Scott Martin

Direct Response Copywriter and Pricing Specialist

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30 years of accountable professional writing experience, handling multiple projects simultaneously and generating over \$400 million for my clients in the last 6 years. Experience in the corporate and entrepreneurial environments across a broad spectrum of industries including financial, real estate, publishing, health, biz-op, and sports.

Providing copy and content for:

- Websites
- Landing pages
- Squeeze pages
- Video Sales Letters
- Direct mail
- Email marketing
- Blogs
- Print/ROP ads

- Brochures
- Advertorials
- Magalogs
- Catalogs
- White papers
- Ebooks
- SEO Copy
- Long-form sales pages

2000-present Scott Martin Copywriter

- Direct response copywriter with proven ability to generate revenue and leads.
- Over \$400 million in revenue generated in the last 6 years for my clients.
- Content provider with over 10,000 pages of published print and web content.
- Write content for print and digital platforms.
- Over 400 articles and advertorials for numerous national and regional publications and websites. More than 10,000 pages of published print and web content.
- Author/publisher/editor of 18 books.

- Six books as ghostwriter/collaborator.
- Clients include Agora, Simon and Schuster, Golf Digest Companies, The Golf Channel, NBC Universal, Revolution Golf, Direct Digital, and many of the world's top direct response companies.

1995-2000

The Charlotte Observer. Manager, Custom Publishing; Publisher and Founder SouthPark Magazine.

Responsibilities included sales, print management, customer service, budgeting for \$400,000 department.

- Started department from scratch; sold and managed over \$1.6 million worth of custom publishing and related services in five years using direct response techniques and strategies.
- Started *SouthPark Magazine*, a quarterly 40,000 copy publication targeted at the SouthPark community in Charlotte. Met revenue goals with second issue; third issue of magazine was profitable. Developed internet site and digital platform.
- Successfully worked with 10 associates in team environment.
- Customers included Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, Charlotte Checkers ice hockey, Volkswagen of America, Charlotte Regional Realtors Association.
- Authored 400 page book: *The Insiders' Guide to Golf in the Carolinas*; fourth edition published in April 2000.
- Responsible for developing new sources of revenue outside traditional print platform.
- Compiled and sold *Shouting At Amen Corner*, a collection of the best of *Observer* sports columnist Ron Green's writing about The Masters. Book published in November 1998 and sold over 10,000 copies using direct response techniques.
- Responsibility for developing and selling books and posters featuring previously published *Observer* material.

1992-1995

The Bissell Companies, Inc., Charlotte, North Carolina. Director of Communications and Publisher of SouthPark Update Magazine.

Responsibilities included advertising sales, sales management, editing, publishing, art direction, public relations, and proposal writing for a privately-held 300 employee commercial real estate and hospitality firm.

- Wrote copy for all print and digital advertisements.
- Extensive media relations work.
- Published quarterly general interest 80-page magazine with annual budget in excess of \$300,000.
- Doubled gross advertising revenue in two years.
- Regional awards for quality of articles and photography.
- Over \$4 million of major commercial real estate management contracts awarded based on proposals.
- Partnered with associates to produce sales materials.
- Wrote and created presentations and proposals, successfully handling complex content creation.
- Maintained company's branding standards.
- Managed large projects with freelancers and internal resources.

Education

1984-1988

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

- Morehead Scholar.
- BA in Comparative Literature and English.

Interests/Personal

- Chair of School Leadership Team Myers Park Traditional Elementary School 2004-2005 and 2006-2007. Chair of School Leadership Team – Myers Park High School.
- Running Charlotte Observer Marathon (twice in under four hours).
- Charlotte Cricket Club; founder and member of Executive Committee.
- Volunteer soccer coach Harris Family YMCA and for Charlotte United (challenge level).
- Hobbies: skiing, hiking, mountaineering, golf.
- Professional Ski Instructor for The Aspen Skiing Company. Level 1 certification with The Professional Ski Instructors of America. Level 2 candidate.