

• E 51 1828 •























# REINVENTING THE BASICS

**2022 ANNUAL REPORT** 

## **PRESIDENT'S LETTER**



The year 2022 was pivotal for The Andover Companies and the insurance industry. In the latter part of this pandemic period, economic and social inflation and natural catastrophes have created new challenges for the US P&C insurance industry.

In our direct insurance business, inflation created significant headwinds to our overall performance. While our loss frequency was down year-over-year, severity was up significantly. We encountered increased costs for building materials and labor, while supply chain challenges extended repair times. Housing shortages created higher additional living expenses for those insureds displaced from their homes while repair work was completed. Our direct business saw an increase in premiums of 11%, but losses and expenses outpaced premiums by \$25M.

The property catastrophe reinsurance market saw significant hardening (increasing prices) in 2022. Despite the year having many global catastrophes, most notably Hurricane Ian in Florida, we managed a profit of \$15.7M on our assumed reinsurance portfolio. Our net combined ratio was 106.2%.

2022 was a difficult year for the US stock and bond markets. Our total return on our investment portfolio was (3.9%), which outperformed many indices by a significant margin. Due to our income-driven investment strategy, our portfolio returned \$87.6M in income for the year, an increase of \$16.8M over 2021. In what proved a challenging year in the insurance, reinsurance, and investment markets, we produced a pretax operating profit of \$15.8M and are proud that our surplus held relatively steady at \$2.2B.

We continue to invest in Technology, Innovation, Business Intelligence, Loss Control, and Subrogation while challenging ourselves to keep an open mind to process improvements and better digital user experiences for policyholders, agents, and employees. Leveraging second-to-none personal relationships with business partners remains a strong focus. We greatly value the relationships we have with nearly 850 independent agents throughout Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Maine, Rhode Island, New Jersey, New York, and Illinois.

We are proud of our legacy and continue implementing our founders' mission of protecting our neighbors and community with premium products and services. In this report, I am pleased to share the program advancements that significantly impacted our community over the past year and our focus on Reinventing the Basics.

As The Andover Companies approaches its 200th anniversary, we appreciate how far we have come since our founding. We could not be where we are today without the trust of our policyholders and the dedication of our agents, vendors, reinsurance partners, Board of Directors, and employees.

Charles J. Ditrande

Charles J. DiGrande, CPCU, ARe, AIM President & CEO



## FINANCIALS

## THE ANDOVER COMPANIES COMBINED RECORD OF GROWTH

	ASSETS	SURPLUS	PREMIUMS
2022	\$3,817,514,428	\$2,194,030,154	\$791,570,170
2017	\$2,835,307,929	\$1,683,409,353	\$562,836,626
2012	\$1,823,166,936	\$1,004,723,666	\$479,505,886
2007	\$1,425,760,441	\$811,381,888	\$455,464,592
2002	\$950,115,241	\$521,607,126	\$312,477,666



## TEAM FOCUS

## **CORE VALUES**



# **2022 GROWTH HIGHLIGHTS**

ANDOVER	HQ
---------	----

**10** INTERNS

27 PROMOTIONS

**37** NEW HIRES **SOCIAL MEDIA** 

**248** SOCIAL POSTS

1,143 NEW FOLLOWERS

124,025 IMPRESSIONS **VOLUNTEER EFFORTS** 

**104** EMPLOYEE VOLUNTEERS

839 VOLUNTEER HOURS

## EMPLOYEE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT TEAM

#### EST. 2022

Promoting learning and development within the company was the driving force for establishing our Employee Training and Development Team. Made up of nearly 20 department heads and team leaders, the influential team helps improve employee collaboration and department engagement. The team provides employees with an in-depth review of business alignments, goals, and department strategies for a hands-on experience of the entire business lifecycle through monthly presentations and shared resources. With this new internal team, we are reinventing the basics to provide comprehensive learning and growth opportunities for years to come.

## CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY





We are honored that The Andover Companies chose to partner with Care Dimensions in their volunteer efforts to benefit veterans. The Andover team has made a real difference in the lives of neighbors, friends, and families and helped provide them with care, compassion, and dignity. *99*

**STEPHANIE PATEL, MD** President and CEO, Care Dimensions

## **DEPARTMENT INSIGHTS**

## LOSS CONTROL TEAM & TRAINING LAB

#### EST. 2022

The creation of The Andover Companies Loss Control Team brings talented and knowledgeable specialists in-house to better serve our policyholders. The experienced team members join us from notable companies and associations, including the Mutual Fire Insurance Association of New England Inc. (MFIA), to provide loss control services to The Andover Companies' book of business.



