# Utica National Insurance Group

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# EMPLOYMENT - RELATED PRACTICES LIABILITY INSURANCE APPLICATION

# THIS IS AN APPLICATION FOR A CLAIMS-MADE POLICY. SEE NOTICE ON PAGE 5. READ YOUR POLICY CAREFULLY.

THE POLICY INCLUDES DEFENSE COSTS IN ITS LIMITS OF INSURANCE. ANY DEFENSE COSTS PAID UNDER COVERAGE WE PROVIDE WILL REDUCE THE AVAILABLE LIMITS OF INSURANCE UNDER THAT COVERAGE AND MAY EXHAUST THEM COMPLETELY.

Named Insured:			Producer:
Mailing Address:			Producer No:
City:	State:	Zip:	License No:
Policy Period:	to		

# I. CORPORATE HISTORY

- 1) Describe the firm's operations:
- 2) Number of years in business?
- 3) Have you had any plant, facility, branch or office closings, consolidations, layoffs or staff reductions (greater than 10% of the workforce), mergers or acquisitions within the past 24 months or, do you anticipate any of the above within the next 12 months?
  If yes, please provide details on the supplemental application attached.
- 4) Does the organization have any contracts with or receive financial assistance from the Federal Government?

If yes, please provide details on the supplemental application attached.

# **II. EMPLOYEES**

5) By state, please list the total number of locations and employees, broken down by Full time employees (FT), Part time employees\* (PT), Temporary/Leased workers (TL), and Independent contractors\*\* (IC) for each of the last 3 calendar years:

<u>1. Last Full Year (1/1 thru 12/31)</u>					2. Last Full Year Prior to 1.						
Number ofEmployeesLocations###Stateby StateFTPTTL			Number ofEmployeesLocations##Stateby StateFTPTTLIC								
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Totals						Totals					

3. Last Full Year Prior to 2.						
	Number of Employees Locations # # # #					
State	by State	<u>FT</u>	<u>PT</u>	<u>TL</u>	<u>IC</u>	
Totals						

- Defined as employees working less than 32 hours per week (1600 hours per year).
- Independent Contractors are not covered under the basic policy, but their use must be reported. If you desire coverage for potential claims by independent contractors, please use the Supplemental Application attached.
- 6) Percent of workforce that have been union members in the last three calendar years: Last \_\_\_\_\_\_ First Prior \_\_\_\_\_ Second Prior \_\_\_\_\_

7) Breakdown of current Full Time employees by their total cash compensation (salary + bonus):

Salary ranges	# of Employees	% of total
\$30,000 or less per year		
\$30,001 - \$100,000 per year		
Over \$100,000 per year		
Total		

8) Turnover

Number of Full Time and Part Time employees terminating employment (whether initiated by employer or employee) during the year divided by the total at the start of the year (e.g. Total employees; at start of year = 100; Number of employees terminating employment during year =  $5; 5 \div 100 = 5\%$ ): Last full calendar year \_\_\_\_\_\_% Next Prior \_\_\_\_\_\_% Next Prior \_\_\_\_\_\_%

9) Total number of <u>employer initiated</u> terminations of F/T and P/T employees for last three calendar years: Last full calendar year \_\_\_\_\_ Next Prior \_\_\_\_\_ Next Prior \_\_\_\_\_

# III. LOSS HISTORY

- **10)** Within the last 5 years has the firm, inclusive of predecessor firms, or any individual proposed for this insurance:
  - a) received any employment related inquiry, complaint or charge from any municipal, state, or federal regulatory authority or any other governmental entity?

b) had a claim, suit, grievance, or demand been brought against them?

If yes to either, explain each on the supplemental application attached:

11) Are you aware of any facts, incidents, or circumstances which may result in a claim(s) being made against you?Y

If yes, explain on the supplemental application attached.

