Mobile Marketing

or

I Know Where You Will Be Next Summer

&

Other Mobile Marketing Myths

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Change is in the Airwaves

Wireless devices add the combined utility of the fixed telephone, Internet, computer, credit card, game console, library, radio and TV, to name only a few.

Because of its multi-functional characteristics and its reach, and because mobile devices will continue to cannibalize some or all of the features and functions of an unparalleled number of other applications and inventions, these devices will impact our lives in more ways than we can imagine. . . .
Carrying Vast Amounts of Information About Us
Mobile Marketing

Who’s Investing?

AOL & Patch
- Acquired for $7 million in June 2009
- Invested $50M in April 2010
- As of August, launched more than 100 communities; 400 more in next 6 months

Yahoo & Associated Content
- Acquired in May 2010 for a rumored $100 million
- Thousands of contributors to cover local content

Facebook launched Places August 18
- 500M active users; 150M access the site via mobile device
- The day after launch, FourSquare had it’s biggest check-in day ever

Microsoft & Skype
- Microsoft announces $8.5 billion cash deal to acquire Skype
- Skype owned by Silver Lake which acquired from eBay in 2009 for slightly more than $2 billion
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Who’s Playing?

Partnerships with Travel Channel and H&M (virtual goods)

3M users (up from 500k in Jan, 130k new users a week,)
Averages 70 minutes of playtime per user

Presence for 1.1M online local merchants
Backed by IAC

Presence in 88 cities; 22 countries
13 million subscribers
$135M in Series C funding with $1.35 billion valuation April 2010

100M comments from 20,000 towns and cities across US
7.8M unique users (Top 10 online newspaper site)
Backed by Gannett, Tribune and McClatchy
Types of Mobile Ads

- SMS Ads
- Wap Display Ads
- Search Ads
- App Display Ads
- Push Notifications
Marketers Try to Be 'Kewl' With Text-Message Lingo

Unilever's OMG Moment

“Brace yourself, big marketers are getting hip to text-message lingo. In ads that begin in two weeks for a new line of Degree deodorant for teen girls, Unilever is highlighting "OMG! Moments."”

Today’s Demographic
Mobile Advertising & Marketing

Mobile is

- Personal – always attributable to one individual
- Pervasive – one screen unites everything
- Instant – here and now
- Local – it goes where you go

First thing you check when you wake, last thing you check before going to bed!

Within reach over 80% of every day!!

92% of owners cannot get through a typical day without using their mobile phone


Why do you think they call it a ‘sell’ phone?
40% of US Adults now surf the web on their smart phone*

*Source: Pew Research Center, July 2010
Growth in Mobile Shopping

Mobile Shopping Growing Dramatically [Thursday, January 20, 2011]

According to a new study from ForeSee Results, the US edition of the Report on Mobile Shopping indicates that 33% of all survey respondents had accessed a retailer's website using a mobile phone (compared to 24% in 2009), and an additional 26% said that they plan to use their mobile phone to visit a company's website, mobile website, or mobile application in the future. The study found that the use of mobile phones to access companies' websites, mobile websites and applications for shopping purposes is increasing dramatically, indicating that any retailer who is not wholeheartedly embracing the mobile trend is leaving money on the table for competitors, says the report.

11% of web shoppers reported having made a purchase from their phones this holiday season, compared to only 2% at this time last year.

56% of shoppers who used their phones did so to compare price information while 46% of shoppers used their phones to compare different products to look up product specifications.

69% of mobile shoppers used their phones to visit the store's own website while in physical stores, and 46% also used their phones to access a competitor's website.

Highly satisfied shoppers with a mobile experience say they are 30% more likely to buy from that retailer online and 30% more likely to buy offline.

