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06-29-2006 07:53 AM

Quote:

WHEW!!!! Over 1200 posts about Tim Darnell. He must be a popular scammer! This is like beating a dead horse :rolleyes:

BIGfranky75

06-29-2006 05:12 PM

the fact that Tim Darnell and Greg Poffenbarger have not posted recently speaks volumes to me. Especially Greg/SoapBoxDad.... as he never went a few hours without posting prior to us finding out who he is.... what a sham.

No wonder this company is falling apart. there is no integrity or credibility. Hope the moeny was worth your reputations boys...

you are both a *disgrace*.

Wishyouknew

06-30-2006 01:28 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Their lawyers are probably telling them how stupid they are. If I were Tim Darnell, I would be crapping my pants. Kinda reminds me of that Saturday Night Live skit "Oops I crapped my Pants".. :D

Wishyouknew

06-30-2006 03:59 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

They could be on vacation. I guess.

txfan

06-30-2006 06:20 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

Originally Posted by **Wishyouknew**
They could be on vacation. I guess.

Maybe they don't have internet access from jail?

Unlucky36

06-30-2006 07:22 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Maybe Tim is at a weekend holy retreat confessing his horrible scamming sins :D NOTTTT!!!
:mad:

Soapboxmom

07-01-2006 12:21 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

Advantage Conferences
Christian Home Business Consultants
Seeking Sales Representatives

Christian Entrepreneurs Earning
Life-Changing income through
Dynamic, Education Based...

Christian Company
Powerful Commission Structure • Full Ongoing Training
No Cold Calling • Totally Automated System • Not MLM
Highly Effective Marketing Methods...
Work Directly with Company Leaders
and Top Money Earners

If there is no cold calling, just what kind of training do you need. That implies there are no sales skills required. It is totally automated, so again why would they be seeking sales representatives.

Of course, you will be working with the company leaders and top earners. They are the only ones making any money at all and they want you to hand more sales up to them. Wacko Jacko should finally be approaching the 600-700 grand mark. Timmy boy and a very small handful of others have the rest of the sales. Remember we still only have 300 sales and 500 reps, so we can see there is no money to be made.

Quote:

Teaching You a Real Way to Earn
Life-Changing Work From Home Income
following Biblical Principles of Prosperity.

Startling Dynamic Innovations
Make ALL the Difference in Your
Home Based Business

A **minus** 10-15 grand is life changing lack of income to be sure. Losing the conference fee, advertising, and all other expenses will be devastating financially for the reps.

Quote:

Subtitle: Before - You Never Had a Chance
By Tim Darnell,
President and Founder, Advantage Conferences, LLC

I wholeheartedly believe in the Direct Sales Industry, and have dedicated a major portion of my life (now over 25 years) to this industry as a marketer, entrepreneur, consultant, trainer - and

since 2001, a direct sales company owner.

I'll be the first to tell you that our industry has massive room for improvement. This brief message is designed to highlight an amazing evolution of ideas – indeed, a radical upheaval that is just now becoming a reality. Reading this letter will make a major difference in your understanding of the industry and things about which you simply must be aware.

"Before - You never had a chance" and you don't now either.

If Timmy was such a brilliant marketer why has his car been repossessed and why is he in a Fox and Jacobs starter home junker worth \$177,000?

There is nothing new here. Just the same old scheme where 99% of the recruits will lose money. Do you really believe that this loser knows something no one else on the planet does and that he can make you wealthy?

Quote:

**WARNING: Ignoring this information,
I promise you, will cost you a fortune in time,
capital, and possibly important relationships.**

Ignore it and you will save thousands and not be hitting up your friends and family who will be sure losers as well and blame you for getting them into this bum deal.

Quote:

article by Tim Darnell

We have a 3 step process and simple proven system that allows anyone to be successful.
This is not MLM.

That was probably the hardest statement for me to get past... but I am doing it, and blessed to have found this truly life-changing opportunity.

You can also become a successful internet entrepreneur by following and promoting our simple three step system. We are a select group of Christian business entrepreneurs, mentors and Christian life coaches who have grown tired of the broken dreams of 95% of the people seeking to create a successful home-based business on the internet.

That 95% will still have broken dreams after Timmy empties their bank accounts.

