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## **P R E S S   R E L E A S E**

### **Ken Ewell Elected to CIAB Board of Directors Brokers**

**October 16, 2019 (Philadelphia, PA)** – Today, Graham Company, one of the largest insurance and employee benefits brokers in the country, announced that its President & COO Kenneth Ewell has been re-elected to the Board of Directors of The Council of Insurance Agents & Brokers. The Council is recognized as the premier association for the top regional, national and international commercial insurance and employee benefits intermediaries worldwide.

“It is an honor to be elected again to the Board of Directors. The Council represents a collection of some of the brightest minds in the industry, and brings a uniquely collaborative approach to advocacy,” said Ewell. “For more than 110 years, The Council has earned a reputation as a world-class resource. I’m excited to be a continued part of this tradition of excellence.”

With three decades of insurance brokerage experience, Ewell is responsible for leading all of Graham Company’s Client Services, including producers, account managers, claims consultants and safety services. He is also responsible for the Personal Lines Department and was instrumental in launching the agency’s Employee Benefits Division, one of the fastest growing parts of the company. Active in the industry and community, Ewell is Chairman of the Board of Bancroft and has served as a Board Member of the Insurance Society of Philadelphia.

The Council’s Board of Directors is comprised of the heads of top brokerage firms who provide strategic direction and guidance around industry initiatives and proactive advocacy for the commercial brokerage industry’s regulatory and compliance matters. “We look to our Board for their expertise and leadership as we continue to move the needle in the industry,” said Ken A. Crerar, president/CEO of The Council.

The Council’s Board is led by Chairman David Becker, chief executive officer of Cottingham & Butler, Inc., in Dubuque, Iowa; Vice Chairwoman Nancy Mellard, executive vice president and General Counsel at CBIZ in Kansas City, Mo.; Treasurer Robert J. Klonk, chief executive officer of Oswald Companies in Cleveland, Ohio, and Secretary Keith Schuler, president and chief executive officer at InterWest Insurance Services, LLC, in Sacramento, Calif.

#### **About Graham Company**

Graham Company is one of the largest insurance and employee benefits brokers in the country, committed to enhancing employee safety and business viability through an action-oriented approach to risk management. In business for almost 60 years, Graham Company designs customized and effective property and casualty, surety and employee benefits programs for its clients to protect employees and prevent losses. With offices in Philadelphia, New York City and Washington, D.C., Graham Company became 100 percent employee-owned through an employee stock ownership plan in 2017. Through its innovative insurance and safety training programs, Graham Company is redefining what it means to be an insurance broker. To learn more, visit [www.grahamco.com](http://www.grahamco.com).

#### **About The Council**

The Council of Insurance Agents & Brokers is the premier association for the top regional, national and international commercial insurance and employee benefits intermediaries worldwide. Council members are

market leaders who annually place 85 percent of U.S. commercial property/casualty insurance premiums and administer billions of dollars in employee benefits accounts. With expansive international reach, The Council fosters industry wide relationships around the globe by engaging lawmakers, regulators and stakeholders to promote the interests of its members and the valuable role they play in the mitigation of risk for their clients. Founded in 1913, The Council is based in Washington, D.C. For more information, visit [www.ciab.com](http://www.ciab.com).