ForeSee Results used the methodology of the American Customer Satisfaction Index (ACSI) is able to show how customers' satisfaction with mobile websites and applications impacts their future purchase intent, loyalty, and recommendations across all channels.
Why You Should Care

- If you want to understand the latest trends in local, geo-location and mobile marketing
- If you need to drive offline purchases & behavior
- If you have regionally differentiated products
- If your message needs to be localized
Geo-targeting Delivers ROI

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Note: n=1,928; numbers may not add up to 100% due to rounding

Local ads in a local context are 4X more effective*  

* Mindshare Interactive Sprint case study
“Smartphone sales to pass computers in 2012”
Source: Morgan Stanley

“By 2013, mobile phones will overtake PCs as the most common Web access device worldwide”
Source: Merrill Lynch report

“In 2011, more than 85% of the handsets shipped globally are expected to include a browser”
Source: Focus.com
Mobile Factoids

- The number of smart phones in use is expected to hit 1.7 billion globally by 2013. [Source: Analysys Mason, July 2010]
- Approximately 58% of mobile operators believe SMS and MMS-based messaging will be one of the top 3 forms of marketing/advertising by 2015. [Source: Airwide Solutions, November 2010]
- Forrester Research says SMS campaigns regularly get response rates of 5% to 25%. [Source: Forrester Research, May 2009]

Mobile advertising

Impressions
- Worldwide requests from Android devices increased 97% from October to December. [Source: Experian Hitwise, January 2010]
- In June 2009, AdMob served ads on more than 16mm unique iPhone and iPod Touch devices globally. [Source: AdMob, June 2009]

Advertising response
- 61% of mobile operators predict coupons and vouchers will be the most widely accepted form of mobile marketing/advertising by 2015. [Source: Airwide Solutions, November 2010]
- Women are 85% more likely to respond to mobile advertising than men. [Source: GfK /Limbo via ReadWriteWeb, February 2009]

Mobile internet
- Web-enabled smart phones now make up 20% of the 3 billion mobile devices worldwide, with market share heading towards 50% over the next 3-5 years. [Source: comScore, September 2010]
WHY SHOULD YOU CARE?

BECAUSE MOBILE ADVERTISING & MARKETING IS A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH
Gartner: App Sales To Top $15 Billion In 2011

Mobile apps are here to stay, according to a new forecast from Gartner. The technology research firm projects app store downloads worldwide will more than double this year to 17.7 billion. App revenue in 2011 will hit $15.1 billion, up from $5.2 billion in 2010. By 2014, app downloads will jump to 185 billion.

"Many are wondering if the app frenzy we have been witnessing is just a fashion, and, like many others, it shall pass. We do not think so," said Stephanie Baghdassarian, research director at Gartner, in a statement. While Apple's App Store gave rise to the app explosion of the last two years -- and last Saturday announced its 10 billionth download -- alternatives are gaining traction.
Mobile: As Local as it gets

Customer service as marketing

Direct consumers to purchase
Given that studies consistently show consumers trust other consumers – their peers – more than advertisers (and government) when it comes to product and service recommendations, does it come as any surprise that ‘influence’ peddling has now been extended to consumers.
On the Web:

If I search for you on Google and don’t find you

But with a mobile device

I synch, therefore I am . . . .
Enforcement –

Government & Industry Partnership...

- Federal
- State
- Industry Self-Regulation

and now . . .
Competition Laws at Work
Legal Landscape of Mobile Marketing

Rise of Consumer
• Integration
• Engagement
• Power

Digital Distribution Platform
• Unique Privacy Regulations

Threat of Regulation & Legislation
• Anecdotal Evidence
• Overlapping Jurisdiction
• Dynamically Evolving Technology

Changing Perceptions of Privacy
• National
• Social
• Cultural
• Age Demographics

Intellectual Property
• Confusion
• Dilution

Threats to Privacy
• Who You Are
• Where You Are
• What You Are Doing
• When You Are Doing It
• And With Whom?

What is Private?
• My ‘Space’?
• Information About Me?
• Sharing Information About Me?
• Use of Information About Me?

Marketing to Children and . . .

BLURRING THE DISTINCTIONS BETWEEN INFORMATION, ENTERTAINMENT and ADVERTISING
Mobile Advertising & Marketing

Which Rules Apply?