Quote:

Our founder and highly successful infopreneur Tim Darnell has spent the last 5 years developing a winning program based on Christian business principles and integrity.

That word integrity again. Timmy has no information that can't be found elsewhere for a fraction of the cost. Christian principles imply that one does business in an upfront and honest way. What do bogus charities, unknown speakers, ridiculous earnings claims, no honest disclosure of the reps earnings and religion used as a wedge to sucker in trusting good people have to do with that? We need earnings statements and some real evidence ol' Timmy boy has had real sustained success.

Hey, Daddio you promised to post for years to come. What happened?

Soapboxmom

SoapBoxDad

07-01-2006 08:12 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

I went on a scam.com fast the past few days and I have had a blessed week. I follow people who make it happen vs. those who watch it happening or those here who make uneducated posts and deny it's happening. I had a week that few of you could even dream about. Too funny that someone thought I was Gregg or that OldGlory was Tim. I know Gregg well and he is an awesome man of God. You folks have a passion for inaccuracy and I hope you can monetize that somehow.

Have a blessed weekend. I am praying for you.

Our business is growing beyond what we could imagine and there is no other place or business I would rather be building.

Quote:

Originally Posted by **worn T-Shirt**

Just for the record didn't Jesus start the first ever MLM. Remember he recruited 12 in his downline and told them to spread the word. It got me thinking that's how he fed 1000's of people with 5 loaves and 2 fishes. DUPLICATION!

When you think of Jesus training just 12 men to carry the Good News to all the world, each one carrying that truth and touching many others.

The Greatest Networker was Jesus Christ!

His compassion and agape love for people is a true example of what real networking is all about.

Regardless of the persecution, He was steadfast in the purpose God intended for Him, Amen?

It's this example that we should follow in our businesses. Meeting the needs of people carries the potential to soar your business to new heights!

I am a people person. I genuinely love people :) God has given me the capacity along with the spirit of discernment to meet each person according to their personality.

You see really the purpose, it's not about you it's about God and what He desires to happen BUT because He skillfully made each and everyone of us, He has intrusted and equipped us to do what He has called us to do. Reminds of me the scripture: "many are called but few are chosen."

Which means:

1. Taking the focus off of self and focusing on the needs of many.
2. Seeking God for the manifestation of the original intent.
3. Allowing God to use you according to His will.
4. Treating others as you would want to be treated.
5. Obtaining a spirit of patience and love for others.
6. Focusing on pursuing your God given talent and instruction.
7. Removing self philosophies and principles by obtaining the principles of the bible.
8. Having faith the size of a mustard that will eventually soar to an abundance of understanding and revelation knowledge.
9. Recognizing the adversary and knowing that whatever he meant for harm, God meant it for good! Be not deceived (bad company, i.e., click groups that you know you don't belong in - destroys morals)
10. Renewing of the mind. To not be "caught up" with the schemes (behavior) of this world; be not conformed of this world - be ye transformed by the renewing of the mind. (things you can't do yourself BUT by the grace of God, all things are possible with Him!)

All of this to say, "that you prove that the will of God is good and acceptable and perfect..." which means, is pleasing to God! Amen?

Although you may have had a struggle, count it all joy! Serving the Lord through struggle results in restoration! Let go of the past (don't allow the past to determine your future).

Be in expectancy for the manifestation of God's purpose in your lives and business!

Hebrews 10 speaks of not casting off your confidence. Be bold in knowing that when you choose your heavenly Father to be the head of your purpose that your confidence will excel!

SoapBoxDad

07-01-2006 08:19 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

I have to laugh as I read the ridiculous posts as I had a fast from this site this week. Almost every post was inaccurate since I was on last. Keep up the good work :confused:

Phinnly Slash Buster

07-01-2006 08:28 AM

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Cram it Clowny!!

Your posts here have nothing to do with god and everything to do with GREED!!

Any ass-wipe like yourself can cut and paste Sunday sermon preachy BS all day long. Coming from you it don't mean a damn thing.... everybody here knows why you're babbling on with this nonsense.

renloyx

07-01-2006 08:46 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

Originally Posted by **SoapBoxDad**
Our business is growing beyond what we could imagine

Rofl you have 500 reps and 300 sales. Your scam is going down the crapper.

renloyx

07-01-2006 08:51 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

Originally Posted by **SoapBoxDad**
The Greatest Networker was Jesus Christ!

