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Packed with humor, inspiration, and advice, *You Are a Badass* is the #1 New York Times bestselling self-help book that teaches you how to get better without getting busted. In this refreshingly entertaining how-to guide, bestselling author and world-traveling success coach, Jen Sincero, serves up twenty-seven bite-sized chapters full of hilariously inspiring stories, sage advice, easy exercises, and the occasional swear word, helping you to: Identify and change the self-sabotaging beliefs and behaviors that stop you from getting what you want, Create a life you totally love. And create it NOW, and Make some damn money already. The kind you've never made before. By the end of *You Are a Badass*, you'll understand why you are how you are, how to love what you can't change, how to change what you don't love, and how to use The Force to kick some serious ass.

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Insurance is a sophisticated financial vehicle that can be best understood through the lens of risk management. Experiencing dramatic growth, captive insurance is owned and controlled by its insureds, pooling the risks of its owners. Captive insurance

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provides businesses with unmatched flexibility regarding coverage, claims, premium, and control, while also offering advantages such as lucrative dividends and innovative financing techniques. This state-of-the-art guide traces the development of small captive insurance and addresses how to set up and properly manage a captive. *Modern Captive Insurance: A Legal Guide to Formation, Operation, and Exit Strategies* begins with an overview of what captive insurance is and detail the advantages in setting up a captive for a range of different business situations. Chapters explain how to incorporate and start up a new captive insurance program, including basic terminology and the roles different professionals play in running captive programs. Captive insurance is an intricate yet effective risk management strategy. For guidance in properly establishing a captive, the authors address critical issues evaluated by the IRS, such as risk shifting and distribution, and explore ethical considerations arising out of off-shore captive management, such as how to identify money laundering red flags and how to properly manage the investments of reserves. *Modern Captive Insurance* takes an in-depth look at the topics and issues that are common in insurance and in businesses, but are often handled differently for captives, such as: - Financial statements, investments, and financial ratings- Policy drafting and coverage- Risk pools and structuring the pooling arrangement to be valid- Federal, state and local taxation- Tax-exempt organizations- Risk retention groups (RRP)- Reinsurance, and more

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company.

"This is a phenomenal resource for understanding how to underwrite a multifamily deal. Our group, PassiveInvesting.com, has been using a variation of Rob's underwriting model for a couple of years now and we have acquired over \$220mil+ in multifamily assets. I highly recommend you listening to Rob and taking advantage of knowledge within this book." -Dan Handford, Managing Partner with PassiveInvesting.com

Are you overwhelmed with multifamily investment opportunities that all seem to have the same business plan and projected returns but don't know which one actually makes sense? Do you want to be able to cut through the noise and see the real numbers for yourself? The Definitive Guide to Underwriting Multifamily Acquisitions is the only step-by-step book that provides you with all of the tools you need in order to become a numbers ninja, invest smarter, and structure more profitable partnerships. Get inside the mind of a multifamily underwriting expert and learn the crucial skills required to make better investment decisions, which includes:

- Collecting and researching the data needed to underwrite a multifamily investment
- Walking through a step-by-step guide to building a purchase, cash flow pro forma, and sale analysis
- Designing and performing sensitivity analyses and stress tests to uncover hidden insights about risks, financing, and optimal business plans
- Structuring and negotiating partnership structures so you know you're always getting the best deal possible for yourself and/or your investors.

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and sponsors looking to take their investments to the next level. Rob delivers lesser-known insights regarding sensitivity analyses, stress tests, and partnership structures in a concise format. Rob provides readers the tools to make confident investments in multifamily partnerships/syndications." -Joe Fairless, Co-Founder of Ashcroft Capital

"Rob Beardsley is a true expert at the all-important but often ignored art and science of underwriting. The Definitive guide is a fantastic resource for anyone that needs to learn more about underwriting, and even professional underwriters will find plenty of food for thought in here." -Neal Bawa, CEO, Grocapitus and MultifamilyU

"The Definitive Guide to Underwriting Multifamily Acquisitions is a zero-fluff approach to analyzing potential apartment acquisitions. Not only does Rob tell you the exact metrics to focus on prior to moving forward with a purchase, he also gives you dozens of rules of thumb that you can refer back to when underwriting a new opportunity. This alone will save you countless hours while sifting through deals, trying to find the diamond in the rough, and removing those without potential." -Hunter Thompson, author of Raising Capital for Real Estate & Founder of Asym Capital

"I've had the pleasure of knowing Rob as a syndicator and investor in the multifamily niche. He's supported reviews on several of our projects. I've always been impressed by Rob's attention to details, ease of explaining more complicated concepts and fresh perspective on deal structuring. I expect you will find this book highly useful as I did." -David Thompson, CEO and Founder, Thompson Investing

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'A Guide to Trade Credit Insurance' is a reference book on trade credit insurance, written from an international perspective. It is a compilation of contributions from various authors and reviewers drawn from ICISA member companies. The book provides an overview of the whole process regarding trade credit insurance, including the history of trade credit insurance, trade credit insurance providers, the underwriting process, premium calculation, claims handling, case studies and a glossary of terminology.

