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BIGfranky75

05-29-2006 04:24 PM

# Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

Originally Posted by **yossarian** 

(I posted the following in the other thread, which is no longer active)

After viewing the site, I suppose I don't have a problem with the actual product the company is selling.

They seem to offer solid, common sense advice from millionaires about running a business and making investment decisions. I don't doubt that their product has some value, but I'm fairly confident that any and all advice offered can be found with a little diligent searching at one's local Barnes and Noble.

As a Christian, the problem I have with this company is the use of Christianity as a marketing asset.

There is a letter found on the opening page in which Mr. Darnell describes the gift of God's abundance as something we should strive for, not shy away from.

I have seen this argument in a variety of forms, (and the catch-word "abundance" is almost always utilized), none of which sit very well with me as a Christian. In a round about way, it is saying that God wants you to be rich, so don't feel guilty about seeking wealth. Oh, and by the way, buy our product – it's God-approved.

I'm not saying that God doesn't want people to be rich; I'm sure that is in his plan for some people. He certainly wants us to manage our finances responsibly and give openly.

But in my opinion, he does not smile down on those who profit by blatantly taking advantage of their connection to other people within the faith.

Remember, the only account in the Bible of Christ violently losing his temper was in the

temple market, where he turned over the tables of money-changers and traders.

\*When I wrote the above post, I was not aware of the high cost of the program, which in my estimation is grossly exorbitant for the service provided.\*

I got a cold chill when I read this. It reminded me of the kind of rhetoric spouted by followers of David Koresh prior to the Branch Davidian incident.

well said and i couldn't agree more.... this kind of behavior is very offensive and extremely "UN-CHRISTIAN"....

# BIGfranky75

05-29-2006 04:27 PM

### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

#### Originally Posted by **Soapboxmom**

Yossarian wrote:

Excellent point. Folks wouldn't want to appear to be against God, Christ or the good ol' USA, so it is an easy ploy to use religion to sucker folks in. Lucky for the public folks like us will challenge these scammers to pony up some facts.

#### Soapboxmom

seripously soapbox....thank goodness for people like you! keep up the good work... these huscksters are already on the way out.... thanks to yorself and WYK!!!!

keep up the good work folks! hopefully this sick twisted tim darnell character has suckered his last!!!!

# spanky

05-29-2006 05:53 PM

### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

#### Originally Posted by **BIGfranky75**

uh-oh....be careful there Power/Glory....misquoting God's Word isn't something to take lightly. I think that you are attempting to refer to Matthew 7:1-2? You left out a pretty damn important part of the scripture.

Matt7:1-2: Do not judged lest you be judged. For in the way you judge, you will be judged; And by your standard of measure, it will be measured back to you.

The way in which you referred to the scripture in your above post, infers that you are given the "go ahead" by God to go ahead and judge others if they have "judged" you... that isn't the case. that isnt the case at all...and anyone that actually knows scripture can tell you, in short, Jesus is telling us not to focus on others at all, rather, we should focus on ourselves. Don't try to manipulate God, Power/Glory....He doesn't like that.

the fact that you even came on to this website spouting scripture in a debate about whether or not a particular opportunity is a bum deal or not (in this case Advantage Conferences) is a disgrace. and it doesn't glorify God.

you should be ashamed of yourself.

this is a topic that is very offensive to me, when MLM's (usually it is particular reps within the MLM) use religion to try and further themselves financially. I think it is the sort of thing that can be potentially soul-destroying. the people that do that are true bottom feeders and should really take a long, hard look at themselves in the mirror before they consider presenting their opportunity to someone.

shame...

i think any company who uses religion on the basis of their scheme like AC is disgusting because everyones religion is different. Religion should never be used in a business model for that reason

# Wishyouknew

05-29-2006 06:05 PM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Instead of just typing AC.. I think we all ought to spell out Advantage Conferences.. I think this will help it out on the search engine.

The Religion point is a great point. But, I think the bigger deal is the fact that it is an illigal pyrmid scam.

This is not much diffrent then if I started a company and called it Advantage Corn. And my product was selling cans of CORN..

My Cans of Corn are the best on the market...

They save the lifes of millions in Ethiopia and other parts of Africa.

But, my reps have to pay \$10,000 to sell my corn and be a Rep for Advantage Corn.

Are cans of Corn worth \$10,000..... NO of Course Not. You can get them for .69 cents.

So to say that I am selling a legitimate product is wrong!

Just like Advantage Conferences.. You are essentially paying Ten Grand to sign up others.