You are either completely **** in the head or you are the worst scumbag ever. How about you stop all the religious bull**** and post some FACTS and NUMBERS.

Soapboxmom

07-01-2006 07:21 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

<http://prosperinfaith.com/singlemostimportant.htm>

Quote:

"We indeed are resolute in creating profits and better financial situations for hundreds and even thousands of Reps. But we are more resolute in doing business correctly, with God as our guide..."

Tim Darnell,
President and Founder
Advantage Conferences, LLC

It is mathematically impossible for thousands of reps to profit. The 500 current reps need more than 14 sales each to make the promised 100 grand. $500 \times 14 = 7000$. 7000 need 98,000....1,372,000....19,208,000.....268,912,000.....3,764,768,000....

God isn't your guide----greed is!

Quote:

Tim Darnell, CEO Advantage Conferences, LLC
is about to share with you for at no charge...

The Single Most Important
Asset You Can Possess for
Business Success... Period

About five years ago I set out on a mission to develop a
Company that offered a simple, doable income opportunity
with which ANYBODY could find success. It has distressed
me for years to realize that all the income opportunities out
there have one thing in common...
MOST PEOPLE DON'T MAKE ANY MONEY!

AC is just like all the rest. All the money funnels upward to Timmy boy, Wacko Jacko and a tiny
handfull while the majority lose thousands. Trickle up economics in action!

Quote:

Is it easy to create a program that provides solutions to the myriad problems inherent to those
multi-million dollar companies? No, but it was and is a task I have been called to accomplish.
From day one I could sense we were on to something very, very big...

After years of determined struggle, I knew, without any question of a d-o-u-b-t that God had
graciously allowed me to solve the mystery. On January 1st of 2005, the Advantage
Conferences business model – the most unique concept to ever be invented - was finally in
place.

How dare you say God had a hand in this egregious scam. If that is the case he must have called
me and the others here to bust this scummy deal.

How on earth is a dingaling like Timmy in a Fox and Jacobs junker shown he has an solution to
problems inherent to multi-million \$\$\$\$ companies. He works out of his remodeled bathroom,
for heaven's sake. He has no business savvy. He set up a 2 up program so all the sales would be
handed up to him or a few of his little scamming friends. Most of the reps will never qualify and
will lose thousands including the 10 grand conference, advertising, all other business expenses
and the cost of attendance.

Quote:

But the purpose of this message is to share one of the magnificent discoveries amidst this success journey... and the one asset that will enable you to conquer any quest in your life you endeavor to conquer.

You don't have to become a Rep with my Company in order for me to give you free of charge the greatest secret I could ever give to anybody, a revelation that has become extremely dear and clear to me. You can take this one concept to the bank, my friend,... this single ingredient is the single difference in whether a person fails or **MAKES A FORTUNE!**

Money making potential requires one have a product, service or idea that can be marketed. Or, one must have the cash and savvy to make profitable investments. One must also have what it takes to run a business. It takes tremendous capital to start a business as there can be tremendous start-up costs, ongoing advertising and most folks will need accounting and legal help to get and keep the endeavor running, not to mention it may take months to get any money coming in. One will need to devote considerable time to all the accounting and tax work. Luck comes into play here as well, but thinking like a millionaire, or acting like one is laughable and has nothing to do with it. Timmy's little joke of a conference won't help one either. One would benefit more from professional businessmen, accountants and attorneys etc. to help one get set up.

Obviously the only business of Timmy boy is in scamming trusting Christian folk out of thousands. Folks can go find real professionals elsewhere, because they sure won't work for free for Timmy or his paltry alleged \$2000 donations. That is pocket change for real multi-millionaires!

Quote:

If you know, **REALLY KNOW**, this one thing, you will know more than virtually any other business person out there, and certainly more than what the masses know. Truly successful people all have this one intrinsic commodity and know it to be crucially essential. When I mention it to them, they nod as if we were the only two people in the world who share this knowledge, ...for the fact that most people never, ever use it.

This asset is so rare; and yet, you personally can obtain it as quickly as the next few moments and keep it for the rest of your life.

Plain and Simple - This One Secret Will Make You Wealthy

Nothing is that simple except that Timmy hopes simple folks can be conned by the mindless drivel he spouts.

