



# Ian Gomar

Partner & CMO

## About lan

Recognized leader in accelerating the growth of B2B/B2C/B2B2C brands/companies ranging in size from start-up to \$1B+, primarily for private equity backed firms, VC's and Founder CEO's/entrepreneurs. A "pay for performance" marketer utilizing the latest digital marketing and e-commerce technologies for branding, customer acquisition and retention strategies. Particular strength in growth & marketing strategy, business development, creating "best in class" omni-channel customer service, experience and engagement programs to up-sell, cross-sell, drive transactions.

# How Ian has Helped Businesses Grow

- Achieved the first quarterly comp-store gain in two years while growing e-commerce business by 25 percent in just 12 months creating and implementing a turnaround strategy for a \$125 million 100-store and e-commerce footwear and accessories division.
- Achieved record sales and profits, improving EBITA by 42 percent and revenues by 17
  percent over three years, turning around and growing a 50-store, \$40 million European
  women's ready-to-wear retail and wholesale apparel and accessories brand.
- Returned a bankrupt division of a multi-billion-dollar global footwear entity back into profitability within 18 months without added capital.
- Achieved double-digit operating profit growth for two straight years in the fitness category for Sears and Kmart, reversing five years of prior declines.

# **Executive Marketing Experience**

- Managing Director, Pheasant Hill Partners, Inc.
- CEO, The Picture People
- Chief Marketing and E-Commerce Officer, Sears Holdings
- President, Retail & E-Commerce, Steve Madden Ltd.
- President, North America, Olsen Fashion
- President, North America, Athletes World / Bata Shoe Company
- Senior Vice President, Marketing, Footlocker Inc., Champs Sports Division
- Vice President, Marketing, Starter Corporation
- Vice President, International, Wolverine Worldwide
- Group Brand Manager, Bacardi Imports
- Brand Manger, Cola-Cola Company, Minute Maid and Hi-C Fruit drinks

# **Expertise**

#### **Industry Experience**

- Healthcare
- Technology
- Industrials
- Retail
- Consumer Goods
- Manufacturing

#### **Specialties**

- Omni-Channel Marketing
- Digital Transformation
- eCommerce
- Growth Acceleration
- Business Development
- Acquisition Due Diligence

## Contact Information

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# Clients Served

- Diff Eyewear.com (sunglasses and optical eyewear)
- Media Services Inc. (PE backed, educational services)
- Twelve5 Beverage co. (CPG)
- Nuvo Iron (Home Improvement)
- Ocular Partners (Healthcare)
- Foryourparty.com (Consumer Goods -Retail)
- RealEats.com (Consumer Goods Retail)
- Calibamboo.com (Consumer Goods Wholesale & Retail)
- Buylowwarehouse.com (Consumer Goods Retail)
- World Emblem International, Inc (B2B Apparel & Fashion)
- Energy Impact Partners (Venture Capital & Private Equity)
- The Wicks Group of Companies (Venture Capital & Private Equity)
- Tangent Technologies, LLC. (B2B, B2B2C Manufactured Outdoor Products)
- MyEyeDr (Medical Practice)
- Increff (SaaS technology)
- Kwikclick.com (technology platform)
- OpenSource Connections (Digital Professional Services)
- Diligent Corp (SaaS technology)
- Ingredientswellness.com (skin care)
- Dalenproducts.com (garden products)
- DCcargomall.com (cargo accessories)
- RoCskincare,com (beauty)
- Carolina GSE (aircraft parts)
- IWIlife.com (vitamin supplements)
- Mielle Organics (Haircare)

## Education

- Master's in Business Administration, Marketing/Management, University of Miami
- Bachelor of Science, Communications/Marketing, Boston University