Also, Tim is telling his reps who want refunds that they have to attend a Conferences First. He also tells them this to try and get them to spend the \$10,000 and to insure then that this is not a big risk..

Then he is saying.. Well you attended the conferences that is what you paid the \$10,000 for.. Sorry, we have already paid that money out in commissions. Thus, no one is getting any refunds..

# Wishyouknew

05-29-2006 08:00 PM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

I encourage all reps who feel taken advantage of and lied to, to file a complaint to the AG, FTC and the BBB.

Your time in doing this will save others the heartache. The more complaints sent to the AG the more time they will give to it.

# Phinnly Slash Buster

05-29-2006 08:54 PM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

#### Originally Posted by SoapBoxDad

Please show some respect on this board. And please, the anti-Christian sentiment and inuendo is getting old. Some people do believe the marketplace is their ministry ......

And people that believe this BS have their heads stuck up their azzes so far they have never seen sunshine. Certainly the most ridiculous statement made in support of AC. Btw if you were to take an informal survey here you would find your critics are not in any way anti-Christian as you claim. Most of them are in fact Christian themselves.

# Wishyouknew

05-29-2006 10:33 PM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

I have actually travelled to the Holly Land myself and stayed for 12 days with my college religion class, went to every signle Holley Land Site. It was the most educational thing I have ever done. Now, when I read and study the bible I can familiarize myself with the geographic location being talked about in the Bible.

Helps me understand and study the Bible more.

Thus, I can tell right away when people try to spin the truth!

SoapBoxDad

05-30-2006 01:36 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

SoapBoxMom, I never really did get a good reply from you on this. Everyone who reads your posts need to know you have an agenda--that you are ant-MLM as you have stated on boards here. In additiona, since over 50% of all traditional businesses fail in the first year, are you anti-business as well?

As for networking, you may want to debate Warren Buffet since he thought so much of the model to buy Pampered Chef, which is an MLM. But you know more than Mr. Buffet, right? It is also nice to know that your feelings on faith in business. Thanks for sharing with everyone those two important facts.

Your opinions are just that, opinions. I can respect that and agree to disagree as I have been to the Millionaire Mindset Conference, I have seen the lives changed for the better, and the charitable work done. In fact, I will begin sharing the hundreds of posts that inspired reps are sharing internally about lives changed. These are posts that are not being seen except by fellow team members and there is no incentive except to share the value they receive. Of course, you would rather go on your opinion.

#### SoapBoxMom--

If we are keeping score, 1) you are anti-MLM 2) you really are not entrepreneurial from the posts I have read 3) you have not been to a conference, 4) You have not been to a Day of Service 5) you rather listen to two or three former reps that parted ways with AC.

I am very proud to be an independent representative of Advantage Conferences. I am also thrilled that it is Christ-centered. I have seen first hand the charitable work the company and reps have done with the Day of Service. I will go with my experience and the experiences of hundreds of others vs. opinion--most of which who have posted here have no personal experience. And since the company is young, anyone like WishYouKnew who has already quit, surely was not looking for a long term business.

The fact that AC is looking for folks with servant's hearts should be applauded. DID you even notice that there is NO focus on the boats, planes, big houses and all the stuff that other networking businesses focus on? I would think you for one, would appreciate that fact.

It is the only company that I have seen that does not let a person join just because they can write a check. All the naysayers on this board will say sure, like they turn people down and once again, they will be sharing out of their opinion. I have had several candidates that were not a good fit and they were not approved in the interview process.

As for learning what Advantage Conferences teaches and the mentoring and value involved, yes there are many sources and we encourage folks to take the initiative and take ownership to read T.Harv's book and many of the great resources out there. There is an ongoing commitment, training and mentoring that is difficult to duplicate without the accountability and direction that AC OR an organization like it provides. We surely are not the only organization that people can align themselves with and ultimately, they should find the best fit. I know that is the case in my life. Can a person can learn everything they teach in an MBA program simply by reading and plugging into outside resources, YES, but the focus, accountability and structure provided by those programs equate to some programs costing \$100,000+. The long term mentoring and the ability for a husband and wife to attend multiple conferences at 90% off after their first conference makes this highly differentiated and the "use value" far exceeds the cost of the conference.

Lastly, Advantage Conferences is bold with their statement of faith to make sure that someone who plans on partnering with them knows what they stand for. The weekly mindset calls are led and reference scripture, so they need to know up front. If anything, it scares many folks away so it surely is not used for marketing purposes. I have witnessed the walk that backs the talk. Most folks are freaked out when you talk about finances and especially GIVING and the responsibility that comes with those finances. Just look at this board and how other believers react to having faith in their business.