Quote:

As sure as I'm communicating with you right now, **this secret will make you rich beyond your fondest desires. It will make you so much money that your kids won't ever worry about their finances... seriously, even your grandkids won't worry about money!** So, what is it, Tim?

A Charismatic Personality? Nope - ... Charisma is great, but it is not duplicatable.

A Successful Sales Background? Nope - **most people who are serious about making three, four or ten times the amount of money they are making now, and actually accomplish that with me DON'T** have a successful sales or business background.

Marketing Experience? Very few individuals who make \$21,000.00 or \$35,000.00 a month or more have professional marketing experience at all. Even a degree in marketing seldom translates into even average marketing success. I am fortunate to 'hang' with many wildly successful people, and **have many extremely successful Reps in our Company** - and none of them ever mentions a marketing degree or past experience as a factor in their success.

Really????

Quote:

So... Assuming you've found the right business vehicle that has a product that is totally unique, and performs well beyond its price point (in our case, how about "zero" refund requests in five years!)... A unique and powerful product is critically essential.

And... ...a Reverse MarginTM compensation model (accomplish the big, life-changing commissions with a handful of transactions without having to recruit a small continent of people), ...that is realistically the best paying plan and is "doable" for the common person. And... Once you've found a concept that matches your spiritual beliefs.....a Company that boldly and genuinely operates and acknowledges every day that God is in control.

In Summary... You've got to find the right Company that offers a life-changing, highly valuable Product. You've got to find the right Company that offers the most powerful Comp Plan that pays better than all the others. And you've got to find the right Company that provides an environment that is the Appropriate Fit for your Spiritual Convictions...

Earnings tables please!

Quote:

Then All You Have to Do is Add the Special, Rare Ingredient I've been Alluding to...

AND I GUARANTEE YOU WILL HAVE SUCCESS

FANTASTIC SUCCESS!

That's me on the left congratulating Jim Wald - MMC-IV Pro Rep

\$48,841.25 for the month of June - 2005 alone!

Here it is...

That One, Super-Potent Ingredient I've been Talking About...

Sustained

Unwavering

Belief

Quote:

I want you to simply stop and think about these three powerful words.

Have you ever implemented these words as the standard for and the foundation of any of your past projects or endeavors? How about as regards your faith in Jesus Christ - could it be characterized as Sustained Unwavering Belief (SUB)?

How about your business? You could implement SUB with other business models that pay a tenth of what is offered at Advantage Conferences – but would that be wise?

When you commit to building an Advantage Conferences business and then introduce these three words as your personal, persistent guiding "mantra" here, you will eventually **make MORE MONEY IN A MONTH than you used to make in a year - and on an ONGOING BASIS!**

Prove it, goon!

Quote:

...

If you are the kind of person who is capable of Sustained Unwavering Belief (SUB) then you are the person who will make something powerful and rewarding out of your life. You will be a great contributor to your community and society at large. You will be a one of a kind, a very rare breed .. because the masses can't and won't commit to Sustained Unwavering Belief.

They may give a half-hearted, minimal, inconsistent effort, but because the power of SUB is rarely mentioned, recognized, modeled or taught, most will simply never embrace the reward of this amazing concept.

SUB is the asset that distinguishes extremely successful people from those who simply pass through life in mediocre fashion. Commitment to Sustained Unwavering Belief is the one trait that can truly elevate the common person into rarified air that few ever experience - **True Long-term, Dizzying Success.**

Sustained Unwavering Belief:
a rare and extremely powerful talent -
an exceedingly rare trait.

It is your personal choice and decision to
embrace "SUB" into your life.

And when you do you will be well on your way
toward the **Monster Success you've dreamed of...**

What a joke! I am one of the most determined audacious women out there and I didn't learn it from Timmy boy. I will be here until this scam is shut down!

Soapboxmom

Wishyouknew

07-01-2006 09:47 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

PoweroldGlory,

I hope you are doing some soulsearching. I pray for the sake of your family and yourself and others, that you shut down Advantage Conferences. Get out while your ahead and find a better way to support your family that is not a risk.

I know some inside scoup that you don't know Tim. Please, just take my advice! Shut it down. Get out while your ahead!

