

CAPTIVE DOMICILE REPORT





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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Dear Colleague-

I am pleased to once again have this opportunity to communicate directly with MCIA members and others involved in the Montana captive insurance domicile.

It is obviously great that the COVID storm has largely passed and that we have been able to get back to business. For MCIA, that means doing what we can to help protect and promote the domicile.

A big part of promotion will be the association's conference. We'll be back in beautiful Whitefish again this year, but with a new date pattern toward the end of the of summer which we hope will provide a more positive experience as the town is expected to be much less crowded.

We will also be planning for next year's bi-annual state legislative session to determine possible updates to the captive statute. This will be another opportunity to extend MCIA's amazing winning streak at the State Capitol. To date, working in coordination with Montana's captive regulatory team, we have passed every piece of captive legislation that has ever been introduced!

I would encourage you to read this entire report so that you can get the full picture of why so many companies choose Montana has the home for their captives. We have a great story to tell.

Finally, I would like to thank our members, sponsors and advertisers who help support our association. This is a team effort...and we have a great team!

I look forward to seeing everyone in Whitefish this summer.

Sincerely,

John Huth

Chairman

Montana Captive Insurance Association, Inc.





COMMISSIONER OF SECURITIES AND INSURANCE

Troy Downing Commissioner Office of the Montana State Auditor

Dear Friends:

As your Commissioner of Securities and Insurance, I am committed to the continued growth of our vibrant captive industry in the Treasure State. Montana is abundant in all it has to offer, through its scenery, wildlife, recreation, and an accessible, innovative domicile landscape for captive insurance companies.

We aim to be a nationwide leader in the captive insurance marketplace — currently the 4th largest captive domicile in the United States — through our marketing, outreach, and reasonable regulation. With over 130 years' experience, our dedicated Captives team combines flexibility with a commonsense regulatory approach and stays abreast of emerging captive market trends.

Montana's captive industry has benefited from the continued support of state lawmakers since the 2001 passage of the enabling legislation. Over the course of the last 20 years, our agency staff, lawmakers, and the Montana Captive Insurance Association (MCIA) have worked collaboratively to have "state of the art" laws in the captive space to support both the consumer and industry.

Montana's Captive **Program**

Our seasoned and responsive captive professionals

- **Understand** the industry
- **Listen** to ideas and needs, and
- Know how to work with people to implement their goals.

Our agency extends a special thank you to the MCIA for the meaningful role it has played in Montana's success as a captive domicile, including hosting the annual MCIA conference in Whitefish, Montana. Our state continues to benefit from the tireless efforts of MCIA members extolling the advantages of doing business in Montana.

Through the combined efforts of industry members, the MCIA, and our team, captive insurance will continue to flourish in our state.

Sincerely,

Troy Downing

Commissioner of Securities and Insurance

Montana State Auditor





The cost and availability of corporate insurance continues to be a major concern of Montana's business community. Interestingly, many business leaders do not know that Montana took action several years ago to help businesses find a solution to their risk management challenges by allowing them to form and operate captive insurance companies that can insure business risks anywhere in the world.

In this regard, a formal introduction to captive insurance is clearly overdue.

The simplified explanation of captive insurance is that it is a specialized form of self-insurance where a corporate entity or a group of corporate entities form their own insurance company to insure the risks of its parent(s) and affiliated entities.

Only certain states allow the formation of captive insurance companies, and Montana inserted itself into the captive industry as a captive "domicile" in 2001. Since then, the state has licensed more than 500 captive insurance companies, which were formed to cover a variety of corporate risks.

Years ago, most captive insurance companies were formed in offshore locations, such as Bermuda or the Cayman Islands, but the current trend is for captives to be formed in domestic domiciles. Montana is part

of this domestic domicile club, which is a tremendous advantage to the state's business community.



There are many good reasons for business owners to form a captive insurance company – not the least of which is creation of teamwork among the risk management, treasury and tax-accounting functions for overall improved financial health. Several more specific reasons are as follows:



THE ALTERNATIVE TO COMMERCIAL INSURANCE

The first apparent benefit of forming a captive is to take control of the risk management budget, now and into the future. Underwriting cycles for first dollar coverage become non-events for the owner of a captive, and exposures that are difficult to cover in the commercial market are secure in a captive.

