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Expertise 2022
Annual Report

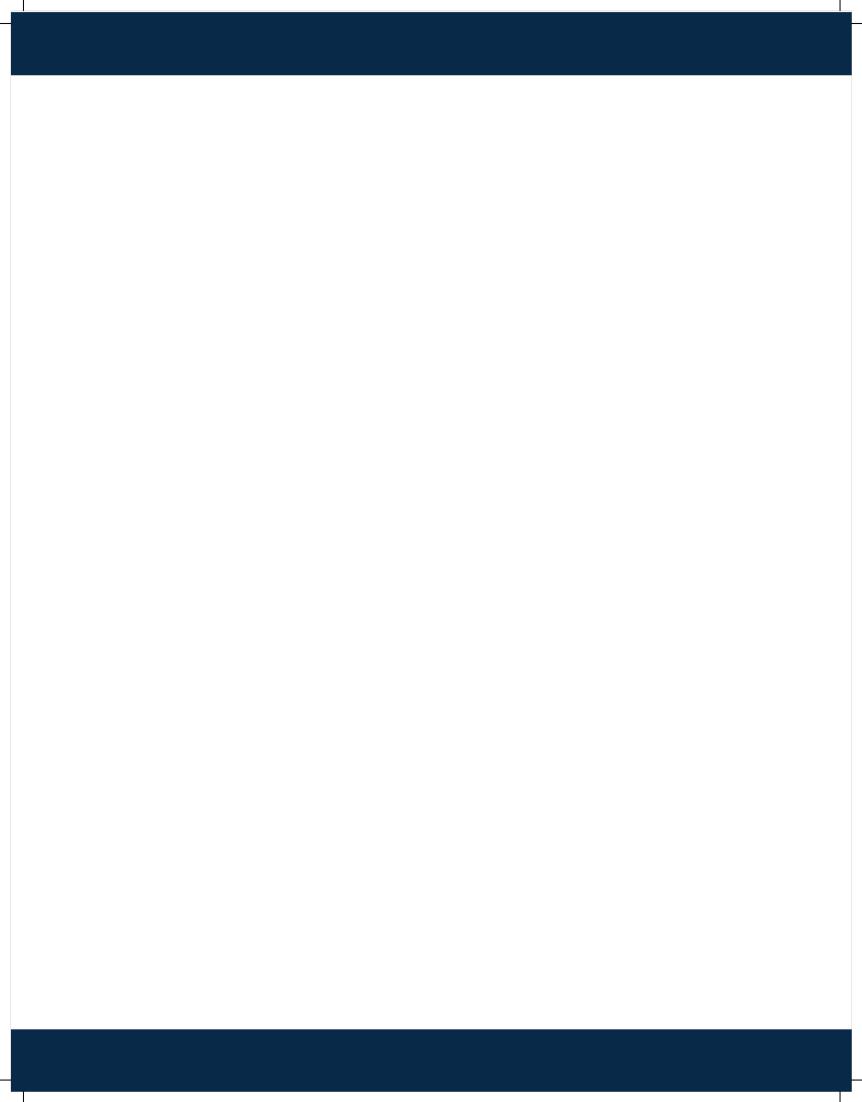


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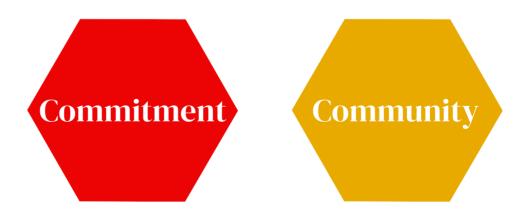
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Fulfilling Our Promise

There are no shortcuts to excellence. The path requires patience, persistence, and discipline, combined with ethics and integrity, to adapt to a changing landscape. We are so proud to be at the helm of NLC Mutual and will continue forward with an unwavering commitment to our mission. Despite the many changes over the past two years, we have proven that when we work together, we can make a difference. Our dedication to our member community is at the center of our resolve to look for ways to provide not only reinsurance, but also ancillary services when our members need them.

