

Telamon names Sestito, Gold, Susco; Demetriou honored; MMG promotes Nelson

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Telamon Insurance Network

Several new hires have taken place at the Newton, Mass. -based Telamon Insurance Network, which is made up of Marketing Associates Insurance Agency, Surplus Services Insurance Agency and Marketing Associates Financial Services Insurance Agency. Dominic F. Sestito has been appointed president and chief operating officer of Marketing Associates and Surplus Services and executive vice president of Marketing Associates Financial Services; Jill A. Gold, has been appointed director of business development; and Gregory M. Susco has been hired as director of IT strategy.

CIBGNY

The Council of Insurance Brokers of Greater New York will present the 2003 "Man of the Year" award to Peter T. Demetriou, president of The Demetriou Group, at its 26th annual dinner dance, scheduled for Nov. 21. Demetriou is active in many associations including CIBGNY, the Professional Insurance Agents of New York State Inc. and the Professional Insurance Wholesalers Association.

Banknorth Insurance

Louis M. Levine has been appointed an account executive for personal lines throughout Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont for Morse Payson & Noyes, an affiliate of Banknorth Insurance Group in Portland.

Fred Church

Crystal Kangas of Dracut, Mass. has joined the staff of Fred C. Church Insurance in Lowell, Mass. With five years of experience in the insurance industry, specializing in commercial lines claims, Kangas will serve as a commercial lines claims representative.

MassMutual Financial Group

Andrew Oleksiw, and Toby J. Slodden have both been promoted to positions as executive vice presidents at Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. Oleksiw is responsible for retirement services, disability income insurance, long-term care insurance and financial products divisions. Slodden heads the company's international insurance, large corporate markets and mergers & acquisition functions. Both had previously been senior vice presidents.

MMG

Timothy Nelson has been promoted to regional manager of MMG Insurance Co.'s underwriting and claims office in Concord, N.H. MMG, a subsidiary of Maine Mutual Group, is a regional property and casualty insurance company based in Presque Isle, Maine. Nelson began working with MMG as a property field adjuster in 1999 and was promoted to regional supervisor/claims examiner in 2000.

Pilgrim

Ellen Wilcox has been appointed president of Pilgrim. Wilcox, a 25-year veteran of the insurance industry joined Pilgrim in May of 2003 as executive vice president and assumes the role of president effective immediately. Before joining Pilgrim she was president of ES Wilcox and Associates, providing strategy and technology consulting services to the property and casualty insurance industry. In addition, she was president of Trumbull Services.

TeleGlass

Ronald Lipof has been appointed executive vice president of Woburn, Mass.-based TeleGlass National Corp., a provider of national auto glass repair and replacement services for the insurance industry. Lipof was previously the chief strategic and development officer for ZipLink, Inc., a wholesale Internet access provider. □