Captives commonly provide policies covering property, liability, Excess Workers' Compensation, and medical stop loss insurance. Life, health, surety, marine and disability insurance can also be written by a captive insurance company. Montana's laws have specific regulations on some of these policy types so be sure to confirm with the captive regulatory staff prior to choosing your captive placed policies.



COVERAGE TAILORED TO AN ORGANIZATION'S SPECIFIC NEEDS

Many organizations - to their dismay - experience shifting or evolving risks as their businesses grow or take new directions. Exposures such as environmental risk, employment practices liability, flooding and many other risks can be actuarially quantified and protected in a captive program while others wait for the development of "off the shelf" programs from commercial insurers. The Montana regulatory team prides itself on being flexible in terms of risks chosen to insure and business plans that accommodate the insured operating entity's plans. We are always willing to listen to new concepts in the insurance market to see if our laws can accommodate such a request.

ACCUMULATION OF INVESTMENT INCOME TO REDUCE NET COSTS

The captive has control over its investment income. As with any insurance company, the captive invests the assets that support loss reserves and capital surplus. Prudent investing can return profits greater than those that would be provided by a commercial insurer and will help immunize the loss portfolio against unexpected inflation.

IMPROVED CASH FLOW

A captive provides a place to store funds for future liabilities without paying for risk transfer. The reserve funds don't have to be identified for a particular exposure, but exist in a pool. This pool of funds can be used to insure any difficult-to-insure exposures without further cost to the insured businesses.

INCENTIVE FOR LOSS CONTROL

It's amazing how careful people can become if they have to pay for their mistakes. The same holds true among owners of captive insurance companies. They quickly understand the value of things like operational safety programs, careful maintenance, staff training and peer review, depending on the exposures being covered. It's no coincidence that captive owners usually see decreased loss experience in the years following captive formation. This results in healthier, more productive and profitable organizations.





GREATER CONTROL OVER CLAIMS

Claims handling is performed at the direction of the captive owner rather than an insurance company whose best interests are often served by delaying claims (see Hurricane Katrina). Claims review includes all the necessary parameters and standards that the captive owner requires for efficient risk management.

UNDERWRITING AND RETENTION FUNDING FLEXIBILITY

Many large organizations with decentralized operations may experience different appetites for risk and at different levels. For example, a parent organization may be able to maintain higher risk retention than its local operation units can. A captive can be extremely effective in its ability to spread risk according to the needs of the organization.

REDUCED COST OF OPERATION

In short, there is no point in forming a captive that will not reduce overall operating costs. A captive may offer the early recognition of losses for federal income tax purposes. Premiums may be tax deductible if the captive is found by the IRS to be an insurance company by insuring the exposures of those other than its parent. Whether premiums will be deductible when paid needs to be addressed by any corporation that considers forming a captive.

DIRECT ACCESS TO THE REINSURANCE MARKETS

As an insurance company, a captive may purchase a selected level of loss protection from reinsurance companies. Unlike the "primary" insurance market, the reinsurance market is largely unregulated concerning forms, rules and rates. Unique exposures can be handled with customized policy language. Many captive owners are also supplementing their existing commercial policies by either using their captive to reinsure a layer of the commercial policy as an excess layer or as the initial payment layer.



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FORMS OF CAPTIVES

All captive insurance companies are owned and controlled by their insureds. But they may take various forms:

Pure Captive (Single Parent):

A pure captive is owned and controlled by one company and insures the risks of the parent, subsidiaries, and affiliates. These can be formed as a corporation or LLC.

ASSOCIATION CAPTIVE:

An association captive is a captive insurance company that is owned and controlled by two or more non-affiliated organizations that the captive insures. The association captive can either insure similar types of risks for businesses within a common industry, or it can insure non-homogeneous businesses and insure different risks. These can be formed as a corporation, LLC, or reciprocal.