2022 was a difficult year for the U.S. P&C industry: claim severities surged with inflation; natural catastrophe losses were elevated for a sixth consecutive year; and the lowest realized capital gains since 2009 offset higher fixed income yields. Even within this backdrop in 2022, we were able to build on a foundation of underwriting and operational excellence to produce results we are proud of. Some highlights include a premium increase of \$12.8 million, or 33%, and net investment gains of \$11.1 million, with an average member rate of return at 11%. Our RBC ratio remains strong at 504%, and we were proud to allocate \$5 million back to our members. We remain a financially sound and strong company.

At the heart of Mutual is our team. Our focus on culture, cross-training, and succession planning remains a priority. Our ability to attract and retain employees tells a compelling story as we were successful in hiring new talent to replace retiring staff. The lift for the core team in training new employees is heavy, but it was handled by being thoughtful and purposeful. The Mutual squad today is collaborative, dedicated, and knowledgeable. We continue to raise the bar on delivering professional excellence. Our team values include trustworthiness, respect, collaboration, empathy, and dependability. These values are reflected in our work every day.



We proudly recognized our newest member, Public Entity Partners from Tennessee, and wished our longtime Vice President of Underwriting, and friend, Mike Kruse, good luck on his retirement. Our partnership with the National League of Cities (NLC) continues on a trajectory of mutual esteem built upon our communication and work together. The OneNLC family has never been stronger.

In this report, we highlight four key themes which best summarize the power of Mutual: Collaboration, Commitment, Community, and Expertise. Our "Member Powered" philosophy will continue to guide us as well. We thank you for your support and we look forward to continuing to work together.

Jill L. Eaton
President & CEO

lan C. Ridlon
Chair, Board of Director





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Mission

The purpose of NLC Mutual Insurance Company is to meet the reinsurance, risk financing, and risk management needs of the state municipal league sponsored municipal risk pools throughout the United States through:

- Anticipating and responding to the reinsurance needs of its membership in a changing environment;
- Tailoring quality reinsurance and risk management programs to meet its membership's requirements;
- Ensuring the availability of reinsurance programs that reflect adequate pricing and sound loss reserving to promote long term sustainability; and,
- Creating stability in the marketplace by providing required capacity for its membership.

Core Values

Equal Voice

NLC Mutual is a member owned and governed organization, and each participating member has an equal voice in directing NLC Mutual in the successful execution of its mission.

Commitment

All members share a mutual commitment to act in concert to address the challenges and perfect the opportunities encountered by NLC Mutual.

Expertise

NLC Mutual openly shares its information, expertise and resources for the common good of all members.

Financial Strength

NLC Mutual and its membership operate with sound insurance expertise, disciplined decision-making, and expert delivery of services, all of which build financial strength and ensure successful, continued operation.

Committed Team

NLC Mutual is committed to assembling and maintaining a team of professional staff and service providers who are totally dedicated to serving the interests of the entire membership.

Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion

We are a Company that values diversity. We will actively provide opportunities to be inclusive of all people and to build racial equity and diversity into our workforce, especially recognizing the importance of inclusivity with BIPOC employees within our membership, partnerships, the industry, and educational institutions.

Relationship with NLC

Lastly, we value the relationship with the National League of Cities, which is of utmost importance to the success of the Company. The Company will strive to maintain a mutually beneficial relationship with NLC.

2022 At A Glance



Financial Position



We posted total earnings in 2022 of \$7.6 million. Together we wrote \$51.5 million in gross premium, which is 33% higher than last year and reflective of significantly more collaboration with members. 2022 was a challenging year for losses and investments. For the first time in a decade, losses incurred were higher than expected due to several large property and liability claims within our membership community. Additionally, our statutory surplus experienced a \$10.2 million decrease due to unrealized losses associated with risk assets. However, our capital remained strong at \$218.4 million, only down \$1.4 million from 2021. This is largely due to positive investment earnings and capital contributions from members related to new coverage placements. Our Risk-Based Capital ratio of 504% exceeded our commitment to members to maintain a minimum ratio of 400%.



