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Comments regarding FTC proposals:

I have been a successful Quixtar Independent Business Owner for a very long time. I am a 51-year old, single mom, who has provided for myself and my now 21-year old daughter, and 17-year old son. My sole income, and what I figure to base my retirement on, has been generated by the Quixtar opportunity. I am very concerned about how the proposals you are putting forth will affect my income.

The Requirement of a 7-Day Waiting Period:

I wanted to get started right away. I immediately wanted to be able to purchase products I saw in the catalogs and/or website. Why would you want to deprive anyone of that opportunity? As a Quixtar Independent Business Owner there is a money back guarantee. I have seen very few cases where a person or persons were unhappy with the business opportunity or products, however, in that case, they were able to return used up products, receive any shipping expenses, etc.—no questions asked. People pay more for a pair of pants, tennis shoes, sweater, etc., these days than it costs to become self-employed in the Quixtar business.

The Requirement To Provide References:

I feel this is uncalled for in the Quixtar business. We have a very professional way we introduce prospects and/or new business associates, to those who are also building a secondary or primary source of income from the Quixtar business. I would not want people calling me, as a successful business owner in my industry,—that is an infringement on my personal life/business (very time consuming). I would certainly want to share the great lifestyle I have enjoyed by working hard in my business, but feel what you are proposing is very unfair to anyone. I would be very upset if after spending my valuable time bringing a person, or persons, through what is already a professional procedure, and because I provided them with a list of others, they found someone on the list they already know, and then become a part of that person, or persons', business, because this is what the FTC required. Please eliminate the requirement to provide 10 references.

Requirement to Provide a "Litigation List":

So, should I ask the fast food service, or favorite restaurant I choose to eat at, for a list of lawsuits before considering eating a hamburger there? I think a person, or persons, should be able to form their own opinions, without the negativity of lawsuits—hence, the money back guarantee in the Quixtar business. Please eliminate the requirement to disclose past litigation. It would probably take an attorney to understand the documentation anyway. The Quixtar business opportunity has always been for any person, no matter what culture, educational background, etc. Litigation Lists would be very overwhelming to most people.

The Requirement For Specific Earnings Disclosures:

As Independent Business Owners, Quixtar already requires that we show an average monthly gross income, Form SA-4400, etc., This should be sufficient since it is an “average”. Some people wish to spend more time in their business than others. The income is usually proportionate to the time spent. Some people may not want to spend the time it takes to create a “huge” income, although the potential is certainly there.

The Requirement for Financial Substantiation:

This is a personal infringement on my right to keep my personal income to myself. I do not want “just anyone” to know how much I am worth. I have worked very hard for what income I have, and no one except my CPA, IRS, and the State of Mississippi, know what I make. That’s the way it should be for every American citizen, in my opinion.

I feel that any and all proposals you are considering would be detrimental to an income, and possible future income for retirement, which I have counted on for many years. At least, use the Quixtar.com opportunity guidelines and code of ethics as a way to deter other so-called “scam operations”. I don’t feel Quixtar Independent Business Owners fall under this category, and in fact, feel the Quixtar opportunity should be used as a Model for others to follow.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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