RECIPROCAL CAPTIVE:

A sub designation of Association captives where the non-affiliated organizations enter into a collective series of contracts (policies) with each other. An Attorney-in-Fact administers the policies for the group. The reciprocal is an unincorporated legal entity. This is a structure form rather than a type of captive.

INDUSTRIAL INSURED CAPTIVE:

A sub designation of Association captives where the captive insures the risk of members of an industrial insured group and their affiliates. An industrial insured group is one that collectively owns or controls the industrial insured captive or is an RRG. An industrial insured is an operating entity that has at least 25 employees, total annual premiums of \$25,000 or more, and uses a full-time employee that acts as an insurance manager. These can be formed as a corporation, LLC, or reciprocal.

RISK RETENTION GROUP (RRG):

Can be a sub designation of Industrial Insured Captive, Association Captive, or their own type. RRGs are enabled and protected by the federal Liability Risk Retention Act. An RRG is a group captive that is domiciled in one state, but often registers to operate in multiple states similar to a traditional insurance company. At present, RRGs are limited to insuring only liability exposures. RRGs can form as a corporation, LLC, or reciprocal.

REINSURANCE CAPTIVE:

Reinsurance captives are formed in a similar manner to a pure or association captive but have 50% of the normal capitalization requirement.

FORMS OF CAPTIVES CONT.

Branch Captive:

Branch captives are formed as a local principal office location for a foreign captive insurance company to operate in this state. Only business conducted within this state by the branch captive is regulated, but the main captive is observed for proper conduct.

PROTECTED CELL CAPTIVE:

A structure that permits incorporated cells to maintain separate assets and liabilities while each incorporated cell carries out its own distinct captive insurance operations. These independent insurance operations must be fronted by another insurance carrier licensed to operate as an insurer. The structure provides efficiencies and cost savings through the sharing of administrative and service provider expenses.

SPECIAL PURPOSE CAPTIVE:

Any captive insurance company that does not meet any of the above listed types and/or definitions, or is formed for the benefit of a political subdivision of this state.

Series LLC Captive: (Not a statutory type and not listed on the COA but a form of captive)
Each series member or series business unit (SBU) maintains separate assets and liabilities while
carrying out its own distinct captive insurance operations. These operations can be directly written
or reinsured from another licensed carrier by the SBU. The structure provides efficiencies and cost
savings through the sharing of administrative and service provider expenses. These are classified as
Special Purpose captives for flexibility of business plans and commissioner discretion of capital and
surplus requirements.

AGENCY CAPTIVE: (NOT A STATUTORY TYPE AND NOT LISTED ON THE COA BUT A FORM OF CAPTIVE)

Agency captives are formed and controlled by insurance brokers/agents who have chosen to participate, together with traditional insurance companies, in the risks of their own clients. These can be formed as a corporation, LLC, Protected Cell, or Special Purpose Series LLC and are commonly licensed as a reinsurance captive.

DORMANT CAPTIVES:

If the owner of a captive insurance company of any type (except RRG) wishes to keep their captive in an active status but does not wish to write insurance through their captive for a short duration, they can trade their Certificate of Authority for a Certificate of Dormancy. The captive must have run off all of its insurance business, have no remaining insurance policies issued, and no remaining liabilities or reserves. The captive then applies for dormant status and if dormancy is approved by the commissioner, will only pay an annual dormancy tax of \$1,000 for any portion of the preceding year the captive goes dormant, and only has to maintain \$25,000 in capitalization. This Certificate of Dormancy is only valid for a 5-year duration. Captives in a dormant status are not subject to any other taxation, examinations, and supply only a report of the captive's financial condition within 90 days of its fiscal year end.



PREMIUM TAX

As Montana's captive insurance industry has grown over the past several years, so does its positive economic impact in the form of premium taxes paid to the state. The information provided below illustrates the growth in premium tax revenue since 2001. MCIA expects this positive trend line will continue for many years to come.

