

# Underwriting Corner

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## Congratulations to Richard Camire for being awarded Optimum’s Employee of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter!



**Richard Camire**  
FALU, FLMI, ACS, ARA  
Senior Underwriting Advisor

Richard played a pivotal role in accelerating the Client Benchmarking Tool project. The deadline was originally scheduled for late 2024 but was pushed up to the end of the first quarter. Richard was chosen to lead the effort, he quickly acquired the necessary skills, established the project framework, and trained a new consultant, all while maintaining his regular production duties. Thanks to his dedication, the deadline was met on time, proving essential to the project’s success.

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## Meet Our New Team Member: Jason Houser



- Over 20 years in the life insurance industry specializing in impaired risk and brokerage underwriting
- AHOU Certified Professional Underwriter
- Originally from Indiana



## Claims Seminar 2024

The recent claims seminar was a resounding success, bringing together industry experts and attendees eager to enhance their understanding of the claims process. Participants engaged in lively discussions and hands-on workshops, gaining valuable insights into best practices and emerging trends. It was a pleasure to connect over an evening filled with delicious food, great conversations, and inspiring insights. We look forward to building on this momentum in future events!



## TWUC – Passing the torch

**Jill Thompson** and **Jenny Balakian** are soaking up the Texas sunshine at the recent TWUC Conference. As outgoing President, Jill is proudly passing the torch to Jenny, who will start a new era of leadership for the organization.



## Congratulations

Congratulations to Optimum Re's Vice President, Underwriting & Chief Underwriter, **Anastasia Jaegerman**, on her appointed role as the New President of the IRUA! (Impaired Risk Underwriting Association).



## Optimum Academy

Check it out for Training Modules, Case Clinics, Webinars, and more Underwriting Educational tools.



## Your ORIC Underwriting Team



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