



Dear Commissioners,

I am truly alarmed about the proposed Business Opportunity Rule R511993.

When I retired from my position as the coordinator of the Healthy Start program throughout our school district, I did not have enough social security income to keep our home and maintain a decent living standard. In short, I had to bring in additional income. Luckily, at the same time I found a product that was very helpful to me. I wanted to share this so I became a distributor of it. This has brought me a small additional income and has also helped many in our community.

Here's the problem. One of your proposed regulations requires disclosing names of people I connect with. There is no way I could give names of my clients to others. This requirement would virtually end my business. I help people with nutritional products, and many feel this is a private and personal issue and would not agree to such a release. This regulation is inappropriately invasive and will put many small people such as myself out of business. I am approaching 70 and that would be an economic catastrophe for me.

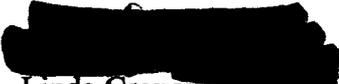
I also don't understand the one week waiting period these new regulations would require. Any one who signs up with our company can drop out at anytime and is told so. They can change or delete their orders at any time, and if they decide they don't want any items, I buy it back from them. That's the same as any retail store I go into.

On the required disclosure of lawsuits without stating how they were resolved, I feel this is unreasonable and deceptive. If the company is found innocent, that matters a whole lot and should be revealed to the consumer.

I appreciate your efforts to prevent deception and fraud but I think these regulations will have consequences on those such as myself, which consequences I am sure you do not intend. I feel the huge increase in administration, unfair delays, and the violation of privacy for people I work with will I put me out of business, or come close to it.

I truly hope you will more narrowly target the deceptive and the fraudulent without harming rest of us.

Sincerely,

  
Linda Crouse  