Soapboxmom

07-02-2006 03:42 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

From the 2005 AC website:
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

\$500,000 plus this year

\$1,000,000 plus this year

<http://www.yourkeystowealth.com/>

Quote:

You Provide

A. Absolute Belief in Yourself. Doubters, Skeptics, Low Self-Image individuals need not apply. You must have a very positive attitude and high ethical standards.

B. Teachability – Your Commitment to Follow Simple Instructions, be coachable and trainable and not reinvent the wheel.

C. Resourcefulness and Desire to get your business started quickly.

D. Self Motivation with the ability to work consistently without a boss looking over your shoulder.

E. Positive Expectancy - **You must be expecting to make at least \$100,000 or more your first year.**

<http://prosperinfaith.com/singlemostimportant.htm>

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AND **I GUARANTEE YOU WILL HAVE SUCCESS**

FANTASTIC SUCCESS!...

make MORE MONEY IN A MONTH than you used to make in a year - and on an ONGOING BASIS!...

True Long-term, Dizzying Success...

Monster Success you've dreamed of...

It is all about luring trusting Christian folks in with dreams of wealth. The lying scammers don't disclose the reps earnings though because these claims would all prove to be bogus except for Timmy, Wacko Jacko and a select few while almost all the other reps lose the money they spend on this bum deal!

Daddio, you want to tell us again that they don't promise huge earnings? We went beyond promise to guarantee! That lying goon Timmy should be careful what he puts on the websites. We Christians will demand he keep his word.

Soapboxmom

Wishyouknew

07-03-2006 02:25 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Send your comments regarding Advantage Conferences here!

<https://secure.commentworks.com/ftc-bizopNPR/>

For those of you reps who have been taken Advantage of and lied to about this company. This is a great way to let them know.

You don't have to put all your personal information in the fields. As it will be made public record.

spanky

07-04-2006 02:58 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

ATTENTION SCAMBUSTERS

PLEASE REPOST THIS EVERYWHERE AND SEND YOUR COMMENTS TO THE FTC

From the desk of Robert Fitzpatrick

Pyramid Scheme Alert Friends, Patrons and Supporters:

Many of you have written to ask what you could personally do to help expose or prevent pyramid schemes. There is an action you can take RIGHT NOW.

The FTC is adopting a new "rule", similar to the rule that covers franchising. The new rule covers businesses that sell "business opportunities." Multi-level marketing (MLM) is covered. This is the first time that MLM will be under any FTC "rules" at all. This would cover Amway/Quixtar, Melaleuca, Arbonne, Nuskin, Life Without Debt, International Galleries, EZWealth, Market America, Pre-Paid Legal, Wellness International Network, BioPerformance, Usana, Nikken, and a host of others.

This new rule focuses on financial "disclosure." A financial disclosure rule could curb the pervasive deception regarding income averages (MLM causes a net loss for nearly all recruits), odds of success (99% failure rates in MLMs), and the fact that almost nobody buys MLM goods other than the salespeople (the disguise of "direct selling" used by pyramid recruitment schemes).

THE FTC IS ASKING FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

Please go to the FTC form and state your support for the adoption of rules that require MLMs to make FULL DISCLOSURE. The FTC has a simple on-line form for responding. (<https://secure.commentworks.com/ftc-bizopNPR/>)

We have only until July 17 to send in comments. If you are outside the USA, please write. US-based schemes are harming all parts of the world.

Pyramid Scheme Alert recommends three key "disclosure" requirements on MLM schemes. You can cut and paste these into the FTC form (<https://secure.commentworks.com/ftc-bizopNPR/>) and then add your own experiences and thoughts.

1. All multi-level marketing companies must comply with earnings-claims disclosure rules. No multi-level marketing company should be given an option of making "no earnings claims".
2. Multi-level marketing companies must disclose the average retail-based income earned by participants in each level of the hierarchy.
3. Income disclosures of multi-level marketing companies must include:
-- The total number of all participants who joined in the past year, not just the so-called "active participants" in one part of a year.

-- The average NET, not gross, income of participants in each level. Average net income is the average of all monies received from the company by participants minus the average of all moneys paid to the company by participants in each level. Expenditures paid to the company include product purchases, renewal fees, shipping costs, books, audio and video tapes, training and motivation seminars, computer fees, etc.