With that said, there will always be people who question value, who state this and that and I guess that is to be expected. It saddens me when so called Christians on this board try to crucify folks and many of those posting have not been building AC. In fact, since AC is such a new company, the one of two that state they have been involved on this board, surely have not been there long enough to even build a business.

To anyone researching Advantage Conferences, I encourage you to look elsewhere if you are looking for a "do nothing" get rich quick scheme. This is a business where a person is there to learn first, improve their mindset, and then build a business.

I do pray for those individuals on this board that they have direction, purpose and that they do not share opinions as fact. Share it as your opinion and be respectful.

SoapBoxDad 05-30-2006 01:48 AM

# **Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell** WishYouKnew,

Praise God that you are plugged into the Word of God. You are mistaken on Advantage Conferences, but I will agree to disagree. I do believe it was you who stated that PowerOldGlory was Tim Darnell over the weekend. Actually I believe you stated in an earlier post that you lived near Tim and that you went to his sister church so anyone, including me, could have made that assumption that you were in the area. I can also bet you if I was a betting man that Tim does not frequent or post here as I seem to be the only one doing so. We teach our team members to move towards their focus and the negativity and slander here is not what hundreds of our reps focus on.

I do wish you well and I am sorry that AC was not a good fit for you. Since most representatives have been involved less than 1 year, you surely quit on your business before really getting started.

I believe you have gifts and talents and will find the best business for you. To take your frustration, dissappointment and personal conclusions out on Tim Darnell and essentially any one of the hundreds that are proud to build Advantage Conferences is just not something a brother or sister in Christ does.

I just received this from a mentor of mine. I have not had many Christian mentors in my life, let alone Christian millionaires, so I highly value this guidance and direction. Others will see it and say, hey I get this mentoring in my church and I say, praise God.

We are not just called to be Sunday Christians. That boldness will come under attack, just look here for example.

#### Profile of the Christian Entrepreneur

#### Called to Make a Difference

It is the fundamental precept of the Christian Entrepreneur Organization that God calls not only ministers and other spiritual workers, but in fact, calls everyone to specific roles in his kingdom. This role may change over a lifetime but will usually stay consistent with an individual's basic gifts. Christian Entrepreneurs realize that their calling is to establish and lead business organizations that are designed to achieve results in the secular world; but they do so while being led by the Holy Spirit. This is not a new idea, but a return by unfulfilled business leaders to the sense of "calling" enjoyed by fellow laity in the U.S. and Western Europe prior to the 20th Century. The goal is to develop a new understanding that blends current findings on business excellence and entrepreneurship with a Christian Biblical and theological perspective. References: Ephesians 2:8-10; John 15:16a; 1 Cor. 12: 12-18.

#### Positioned by God

The Bible places much emphasis on spiritual gifts. Christian Entrepreneurs believe that one of their gifts is the specific position in which the Lord has placed them. By birth, by education, by training, or by circumstance, the Entrepreneur has an opportunity to create some sort of business enterprise which meets the needs of people. Christian Entrepreneurs are not blindly driven by ambition and greed, but in fact, feel called by the Lord to perform certain tasks and achieve certain goals in their business enterprises. References: John 15:16b; 1 Corinthians 12:18.

#### Visionary

Because of the position in which the Lord has placed them, Christian Entrepreneurs develop a specific vision of the future - the way things could or should be for customers, suppliers, employees, family and community. Over a period of time, this vision creates a very strong commitment which weathers countless set-backs and adversities. Through the Lord, the Christian Entrepreneur becomes empowered by this vision. Although their motives are often misunderstood, dedication to the unfolding truth of their vision as revealed by God is the guiding premise of their labor. References: Romans 1:1-14; 2 Cor. 4:1, 6: 4-10; Gal. 6:9-10.

#### Calculated Risk Taker

The Christian Entrepreneur believes that life is not for the faint hearted. Modern business requires that major commitments be made. Generally, there isn't sufficient information available in order to totally justify decisions. Therefore, the Christian Entrepreneur must become a calculated risk taker. There is significant Biblical foundation for taking risks. The Christian Entrepreneur is drawn to a life of adventure in service, but recognizes that the price of the adventure will be occasional failure and set-backs. References:

#### Genesis 12: 1-12; Acts 21:13-14.

Servant Leadership Provides Value to Customers

The Christian Entrepreneur of the 2000's recognizes that the world has changed as mass customization, the Internet and globalization have taken new ideas and rapidly moved them into practice across the world. The prerequisites for business success have changed dramatically. In the new economy, the Christian model of service correlates well with the requirements for achieving business success. Today's Customer requires dedication in all of the little things, as well as a constantly evolving desire for innovation, quality and cost-effective products and services. Christian Entrepreneurs are called to a life of serving customers through the realization of their vision. References: John 13:7-20.