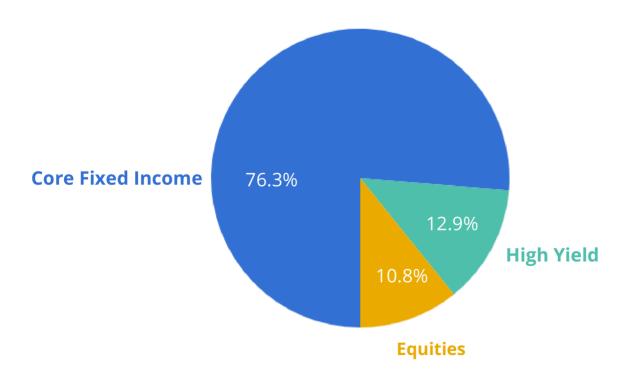


Investment Highlights

Core
Fixed Income
Assets
\$89.4M
Portfolio
3.51%

In 2022, we recognized net investment gains of \$11.1 million on our statutory income statement. The market value of our investment holdings decreased in 2022, however the portfolio's book yield increased to 3.51%, up from 3.14% last year. Leveraging investment expertise during a period of rising interest rates proved to be important for our results, which were ultimately shared with members.

Investment Allocation



Member Earnings

7th Consecutive Year of Dividends 7-Year Average Member Rate of Return 11%

As a reinsurance company we expect our results to fluctuate year to year because the timing of large loss events can vary as can shifts in the investment marketplace. However, as a mutual insurance company, we are committed to sharing profitability with our members over the long term. We are proud to report that members' average rate of return has been 11% over the past seven years. This year, we declared dividends of \$538 thousand and allocated an additional \$4.5 million of surplus to member accounts.

Annual Member Earnings

| Year | Declared Dividend | Declared Allocation | Member Earnings |
|-------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| 2022 | \$538,198 | \$4,461,802 | \$5,000,000 |
| 2021* | \$4,107,033 | \$17,342,694 | \$21,449,727 |
| 2020 | \$3,676,334 | \$15,615,943 | \$19,292,277 |
| 2019 | \$1,891,809 | \$10,150,399 | \$12,042,208 |
| 2018 | \$1,782,884 | \$9,342,057 | \$11,124,941 |

^{*}A one-time special allocation of \$5M was declared to all current members in recognition of the difficulties pools were facing during the pandemic.

Analytics & Technology

Mutual Insights Highlights

NLC Mutual Insights continued its expansion in 2022 with 21 states participating in the program. This has produced a robust and credible database of public entity claims for national trend analysis and member comparisons. Major efforts were conducted within member environments to produce operational efficiencies and significant time savings. Namely, stewardship style dashboards or "Member Scorecards" were developed to better assess specific municipal member experience. The dashboard structures are available and can be deployed to other states alleviating the need for each state to create their own. This tool was extremely popular with Loss Control staff and other executive management looking to quickly understand the loss experience, premium collected, etc. from a particular member.

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Participating
States

Member Comparison Dashboards

Members frequently want to determine which of their members need more support from Loss Control. Member Comparison Dashboards were created in Domo, which dynamically compare cities of similar size (based on population, employee count, or premium) and show their loss ratio and claims activity. Thanks to the dashboard, Loss Control staff can compare the performance of similar cities and have more informed conversations to help members reduce risk.

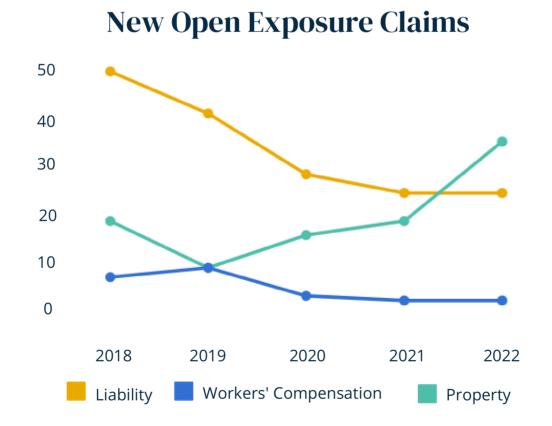
Domo Tip Videos

A series of videos were created to walk users through various features of Domo. These videos help member staff to become more proficient in Domo. Videos are available on our website and YouTube @MarkOnDomo.

