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You can leave a mark on the world, make a difference for a cause you believe in, without quitting your job or leaving your spouse!

Biography

Author of *Your Mark on the World*, a guide to giving more to your favorite cause without giving up your job and your spouse so that you can make a difference. Devin brings a broad perspective to financial planning, having owned and operated an investment-banking firm, which included an investment advisory business, a mortgage brokerage and having served in a variety of corporate finance positions. Presently, Devin serves as a business professor at South China University of Technology in Guangzhou, China on behalf of Brigham Young University's Kennedy Center China Teachers program. Previously, he served as the Chief Financial Officer for the multinational company MonaVie, listed in Inc. Magazine's 2009 Inc. 500 as the 18th fastest growing company in America and, at \$834 million in revenue, the third largest company on the list. Prior experience includes two years working on the staff of the U.S. Senate Banking Committee during Utah Senator Jake Garn's tenure. He also served briefly in Utah State Government, working at USTAR under Governor Jon Huntsman. He earned an MBA with focus in Finance and Accounting from Cornell University's Johnson Graduate School of Management. He completed his undergraduate degree in finance at the University of Utah, where he later worked as an adjunct professor of finance. In 2006, Devin was recognized by the David Eccles School of Business at the University of Utah as a Distinguished Alum. Devin ran his first marathon in 2011, finishing in 4:35.

Availability

Keynote, Moderator, Panelist, Author Appearance

Industry Expertise

International Affairs, Investment Management, Non-Profit/Charitable

Areas of Expertise

Not-For-Profit, Charity, Community Service, Personal Financial Planning, Poverty

Sample Talks

Your Mark on the World

This talk motivates the audience to do more good in the world, to contribute more to their favorite causes, both in terms of time and money, without quitting their jobs and without leaving their families. Participants feel more passionate about doing their jobs well in order to allow them to build a successful career that will empower them to give more and do more to leave a mark on the world, evidence that they have made a difference.

Event Appearances

Your Mark on the World

South China University of Technology

Preparing for an Initial Public Offering

Association for Corporate Growth Breakfast

Financial Strength of MonaVie

MonaVie Regional Convention

Education

Cornell University, Johnson Graduate School of Management

Master of Business Administration

University of Utah, David Eccles School of Business

BS Finance

Accomplishments

Utah 100

In 2005 and 2006, Thorpe Capital Group (my investment banking firm) was recognized as one of the fastest growing companies in Utah.

2006 David Eccles School of Business Distinguished Alumnus

2008 v|100

Recognized among Utah Professionals as one of the 100 business leaders most likely to launch a successful business. The awards are organized by the venture capital firm, vSpring.

Testimonials

Steven Stauffer

We invited Devin to speak to our chapter of the Association for Corporate Growth and were pleased with his dynamic presentation. He was not only interesting to the point of entertaining, he provided real, new information that our members found educational. His depth of experience and good sense of humor were both on display. Devin is a down-to-earth guy who is approachable and outgoing as well.

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