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YEAR END NUMBERS	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Association	0	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3
Branch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Industrial Insured	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protected Cell - Core	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	2	5	7	8	8	8	8	7	7	7	7	6
Protected Cell - Incorporated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	9	13	18	15	12	11	5	5
Protected Cell - Unin- corporated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	29	29	35	50	42	42	38	8	8	8	3
Pure	1	3	7	9	9	12	13	15	22	39	50	76	105	124	143	140	121	106	97	92	77
Special Purpose	0	0	0	0	0					1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	5	4	5
Special Purpose - Core	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	9	11	11	11	12	12	12
Special Purpose - SBU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	30	60	89	107	118	131	125	130
Reciprocal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reinsurance	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	7	10	11	13	14	17	21	14	10	8	8	9	8	11
Risk Retention Group	0	1	1	1	2	4	8	9	10	10	12	12	13	13	11	8	8	8	9	9	9
	1	5	9	11	13	19	28	33	45	69	112	142	196	263	303	330	320	283	292	273	261

TYPE OF COVERAGE CURRENTLY BEING WRITTEN BY MONTANA CAPTIVES

Captive insurance companies licensed in Montana are currently being used for many different types of corporate risks, including:

- Agency Professional Liability
- Trucking Liability
- Attorney's Liability Reinsurance
- Warranty
- Bail Bond Liability
- Work-Comp Deductible Buy-Down
- Worldwide Cargo & Transit
- Cable Repair,

Communications Company

- Contractors Liability
- Contractual Liability

- Defense Costs
- Employment Practices Liability
- Environmental Liability
- Excess Property
- Excess Stop Loss
- Excess Workers' Compensation
- Medical Malpractice
- On-Site Cleanup
- Patent Defense
- Reinsurance
- Third-Party Liability

- Computer & Privacy Liability
- Aviation Liability
- Administrative Action
- Directors & Officers Liability
- Litigation Expense
- Livestock Liability
- Primary & Excess Liability
- Punitive Damages Liability
- Tax Audit Expenses
- Unfair Competition Liability
- Wage and Hour Liability

YEAR	FORMATIONS	TOTAL FORMATIONS	SURREND. PER YEAR	TOTAL SURREND.	TOTAL CAPTIVES	PREM. TAX	DIR. WRIT. PREM.	
2001	1	1	0	0	1	-	-	
2002	4	5	0	0	5	20,037	8,750,200	
2003	4	9	0	0	9	51,713	6,419,100	
2004	5	14	3	3	11	72,569	7,690,736	
2005	3	17	1	4	13	86,696	14,759,504	
2006	8	25	0	4	21	161,994	31,580,902	
2007	10	35	1	5	30	226,168	37,877,161	
2008	9	44	3	8	36	339,585	65,123,909	
2009	16	60	4	12	48	420,070	74,863,332	
2010	29	89	5	17	72	619,539	88,724,747	
2011	51	140	8	25	115	804,583	120,274,295	
2012	36	176	7	32	144	1,034,625	165,605,660	
2013	69	245	15	47	198	1,385,155	196,833,421	
2014	85	330	18	65	265	1,546,674	227,206,651	
2015	78	408	37	102	306	1,689,834	245,096,707	
2016	60	468	33	135	333	1,709,617	246,394,168	
2017	44	512	54	189	323	1,697,552	229,896,606	
2018	25	537	62	251	286	1,369,835	203,398,282	
2019	40	577	34	285	292	1,416,035	218,503,586	
2020	23	600	42	327	273	1,550,790	235,723,800	
2021	29	628	40	367	261	Not yet available	Not yet available	

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CAPTIVE INSURANCE LAW

In 2001, Montana became the 16th state to pass legislation opening existing insurance regulations to the captive insurance industry. Under Montana captive insurance law, a company or association of companies may form a wholly owned subsidiary to insure the parent entity. By using a captive, the parent company retains part of the insurance risk within the corporate umbrella and the captive company collects the premiums and handles the claims.

There are many different legal issues involved in forming and operating a captive insurance company including:

- What types of captives are allowed in Montana and how much capital & surplus is required?
- What are the investment limitations under Montana law?
- What fees and taxes are applicable?
- · What are the regulatory requirements?

