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**Bearence Named in *Business Insurance's* Annual
Best Places to Work in Insurance**
Award Recognizes Outstanding Employers in the Insurance Industry

WEST DES MOINES, IA (September 18, 2017) – Bearence today announced it has been named in the annual Best Places to Work in Insurance program, which recognizes employers for their outstanding performance in establishing workplaces where employees can thrive, enjoy their work and help their companies grow.

This recognition is an incredible honor and a testament to Bearence's culture, fostering an environment where colleagues feel motivated, valued and committed to driving great results for our clients," said Joe Teeling, Chairman & CEO, Bearence. "Our colleagues are our most important asset and will continue to be the single biggest driver in our firm's continued growth and success."

"Being named to *Business Insurance's* list of the Best Places to Work in Insurance for 2017 demonstrates that Bearence has built a culture in which employees are supported and engaged, which benefits their customers and the employers' financial performance," says *Business Insurance* Publisher Peter Oxner.

Bearence's senior leadership team connects with everyone in the firm and aspires to fulfill the company's core values daily; driven to serve - our business is built on serving clients; professional - we strive to be thorough, complete and excellent in all we do; innovative - we have the strategic vision to look beyond the conventional and to imagine better ways to get things done; collaborative - we value our partnerships and know that our ability to work together makes us more effective; competitive - we are passionate and tenacious in our approach to business.

Best Places to Work in Insurance is an annual sponsored content feature presented by the Custom Publishing unit of *Business Insurance* and Best Companies Group that lists the agents, brokers, insurance companies and other providers with the highest levels of employee engagement and satisfaction. Harrisburg, Pa.-based Best Companies Group identifies the leading employers in the insurance industry by conducting a free two-part assessment of each company. The first part is a questionnaire completed by the employer about company policies, practices and demographics. The second part is a confidential employee survey on engagement and satisfaction.

The program divides employers into the categories of small, 25-249 employees; medium, 250-999 employees; and large, 1,000 or more employees. This year's report features 75 companies of various sizes, from 25 employees to more than 4,000. Our firm's ranking and profiles of the winning companies will be unveiled as a sponsored content supplement in the November issue of *Business Insurance* and online at BusinessInsurance.com.

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Best Companies Group works with partners to establish “Best Places to Work,” “Best Companies,” and “Best Employers” programs on a national, state-wide and regional basis. Through its thorough workplace assessment using employer questionnaires and employee satisfaction surveys, Best Companies Group identifies and recognizes companies that have been successful in creating and maintaining workplace excellence.

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