



# BRIAN GAWTHROP

AINS, CIC

**COMMERCIAL LINES UNDERWRITER**

Brian joined Farmers Mutual Insurance in June 2011 as a personal lines underwriter shortly after earning his Bachelor's Degree in Business Management – Human Resources from West Virginia University's College of Business & Economics.



After earning his property and casualty license 3 months after his employment, Gawthrop spent 3 years as a personal lines underwriter before being named Farmers Mutual's Commercial Lines Underwriter in February 2014 where he has served ever since.

Brian earned his Associates in General Insurance (AINS) certification in December 2015, along with his Certified Insurance Counselor (CIC) designation in 2018.

Prior to joining Farmers Mutual, Gawthrop worked for seven years as a sports writer and sports editor for multiple news organizations including the Daily Athenaeum (Morgantown), The Clarksburg Exponent-Telegram (Clarksburg), ESPN.com and the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review. The positions allowed him to travel with and cover the West Virginia University football, men's basketball and women's basketball teams for three seasons, and for games including the 2009 Gator Bowl in Jacksonville, the Big East Conference Championships at Madison Square Garden in New York City, and the 2010 Final Four in Indianapolis. In 2010, the Clarksburg native was named the West Virginia Press Association Sports Columnist of the Year.

He spent 8 years as a youth baseball coach, including two seasons with his alma mater South Harrison High School, where they were ranked No. 1 throughout the season. For his efforts, he was selected to coach in the 2016 West Virginia North-South All-Star Baseball game.

Brian resides in Bridgeport with his wife Kasha, who is a business analyst for the KeyLogic Systems in Morgantown, and their son, Easton.