TYPES OF CAPTIVES AND CAPITAL & SURPLUS

A captive insurance company may not be issued a license unless it possesses and maintains unimpaired paid-in capital and surplus of:

- a. pure captive insurance company: \$250,000.
- b. industrial insured captive insurance company or RRG: \$500,000.
- c. association captive insurance company: \$500,000.
- d. special purpose captive: Amount determined by the Commissioner based on business plan.
- e. protected cell captive: \$500,000 (or \$250,000 if less than 11 cells & homogenous risk).
- f. special purpose series LLC captive: \$50,000 in the core and not less than a 4-to-1 premiums to surplus ratio in each series business unit.
- g. reinsurance captive: Half the capital requirement for same type of direct-writing captive.

The Commissioner may require additional capital and surplus based on the type, volume, and nature of insurance business transacted.

Capital and surplus may be in the form of cash or an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a bank chartered by the state of Montana, or a bank chartered by another state if approved by the Commissioner.

A captive insurance company may be formed as a corporation, LLC, reciprocal, Series LLC/SBU, or a protected cell formed as an LLC or corporation. The officers, directors, and controlling beneficial owner(s) of the captive must provide a biographical affidavit that shows the character and reputation of the individuals controlling the captive. The controlling beneficial owner(s) of the captive must provide a signed financial statement of the owner(s) as well as of the insured entity(ies).

Montana domiciled captive insurance companies are required to also have a Montana Resident Director/Manager/ Subscriber Committee Member depending on the captive type or form.

INVESTMENT LIMITATIONS

For pure captives, Montana law does not have any restrictions on allowable investments, except that the Commissioner may prohibit or limit investments that threaten the solvency or liquidity of the Company. Captive risk retention groups and association captives shall comply with the investment requirements for traditional domestic property & casualty insurers. Loan-backs are permitted to parent or affiliates subject to prior approval of the Commissioner.

FEES AND TAXES

\$200 application fee and the \$300 license fee, both due at time of application. Annual \$300 license renewal fee. Premium tax of .4% for direct premiums and .225% for reinsurance premiums, in both cases on the first \$20 million in premiums. Tax rates are lower for premiums that exceed \$20 million. There is a minimum premium tax of \$5,000 and a maximum tax of \$100,000. The maximum tax on SBUs is assessed individually on the Series LLC premium tax return. There is no maximum tax on protected cell structures. The premium tax return is due March 1 for all entities.

REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

Montana's regulatory requirements are similar to other states. Captives other than RRGs must file an annual financial report on a Commissioner-prescribed form, whereas RRGs and association captives file their annual reports on the NAIC convention statement. Financial statements audited by an independent CPA are due six months after fiscal year end. GAAP reporting is acceptable for captives and Risk Retention Groups, and approved letters of credit are recognized as assets. Normal reporting deadlines are March 1 for RRGs and April 1 for all other captive types on the annual financial report, and the audited financial reports are due June 1 for RRGs and June 30 for all other captive types. Fiscal year reporting periods can be used instead of calendar year periods, when approved by the commissioner.

LOSS RESERVE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Montana administrative rules require that a captive's loss reserves and loss expense reserves be certified by a Fellow of the Casualty Actuarial Society, a member in good standing of the American Academy of Actuaries, or an individual who has demonstrated his competence in loss reserve evaluation to the Commissioner. A captive must select an actuary that meets the requirements of the administrative rule, and the Commissioner must approve the actuary. The statement of actuarial opinion is due with the captive's audited financial statements.

EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS

Examinations of captive risk retention groups (RRG) will occur every 5 years unless the Commissioner establishes a quicker examination cycle for a particular RRG. For examinations of all other types of captive insurers, there is no standard periodic examination cycle and an examination will only be conducted if the Commissioner deems it necessary. Costs of examination shall be borne by the captive.

TAX ISSUES (MINIMUM PREMIUM TAXES OF \$5,000)							
Premium Level D	irect Tax Rate	Reinsured Tax Rate					
\$ 1 - 20m	0.4%	0.225%					
\$ 20 - 40m	0.3%	0.15%					
Over \$40m	n/a	0.05%					

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STEVE MATTHEWS, CAPTIVE COORDINATOR Steve is a Certified Financial Examiner (CFE) with 25 years of insurance regulatory experience. He has been with Montana's Captive Insurance Program for 17 years and was with the South Carolina Captive Insurance Program prior to that. Steve is recognized nationally for his experience in regulating alternative risk programs and is regularly asked to speak on captive regulator panels at industry conferences. Steve is an avid elk hunter and enjoys spending time with his grandchildren.



