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For the past fifteen years, Dr. Jeff Thompson has co-developed the AQ® (Adversity Quotient®) theory, products, programs, and methodology currently in use by industry leading companies worldwide. He is co-director of the Global Resilience Institute, a research consortium in twenty-one countries dedicated to the exploration, expansion, and advancement of the science of human endeavor.

Dr. Thompson leads PEAK's AQ Program Division, delivering customized AQ programs for a broad range of applications, clients, and cultures.

Dr. Thompson is a sought-after coach, consultant, speaker, and teacher by change-minded individuals and groups representing organizations from around the world — leading to substantial international acclaim. Harvard Business School has selected PEAK Learning, Inc., as the creators of the global best practice in assessing and strengthening human resilience. CNN, CNBC, *Asia 21*, *Wall Street Journal, Inc.*, *Investor's Business Daily*, *Executive Excellence*, and *The Oprah Winfrey Show* are just some of the media that have trumpeted the vital role AQ plays in equipping people and their organizations to thrive in turbulent times.

Dr. Thompson collaborates with client teams to create a new breed of transformational programs and conferences that are compelling, inspiring, learning-rich, and memorable. Some of his top clients regularly outsource their creative conference design and much of the delivery exclusively to him.

Dr. Thompson develops deep and enduring relationships with his clients, representing a broad range of industries and organizations both domestically and abroad, including (among others): Marriott International, ING, Irwin Union Bank, the Young Presidents' Organization, Deloitte & Touche LLP, Irving Oil, Procter & Gamble, BP, and Texas Instruments. As a presenter, he consistently receives top marks. His unique brand of refreshingly direct, humorous, interactive, content-rich, practical programs and presentations have resulted in more than 90 percent of Dr. Thompson's customers becoming repeat clients.

Dr. Thompson holds degrees in Communication and Counseling/Psychology, as well as a Doctorate in Leadership and Policy Studies from Arizona State University. He is on the faculty for the Institute for Management Studies, teaches graduate courses at Cal Poly State University and is a past board member of Creative Mediation (a nonprofit organization which encourages alternative approaches for dispute resolution). Dr. Thompson resides in San Luis Obispo, California with his wife, Kristine, and their two children, Zoe and Sam.