

PLUS EMERGING LEADER AWARD

Nominee Details:

Name: Mike Galati

Job Title: Senior Complex Claims Director

Company: Berkley Professional Liability

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From the Nominator:

How long have you known the nominee? And in what capacity?

Over 4 years. I am Mike's manager.

Describe ways in which person has demonstrated a commitment to the industry via activities in their company, involvement with professional organizations such as PLUS, or other extracurricular activities related to PL.

Mike has consistently demonstrated a strong commitment to the insurance industry through his active involvement in the Professional Liability Underwriting Society (PLUS). He currently serves on the Eastern Chapter Board, holds the position of Vice Chair of Future PLUS, Member of the Future PLUS Leadership Committee, and Chair of the Future PLUS Conference Welcome Task Force, where he plays a key role in fostering engagement among emerging professionals. Mike has attended numerous PLUS conferences, including those focused on Directors & Officers (D&O), Transactional Risk, and International conference which, further underscoring his dedication to professional development and industry collaboration. In addition to his participation, Mike actively secures sponsorships to support PLUS initiatives and events. Known for his warm and approachable demeanor, Mike is one of the individuals who consistently ensures that new attendees feel welcomed and included at PLUS conferences, helping to cultivate a vibrant and inclusive community.

How has this person already uniquely contributed to the PL industry?

Mike has uniquely contributed to the Professional Liability industry through both his leadership within PLUS and his exceptional performance in claims management. His active involvement in PLUS—serving on the Eastern Chapter Board and chairing the Future PLUS Welcome Committee—demonstrates his commitment to fostering community, mentorship, and growth within the industry. He is a familiar and welcoming presence at

conferences, helping new attendees feel engaged and supported. Professionally, Mike's impact is equally impressive. He handles complex claims across Public Directors & Officers (D&O), Financial Institutions, and Representations & Warranties lines with a level of thoughtfulness and precision that sets him apart. His collaborative approach with Insureds, Claims Advocates, and Counsel reflects not only technical expertise but also a deep respect for the relationships that drive successful outcomes. Mike's ability to navigate high-stakes claims while maintaining trust and transparency makes him a standout contributor to the PL space.

Why do you consider this person to be an emerging leader in the PL industry?

Beyond his day-to-day performance, Mike's active involvement in PLUS signals his dedication to shaping the future of the PL industry. Whether it's welcoming new members, serving on the Eastern Chapter Board, or mentoring emerging professionals, he brings energy and inclusivity to every role he takes on. His ability to balance high-level claims work with meaningful industry contributions makes him not just a standout professional, but a rising leader whose influence is already being felt.

Nominator's Details:

Name: Michelle Klein

Job Title: SVP - Chief Claims Officer

Company: Berkley Professional

From the Nominator:

How long have you known the nominee? And in what capacity?

Colleague in claims; five years

Describe ways in which person has demonstrated a commitment to the industry via activities in their company, involvement with professional organizations such as PLUS, or other extracurricular activities related to PL.

Very active in future PLUS, a leader in organizing young professionals, recruits and participates in many PLUS events including learning sessions and golf outings.

How has this person already uniquely contributed to the PL industry?

Mike is a claim leader in the reps and warranties space. He mentors younger professionals and has led information sessions and given presentations.

Why do you consider this person to be an emerging leader in the PL industry?

Mike is committed to his work within Berkley, the industry overall, and is very involved in growing the PLUS organization.

Nominator's Details:

Name: John Favilla

Job Title: Vice President

Company: Berkley Professional Liability