THE APPLICANT UNDERSTANDS AND AGREES THAT IF ANY FACTS, INCIDENTS, OR CIRCUMSTANCES ARE KNOWN WHICH MAY REASONABLY GIVE RISE TO A CLAIM UNDER THIS PROPOSED POLICY, THEN ANY CLAIMS ARISING FROM SUCH FACTS, INCIDENTS, OR CIRCUMSTANCES ARE EXCLUDED FROM COVERAGE THEREUNDER. FAILURE TO DISCLOSE SUCH KNOWN FACTS, INCIDENTS OR CIRCUMSTANCES HERE WILL VOID THE PROPOSED POLICY IN ITS ENTIRETY.

ΠY

# **IV. HUMAN RESOURCES FUNCTION**

	12)	a.	Who is responsible for the Human Re	esources or Personnel functions?		
			Name	Title		
		b.	Who is designated to handle all emplo	oyment-related incidents?		
			Name	Title		
			you make use of any of the following purpose of continuing employment?	tests screen employment applicants, to	o promote e	mployees, or for
			Psychological or personality tests:		□ Y	□ N
		-	Drug or alcohol tests		Y	N
		c)	Pre employment offer medical tests		□ Y	□ N
		lf y	es, provide details on the suppleme	ntal application attached.		
v.	INS	UR	ANCE INFORMATION			
	-		you currently carry Employment-Relat	ed Liability Insurance?		<b>—</b>
		•	es, please provide:		Y	□ N
		Ins	urer:Per Claim: _			
			icy Period:			
			tention or Deductible:			
			emium:			
	15)	Ha	s any insurer ever canceled or non-rer	newed this type of coverage?	□ Y	□ N
		lf y	es, provide details on the suppleme	ntal application attached.		
	16)	Cu	rrent Professional Liability carrier?			
		Lim	it of Liability			
	17)	Ch	eck desired limits of liability (per claim/	aggregate):		
			\$250,000/\$250,000			
			\$250,000/\$250,000 \$1,000,000/\$1,000,000	\$500,000/\$500,000 \$2,000,000/\$2,000,00	00	
			\$1,000,000/\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000/\$2,000,00	0	
	18)	Ch	eck desired:			
	-		Retention (per claim) \$5,000 (basic)	\$10,000\$25,000 _		
		b)	Co-insurance Participation (per claim 0% (basic)	)		
			5% (with \$25,000 per claim max)	5% (with \$50,000 per o	claim max)_	
			10% (with \$25,000 per claim max)	10% (with \$50,000 per	· claim max)	

# VI. RISK MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

19	a)	Have all your employment related policies and procedures been reviewed counsel?	l and approv	ved by outside □ N
		If yes, when? By whom? Firm: Atty:		
		by whom: min Auy	_	
		Does this firm, or attorney used for review, specialize in employment law?	□ Y	□ N
	b)	Have all recommendations from that review been implemented?	□ Y	□ N
		If not, explain or provide time frame for implementation on supplementation	al applicatio	on attached.
20)	Do	you use an employment application during your hiring process?	Υ	□ N
	lf y	es, does it contain:		
	a. b. c. d.	An employment at will statement? Authorization to check references & criminal conviction records? The applicant's signature attesting that all representations are true? An equal employment opportunity statement?	□ Y □ Y □ Y □ Y	□ N □ N □ N □ N
21)	Do	you distribute an employment handbook to your employees?	□ Y	□ N
	lf y	es, does it contain:		
	sep	an employment at will statement? a written equal employment opportunity statement? a written anti-sexual and general harassment policy? a written internal complaint procedure for discrimination and sexual harassment claims? o, do you have written policies on all of the above that are distributed parately? ecify any that are not:	□ Y □ Y □ Y □ Y	N    N    N    N
22)	Do	you have a progressive disciplinary program? If yes, is it distributed to supervisors in writing?	□ Y □ Y	□ N □ N
23)		you post, in places conspicuous to all employees and applicants for ployment, all notices required by law?	Υ	□ N
24)		nen requested by employees, do you distribute information as required by leral law regarding the Family Medical Leave?	Υ	□ N
25)		you require that all employment terminations be reviewed by the sonnel having human resources responsibilities?	Y	□ N
26)	of t	ve you informed supervisory personnel, in writing, heir responsibility to provide you with prompt notice of any claims, idents or allegations?	Υ	□ N

#### **VII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

## Please attach each of the following, if they exist:

Employee handbook Employee grievance, disciplinary, termination, and out-placement procedures Employment application Form(s) EEO and Discrimination and Sexual Harassment Policy Separation Agreement Form

## IMPORTANT CLAIMS-MADE COVERAGE NOTICE

The Coverage Form which provides Employment-Related Practices Liability Coverage applies on a claims-made basis.