- Federal Trade Commission Act
- Federal Communications Commission
- State Consumer Protections, Unfair and Deceptive Acts or Practices Statutes, Privacy & Identity Theft Statutes
- Controlling the Assault of Non-Solicited Pornography and Marketing Act ("CAN-SPAM Act") and the corresponding Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") rules
- The Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991 ("TCPA") and the corresponding FCC rules
- Do-Not-Call Rules
- Customer Proprietary Network Information ("CPNI") rules
- Industry Guidelines – e.g., ANA, IAB, MMA, DMA, AAAA, CARU, CTIA.
FTC Landscape

- Heightened Consumerism – Activist Philosophy
- Section 5 of the FTC Act prohibits unfair and deceptive acts or practices in or affecting commerce
- Regulate Behavioral Advertising
- “Do Not Track” – Geo-location Legislation
- Seeking a seat at many different industry tables including FINANCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH CARE, PHARMA, SECURITIES and more…
In 2009 and continuing into 2010, the FTC started a series of public roundtable discussions to explore the privacy challenges posed by the vast array of 21st century technology and business practices that collect and use consumer data. They include:

- Social networking
- Cloud computing
- Online behavioral advertising
- Mobile marketing
- Collection & use of information by retailers, data brokers, third-party applications & others
Express Consent

- What is legally sufficient consent?
  - Clear and conspicuous
  - Prior to sending message
  - Terms to include
  - Opt-out ability
  - Other issues (kids, blocking access)
FTC Workshop:
“Mapping the Mobile Marketplace”

Staff Report Released April 2009
http://www.ftc.gov/opa/2009/04/mobilerpt.shtm

Conclusions – FTC will:

- Continue to monitor cost disclosures and work with industry to improve self-regulatory enforcement
- Continue to monitor the impact on consumers of unwanted mobile text messages, malware, and spyware, and take law enforcement action as needed.
- Expedite the regulatory review of the Children’s Online Privacy Protection Rule (“COPPA”) to determine whether the rule should in any way be modified to address changes in the mobile marketplace. Review began in 2010.
Deceptive Advertising

COMPLIMENTARY RINGTONE

(for ringtones, mono ringtones, poly ringtones, wallpapers, java games, screensavers, alerts) with paid subscription from $9.95/month*

3 Easy steps

1. Enter Your Number
2. Confirm Your PIN*
3. Choose your content

ENTER YOUR MOBILE NUMBER

SUBMIT

AT&T Sprint Cingular

* TERMS OF SERVICE
Complimentary Ringtones offer is only for compatible handsets on AT&T, Centennial Wireless and Sprint PCS. This is a Ringtones Value Club 2 Poly Ringtones. By signing up for this service and by entering your personal PIN Code which will be sent to the cell phone number supplied by you on this website, you acknowledge

Reed Smith
The business of relationships
Admirer's name prediction with flirting tips subscription, sent to your cell, as low as $5.99/week or $9.99/month.
*See carrier specific pricing in T&C section below. To cancel, text STOP to 66047.

Admirer Calculator:

Step 4, Enter UR cell #

(, enter UR real cell number and we'll send UR airmen's Name to your phone!)

Who is your secret admirer?

Will you find love?

Summary terms:
You agree that in connection with subscribing for the services, (i) Nextel, Sprint, Cellular One, Alltel, Verizon Wireless, and Virgin Mobile USA customers will receive Flirting Tips at $9.99 per month, (ii) Boost customers will receive the Flirting Tips at $5.99 per month on code 66047, (iii) Centennial Wireless and Cincinnati Bell customers will receive Flirting Tips at $5.99 per week, and (iv) AT&T customers will receive Flirting Tips at $6.99 per month.
No Pricing
Obscure Pricing
Download Ringtones to Your Cell Now!

Get Realtones!

Enter Your Cell Number:

[ ] I agree to the Terms and Conditions. I also understand that standard messaging rates do apply when receiving my PIN. You may qualify to receive 10 complimentary ringtones for the first month and your service will continue at nine dollars and ninety-nine cents per month. Cancel at any time and keep all my downloads. Please note that you must be 18 or older in the state of Florida to participate in this offer.

