

Featured Insurance Person of the Month



Louis T. Mastos

President & CEO

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In our industry there are people who spend their entire lives working to improve our business, providing long term professional service to agents, companies and to the general public. Their commitment to professionalism and excellent is given on a daily basis, year end and year out. Louis Mastos is one of those people and an obvious choice for featured insurance person of the month.

For nearly 50 years, Lou Mastos has served the insurance industry in one capacity or another. Born in Los Angeles, Ca., Lou graduated from L.A. public high school and attended Louisiana Tech. and graduated from Tulane University with a degree in Busi-

ness Administration. He served in the USNR from 1942 to April 1946 during WW II.

Lou started his insurance career in 1946 in Hollywood, Ca., for E. Broox Randal & Sons, Inc., as an insurance agent. He worked in that capacity for 10 years, before moving to Reno Nevada, in 1956. Lou was offered an excellent position as branch manager of the Atlas Insurance Underwriters. In addition to being the branch manager, Lou was also the MGA and surplus lines broker; secretary of the board of directors of Atlas Management Co.; and assistant secretary for Great Basin Insurance Company. To say that Lou wore many different hats for this company would be putting it mildly.

He served in this capacity for two years before accepting the appointment as Chief Deputy Insurance Commissioner for the State of Nevada. In 1963 he resigned his position to take on the job of Vice President and General Manager of the Great Basin Ins. Company. In 1965 Lou accepted the position of Insurance Commissioner for the State of Nevada. He headed that department until 1971.

It was in 1971 that Lou founded Louis T. Mastos & Assoc., Inc. of Reno, Nevada, a managing general agency & surplus lines broker. In addition to managing his agency for the past 23 years, Lou has also been involved in various other insurance organizations. He was the past president of the AAMGA, a member of the Prospectors Club, National Assn. of Prof. Surplus Line, emeritus member of Board of Directors the Insurance Hall of Fame Surplus Lines Assn. of Nevada, Board of Directors of Frontier Adjusters of America, Inc., just to name a few.

In April of 1993, Lou was named "Insurance Person of the Year" at the first annual UNLV Insurance Institute & Risk Management banquet. This award was given in recognition of the many years of service to the insurance industry. Time does not allow us to go over the many other awards and activities that Lou has achieved over the years. Suffice it to say that we tip our hats off to Lou for many years of jobs well done. Thank you