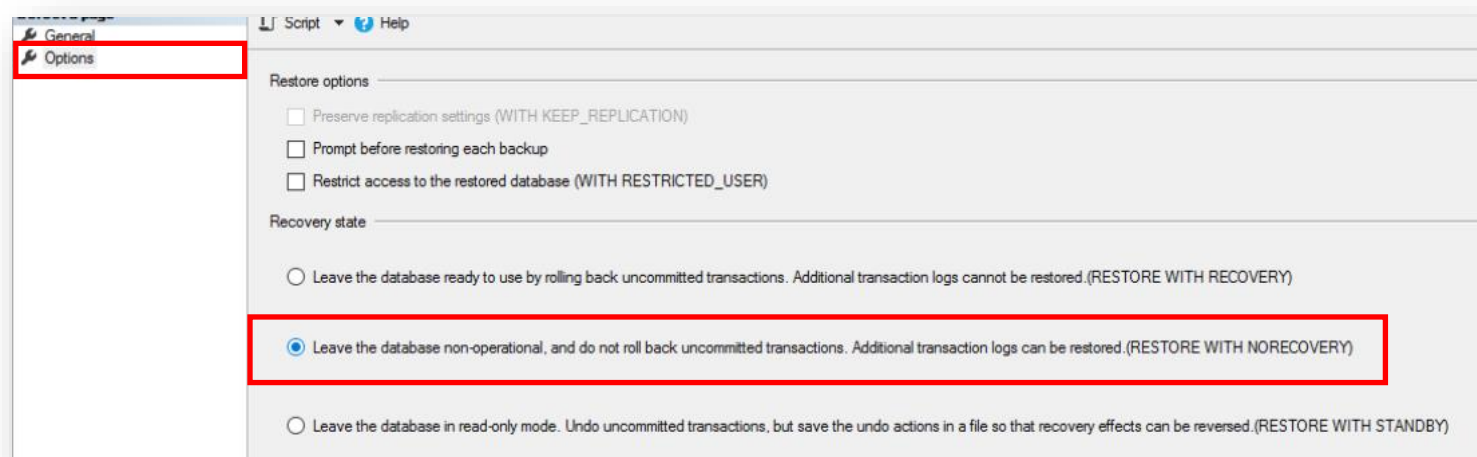
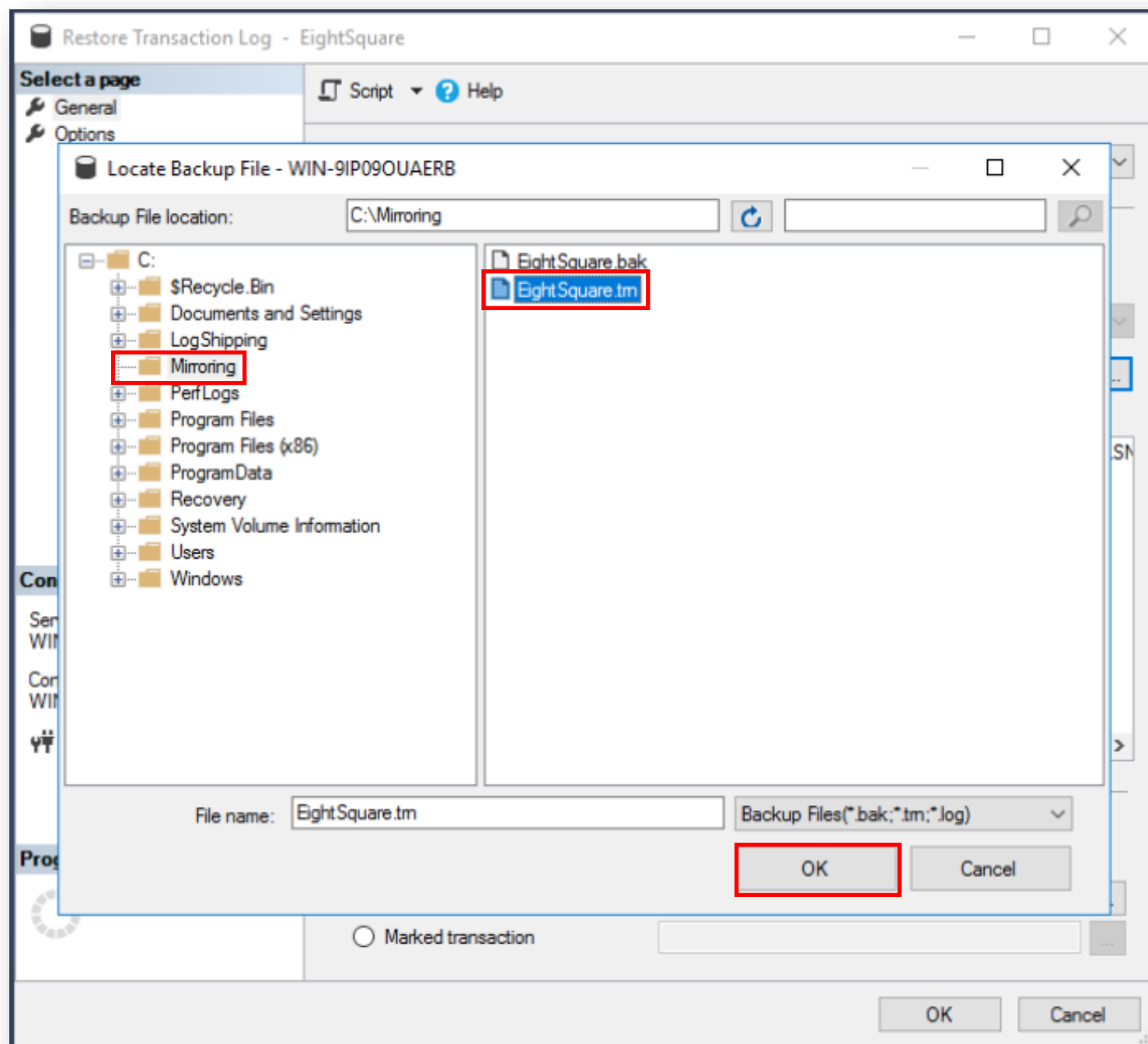


2. Restore Database on Mirroring Server

Restore the backup database on Mirroring server with **RESTORE WITH NORECOVERY** mode. The steps is shown in the screenshot below.







3. Configure Database Mirroring.

The steps to configure database mirroring is represented by the screenshot step by steps