Minimum age restrictions may apply. You must be 18 or older to participate in the following states: Florida.
3 Zones
• All zones must be “above the fold” / visible to consumer w/o scrolling
• All font types must conform to Web Standard size equivalencies
• W3C Color Contrast standard applies to all disclosures in all zones (125 min.)
• All disclosures must be visible at all times throughout the order path

Zone 1 – Price and Term ($9.99 per month)
• Must be disclosed entirely within 125 pixels in any direction from the cell-submit field and the P.I.N. code submit field.
• 12pt. minimum font size
• Must be disclosed in numerical format 0-9 and include $
• For Non-Google Compliant Pages, Price disclosure must not contain any other text except price and term ($9.99 per month)

Zone 2- Types of Content (Ringtones and Other Text Services)
• Disclosure no greater than 20 pixels from Offer Description (Get 10 Bonus Ringtones)
• Other Text Services no smaller than 50% of font size of the Offer Description (Get 10 Bonus Ringtones) Minimum font size is 20pt.

Zone 3 – Age / Other T’s and C’s
• Age description must be above T’s and C’s. Minimum 12pt. font size.
• 3 lines of other T’s and C’s must be visible above the fold.
## Clear & Conspicuous - Contrast

**Colour Contrast** Based on the formula created by the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C).

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**Difference in Brightness**

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**Black on White** has a colour difference of 255 (maximum).

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*ANA*  
*ReedSmith*  
*The business of relationships.*
“Commercial” email messages sent to an email address that contains a wireless telephone number and a wireless carrier’s domain name on the FCC’s wireless domain list

For example, 2125555000@wirelesscarrier.com

A message is “commercial” if its primary purpose is to advertise or promote a commercial product or service, including content on a website operated for a commercial purpose.
Prior express authorization

- May be written or oral
- Written authorization must include the subscriber’s signature, including an electronic signature
- Input of email address
- Authorization narrowly construed (scope and parties)
Required disclosures:

- Agreement to receive messages
- Wireless provider charges may be incurred
- Authorization may be revoked at any time (Note: If consent revoked, must be honored within 10 days)

Other CAN-SPAM requirements apply (including opt-out requirement)
Web Technology, GPS, RFID & Mobile Increases Privacy Concerns Over Behavioral Advertising

- User Search & Input
- Geo Targeting – Location, Location, Location
- Coupling Location with Context
- Coupling Location with Behavior
- Location Sharing Capabilities
  - Among Users
  - Among Devices
- Social Networking with Location Sharing
- Surveillance Capabilities
Hot “New” Privacy Rights

- What is Collected? From Whom? When? How?
  - Aggregate; Non-Identifiable; Personally Identifiable;
- How Will Information Be Maintained? Shared? Used?
- Who Will Have Access? When? For What?
  - Federal Laws (CAN-SPAM; TCPA; GLB; HIPAA; etc)
  - State Laws (Privacy; Publicity; Data Breach)
  - Disclosures (Where? When? How?)
  - Consent (Opt Out? Opt In? Consent)
  - Rights (Revoke; Modify; Parents & Children)
  - Modifications to Policy (Materiality; Purpose)
- NEW: “Do Not Track”
- NEW (old): Opt Out vs Opt In
Want to stop this from happening?

Take Action!

Replay the movie?
What’s on the FCC’s Agenda?

- Participating in Online Behavioral Targeting Discussion
- “Consumers should stay alert, recognize the potential risks associated with cyber crimes and take some simple precautions to help reduce their chances of falling victim to scams.” FCC Chairman Genachowski, 10.09.09
- Implement the Child Safe Viewing Act of 2007
- Use-Based Pricing
- Net Neutrality (still; again)
FCC Wireless Inquiries

- FCC Notice of Inquiry – Serving and Protecting Children and Empowering Parents in an Evolving Media Landscape (October 2009)
- FCC Seeks Public Input on Draft Rules to Preserve the Free and Open Internet (October 2009) (“Net Neutrality”)
- FCC Announces Wireless Innovation and Investment Notice of Inquiry (August 2009)
- FCC Announces Notice of Inquiry on Mobile Wireless Competition (August 2009)
- FCC Seeks Comment on Additional Opportunities to Protect and Empower Consumers in Communications Marketplace (August 2009)
- FCC Truth In billing (August 2009)
Remove before use

This device is capable of determining its (and your) physical, geographical location and can associate this location data with other customer information. To limit access to location information by others, refer to the User Guide for Location settings and be cautious when downloading, accessing or using applications and services.
FCC:

Telephone Consumer Protection Act ("TCPA")

- TCPA prohibits making “any call...using any automatic telephone dialing system or an artificial or prerecorded voice...to any telephone number assigned to a...cellular telephone service” or to use “any telephone facsimile machine, computer, or other device to send, to a telephone facsimile machine, an unsolicited advertisement.”

