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Subject: Re: IDL Shareware

Posted by [Mike Schienle](#) on Fri, 14 Jan 2000 08:00:00 GMT

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In article <MPG.12e96a4bcbeffbba39899ec@news.frii.com>, davidf@dfanning.com (David Fanning) wrote:

> Mike Schienle (mgs@ivsoftware.com) writes:

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>> I won an IDL license several years ago from RSI. Since I was working at  
>> Hughes at the time, it was legally their license. When the mound of  
>> paperwork was produced for Hughes to accept the license, my manager told  
>> me to take it home and never speak of it again :-)

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> On such decisions, entire careers are built.

You're probably one of the few that knows how much truth is in that comment. Hughes was getting ready to close down the division where I was working. 6 months later I was a consultant, successfully bidding on multiple contracts to the same Hughes division. Certainly wasn't my game plan, but I'll go with what works.

> I wanted to write a book, but I was told no one would want  
> to buy it. :-)

Ever started writing a book of your stories? Jack Canfield (Chicken Soup) seems to have done pretty well for himself with similar material.

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