#### Relational Leadership

This is no longer a Horatio Alger world. Gone are the days in which a single entrepreneur can make it on his own over time. This is true because the world so quickly adapts and copies new innovations and ideas. It isn't the entrepreneur against the world, it is the entrepreneur involving a group of committed individuals to embrace the vision in order to constantly bring new value to the customer. In order to get committed employee/partners, Christian entrepreneurs must put their personal relationship with them near the top. The Christian Entrepreneur cannot be everything for everyone, but must build a highly focused organization which serves a few customer groups very well. References: Philippians 2:1-29.

#### In the World, But Not of It

When is enough, enough? The world often characterizes entrepreneurs as crass materialists. The Christian Entrepreneur gratefully receives and acknowledges material blessings which may come with successfully developing a business; however, material goals are always secondary to the primary calling and vision. Financial success has a way of contaminating the Vision. The Christian Entrepreneur constantly seeks out strength from above to stay willing to "lay it on the line" for the vision. The Christian Entrepreneur will refuse to be drawn into the materialistic world in which we live. With this commitment, a strong moral character is developed over time. Integrity is no guarantee of worldly success, in fact it often works against it; but without integrity, the prize is worthless. References: 1 Cor. 9:19-26; Acts 20:33-35; Philippians 3:7-15; 1 Timothy 6:5-12.

# Phinnly Slash Buster

05-30-2006 02:11 AM

### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

SoapBoxDad,

Your last two posts a pure propaganda. Total crap. Are you stupid enough to believe your own BS?

# GOD TALKS TO ME TOO!! TODAY HE SAID "SoapBoxDad, IS A LOSER!"

### Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 02:33 AM

### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Soapboxdad,

Sorry bud, but you are wrong... I did not quit on the business. I realized that Tim Darnell was lieing to me and others. I also got to know the true Tim Darnell and found out that he is not the guy he would like others to believe.

I was one of a few that decided to stand up againts what was wrong and do the right thing.

I know the type of vocabulary Tim uses and the style in which he speaks in. I know Tim Darnell is PoweroldGlory.

Since you are deciding to come on here and debate with us.. Why don't you answer my questions from the above post. Come to me with some hard core proof...

What has your income been from Advantage Conferences?

# Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 02:39 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

SoapboxDad, You have not come to this board with a single fact.

Warran Buffett bought the company from the top. He is not participating in it from the bottom up on the pyramid.

The difference with MLM and Illigal Pyramid scams are the product. Pampared Chef has a legitimate product that is being sold at the right price.

Advantage Conferences is NOT a legitimate product and It IS NOT at the right price.

Have you not read any of my post.

Please go back and read my post and answer my questions. I PRAY THAT YOU WILL DO THAT!

# Phinnly Slash Buster

05-30-2006 02:41 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

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#### Good point!

This is where many of these scams fall apart. They can never show any substantial evidence of real earnings. When asked to support these claims with verifiable information they routinely balk.

SoapBoxDad

05-30-2006 03:14 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

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# Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 03:24 AM

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SoapbodDad,

Answer my post. Answer the questions that no one from Advantage Conferences have been willing to. Please show us the light. Redeem us..

Show us facts on how we are wrong..

### SoapBoxDad

05-30-2006 03:28 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Wish, I wish you would really read the posts as well. Not a single fact? Actually, that would be more in line with what you have been sharing here.

Warren Buffet and Pamperred Chef was a question posed to SoapBoxMom since she is the one who is Anti-MLM of any kind. I have come to the conclusion that no one really wants the truth here, just piling on. Most have no experience whatsoever in this industry.

I pray for wisdom for you.

# Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 03:31 AM

### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

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I have no doubt that you are screwing others to the tune of that much money. I choose to make mine the honest way. How many of the people you have signed up have made their \$10,000 back.

Tell me how come Tim lied about being a member of the BBB?

How come he has made many changes to his website since then?

How come he told everyone that his product was trademarked when initially it was not.. ( I know now it is.)