Claims Management

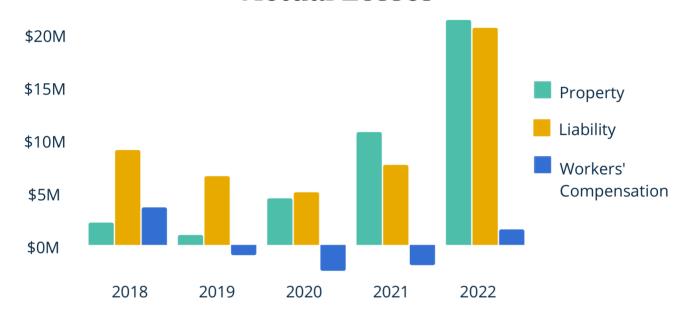


Our approach to collaborative claim resolution with members continues to support the mission of our member powered organization. As public entities and the pools who insure them are facing more complex claims, we provide claim management support and expertise when needed, and stand by our members when losses occur.

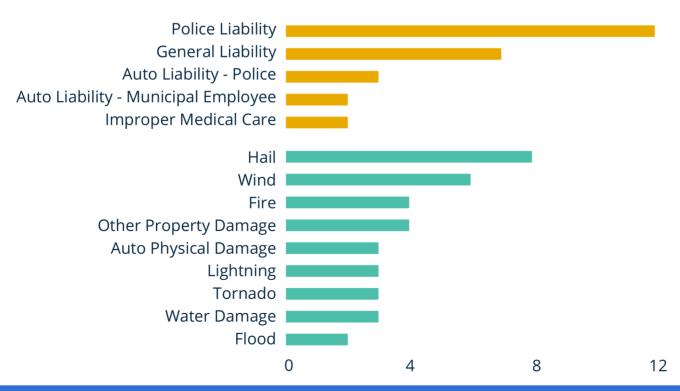


Claims Results

Actual Losses

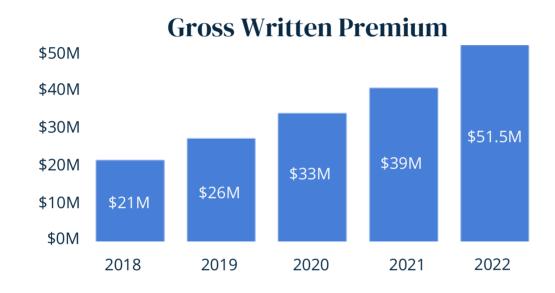


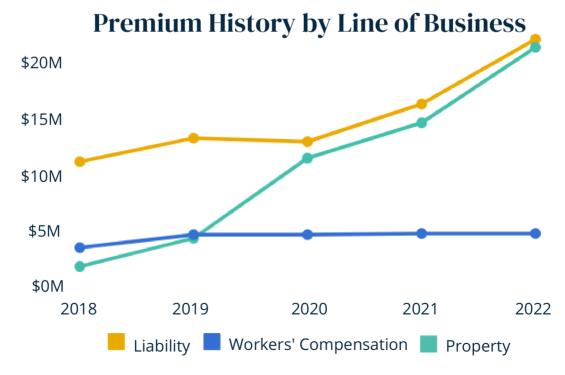
Loss development in 2022 is the result of adverse claim results in the property line caused by climate related events. Immunities granted to public entities are being challenged and more intense scrutiny of law enforcement activities has put added pressure on liability results. Workers' compensation continues to perform favorably.



