INDEPENDENT

Two years ago, Michael Bright was sentenced to seven years in prison for his part in the collapse of Independent Insurance back in 2001. Ex-Indy staff have since cropped up at every major insurer and broker in the UK. In the first of a monthly series, we ask: where are they now?

JOB TITLE AT INDEPENDENT **Current company and role**

PAUL UPTON

E-COMMERCE UNDERWRITER
Chief executive at Evolution Underwriting

HARVEY WETHERILL

INTERNATIONAL SALES MANAGER

Set up Insurance Compliance Services with Alan Clarke in 2003, sold to Broker Direct in 2008. Set

MIKE SMITH

DEVELOPMENT
MANAGER
Sales director at
Provident Insurance

COLIN DAVIES

REGIONAL MANAGER Runs own life coaching business, Success Zone

DAVID SWEENEY

NORTH-WEST REGIONAL MANAGER

CHRIS MAUDUIT

UNDERWRITING MANAGER FOR PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY DEPARTMENT

Senior underwriter and business group leader at Catlin

RICHARD PITT

REGIONAL MANAGER

DAVID O'CONNOR

LONDON MARKET UNDERWRITER FOR ACCIDENT AND HEALTH

STUART WEBB

EXECUTIVE MANAGER President, EMR Europe DIANE BROMLEY

Vice-president, EMR Europe Insurance Services

SUE MCCALL

JOINT HEAD OF LONDON MARKET CLAIMS Set up claims management company Hawes M Associates, with Colin Hawes (both directors) McCall &

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HOME TECHNICAL MANAGER Development director at LFC Insurance Group

MARC DONFRANCESCO

MARKETING MANAGER AT PCS (LOSS ADJUSTING ARM, SOLD TO RSA) Head of marketing at Towergate

ASSISTANT HOUSEHOLD UNDERWRITING MANAGER
Personal lines manager for the UK and Ireland at Chubb

IAN HELMORE

DIRECTOR AND ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER OF INDEPENDENT INSURANCE COMPANY LTD Regional operations and technical director at Aon

MEL GOSLING IT MANAGER

Set up business continuity firm Merrycon **ALAN CLARKE**

FOUNDER, HR DIRECTOR THEN INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR Set up HR Experts and Insurance Compliance Services with Harvey Wetherill in 2001, and sold to Broker Direct in 2008. Now chairman of European Insurance Services, established in 2006

ALAIN COUARD

Netherill and Clarke

JAMES BRIGHT
LONDON MARKET LIABILITY MANAGER
(MICHAEL BRIGHT'S SON)
Director of European branches at WR Berkeley

MARTIN HALL

MANAGING DIRECTOR OF

REGIONAL UNDERWRITER
Director of home underwriting at RBS Insurance

KEITH RUTTER DIRECTOR OF LONDON MARKET UNDERWRITING

Set up The Underwriter with

Robert McCracken, now in run-

off. Was managing director of

division, but left to join AmTrust

as development and marketing

broker Lockton's affinity

director in October 2008

NDEPENDENT INSURANCE FRANCE

COLIN JACKSON

Operations manager at Fusion

SCOTT BROWN

REGIONAL MANAGER Managing director of Fusion **ROBERT MCCRACKEN**

FOUNDER, MARKETING AND ADMIN DIRECTOR THEN HEAD OF PROVINCIAL NETWORK

Established his own training company Turning Point and then set up The Underwriter with Keith Rutter, now in run-off. Retired

MIKE WATTS

UK UNDERWRITING MANAGER Managing director of M4 Underwriting

DON OAKLEY

HEAD OF IRELAND BUSINESS

Was managing director of M4 development and broking at John Holman & Sons

PETER ADLINGTON

REINSURANCE MANAGER
Property and commercial reinsurance
manager at Allianz Commercial

BARRY WOODWARD

MD AT PCS (LOSS ADJUSTING ARM, SOLD TO RSA)
Managing director of Insurance Compliance Services

JOANNA WILLIAMS

MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER Marketing manager for Liberty in Europe

PAUL UPTON

E-COMMERCE UNDERWRITER

ANDY BAKER

ADMIN MANAGER OF
INTERNATIONAL DIVISION
Chief executive of Argus
Insurance

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COMMERCIAL INSURANCE OPERATIONS MANAGER Head of a strategic credit card partnership at Bank of America