Tell me why Tim is sueing the BBB? What about what, they are saying is wrong?

Why is Advantage Conferences under investigation from the AG?

With my post earlier today regarding my example of Advantage Corn.. Please tell me the difference..

Why has Tim promised refunds to people and has not given them one?

Why has Tim let one other AC rep lose her home to foreclosure because he talked her in to doing what ever it took to sign up.

How is the rep that was bed ridden doing? Has he made his \$10,000 back?

# Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 03:37 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

I could start naming names of reps and telling their individual stories of how they got screwed and lied to.. But, won't because I know Tim Darnell will just try and sue them as well..

How come a man of God has to go around sueing everyone so much?

Tell me where in the Bible it says that you should sue in court? I will let you try and spin a Bible verse to answer this one!!

# SoapBoxDad

05-30-2006 03:37 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

WishYouKnew, I will answer every one of these (that I am able) later when I get home from having a nice family dinner. You show me no respect from your previous post even when I answered questions and pointed out your lack of facts, and it is no wonder that you failed in your business with that tone and attitude. I know why the B. is being sued and do you really think that the company or a plaintiff can comment on a pending lawsuit. And actually I have answered some of these, but you and others have not liked the answers as they do not fit your experience or lack of results.

# Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 03:40 AM

### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

SoapboxDad,

Unless you are Tim Darnell, You are not the company. You are a Independent Rep! You CAN and SHOULD answer that question?

You can tell us all how we are wrong?

SoapBoxDad 05-30-2006 03:40 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

A person does not become a punching bag for every lie and slanderous remark because they are a Christian. A person's integrity and reputation are important assets and any strong leaders will not stand for it. If people were spreading what you and a couple others have been, I would have no choice either.

Once again, very respectful in your question. You are a person of great peace and joy are you?

SoapBoxDad 05-30-2006 03:43 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

WishYouKnew, you answered your own question. I am an independent rep. so there are corporate questions that you are asking that an indepedent rep. cannot answer. I will be back and give me time to answer your questions or do you just like slamming people as you derive some sense of importance doing so?

Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 03:50 AM

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are a person of great peace and joy are you?

Is this your answer for why Tim is sueing the BBB?

Please tell me what lies I, the BBB(on their report), or anyone else on this board has been spreading?

Lets also get this straight.. NO ONE IS TARGETING ANYONE BECAUSE THEY ARE A CHRISTIAN.

ADVANTAGE CONFERENCES IS BEING TARGETED BECAUSE THEY ARE OPERATING A ILLIGAL PYRIMID SCAM AND DOING SO VERY UNETHICALLY!

Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 03:55 AM

### **Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell**

Quote:

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I don't consider that I am slamming anyone. I just want to warn others and educate them so they don't make the same mistake. I feel called by God to do so. I have prayed about this very much..

I did ask Tim these questions and guess what. He did not have a valid answer and got very defensive and offended that I did ask. Then he started going on the offensive towards me.

I trust and pray that you will ask Tim some of the questions I did.

Does Tim have a gag order on the Independent Reps for discussing anything on here?

# Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 04:24 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Here are some of the questions I want answered..

- 1.) Has Tim given anyone a refund after attending a conference?
- 2.) How come Tim has told many to do "what ever it takes to come up with the \$10,000, barrow the money, refinance your home, etc....,"?
- 3.) What in the BBB report is a LIE or Slander?
- 4.) Why is he sueing Dr. Taylor?
- 5.) If Advantage Conferences is so legite why are they under investigation with the Attorney General?
- 6.) Why have others filed complaints to the AG, FTC, and BBB?
- 7.) Why did Tim Darnell lie to me and tell me he was a member of the BBB and used it in the signature of his letters?
- 8.) The Bible states that people should give to the poor. What makes you think that Advantage Conferences is a Godly company. \$10,000 could be spent on much better things.
- 9.) Do you also think that the Elite Gifting Scheme mentioned on Scam.com is also a

Christian company?

These are just a few of my questions that you can start to answer..

# Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 05:43 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Soapboxdad,

Good You came back.. Hopefully with some answers..

# Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 06:04 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

So Sad, Soapboxdad, tells me that he will not answer any of my questions as there is nothing he can say that would change my mind..

Good way to try and tuck and run. Don't you want to defend your company and your companies ethics?

# SoapBoxDad

05-30-2006 06:10 AM

### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

WishYouKnew, I was just working on your first demands for answers and now you change your questions again.