KARI LEONARD, DEPUTY EXAMINATIONS BUREAU CHIEF Kari is a Certified Financial Examiner (CFE) and a CPA with nine years of insurance regulatory experience. Her focus with the regulatory team is supervision of the Examinations Bureau staff, financial analysis of captive and traditional insurers, and supervision of traditional insurer examination work. Kari also plays a major role in NAIC Accreditation compliance and she is the TeamMate audit software expert. Kari's role with the team expanded two years ago when she advanced into the Deputy Bureau Chief position.



STEVE MACK, CAPTIVE INSURANCE EXAMINER Steve is a Certified Financial Examiner (CFE) and a CPA with 36 years of insurance regulatory experience. He has been with Montana's Captive Insurance Program for 14 years. He is the regulatory team's top financial analyst, resident reinsurance expert, and supervises the regulatory examinations of captive insurers. In his spare time, Steve enjoys hunting, pike fishing, and working with his wife on home fix-it and renovation projects.



TAL REDPATH, CAPTIVE INSURANCE EXAMINER Tal is an Accredited Financial Examiner (AFE) with 23 years of insurance regulatory experience. He has been with Montana's Captive Insurance Program for 16 years. Tal handles the nuts & bolts for the regulatory team, with lengthy experience assisting industry personnel with captive structure questions, new formations, mergers & acquisitions, business plan reviews, loan and dividend requests, corporate document filing guidance (Secretary of State), and all aspects of captive operations.



PATRICK HUNTER, CAPTIVE INSURANCE EXAMINER Patrick is in his fourth year with the regulatory team. He brings a wealth of hands-on industry experience to the team, having worked in captive management and running his own captive. In addition to his captive regulatory responsibilities, Patrick has taken on an expanded role with the Department. He is now the resident expert regulator of the state's farm mutual insurers, and he also conducts financial analysis of traditional property-casualty companies.



ERIN SNYDER, CAPTIVE INSURANCE EXAMINER Erin is new to the captive regulatory team this year. She is a CPA and brings 25 years of insurance accounting and auditing experience from her time with Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Montana. Erin dove right into her new position, taking on financial analysis and examination responsibilities for some of the state's licensed captive-RRGs and other large captive insurers. In her spare time, Erin and her husband enjoy hiking and taking day trips within our great state.

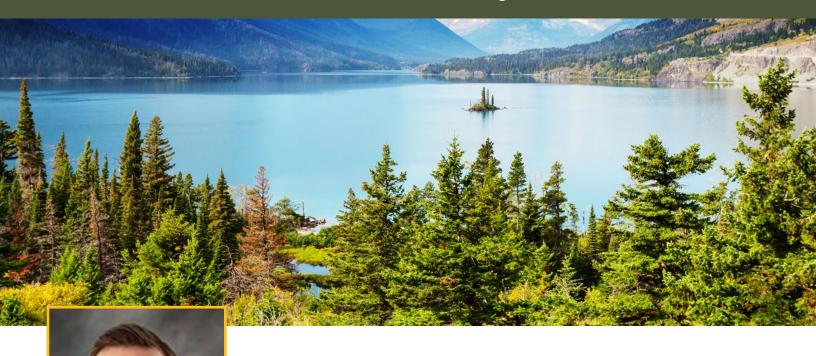


RAMONA BIDON, CAPTIVE COMPLIANCE TECHNICIAN Ramona is in her seventh year with the Department and is in her second year of providing administrative and compliance support to the captive regulatory team. Her previous roles with the Department included a position with the agency's Central Services Bureau, and she also held a Legal Secretary position with the Department's Legal Services Bureau. Ramona's husband (Ted) also works for the Department; he is the Bureau Chief of Insurance Investigations. Ramona and Ted are avid collectors!