DAVE PARRY

DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

team at AIG, based in Paris

General manager of SME Europe

GLYNN BYRNE UK TECHNICAL SURVEY MANAGER Set up AGB Risk Control Services

STEVE BURTON **GROUP IT MANAGER**

Founder and Director of Evolution Underwriting. Chief executive of

Evolution Underwriting Services Ltd

ANDY DAWSON

REGIONAL UNDERWRITER

Chief operating officer at L&G and now founder

CHRIS HOBBS

NATIONAL SALES MANAGER

Managing director of Specialty Risk Solutions (trading under WT Butler & Co umbrella)

GILL FLETCHER

REGIONAL HR ADVISER

Human resources director at Merlin Professional Claims

JULIE LEVERENTZ SENIOR HR ADVISER

Head of human capital at

KEN LAPPIN

SENIOR PERSONAL LINES UNDERWRITING MANAGER Compliance manager at Bollington

PATRICIA CLARKSON

GROUP CLAIMS MANAGER Director in business recovery services

NEIL WILLIAMS ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

Sales and development manager for **Insurance Compliance Services and** HR Experts (set up by Alan Clarke)

STEVE WILLIAMS **REGIONAL MANAGER**

Was at Fusion, now founder and managing director of Walk the Walk Solutions

GRAEME SUTTON MARKETING MANAGER

Sales and marketing director at M4 Underwriting

PAUL HANDLEIGH

SALES MANAGER Marketing director of Lockton

FOUNDER AND DEPUTY MANAGING DIRECTOR Released from prison (sentenced to three years in

KEVIN PALLETT

ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

Set up Fusion Insurance Services in 2000 with Geoff Crisp, sold to Towergate in 2005. Left Fusion in 2008, now exploring new opportunities with Crisp

MARK HARRIS UNDERWRITING MANAGER

Head of strategic broker accounts at Towergate

PHIL CONDON

October 2007). Not working in insurance

GEOFF CRISP

ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER RESPONSIBLE FOR BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Set up Fusion Insurance Services in 2000 with Kevin Pallett, sold to Towergate in 2005. Left Fusion in 2008, now exploring new opportunities with Pallett

STEVE HINBEST
REGIONAL MANAGER
Head of product
development at Towergate

MARK BLAIR SALES MANAGER

Director at **Towergate Coverex**

JOHN BLAKEMORE

COMPANY SECRETARY Director at John Holman & Sons, Lloyd's broker

STUART PETTET

GENERAL MANAGER

Now retired, was director of Fusion

MICHAEL GAUGHAN

HEAD OF IRELAND BUSINESS

Founder and managing director of FWD

MICHAEL BRIGHT FOUNDER AND MD Sentenced to seven years in prison Oct 2007

PETER HADDEN

Still in prison (sentenced to

four years in October 2007)

DENNIS LOMAS

FINANCE DIRECTOR

GENERAL MANAGER OF UK REGIONS

Founded own headhunting firm Hadden Associates

MARTIN HUGHES
SCHEMES UNDERWRITING MANAGER
Managing director of Towergate, London market

ANDY HAWKES

DIRECTOR OF E-COMMERCE AND MARKETING Set up Evolution in 2004, joined THB Group and is now chief executive of THB UK and Cardinus Risk Management

ROB WAKELAM

REGIONAL MANAGER

Regional Manager at London **Underwriting, Fusion**

DAVID PARTINGTON

Head of broking and sales at Towergate

DAVID GREAVES

STEVE COATES

UK FIRE AND ACCIDENT MANAGER Head of property and casualty at

BARRY YEATMAN

REGIONAL UNDERWRITER – BRISTOL

DAVE EVANS HR MANAGER Head of human resources for EDF

AARON DEVITT

REGIONAL SALES MANAGER

JANET TOOMBS PROJECT MANAGER

REGIONAL UNDERWRITER

- EAST GRINSTEAD

Commercial underwriting

manager at MMA

NICK MORRALL

JAMES SIMPSON LONDON MARKET MARKETING MANAGER Head of marketing services at FWD

REGIONAL ADMIN MANAGER
Operations manager at Fusion

ALASDAIR STEWART

COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT MANAGER
Recently made head of corporate development
at the Chartered Insurance Institute

FINANCE MANAGER, INDEPENDENT INSURANCE FRANCE Head of delegated underwriting at Brit

MONIQUE ALDER

RISK AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGER AT PCS (LOSS ADJUSTING ARM, SOLD TO RSA)
Founded Kingsdowne Consulting
(health and safety consultancy),
now managing director

BRIAN GARNER

ANDREW BURKE

UK SURVEY OPERATIONS MANAGER

GEOFF ROSS

REGIONAL UNDERWRITER – GLASGOW Managing director of Giant Insurance in Glasgov