As I stated, I will answer what I can as I told you that I would be out with family and I have several candidates to follow up that take priority to someone who has been harassing me with several private messages. In fact, one of your messages even acting as if you were with the AG's office. Come on Wish, have some integrity. I answered the question about my income and since it was not what you wanted to hear, you claim that I of course scre\_ed those people. This is a case of sour grapes and a business that did not work for you. I would love to know the next business that you plan on building as I can probably advise you if that is a good fit for you.

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05-30-2006 06:14 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

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Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 06:15 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

#### Originally Posted by **SoapBoxDad**

WishYouKnew, I was just working on your first demands for answers and now you change your questions again.

As I stated, I will answer what I can as I told you that I would be out with family and I have several candidates to follow up that take priority to someone who has been harassing me with several private messages. In fact, one of your messages even acting as if you were with the AG's office. Come on Wish, have some integrity. I answered the question about my income and since it was not what you wanted to hear, you claim that I of course scre\_ed those people. This is a case of sour grapes and a business that did not work for you. I would love to know the next business that you plan on building as I can probably advise you if that is a good fit for you.

What I said in my private message is... You don't know who I am.. For all you know I could be a Investigator with the AG's office and not a former rep at all.. What I meant by this is , neither you nor PoweroldGlory have a clue who I am.. So don't act like you do..

I am just giving you fair warning and want you to be truthful when you type.

### Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 06:19 AM

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How have I been dishonest? Are you going to answer my questions are not?

# SoapBoxDad

05-30-2006 06:29 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

You ask how you were dishonest, here is one for starters. I guess your means do not matter. Yes, that is so sad. Answers to questions take time to fit in my schedule, not yours. Your snide remarks take seconds and little thought so I am sure you will post 3-4 more times before my answers are posted this evening.

Quote:

#### Originally Posted by Wishyouknew

So Sad, Soapboxdad, tells me that he will not answer any of my questions as there is nothing he can say that would change my mind..

Good way to try and tuck and run. Don't you want to defend your company and your companies ethics?

# Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 06:33 AM

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My means don't matter? I am not clear on what you are saying?

# Soapboxmom

05-30-2006 06:43 AM

### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

#### Originally Posted by SoapBoxDad

WishYouKnew you are wrong my friend on many accounts. Tim is one of the strongest leaders of integrity and I have spent considerable time with over the past year with himprobably 100 hours total in all.

I personally know who is Poweroldglory and although that person will be flattered by the writing style comparison, I can assure you this is not Tim Darnell. So once again, what your claim as fact, is not so.

Lastly, my income has exceeded \$100,000 and my mentor is well over \$600,000 with AC. My income or anyone's income for that matter is no indication of what other's incomes will be. In fact, read the disclaimer posted on the site.

WishYouKnew should be called IThoughtIknew, MaybeIknow, or IhaveAfeelingIKnow.

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Soapboxmom

# Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 06:56 AM

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#### Soapboxmom

I guess you ran him off..

Hopefully he is planning his answers very carefully. He probably went to go write out a rough draft first..

SoapBoxDad

05-30-2006 07:31 AM

#### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

#### Originally Posted by Wishyouknew

Here are some of the questions I want answered..

#### 1.) Has Tim given anyone a refund after attending a conference?

There were two requests that I am aware of from the last 3 Millionaire Mindset Conferences and both requests were honored. I know that personally. That is out of over 200 attendees for the 3 conferences. The guarantee was on the conference, not on a business, and there were two individuals who attended with the sole purpose of getting a refund. You are correct that those that did not attend the conference were not entitled to any refund. There is a 3 day right of recision that is required in the State of Texas that is in place for those who decide to cancel their conference purchase.

I am sure you will spin this stating you know all these people, yada yada, but the facts are the facts whether you choose to believe them or not. A person in ANY business does not get a refund if they simply decide to no longer operate that business. I have founded and run businesses and the buck stops with you. I could not say, you know what, I told you in my interview that I really wanted to build a long term business, but now I don't. Get real.

2.) How come Tim has told many to do "what ever it takes to come up with the \$10,000, barrow the money, refinance your home, etc....,"?