These recommendations would curb the massive deception about "unlimited income." They would expose MLMs that are based on pyramid recruiting not retail selling. Such recruitment scams are only disguised as "direct selling" businesses. And they would expose the deceptions of "average income" that exclude business costs and other fees that the schemes get from recruits. When these COSTS are added, more than 99% of all MLM recruits lose money!

There is more information on the PSA website at <http://www.pyramidschemealert.org/P...BizOpRules.html>

The official Pyramid Scheme Alert report to the FTC is on the PSA website at <http://www.pyramidschemealert.org/PSAMain/news/PSA-FTC%20Commentary.pdf>

Please go to the FTC form now. (<https://secure.commentworks.com/ftc-bizopNPR/>) It only takes a few minutes. It could save millions of people from being duped, misled and financially harmed.

Thank you,
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Wishyouknew

07-05-2006 06:44 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

This potential law change by the FTC would kill Advantage Conferences. Thats if the AG and law enforcement don't get them first.

vamapega

07-06-2006 07:52 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

Originally Posted by **Wishyouknew**

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1. I really don't understand what you're talking about here. I did a bbb check on Advantage Conferences and they only have one complaint against them for the last 36 months; and it was resolved. That's not too shabby for a company that is **supposedly** ripping a lot of people off. By the way, haven't they only been in business for 3 years (36 months)?

2. What does disturb me about Advantage Conferences however, is that you have to pay them to work for them. This is absurd in my opinion. Any company that would make you pay to work for them is one that I would prefer not to get into.

Maybe others are more daring, and don't mind this. But honestly, does it really make sense? The idea here is: bring people to us so that we can make money off your hard earned work, and we will give you a cut of the profits so long as you pay us first. So not only are you paying them with your hard earned money, but you are also paying them with your time and effort, and whatever extra money you have to spend on advertising to get people to go to them. Honestly, this does not sound Christian at all. Instead it seems to be a system that is founded on greed rather than love.

SoapBoxDad

07-06-2006 09:36 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Yes, SoapBoxMom and Wishyouknew, you should be very careful about that which you write, especially when it is knowingly false. Keep up with the evidence. You will not be able to hide behind, well I thought that was the truth, well I was just sharing my opinion acting as if I had a competency in this industry, blah, blah, blah.

As for me, I have great peace as everything that I have written can be backed up and is truthful. Unlike those on this thread where they feel the end justifies their means, they will be accountable in more than one way. Good luck to you with that.

AS for credibility, I have my MBA, have built multiple million dollar businesses and we have attracted fellow millionaires, pastors, doctors, entrepreneurs, and people from various professions and stay at home Moms and Dads.

I am proud of the folks that we attract into our business and I pray every day that the right people

are attracted to AC and that the wrong people--you know who you are, stay away from Advantage Conferences. Life is too short to work with folks like you, WishYouKnew, Renloyx and Phinnly.

Business is great and enjoying time with the family while it builds. Praise the Lord and there is no other business I would rather be building right now. Reading through this thread over the past week, I did not see one post even worth the time to respond to.

It is a shame you folks cannot get paid by your inaccuracies or the size of your lies. Maybe you should try the Star or Enquirer.

I do continue to pray for you.

Quote:

Originally Posted by **Soapboxmom**

Precisely! The authorities do read us I know for a fact personally and the posters on here could be anyone. Folks should be careful what they write.

Wish, would you care to share excerpts from those PMs from Poweroldglory to you? Folks would benefit from seeing just how these AC reps really operate. I got some lovelies like that from ol' Rappidone on the Ignite thread and I threw them up there. He isn't hassling me anymore!

Soaopboxmom

SoapBoxDad

07-06-2006 09:42 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

SoapBoxMom, this is precious. Thanks for sharing. Praise God you are a Believer. Now act like one.

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openQuestion

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SoapBoxDad

07-06-2006 09:48 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

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Quote:

Originally Posted by **Wishyouknew**

This potential law change by the FTC would kill Advantage Conferences. Thats if the AG and law enforcement don't get them first.

SoapBoxDad

07-06-2006 09:52 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Vama, I see this is your first post. Actually, your #2 is not correct in that a person is purchasing a conference, ongoing mentoring and training, and 52 weekly mindset calls as well, IF they decide to purchase the MMC. You are not an employee and you are not working for "them" as stated. This is a business for someone if they want to build it as such. It is not for everyone and you can read posts from many here that are against any networking business and especially any business that boldly shares the Gospel.