An Overview for Those Interested In the Insurance Industry. AM Best Company publishes Understanding the Insurance Industry annually explain how the insurance industry operates, generates revenue and provides opportunities for people of a wide range of talents and interests. It's also designed to be an easy-to-follow introduction to the insurance industry for students, new employees, prospects and those who would like to learn more about one of the world's most interesting and important financial service industries. We've designed this book in six sections: the overview, property/casualty sector (also known as nonlife insurance), life, health, reinsurance and alternative risk transfer, and the function of AM Best in the industry.

This book is written in an easy-to-understand format that allows people with limited insurance experience to better understand various areas in the insurance industry. It contains just the right mix of broad and specific information.

From the Nobel Prize-winning author of Thinking, Fast and Slow and the coauthor of

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Nudge, a revolutionary exploration of why people make bad judgments and how to make better ones--"a tour de force" (New York Times). Imagine that two doctors in the same city give different diagnoses to identical patients—or that two judges in the same courthouse give markedly different sentences to people who have committed the same crime. Suppose that different interviewers at the same firm make different decisions about indistinguishable job applicants—or that when a company is handling customer complaints, the resolution depends on who happens to answer the phone. Now imagine that the same doctor, the same judge, the same interviewer, or the same customer service agent makes different decisions depending on whether it is morning or afternoon, or Monday rather than Wednesday. These are examples of noise: variability in judgments that should be identical. In *Noise*, Daniel Kahneman, Olivier Sibony, and Cass R. Sunstein show the detrimental effects of noise in many fields, including medicine, law, economic forecasting, forensic science, bail, child protection, strategy, performance reviews, and personnel selection. Wherever there is judgment, there is noise. Yet, most of the time, individuals and organizations alike are unaware of it. They neglect noise. With a few simple remedies, people can reduce both noise and bias, and so make far better decisions. Packed with original ideas, and offering the same kinds of research-based insights that made *Thinking, Fast and Slow* and *Nudge* groundbreaking New York Times bestsellers, *Noise* explains how and why humans are so susceptible to noise in judgment—and what we can do about it.

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A.M. Best Company's The Guide to Understanding Business Insurance Products explains 21 areas of commercial insurance coverage. Uniquely entertaining, The Guide is designed for insurance clients, prospects, staff, brokers, agents and carriers. It provides a clear, concise, colorful explanation of the information you need to know about specific commercial coverages. Commercial coverages examined include Builders Risk, Businessowners Policy, Cargo, Commercial Auto, Commercial Crime, Commercial General Liability, Commercial Property Insurance, Cyber, Directors and Officers, Employment Practices Liability, Environmental, Equipment Breakdown, Errors & Omissions, Farmowners, Intellectual Property, Medical Malpractice, Product Liability, Professional Liability/Malpractice, Surety Bonds, Umbrella and Workers' Compensation. Each entry explains what the coverage protects against, who needs it, how it works and what you need to know. Included is a list of selected businesses with extreme exposures.

A practical guide to making more informed investment decisions Investors often buy or sell stocks too quickly. When you base your purchase decisions on isolated facts and don't take the time to thoroughly understand the businesses you are buying, stock prices swing and third-party opinion can lead to costly investment mistakes. Your decision making at this point becomes dangerous because it is dominated by emotions. The Investment Checklist has been designed to help you develop an in-depth research process, from generating and researching investment ideas to assessing the quality of a

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business and its management team. The purpose of The Investment Checklist is to help you implement a principled investing strategy through a series of checklists. In it, a thorough and comprehensive research process is made simpler through the use of straightforward checklists that will allow you to identify quality investment opportunities. Each chapter contains detailed demonstrations of how and where to find the information necessary to answer fundamental questions about investment opportunities. Real-world examples of how investment managers and CEOs apply these universal principles are also included and help bring the concepts to life. These checklists will help you consider a fuller range of possibilities in your investment strategy, enhance your ability to value your investments by giving you a holistic view of the business and each of its moving parts, identify the risks you are taking, and much more. Offers valuable insights into one of the most important aspects of successful investing, in-depth research Written in an accessible style that allows aspiring investors to easily understand and apply the concepts covered Discusses how to think through your investment decisions more carefully With The Investment Checklist, you'll quickly be able to ascertain how well you understand your investments by the questions you are able to answer, or not answer, without making the costly mistakes that usually hinder other investors. Foundations of Real Estate Financial Modelling is specifically designed to provide an overview of pro forma modelling for real estate projects. The book introduces students and professionals to the basics of real estate finance theory before providing a step-by-