Underwriting Overview

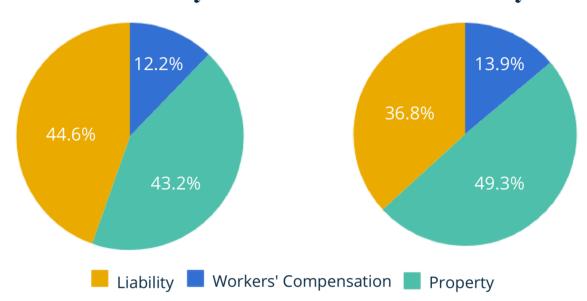
In preparation for the retirements of our longtime Director of Underwriting, Mike Kruse, and Reinsurance Associate, Sheila Lane, we hired three new team members: two Reinsurance Underwriters and our first Underwriting Analyst. We revised internal processes and worked closely with IT to replace our legacy claims and underwriting system. And, when the property market was struck hard by Hurricane Ian, we doubled down on efforts to create solutions and provide continued relief.





Underwriting Stats





Calendar Year Combined Ratios

| Year | Net Expense | Net Loss | Total |
|------|-------------|----------|-------|
| 2022 | 14% | 94% | 108% |
| 2021 | 17% | 54% | 71% |
| 2020 | 19% | 54% | 73% |
| 2019 | 28% | 67% | 95% |
| 2018 | 31% | 65% | 96% |

Our Members

Serving 29 Members in 28 States!

Alaska Municipal League Joint Insurance Association, Inc.

Arizona Municipal Risk Retention Pool

Arkansas Municipal League

Association of Washington Cities Risk Management Service Agency

Citycounty Insurance Services

Colorado Intergovernmental Risk Sharing Agency

Connecticut Interlocal Risk Management Agency

Florida Municipal Insurance Trust

Georgia Municipal Association Risk Management

Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association

Iowa Municipalities Workers' Compensation Association

Kentucky League of Cities Insurance Services

League Association of Risk Management

League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust

League of Wisconsin Municipalities Mutual Insurance

Local Government Insurance Trust

Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association, Inc.

Michigan Municipal League

New Mexico Self Insurers' Fund

North Carolina League of Municipalities

PennPRIME Insurance Trust

Public Entity Partners

Rhode Island Interlocal Risk Management Trust

Municipal Association of South Carolina Risk Management Services

South Dakota Municipal League Workers' Compensation Fund

South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance

Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool

Utah Local Governments Trust

Vermont League of Cities & Towns

Public Entity Partners New Member in 2022

Board of Directors

Kevin Smith, Alaska

Tom Belshe, Arizona

Mark Hayes, Arkansas

Tami Tanoue, Colorado

David Demchak, Connecticut

Jeannie Garner, Florida

Stan Deese, Georgia

Brad Cole, Illinois

Jeff Hovey, Iowa

J.D. Chaney, Kentucky

Scott Hancock, Maryland

Stanley Corcoran, Massachusetts

Michael Forster, Michigan

Dan Greensweig, Minnesota

L. Lynn Rex, Nebraska

AJ Forte, New Mexico

Bryan Leaird, North Carolina

Patrick Priest, Oregon

John Brenner, Pennsylvania

Ian Ridlon, Rhode Island

Heather Ricard, South Carolina

David Pfeifle, South Dakota

Jeff Thompson, Texas

Steve Hansen, Utah

Joe Damiata, Vermont

vacant, Washington

Matt Becker, Wisconsin

Anniversaries

20 Years

Alaska

Nebraska

30 Years

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South Dakota

35 Years

Kentucky

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Officers

Board Officers



CHAIR
IAN C. RIDLON
RHODE ISLAND INTERLOCAL
RISK MANAGEMENT TRUST



FIRST VICE CHAIR MARK HAYES ARKANSAS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE



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VP - ACTUARY CHRIS McKENNA NLC MUTUAL



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CLARENCE ANTHONY
NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES



TREASURER DAVID WHITE

Board Committees

Claims Management & Loss Control

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Brenner Leaird
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Damiata Rex

Forster Ridlon, ex-officio

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Belshe Ridlon, ex-officio

Chaney Smith
Cole Tanoue
Demchak Thompson

Garner, Chair

Underwriting

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Hancock Ridlon, ex-officio

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Hayes, 1st Vice Chair

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Our Staff



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CARLTON AVENT COMPTROLLER



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LENA SCARPULLA
MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR



MARK SNODGRASS
DIRECTOR, MEMBER DATA
STRATEGIST



JENNY WADE
GOVERNANCE &
LEADERSHIP SPECIALIST

PROMOTIONS

As of January 2022, Heather Burgess was promoted to Assistant Vice President, Underwriting.