The following provides a general description of this coverage and is subject to the terms and provisions of the actual Coverage Form. Terms in quotation marks are defined in the Coverage Form.

- A. The Coverage Form, subject to its terms and conditions, provides full prior acts coverage if no Retroactive Date is entered in the Declarations. If a Retroactive Date is entered in the Declarations, the Coverage Form will not apply to "claims" for "employment-related practices" which took place before the Retroactive Date. The Coverage Form will not apply to "claims" for "employment-related practices" which took place before the Retroactive Date. The coverage Form will not apply to "claims" for "employment-related practices" which take place after the expiration of the "policy period."
- B. The Coverage Form will apply to "claims" for "employment-related practices" which took place on or after the Retroactive Date, if any, but before the beginning of the "policy period" only if any "claim" is made according to D. below.
- **C.** The Coverage Form will not apply to any "employment-related practice" for which "claim" is first made after the expiration of the "policy period" or any Automatic or Optional Extended Reporting Period described in the Extended Reporting Period Section of the Coverage Form.
- **D.** The Coverage Form will apply only to "claims" which are first made:
  - **1.** During the "policy period";
  - 2. During the ninety day Automatic Extended Reporting Period described in the Extended Reporting Period Section of the Coverage Form;
  - **3.** During the five year Automatic Extended Reporting Period described in the Extended Reporting Period Section of the Coverage Form for "claims" arising out of "employment-related practices" reported, under the policy provisions, no later than ninety days after the end of the "policy period"; or
  - 4. During the 12 month or 36 month Optional Extended Reporting Period described in the Extended Reporting Period Section of the Coverage Form. Such Optional Extended Reporting Period must be requested by the first Named Insured in writing, by the later of sixty days after the date of "termination of coverage," or thirty days after the date of mailing by us of notice to the first Named Insured advising of premiums for and provisions of the Optional Extended Reporting Periods, in order to allow "claims" to be made against the policy coverage after the expiration of an Automatic Extended Reporting Period.
- **E.** We will send to the first Named Insured shown in the Declarations a written notice, within thirty days after any notice of "termination of coverage," of the premium for and provisions of the Extended Reporting Periods, unless we cancel for nonpayment of premium or fraudulent activities of any insured.
- **F.** For the first three years of claims-made coverage, premiums will be comparatively lower than for occurrence coverage, and will increase for each renewal of those policies. Claims-made prices will still be somewhat lower than occurrence prices for mature accounts (in their fourth or later years). The purchase of Optional Extended Reporting Periods, as described above, requires additional premium payments.

A review of the Extended Reporting Period provisions in your policy, as summarized above, will underscore the importance of both the Automatic and Optional Extended Reporting Periods.

THE UNDERSIGNED REPRESENTS TO THE BEST OF HIS OR HER BELIEF AND KNOWLEDGE, AFTER REASONABLE INQUIRY AND DUE DILIGENCE, THE STATEMENTS SET FORTH IN THIS APPLICATION AND ANY SUPPLEMENTS THERETO ARE TRUE AND CORRECT.

THE UNDERSIGNED FURTHER DECLARES THAT ANY CLAIM, INCIDENT OR EVENT TAKING PLACE PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE INSURANCE APPLIED FOR WHICH MAY RENDER INACCURATE, UNTRUE, OR INCOMPLETE ANY STATEMENT MADE WILL IMMEDIATELY BE REPORTED IN WRITING TO THE INSURER. AS A RESULT, THE INSURER MAY WITHDRAW OR MODIFY ANY OUTSTANDING QUOTATIONS AND/OR AUTHORIZATION OR AGREEMENT TO BIND THE INSURANCE.

