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Brightway Insurance named an Insurance Journal Top 20 Agency Partnership for the third year in a row

JACKSONVILLE, FLA (August 15, 2016)—Brightway Insurance, the Jacksonville-based national property/casualty insurance retailer selling through a network of franchised independent agencies throughout the country, has been named a "Top 20 Agency Partnership" by Insurance Journal for the third year in a row. The list ranks aggregators, clusters and franchise groups by 2015 total property/casualty revenue (commissions).

On the list, Brightway is named the 13th largest property/casualty agency in the U.S., the same ranking it held on the 2015 list.

Brightway Chairman and Founder David Miller said: "We are thrilled to be on the list again and it should be noted that there is only one other insurance franchise on the list, despite us having a full field of competitors. This is further validation that the Brightway model works. It helps our Agency Owners and their Producers outsell other agents by providing them with access to an unparalleled number of carriers and turnkey back-office support that lets them enjoy a focus on new policy sales."

"Given our growth already in 2016, we look forward to climbing up the list next year," Miller said. Since January, the company has grown its annualized Net Written Premium by \$20 million and added 20 new Agency Owners.

Brightway ranks as the seventh largest privately held Personal Lines agency in the U.S.

In 2015, the company was named the nation's No. 1 Franchise to Buy in the U.S. by Forbes and was named to the Inc. 500 as one of the fastest-growing privately held companies in the country eight years in a row. Most recently, the company has been named to Entrepreneur magazine's 2016 Franchise 500 list for the third year in a row, to Franchise Gator's list of the 50 Fastest Growing Franchises, a Top 100 Overall Franchise by franchiserankings.com and the company was named a Bond's Top 100 Franchise by World Franchising for the fourth year in a row.

Consumers wanting more information about buying a policy from a Brightway agency can go to <u>brightway.com</u>. Those interested in joining the Brightway team as an Agency Owner can visit <u>brightwaydifference.com</u>.