2026 PERSPECTIVE / DIGITAL VAULT SYSTEMS

Digital Vault: *Inventory* First

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Cybersecurity as a wealth asset treats credentials, devices, backups, and legal recovery as part of net worth—because SIM swaps, phishing, and concentration in a single custodian convert operational mistakes

into balance-sheet events. Read with asset protection strategies for legal layering, estate planning archetypes for executor-ready maps, on-chain wealth when keys and exchanges multiply, and entropy as vendors and threats churn.

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DIGITAL VAULT SECURITY SHEET

01

Account map

Platforms, wallets, cold storage—executor copy.

02

Key ceremony

Hardware keys, backups, test restores quarterly.

03

Incident ladder

Freeze, rotate, counsel—ordered contacts.

04

Family training

Phishing drills; support scam scripts banned.

8. Atlas *Integration*

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