That in fact is not what Tim shares or would share. If people are led to Advantage Conferences, they can be resourceful as I was, BUT a representative can get started for \$59.95. You stated lies regarding a rep that I know in CA stating that she was told to mortgage her home. That adds to the lack of credibility here. There is no product purchase required to become involved with Advantage Conferences. Not only that, the candidate has to answer all kinds of direct questions stating that there is no guarantee of income and that this is not a get rich guick scheme. You know better as, if you were truly a rep (which I believe you were) you had to go through your President's Interview as well. I have NEVER seen on online company go to these links to ensure that there is a good fit. Is the system perfect? No, as was the case with you and I am sure others. The fact is out of several hundred reps now, there will always be people who had unrealistic expectations or did not understand the product or the business before getting involved. We recommend that everyone take the time to understand and even pray over their business decisions. Once again, I know by sharing that, all the folks that believe their business and their faith should be separate will chime in. I respect your rights there, but that is not how I and others believe we are to operate.

#### 3.) What in the BBB report is a LIE or Slander?

The original report was removed and any implication that the company was a pyramid scheme is false and damaging. I am an individual rep and I have no interest in what damages are being sought. I do appreciate a company owner and president who won't stand by and watch people share whatever they feel like (opinions cloaked as the truth) on the company he leads.

#### 4.) Why is he sueing Dr. Taylor?

I have been on almost every call, have read hundreds of messages from reps and have been to the MMC conferences. I have never met Dr. Taylor, nor have I ever heard him on training calls. I will not make up an answer or share opinion because then I am no better than you. My guess is there is very good cause as Tim is not a litigious person unless

necessary, as is the case in business when their is damaging untrue information shared. Especially one that has such heated critics.

5.) If Advantage Conferences is so legite why are they under investigation with the Attorney General?

This is not true and if it was, they will not find anything inappropriate as there is no product purchase required, there is a 3 day right of recision as required, there is use value far surpassing the cost for the product and ongoing training and mentoring, and on and on. The only incomes claims from reps are checked and double checked before approved and there are clear disclaimers.

6.) Why have others filed complaints to the AG, FTC, and BBB?

Because there are always people who feel slighted, or that heard what they wanted to hear and that did not fill out their president's interview truthfully. That is an powerful document is archived and that captures a candidate's answers to tough questions and they sign that before they are even allowed to proceed as a representative. There are a lot of scams out there folks and I have seen dozens, but this is not one of them. Take a look at all of the complaints by Subway franchise owners. Does that make Subway a scam? Take a look at all the complaints against every major business in America. There will always be unsatisfied customers and representatives for any business, no matter how many hurdles and safeguards are in place. Once again, I have been in this industry for years and I have never seen a company go to the great lengths that AC does to try to ensure a good long-term fit.

7.) Why did Tim Darnell lie to me and tell me he was a member of the BBB and used it in the signature of his letters?

Once again, I was not privy to your conversation, but I sure would not have placed any weight in a BBB approval. I have owed my own businesses and never opted to pay them \$400 just so I could be listed. I do believe that application was made in good faith as a member being processed and then they posted their opinion.

8.) The Bible states that people should give to the poor. What makes you think that Advantage Conferences is a Godly company. \$10,000 could be spent on much better things.

I have already shared why Advantage Conferences is a Christ-centered company. You are once again chosing what to read. It is not what I think, it is what it is. The great thing about the truth is it is truth whether I "think" it is or not.

God also gives us wisdom to obtain wealth. If I am able to give \$100,000 back to the Kingdom through this business over a 3 year period, was that a good use of my resources? If you were around much at all, you know that all of our Christian millionaires at the conference all impart on our attendees the importance of being good stewards and the responsibility that comes with wealth. One speaker just wrote her first million dollar check to a charity. Would it have been better to hold onto that initial \$10,000 seed that she used for her business to grow?

9.) Do you also think that the Elite Gifting Scheme mentioned on Scam.com is also a

#### Christian company?

You must think that people, besides those who are anti-MLM really spend a lot of time here. I can tell you that entrepreneurs sure don't. I have no idea who or what Elite gifting is, so I will not judge it, but from all of my past research, gifting is not legal, NOR is something that I would ever get involved with.

These are just a few of my questions that you can start to answer...

WishYouKnew, these are your questions, asked and answered. I am off to build a business and invest in my family this week. I already know that you will give no respect to me or my answers as you have already made up your mind. My prayer for anyone serious about ANY home based business, you have to feel comfortable about building a business long-term, there are no shortcuts, no get rich quick schemes and if you fail, don't start playing the blame game. Dust yourself off, and find something that is a good fit for you. Ask God for discernment/wisdom in your decision making process.

### SoapBoxDad

05-30-2006 07:44 AM

### Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

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#### Soapboxmom

Soapboxmom, Jack W. a goof? That is downright humorous.

