

Newsletter founder parts with new owner

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Miami's Charles Intriago -- who parlayed a newsletter about money laundering into a million-dollar enterprise -- has parted ways with the Wall Street f

The separation between Intriago and Fortent, part of the portfolio of Wall Street equity fund Warburg Pincus, came just five days after the March 19 c
laundering conference, which drew nearly 1,300 bankers, regulators and consultants to the Westin Diplomat in Hollywood.

Fortent acquired Intriago's Alert Global Media in December 2006 for an undisclosed sum. Besides the flagship Money Laundering Alert newsletter, th
Anti-Moneylaundering Specialists and holds national and international conferences on money laundering issues.

Intriago declined Tuesday to discuss what led to the split. A spokesman for Fortent said the company does not comment on personnel matters.

Intriago, who started the newsletter in 1989, said he is contemplating what to do next.

"I can't be inactive," Intriago said, adding that he and his wife, Joy, were considering a new venture. She was the creative force behind the Associatic
offers anti-money-laundering information, seminars and a credentials program, Intriago said.

He said he built Alert Global Media into a company that "gained a worldwide reputation for quality of information in a very sensitive area."

"We're very hopeful that the traditions will continue and we have confidence that they will," he said.

John Zdanowicz, a professor of finance at Florida International University, said he was curious how Fortent will run the company given Intriago's "leg

"Charlie was the pioneer and sort of had the best show in town," said Zdanowicz, who first met Intriago in 1989 and spoke at Alert Global Media's mc

Zdanowicz, who sat on the newsletter's editorial board, said he had no inside knowledge of what transpired. But he added "It's an issue of all entrepre