THE FIRM UNDERSTANDS AND AGREES THIS APPLICATION AND ANY SUPPLEMENTS THERETO SHALL BE INCORPORATED INTO ANY POLICY THAT MAY BE ISSUED AND THE UNDERWRITERS ARE RELYING ON THE TRUTH OF THE STATEMENTS SET FORTH HEREIN IN MAKING A DETERMINATION TO ISSUE ANY POLICY.

THE UNDERSIGNED INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTS HE OR SHE IS DULY AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED TO MAKE THIS APPLICATION, INCLUDING THIS REPRESENTATION, ON BEHALF OF THE FIRM OR ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO MAY SEEK COVERAGE UNDER ANY BINDER OR INSURANCE POLICY ISSUED IN RELIANCE HEREON.

THIS APPLICATION DOES NOT BIND THE APPLICANT OR THE COMPANY TO COMPLETE THE INSURANCE. IT IS AGREED, HOWEVER, THAT THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE THE BASIS OF THE CONTRACT AND IS BEING RELIED UPON BY THE COMPANY SHOULD A POLICY BE ISSUED. IF A POLICY IS ISSUED, THIS APPLICATION WILL BE DEEMED ATTACHED TO AND MADE A PART OF THE POLICY, WHETHER PHYSICALLY ATTACHED OR NOT.

# FRAUD WARNING

ANY PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY AND WITH INTENT TO DEFRAUD ANY INSURANCE COMPANY OR ANOTHER PERSON FILES AN APPLICATION FOR INSURANCE OR STATEMENT OF CLAIM CONTAINING ANY MATERIALLY FALSE INFORMATION, OR CONCEALS FOR THE PURPOSE OF MISLEADING INFORMATION CONCERNING ANY FACT MATERIAL THERETO, COMMITS A FRAUDULENT INSURANCE ACT, WHICH IS A CRIME AND SUBJECTS THE PERSON TO CRIMINAL AND CIVIL PENALTIES.

Signatures of:

Sole Proprietor, Partner, Manager (if Limited Liability Company), or President or Chairman (if Corporation):

Dated:

Individual responsible for Human Resources function:

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: The attached Supplemental Application must be completed if you have provided any "yes" responses to questions 3, 4, 10, 11, 13, 15 or 19 above or if you are interested in coverage for independent contractors.

## Supplemental Application

3) Details of plant, facility or branch office closings, consolidations, layoff/staff reductions (greater than 10% of the workforce), mergers or acquisitions within the past 24 months

Details on any of the above anticipated in the next 12 months

4) Description of contracts with the Federal Government, including revenue size and any financial assistance.

Is there an affirmative action plan?

□ Y □ N

If yes, please attach a copy and describe reason for implementing.

- 5) Details of all independent contractor contracts for which you would want coverage under this insurance for claims brought by such contract workers. Include number of workers, type of work, approximate average hours/week and/or months of use, and whether workers are primarily on site or off.
- **10) a.** Details of any employment-related inquiry, complaint, charge, from any municipal, state, or federal regulatory authority or any other governmental entity within the last 5 years: (Provide date, complete description, amount demanded, and amount paid and/or reserved.)
  - b. Details of any claim, suit, grievance, or demand within the last 5 years: (Provide date, complete description, amount demanded, and amount paid and/or reserved.)

**11)** Details of any facts, incidents, or circumstances which may result in a claim(s) being made against you:

**13)** Tests used to screen employment applicants, to promote employees, or for the purpose of continuing employment.

Describe:

- a) type of test;
- b) how the test is administered, i.e.: to all employees or segments of, please detail procedures; and
- c) Company creating test and validation documentation.

15) Details of canceled Employment-Related Practices Liability Insurance:

Carrier:	Cancellation Date:	
Reason:		

**19)** Explain any recommendations made by outside counsel which have not been implemented, and reason why or timeframe to complete.