99% of applicants are not turned down, those numbers that I saw shared are in line with my numbers as well. Those are folks who fill out the form to simply review the business by going through all 3 steps. About 10% get through all 3 steps and then a certain number request their president's interview to submit for approval. You would not want facts again to cloud your judgment.

# Wishyouknew

05-30-2006 07:56 AM

# Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Soapboxdad.

I respect you more attempting to answer the questions. You are the first of any one having anything to do with Advantage Conferences to attempt to respond do any of our questions..

Don't you think the officials at the BBB know a Pyrimid Scheme when they see one? I DO!

My Opinion as why Tim Darnell lied to me is because he honestly thought once he signed the check to try and become a member of the BBB, that they would not do a background check on the company or look at the business model. He joined the BBB because he thought that could lend to his crediability more if he had the BBB's stamp of approval to say he was a member. If he had that he could use that as a great sales tool!

I do "lend a good bit of stock" as to what the BBB says. I trust them.

Also, when people file a complaint with the AG. That does in fact open up a investigation.

Dr. Taylor is a business proffessor at a unviersity that runs a website call MLM-Truth and also deemed Advantage Conferences Illigal.

Elite Gifiting Scheme was an illigal scam that many diffrent states put people in jail for promoting a pyrimid scam. The reason I brought this up was because of the religion aspect of it.

I also noticed that Tim's old company can still be found on google and looks to still be in

I am assuming this is the same company. They also seemed to be offering the same product. Millionaire Mindset Conferences.. hmmm.....

http://allstar.dreamtime.net/corpora...ates/about.htm

On Tim's Recording message on The Fundraising Advantage Portion on his website he basically mentions that he left this company because of "Cullusion and Fraud".

I will respond in more detail tommrrow as I too have to go to work in the morning and make a difference.

# Soapboxmom

05-30-2006 08:15 AM

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Quote:

#### http://blogher.org/node/5465

Advantage Conferences--Home of the Millionaire Mindset Conference By Millionaire Mentor

posted Wed 17 May 2006, 10:54 am **Are you serious about developing hundreds of thousands of dollars more in annual income or even becoming a Millionaire?** If you are intent on creating a lifestyle that includes genuine financial security, time freedom, and lifestyle options, you must learn the secrets of bona-fide Multi-Millionaires. Using the power of mentoring, this is one business that you don't have to do on your own...the infrastructure is firmly established for the Rep's benefit, and mentors and trainers help online, through email, etc. "If you want to become a millionaire, you must learn to think and act like a millionaire." If you have an entrepreneurial spirit and believe that life holds much more for you, then you may be a candidate to earn \$7k over and over and over again.

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Quote:

Thank You for Your Interest!

Please check all boxes that apply to you:

Yes, I would like to find out more about earning \$7,000 on an ongoing basis! Yes, I am serious about earning

**\$100,000** plus this year

**\$250,000** plus this year

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**\$1,000,000 plus this year** I want access to the complimentary "Getting Started E-Package".

#### IMPORTANT...

- \* Finding out about how our System works is your responsibility. All you need to know is about to be made available to you, but it is your job to actually absorb the simple information prior to conversing with your Advantage Conferences Rep. Once you get started, you will have ongoing, personalized training and coaching.
- \* You will not be called by any Rep or Company Staff until you have properly filled out the Interest Form and completed the following steps:
- 1. Received and reviewed the twelve page, "Getting Started E-Package"
- 2. Linked to and reviewed the Compensation Plan Power Point Presentation
- 3. Registered for, and attended the Live and Interactive Tuesday or Thursday evening

#### \$7,000.00 Teleconference

There are so many people interested in our unique and effective "\$7,000.00 Over & Over & Over Again" Millionaire Mindset Income Producing System that we only have time to deal with candidates who are genuinely interested. Completing the above three steps is a good indication that you are a serious candidate.

Thank you for your cooperation.

As your (Pro) Rep, I look forward to discussing the area(s) of interest you have indicated. Thanks for your interest in Advantage Conferences!

Tim Darnell

Quote:

Jack Weinzierl is Currently Reviewing 3,278 Candidates for Their Advantage Conferences Team of Christian Entrepreneurs.....I am currently reviewing 1249 professionals that have submitted their profiles, since we launched in March 2005. Our selection process focuses on a person's vision, drive to **realistically earn 7 figures in the next 18 months**, and a commitment to coach others in our Millionaire Mindset program. Only 12 people have been selected for my team, as of May 1, 2005. If you would like to be considered, visit:

Hmmmmm??????

Soapboxmom

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