DAKOTA TERRY, CAPTIVE INSURANCE EXAMINER Dakota recently joined the captive regulatory team as a new hire. But if you recognize her, it's because she interned with the regulatory team last summer. Dakota just graduated from Montana State University with a degree in Financial Engineering. In her new position, she will be taking on a variety of responsibilities, including captive company licensing, captive financial analysis, and possibly even some analysis and examination duties of Montana-domiciled health insurance entities. Dakota is a native of Big Sandy, Montana.

MCIA Announces Addition of Adam Tunning to Board of Directors



January 17, 2022 – The Montana Captive Insurance Association, Inc. (MCIA) today announced that Adam Tunning has been added to its board of directors.

Adam is an attorney with Moulton Bellingham P.C. in Billings, MT where his practice focused on captive insurance, insurance defense, commercial litigation, and general transactions.

"We are very pleased to make this announcement as Adam is well-positioned to provide value as part of the association's leadership team," said MCIA Board Chairman John Huth. "He has been an active member for several years and is well-respected by captive regulators so the association has been made stronger by this appointment."

He is originally from Omaha, Nebraska. After graduating from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln with a degree in Finance and Marketing, Adam enrolled at the University of Nebraska College of Law and graduated with distinction in 2011.

Adam's wife Elizabeth grew up in Billings and graciously allowed him to join her under the Big Sky. They keep busy raising their two children, enjoying Montana's outdoors, and cheering on their Nebraska Cornhuskers.

Adam stays involved in the local community, including his recent service as chairman of Make a Wish Montana's Board of Directors. He continues to serve as a director for that organization as well as the South Dakota Make a Wish organization.

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PROCEDURES FOR FORMING A MONTANA CAPTIVE INSURANCE COMPANY



In 2001, the Montana Legislature passed legislation allowing captive insurance companies to do business in the state. This law is found in Montana Code Annotated (MCA) Title 33, Chapter 28.

The procedures listed below should be followed to form a captive insurer in Montana and to apply for a Certificate of Authority from the Montana Commissioner of Securities and Insurance:

- Prepare the documents needed for the application for Certificate of Authority. See the captive application form on the Commissioner's web site for a list of all required documents.
- Submit the application to the Commissioner for review. Include a \$200 application fee and a \$300 license fee.
- Submit drafts of the business organizational documents with the captive insurer's application for Certificate of Authority. In drafting the organizational documents, the services of a local attorney may be desirable. Draft forms are available upon request from the CSI.
- Business organizational documents to be approved by the Montana Secretary of State's office must also be delivered to the Commissioner with the respective filing fees made out to the Montana Secretary of State's office.
- Provide information concerning the adequacy of the expertise, experience, and character of the person or persons who will own and manage the captive insurer. Biographical Affidavits are required on directors, officers and controlling beneficial owner(s). Attested financial statements on the owner(s) and insured operating entity(s) are also required.
- If not already authorized, have your desired CPA complete the Application Authorization form to perform audits as required for captives.
- If not already authorized, have your desired actuary complete the Application form for authorization to render the opinion on loss reserves for captive accounts.
- If a Letter of Credit (LOC) will be used for Capital & Surplus, obtain the required LOC format from the Commissioner's web site. The issuing bank must be a State of Montana chartered bank, or a bank chartered by another state if approved by the Commissioner.
- The Montana insurance code authorizes the Commissioner to contract with an actuarial firm to review a captive applicant's feasibility study, at the applicant's expense. If the Commissioner determines that the services of an actuarial contractor are needed, you will be required to submit an additional copy of the application materials to the actuarial contractor and you will be notified of the cost of the review.

MONTANA CAPTIVE INSURER REQUIREMENTS

CPA AUDIT REQUIREMENT

Montana administrative rules require that an independent certified public accountant, approved by the Commissioner, audit the captive annually. The applicant must select an accountant who meets the requirements of the administrative rule. You may ask the Department if your CPA is currently approved. See 6.6.6801 through 6.6.6821 ARM.