Any representative who gets approved can start for \$59.95.

Quote:

Originally Posted by **vamapega**

*1. I really don't understand what you're talking about here. I did a bbb check on Advantage Conferences and they only have one complaint against them for the last 36 months; and it was resolved. That's not too shabby for a company that is **supposedly** ripping a lot of people off. By the way, haven't they only been in business for 3 years (36 months)?*

2. What does disturb me about Advantage Conferences however, is that you have to pay them to work for them. This is absurd in my opinion. Any company that would make you pay to work for them is one that I would prefer not to get into.

Maybe others are more daring, and don't mind this. But honestly, does it really make sense? The idea here is: bring people to us so that we can make money off your hard earned work, and we will give you a cut of the profits so long as you pay us first. So not only are you paying them with your hard earned money, but you are also paying them with your time and effort, and whatever extra money you have to spend on advertising to get people to go to them. Honestly, this does not sound Christian at all. Instead it seems to be a system that is founded on greed rather than love.

SoapBoxDad

07-06-2006 09:55 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

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vamapega

07-06-2006 09:59 PM

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Is this type of response going to win people to Christ? What is more important here, an Advantage Conferences defense, or Jesus' reputation?

If your company is truly of God will the integrity of it not overshadow all of the negative things that people are saying about it? Jesus was also spoken evil of, was He not? But how did He overcome evil? Did He overcome evil with evil, or by doing good?

In everything that you say and do, always be sure to reflect the character of Christ so as to not cause others to stumble...

openQuestion

07-06-2006 10:16 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

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Originally Posted by **SoapBoxDad**

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Again, if she is calling Satan the Devil, does this make her evil in any way? Or is she simply calling a spade a spade in this case? I don't have the answer. All I'm saying is that everything is relative to where you are standing on this rock, my friend, and there are no absolutes on either side of this coin. If I KNEW that you were out there intentionally scamming and robbing people with this company, you can't even imagine the names I'D be calling you, and I'd feel completely justified in doing it, too.

I don't believe for a second that SBM is evil in any way. I believe she is as "Christ-centered" as anyone else here, including YOU, and is simply trying to do good in her own way. You are simply in opposite camps on an issue, that's all. I was not put here to judge her (or you or anybody else). I think there might actually be a clause in the bible about that...something like "judgment is mine, sayeth the Lord". Ring a bell?? I'm not sure, because I'm not what you would

call "traditionally" religious.

Wishyouknew

07-06-2006 11:33 PM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Vamapega,

Please trust that I know alittle more about this company then you..
I am not sure why the BBB report is only reporting one complaint on file. I know for fact that they have received 5 or more complaints this year alone!

It could have something todo with the pending lawsuit Tim Darnell has againts the BBB.. Thats my only guess.

And have also recieved complaints from the Attorney General in which Tim Darnell aka Poweroldglory has lied about.

Soapboxdad, your "Holier than thou" attitude is not doing you any favors on this website. Nobody cares!

The fact that you are a rep for this company tells me all I need to know about you!

vamapega

07-07-2006 12:46 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

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This is not likely since it would breach the integrity of the bbb/consumer relationship.

Moreover, it doesn't even make sense to suggest such an idea since if that were the case, then all parties involved in the complaint status would be removed. Meaning, there wouldn't even be one complaint.

Now then, I don't know who you are, but my advice to you is that you either produce evidence/data to support your accusations against A.C. or remain silent. And if in fact you have nothing to support what you've been saying thus far, I suggest that you admit this to all of us, and make a public apology for sharing negative information about A.C. for which you have no proof, as though it were factual. For, A.C. could very well call you on this matter, and file a suit against you for slander, which if proven, can produce very serious legal consequences for the guilty party. And it doesn't matter what ID you use, if it goes to court they can subpoena the webmaster of this site to disclose your identity.

This is just a warning of caution from one who doesn't want to see you get yourself into a legal mess. By the way, I do not represent A.C. in any way.

openQuestion

07-07-2006 01:05 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

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vamapega

07-07-2006 01:09 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

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What you think, and what the law dictates are two different things. When one intentionally heralds false accusations against someone or some business/company with the intent to hurt such people involved, that is slander.