Shortly after establishing the Loss Control Team in the spring of 2022, we introduced the Loss Control Training Lab to provide a hands-on training experience with real-life props for Andover employees in the Loss Control, Underwriting, and Claims departments.

As we continue to build out the training lab, we look forward to offering risk management classes in the future to our network of independent agents. The educational courses will support professional development and provide the tools necessary to help meet the ever-changing needs of insureds.

#### **INNOVATION AT ANDOVER**

The Andover Companies Innovation Department enables us to uncover new ways of creating value for all our stakeholders. In 2022, Innovation contributed to the company's overall success by strategically researching, designing, and co-creating new experiences with our agents, policyholders, and employees that will accelerate growth and support our overarching goal of being the easiest carrier to do business with.

The Innovation Department continues to solidify the future of Andover with new technology enhancements, exceptional customer experiences, and redesigned workflows to ensure Andover delivers in the moments that matter.



Learn More



**15,159**\* insights generated 747 DESIGNS CREATED

73 EMPLOYEES INVOLVED

\*These insights were from the research sessions with agents, policyholders, and employees

## ANDOVERCOMPANIES.COM

#### **DESIGNED WITH AGENTS IN MIND**

The Andover Companies' newly redesigned website includes agent-focused features to help our network of agency partners in today's competitive digital landscape. With the new website, online users experience an improved user journey with comprehensive resources, seamless navigation, and our new robust agency locator tool.



The agency locator tool helps agencies expand their digital footprint by enhancing their positioning on the search engine results page with customizable agency pages. The unique agency pages allow online users to instantly learn more about the agency, including products offered, office locations, and contact information. With a personalized touch of team photos and logo identification, we help boost confidence in potential customers while supporting new business for our agency partners. We are excited to share this new modern experience to help drive traffic to our agents' websites. Visit our website today at andovercompanies.com to see for yourself!

66 Clyde Paul Agency is proud to be partnered with Andover for over 40 years. Andover has the financial strength and long-term stability of an established carrier while providing modern tools for agents in the ever-evolving insurance industry. Andover's new customizable agency page helps increase our SEO and gives clients another way to work with my agency. I am thankful to partner with a carrier that truly values our relationship and supports my agency through technology and marketing investments. 99

LISA HARRINGTON HAMM, CIC President, Clyde Paul Insurance Agency



#### MYANDOVER INSURED PORTAL

Andover is improving the insured customer experience as we continue to roll out our new insured portal, myAndover, to more of our valued Andover policyholders. Thanks to our latest technology enhancements, policyholders looking to pay their bills, access information, file a claim, and download resources will have a seamless user journey. We proudly serve our policyholders and look forward to helping them with their insurance needs with quality service and trusted programs for another 200 years.

69,000+ REGISTERED USERS

\$100M+ BILLING TRANSACTIONS

## AGENT SUPPORT

#### **ANDOVER FOOTPRINT**



**INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT** 





Massachusetts Association of Insurance Agents







#### THE INSURANCE LIBRARY WEBINAR SERIES

The Andover Companies is proud to be part of The Insurance Library's webinar sponsorship program. The highly anticipated monthly webinar series enables employees and independent agency partners to earn CE credits and learn more about emerging trends and risks to help deepen their insurance expertise. For the second consecutive year, The Andover Companies is the best-performing sponsor with the highest number of seats. Thank you to our agents and employees for leveraging the opportunity to expand their insurance knowledge, concluding another successful year in partnership with The Insurance Library.



The Insurance Library Research · Education · Engagement

## **1,068** SPONSORED SEATS

#### **COMMITTED TO OUR AGENTS' SUCCESS**

The Andover Companies is proud to partner with our network of independent agents across the Northeast to help provide quality insurance protection to conscientious property owners.

We continually foster deep connections with our agents and provide unparalleled assistance to help improve business offerings and mitigate risk. Our long-standing commitment to our agency partners instills trust and highlights the importance of our consistent and reliable service that agents can depend on.



66 I am proud that Sterling Insurance Agency has thrived over the decades as a leading independent insurance agency. Our valued Andover partnership helps fuel our success with its premium insurance products, personalized marketing field reps, underwriting expertise, and excellent claims service.