CERTIFICATION OF RESERVES

Montana administrative rules require that loss reserves and loss expense reservesbe certified by a Fellow of the Casualty Actuarial Society, a member in good standing of the American Academy of Actuaries, or an individual who has demonstrated his competence in loss reserve evaluation to the Commissioner. The Commissioner must approve the actuary. The applicant must select an actuary that meets the requirements of the administrative rule. See 6.6.6816 ARM.

ANNUAL STATEMENT FORM

Pursuant to Section 33-28-107(2)(a), MCA, each captive insurance company shall submit to the commissioner a report of its financial condition in a form and manner as required by the commissioner, verified by oath of two of its executive officers.

As required by Section 33-28-107(2)(c), MCA, each captive insurance company shall report using generally accepted accounting principles, unless the commissioner requires the use of statutory accounting principles.

Captive Risk Retention Groups must file an annual statement on or before March 1 using the annual statement blank adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) for property-casualty insurance companies. This form must also be filed with the NAIC.All captive insurers other than risk retention groups may file the Montana Short Form Annual Statement on or before April 1.

PRIMARY REGULATORY CONTACT

The primary regulatory contact for captive insurance applications is Steve Matthews. Steve can be reached by phone at 406-444-4372 or via email at smatthews@mt.gov.





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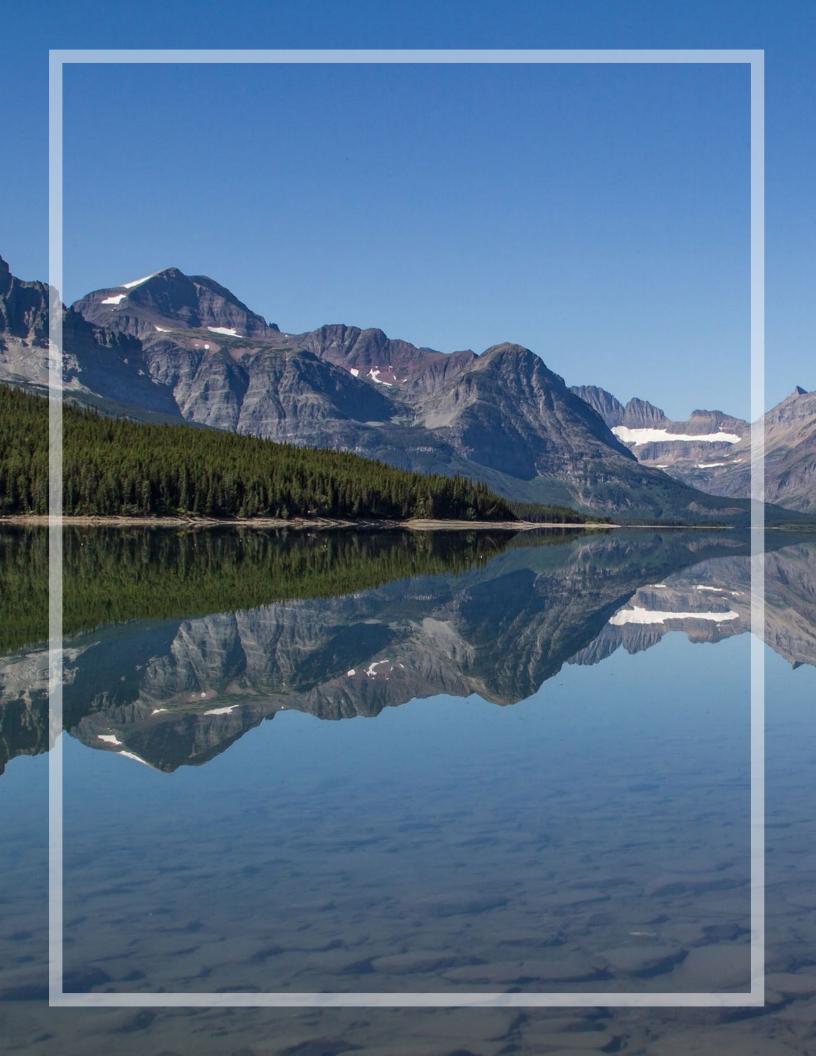
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