NEW HIRES

The Underwriting team welcomed three new staff members to their dynamic team:

- Davina Cain, Underwriting Analyst
- Ricardo Gomez, Reinsurance Underwriter
- Moira Kenah, Reinsurance Underwriter



RETIREMENT

Mike Kruse shared his expertise, commitment, member appreciation, and humor with the Company since 1999. His years of service were appreciated and celebrated before his retirement. We are grateful for his legacy and service!

RECOGNITION

Congratulations to Mark Snodgrass our Director, Member Data Strategist for becoming a Domo Sensei, and achieving the prestigious Dojo Black Belt status! Mark was also recognized at Domopalooza for a Top Product Idea. We are thankful for all his hard work to support our members using Domo.

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Company Highlights

NLC Mutual Captive Solutions

The NLC Mutual Board of Directors approved the creation of a Vermont domiciled sponsored captive insurance company that was launched on January 1, 2022. The name of the sponsored captive is 'NLC Mutual Captive Solutions'. From this sponsored captive, cells can be formed that address a specific coverage and are available to groups or for a single member to use. Each cell is a separate legal entity with its own board of directors and bylaws. The first separate cell created on January 1, 2022, was MSL Advantage. This cell supports member health pools with medical stop loss.

William F. Fulginiti Legacy Award

Donald Calvert "Cal" Wray was the second recipient of the **William F. Fulginiti Legacy Award**. The Committee unanimously selected him from the pool of strong applications. With the assistance of nominators Kevin Smith and Stan Deese, Chair Ridlon presented Cal Wray with the award at the July Board dinner in Essex, Vermont. It was a pleasure to honor Cal and celebrate Bill's legacy in front of the membership!



Cal's commitment and growth to the NLC Mutual family and the pooling community exemplifies the spirit of the Fulginiti Legacy Award and exceeded the award's criteria. Like Bill, Cal valued and celebrated the importance of NLC Mutual and its members. At the award presentation, Cal shared the honor of receiving this award in Bill's namesake.

Company Highlights

Board Intern

D'Mia Newell of Jackson State University was selected as NLC Mutual's second Board intern. She attended the July Board meeting in Essex, Vermont and enjoyed discussing both education and career experiences and opportunities with our Directors.

She plans to utilize her new contacts in the future. D'Mia remains engaged with NLC Mutual and has offered suggestions for enhancing the internship program and the student's experience.



Donald L. Jones Scholarship Award

For the 2022-2023 academic year, \$15,200 in scholarship funds were awarded to 15 applicants for their educational endeavors. Four recipients had received funds in previous years, with one reaching her cumulative cap of \$5,000, and six recipients were full-time employees at a state municipal league or its sponsored pool, while the others were children of employees, per the eligibility requirements. Recipients represented 10 member states. Award amounts varied from \$500 - \$2,500 per recipient. The legacy of Donald Jones continues strongly.

Recognition

David Pfeifle's role on the Board concluded in 2022 after over four years of service. David remains active in South Dakota and his contributions to NLC Mutual were greatly appreciated.

Heather Ricard was recognized and thanked for her service and dedication as Chair of the Underwriting Committee. Heather led the Committee through policy changes, new memberships and underwriting needs.

Retirement

Scott Hancock's retirement was celebrated at the Board dinner in Essex, Vermont. Chair Ridlon and others recognized the outgoing Chairman's contributions to NLC Mutual and the guidance he shared during his service since joining the Board in 2011. Scott best summarized his experience with NLC Mutual as, "We work well when we work together."



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