**RICK MOONEY** President, Sterling Insurance Agency, Inc.

## **OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **2022 OFFICERS**

Charles J. DiGrande, CPCU, ARe, AIM President and Chief Executive Officer

Paul R. Nadeau, CPCU, ARe Executive Vice President–Underwriting and Business Intelligence

Stephen E. Randall Senior Vice President–Claims and Innovation

Amy L. DiPerna, CPA Vice President and Treasurer—Accounting

Kevin J. Ouellette Vice President, Secretary, and General Counsel—HR and Administration

Justin H. Libbey, CPCU, ARe Vice President-Field/Marketing

Kevin A. McNamara Vice President–Information Technology Ian M. Edwards, CPCU, ARe Regional Vice President—Field/Marketing

Stephen J. Zazzaro, CPCU Regional Vice President–Field/Marketing

Joseph M. Cataldo, Jr., CPCU Assistant Vice President-Claims

John F. Cole, CPCU, CIC, ARe Assistant Vice President—Underwriting

Timothy L. Sherrill, CPCU, ARe, AIM Assistant Vice President–Underwriting

Shawn M. Tisbert, CPCU, AIS, AU, AIAF, ARC, AINS, API, AIC, ARe Assistant Vice President and Assistant Treasurer—Accounting Andrew A. Hayes, CPCU, AIC Secretary-Claims

David T. Wilson, CPCU, AIC Secretary–Claims

Jennifer L. Cannata, CPCU, ARe, AIC Assistant Secretary–Claims

Catherine A. MacGilvray, SHRM-SCP, PHR, CEBS Assistant Secretary—HR and Administration

Craig M. Doyle, CPCU Assistant Secretary–Underwriting Product Development

G. Quinn Landers, JD Assistant Secretary–Claims

John S. Louison Assistant Secretary–Claims

Stephen E. Randall

Bay State

Chairman

President

Senior Vice President

Gov. Thomas J. Ridge

Merrimack, Cambridge, Bay State

Merrimack, Cambridge, Bay State

**Ridge Global, LLC** 

David A. Splaine

Spinnaker Associates

The Andover Companies

## **2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### John Appleton

Retired Senior Vice President Fidelity Investments Merrimack, Cambridge, Bay State

#### Malcolm W. Brawn

Retired Chairman and Chief Executive Officer The Andover Companies Merrimack, Cambridge, Bay State

#### David F. Dietz

Retired Partner Goodwin Procter LLP Merrimack, Cambridge, Bay State

Charles J. DiGrande, CPCU, ARe, AIM President and Chief Executive Officer The Andover Companies Merrimack, Cambridge, Bay State

Amy L. DiPerna, CPA Vice President and Treasurer The Andover Companies Bay State

Thomas J. Hollister Chief Financial Officer Harvard University Merrimack, Cambridge, Bay State

#### Paul J. Jacques

Vice President, Pharmacy Administration CVS/Omnicare Merrimack, Cambridge, Bay State

Amy A. Latimer

President TD Garden Merrimack, Cambridge, Bay State

Justin H. Libbey, CPCU, ARe Vice President The Andover Companies Bay State

Kevin A. McNamara Vice President The Andover Companies Bay State

Paul R. Nadeau, CPCU, ARe Executive Vice President The Andover Companies Merrimack, Cambridge, Bay State

Kevin J. Ouellette Vice President, Secretary, and General Counsel The Andover Companies Bay State The Andover Companies consists of Merrimack Mutual Fire Insurance Company, Cambridge Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and Bay State Insurance Company.

## FIELD REPRESENTATIVES

### **NEW ENGLAND TERRITORY**

Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island

lan M. Edwards, CPCU, ARe Regional Vice President

Joseph R. Corcoran III, CPCU, AU District Manager Southeastern Massachusetts and Rhode Island

**Peter Dube** District Manager Maine

Dan M. Valeri, CPCU, CIC District Manager New Hampshire Emma G. Lewis, CPCU, ARe Executive Special Agent North Shore Massachusetts

Daniel M. Barone, CPCU, ARe Executive Special Agent Eastern Massachusetts

Karli D. Loiselle Special Agent Central and Western Massachusetts

### **CENTRAL TERRITORY**

#### Connecticut, Illinois, New Jersey, and New York

Stephen J. Zazzaro, CPCU Regional Vice President

Fred Brambila, CIC District Manager Illinois

Scott A. Brekne, CPCU, CIC District Manager Metro New York and Long Island

**Scott D. Durham** District Manager Southern New Jersey Robert E. Knightly, CPCU, CIC District Manager Upstate New York and Westchester County Christopher G. Perrini, CPCU, AU District Manager

Connecticut

**Ryan G. Cass** Executive Special Agent Northern New Jersey

### **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

Daniel Findley, CPCU, ARe, MS Director of Strategy and Business Development

## **2022 ANNUAL REPORT**







FOLLOW US





The Andover Companies 95 Old River Rd. Andover, MA 01810 andovercompanies.com