

### EDITOR'S NOTE

Serving as editor of the *Journal of Small Business Strategy* has proven to be more of a challenge than I had ever expected. It has also been more rewarding than I anticipated.

At the early stages of development of the journal, questions were raised by many colleagues regarding the necessity for another journal. There was some doubt as to the need or desire for another vehicle for publications in the small business area. However, the response to the *Journal of Small Business Strategy* has been tremendous. We have received far more manuscripts than we ever expected to receive in this short period of time. The acceptance rate has been approximately 15 percent. Several papers are in the revision phase and many new manuscripts continue to be submitted.

The reviewers have been inundated with manuscripts during the past six months in an effort to get this second issue of the journal published before year end. Mere expression of my appreciation to the editorial reviewers seems so inadequate. Each reviewer has worked within tight time constraints and with excessive work loads in order to achieve our goals for the journal.

In keeping with the objectives of the journal, this issue contains articles covering a broad scope of topics. We have sought to select articles which are practical in nature and which will be beneficial to both the small business consultant and educator.

It is our goal to continue publishing a quality journal which will further the knowledge base of our readership. We welcome your suggestions and comments regarding the journal.



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