- Judicial interpretation prohibits marketers from sending messages to wireless devices using an automatic telephone dialing system ("auto-dialer") without “prior express consent”

- Significant Private Enforcement
Florida Attorney General

- Azoogle (2007): Internet ads for “free” ringtones that required $9.99 service – $1 million
- Media Breakaway (2008): Internet ads for “free” ringtones and wallpaper; $1 million + clear and conspicuous disclosures on Internet transaction pages
- Mobile Message Americas (2009): Internet ads for “free” ringtones that required subscription service -$1 million + clear and conspicuous disclosures on Internet transaction pages
- AT&T Mobility (2008)
- Verizon Wireless (2009)
State Enforcement – AT&T Settlement

AT&T – $3 million + refunds + third-party provider restrictions

- Restriction on “Free” if costs associated unless costs are clearly disclosed with the initial representation
- No “pre-checked” boxes
- Disclose network and device restrictions
- Separate consent to promotional messages required
- Price of the recurring charge and billing period disclosed immediately adjacent to the cell phone and pin submit
- Additional submit disclosures (any additional charges; negative option aspect; how to cancel; how will be charged; must be authorized by account holder)
State Enforcement

State Enforcement – Verizon Wireless Settlement

Verizon Wireless AVC – $1.5 million + refunds + third-party provider restrictions (June 2009)

- Additional conditions
  - Minimum color contrast value of 125 and 12 pt font size for price and billing period disclosure within 125 pixels of the cell number submit and pin submit fields
  - Numeric and dollar sign requirement ($9.99)
  - Attorney General will seek to apply to other carriers
Private Litigation

**Satterfield vs. Simon & Schuster (June ’09)**

Consumer became registered user of Nextone services and checked the “yes” box indicating she read and agreed to company’s Terms and Conditions permitting marketing offers from Nextone and its “affiliates” and “brands”

Consumer received text message “pwr’d by Nextone” on behalf of Simon & Shuster

Consumer filed class action claiming violation of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA)
Private Litigation

The Ninth Circuit found:

• Text messages are considered “calls” under a reasonable construction of the TCPA;

• Under TCPA an auto-dialer includes equipment with “capacity” to generate random or sequential numbers, whether or not that capacity is in use;

• There was no “express prior consent” as required by the TCPA where customers agreed to receive messages from an “affiliate” or “brand” & the messages sent were from a company with no corporate relation to the sender and not part of any brand associated with sender; and

• Following a message with the phrase “powered by [Sender]” was insufficient to “brand” the message as coming from the sender or constitute an “affiliate”
Play along with the show from the comfort of your home for a chance to win $10,000. Simply watch “Deal Or No Deal” on NBC and then text your chosen case number to 59595, before the case is opened. The winner will randomly be chosen from those that correctly picked the Lucky Case. You can enter up to ten (10) times per show. There is a charge of $0.99 per entry or enter online for free.
SMS Class Actions Against Networks & Carriers

- Class actions launched against contests incorporated into popular shows *American Idol*, *Deal or No Deal*, *1 vs. 100, Lucky X, The Hell’s Kitchen, America’s Got Talent*, and *The Apprentice*.
- Enter for free on website entry method or
- Enter via premium text messaging – 99 cent charge per entry (plus standard text message rates).
- Representative actions filed under California’s liberal Business and Professions Code as well as class actions under Connecticut and Massachusetts law and in Georgia.
- Allegation: charging a fee to enter *without receiving anything of bona fide substance in return* = illegal lottery.
California Class Actions

- *Herbert et al. v. Endemol USA, Inc.*, (CD Cal).
- District court denied defendants’ motion to dismiss finding that the claims asserted viable causes of action – lottery law problem
- Defendants have asked the 9th Circuit to certify the issue to the Supreme Court of California because a matter of first impression
- Ninth Circuit decision pending
Cause Related Marketing