But then one might argue that you would have to prove that it wasn't just simply a mistake on the part of the guilty party who said such things. Of course, that argument can be dismissed on the grounds that 1. He has nothing to back what he has been saying about that person or business. Hence, he was stating an opinion as though it were fact. 2. Those people involved informed him that this information was not correct. Yet, he persisted in publicly advocating it. Hence slander, NOT an uninformed/innocent mistake.

And yes, the penalty for such behavior is quite lofty.

Duck98

07-07-2006 02:01 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

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No - one could simply argue that one has arrived at an opinion based on one's experience. If the facts of the experience are not in doubt then the case is going to have a hard time.

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And then - what were the judgements?

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yossarian

07-07-2006 02:15 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

Originally Posted by **vamapega**

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That's their problem; even if the numbers tossed around by SBM and others illustrating the flaws of the compensation plan (an overwhelming majority of which is undoubtedly paid to only a few at the top), are not exactly correct, they are accurate in principle. And none of their challenges up to this point have been refuted by hard facts. I suspect that this is because their figures aren't far off the mark. To take this to court, and thereby subject the business to tough legal scrutiny, is the last thing Mr. Darnell wants to do.

vamapega

07-07-2006 03:00 AM

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Just for your info...

slan·der (P) Pronunciation Key (slndr)

n.

Law. Oral communication of **false statements injurious to a person's reputation.**

A **false and malicious statement** or **report about someone.**

Now then, if it can be proven that what was said here against A.C. is false, then it can be argued that the guilty parties have slandered A.C., since these accusations were presented as fact rather than mere opinion. For example, the so-called lawsuit against the bbb. Is that a fact or fiction? You get the point?

Incidentally, defamation of character is commitment to slander.

vamapega

07-07-2006 03:06 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Quote:

Originally Posted by **yossarian**

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But what if they can support their figures? What then? Just because they haven't done so here doesn't mean they can't. You are assuming too much.

Keep in mind that the absence of evidence is not necessarily evidence of absence.

vamapega

07-07-2006 03:14 AM

Re: Advantages Conferences / Tim Darnell

Honestly, I hope A.C. does take this to court. At least then the truth will come out. You see, if they file a suit for slander and win, then it will become obvious that those who are guilty of this type of abuse are liars, and can't be trusted. Thus they will get what is due to them by penalty of breaking the law.

However, if such accusations against A.C. can be proven, then A.C. will be shown to be liars, and their intentions will become obvious to all.

But judging on the matter that the bbb has only one complaint against A.C. for the entire time that they have been in business--about 36 months or more(a complaint that was resolved nonetheless), this tells me that A.C. does not fit the description of an unscrupulous business. By the way, ONLY one complaint with the bbb in 36 months against a business speaks volumes!

What it does tell me however, is that those people who oppose them could very well be their competition and are possibly endeavoring to ruin their (A.C's) reputation so as to steer their traffic in their (the competitor's) direction. But this is just my guess of course. It could be true, but then again it could be false.

vamapega

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Your point is moot. This has nothing to do with my credentials, but with A.C.s reputation.

By the way, there are those who are born to be lawyers, and those who are just simply grafted into the firm.

Those who are born to be lawyers are capable of arguing their point from every direction, and successfully nonetheless; whereas those who are just simply grafted in often confuse the law because they don't understand the terminology that is in use, as also they confuse the facts behind the so-called evidence.

yossarian

07-07-2006 03:38 AM

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You're right, it doesn't. I'm just pointing out the fact that they haven't, and also the fact that there is no reason they shouldn't if they have nothing to hide. I would love to see AC come out with a statement showing the median earnings of their affiliates.

Quote:

Keep in mind that the absence of evidence is not necessarily evidence of absence.

Nor is it proof of legitimacy, which is precisely my point. They have been repeatedly asked to refute the accusations made here and continually neglect to produce hard facts. If you they are as innocent as they claim why not open up the books and show us? I'm betting it's because those books are stacked by the ton close to the top, and the average affiliate is making little to nothing.

yossarian

07-07-2006 03:46 AM

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There you go, I switched the emphasis for ya. Slander is always verbal (spoken). *Libel* is written. Underlining the word 'report' did not prove your point. In the definition, it refers to a *verbal* report.

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