- Traditional conditions of charitable solicitation laws will still apply
- Commercial Co-Venturer v. Charity Direct
- Don’t overstate amount given to charity
- Careful with immediacy claims
- What consent are you obtaining for future SMS?
Nike ID – SMS Collection

• Nike erected a large, interactive billboard in Times Square and passers-by could use their cell phones to text in their own custom design and receive a free pair of Nike IDs.
• Individuals went nuts when they saw their own shoes posted live on the Jumbotron in front of them. Nike gave away 3000 pairs of shoes in this promotion and participants were just as excited by their design on the billboard as they were by the free footwear.
QR Tagging

QR Codes turn your phone into a bar code scanner. These codes can not only be used on retail merchandise tags and clothing imprints but also on billboards, print and even web-based advertising.
Bluetooth

Cash Spot.
Come closer, you could win pogo cash.

With pogo you can now send digital cash mobile to mobile.
Get started right here. We'll send a pogo message directly to your mobile, and you could win pogo cash.

1. Activate your infrared or Bluetooth and change your settings to 'Visible', 'Shown To All' or 'Find Me'.

2. Point your infrared port at the circle above and wait to accept the pogo message.
A key element of the program includes a unique phone number tied directly to specific emails...

When someone clicks a link in the email, the phone number that appears at the top of all subsequent web pages on the site is this special call center number specific to that email.
SMS as graffiti: You send your text message to a central system and the messages are then projected onto buildings (interior or exterior) in specific shapes or formats. The text messages appeared in speech bubbles.
Finland's roadside toilets: now accessible only by SMS

People traveling through Western Finland will need to take out their handsets to relieve themselves in select public restrooms.

They will require restroom visitors to text "Open" (in Finnish, of course) in order to let themselves in.
Mobile Marketing –
Legal’s Do’s and Don’ts

- Obtain Express Consent to contact and to order;
- Don’t assume consent received by others is sufficient consent for you (co-sponsors, co-promotional partners, lead generators, co-reg partners, etc.);
- Scrub against DNC/Neustar/Internal;
- Provide an opt-out;
- Use links to include additional disclosures;
- Prominently display recurring charges;
- Provide *bona fide* value for premium SMS entries;
- Don’t overpromise.
Contracts – App-etite for Risk?

Does your contract

• restrict the developer from doing the exact same thing for a competitor? Do you care?

• require complete, verifiable delivery of the code prior to completion of payment? Why not?

Who is responsible for upgrades, enhancements, fixes/patches, compatibility with future operating system releases?

Should you worry about operating system interoperability, device porting, warranty issues, distribution, app restrictions? Even if, on the distribution side, it may be easier and more cost effective for the developer to register the app with various platforms (they may have a pre-existing relationship with retailers/aggregators) in whose name is the registration? Remember the domain name wars? (Soon to get worse)

Is the app a download that sits locally or a hosted app? If so, who is providing the hosting? If hosting is provided by a third party, do you have an SLA?
Contracts—Open Source

Not all open source licenses are created equal;

What are the disclosure and attribution requirements;

Apps may have multiple open source code components;

Brands, App stores and App developers may all be liable for license compliance and should ensure compliance in the development process (liability and indemnification may be limited).

Expect to see more enforcement actions in the future!
Contracts – App-etite for Risk?

Do your terms and disclosures match the requirements applicable to your license (e.g., EULA)?

Do you have a development, deployment and support compliance policy and program to ensure integrity (e.g., what would a regulator, a court think is reasonable?)

Do your contracts give you the rights you think you have (or want) – different platforms have different requirements and different contract terms?

- Liability
- App Stores
- Deep pockets or judgment proof – follow the money

Who owns the code designs, both what makes it in & what falls to the cutting room floor.

Who owns data generated from or by the app – user information, usage statistics, metrics, sales figures?
Is there really an ‘app’ for that?
More Resources

White Papers

• Cloud Computing:
  www.reedsmith.com/cloudcomputing

• Social Media:
  www.reedsmith.com/networkinterference

- Coming Soon: Mobile Marketing
Time for Your Questions

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