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step guide for financial model construction using Excel. The idea that real estate is an asset with unique characteristics which can be transformed, both physically and financially, forms the basis of discussion. Individual chapters are separated by functional unit and build upon themselves to include information on: Amortization Single-Family Unit Multi-Family Unit Development/Construction Addition(s) Waterfall (Equity Bifurcation) Accounting Statements Additional Asset Classes Further chapters are dedicated to risk quantification and include scenario, stochastic and Monte Carlo simulations, waterfalls and securitized products. This book is the ideal companion to core real estate finance textbooks and will boost students Excel modelling skills before they enter the workplace. The book provides individuals with a step-by-step instruction on how to construct a real estate financial model that is both scalable and modular. A companion website provides the pro forma models to give readers a basic financial model for each asset class as well as methods to quantify performance and understand how and why each model is constructed and the best practices for repositioning these assets.

This report reviews the key features and public policy issues regarding the property & casualty insurance industry in Canada. It begins with an overview of the business and structure of the industry: the nature and composition of the property and casualty business, the industry in the context of the Canadian financial services sector, financial structure, and regulation of the industry. It then discusses the following issues: the

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financial capacity of the industry to handle claims resulting from a major earthquake; the likelihood of major industry consolidation; potential changes in the industry's distribution system in the near future; and the impact of technology in general. This guide helps people with Medicare understand Medigap (also called Medicare Supplement Insurance) policies. A Medigap policy is a type of private insurance that helps you pay for some of the costs that Original Medicare doesn't cover.

A union list of serials commencing publication after Dec. 31, 1949.

Business Research Handbook is the best strategic approach to research. It gives you ready-to-adapt strategies that streamline and focus your information search, complete with: Procedures that progressively sift and regroup your research decision points that allow you to evaluate which steps remain The most cost-effective ways to take advantage of today's electronic media resources Efficient ways to retrieve the information your search has located. Easy-to-adapt sample research strategies are found throughout the book to help you confidently and quickly conduct your research in unfamiliar areas. You will find that the Business Research Handbook is designed in a graphic, user-friendly format with easy-to-recognize icons as reference pointers, and extensive lists of sources and material to help you obtain the information you need to: Compile biographical information

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on key players or parties Investigate potential business partners or competitors
Engage in marketing research Compile a company profile Locate expert witnesses and verify credentials And much more.

When it's your job to look out for the public's best interest, you do what it takes . . . Especially if your husband's already died trying. When Cynthia Webber investigates a potential fraud perpetrated by Calgary's CLEAR Wind Energy Corp., she discovers a secret that causes her whole world to come crashing down. And with the secret comes a dangerous enemy who will stop at nothing to get what they want—not even murder.

A complete guide in three parts for the attorney advising public entities on the legal issues of risk management. • Part I introduces the concepts of risk and risk management. • Part II deals with the perils and hazards of public entities, specifically governmental tort liability. • Part III covers insurance policies and risk management alternatives other than commercial insurance. Also includes standard Insurance Services Office (ISO) and other forms and checklists. First published in 1991.

The Man - A Biography of Alfred M. Best is the story of a brilliant man whose unflinching dedication to independence of thought and transparency in business sparked an entire industry - and whose personal tribulations humbled and

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strengthened him. Through it all, Alfred Best remained the eternal optimist. "Clark and Mingyuan start with an insightful and comprehensive description of how market participants contributed to the current crisis in the residential mortgage markets and the root causes of the crisis. They then proceed to develop a new residential mortgage lending system that can fix our broken markets because it addresses the root causes. The most impressive attributes of their new system is its commonsense return to the basics of traditional underwriting, combined with factors based on expert judgment and statistics and forward-looking attributes, all of which can be updated as markets change. The whole process is transparent to the borrower, lender, and investor." —Dean Schultz, President and CEO, Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco "The credit market crisis of 2008 has deeply affected the economic lives of every American. Yet, its underlying causes and its surface features are so complex that many observers and even policymakers barely understand them. This timely book will help guide nonspecialists through the workings of financial markets, particularly how they value, price, and distribute risk." —Professor William Greene, Stern School of Business, New York University "This book is a well-timed departure from much of what is being written today regarding the current foreclosure and credit crisis. Rather than attempting to blame lenders, borrowers,

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and/or federal regulators for the mortgage meltdown and the subsequent impacts on the financial markets, Clark and Mingyuan have proposed a groundbreaking new framework to revolutionize our current lending system. The book is built on the authors' deep understanding of risk and the models used for credit analysis, and reflects their commitment to solve the problem. What I find most profound is their passion to develop a system that will facilitate new and better investment, especially in underserved urban markets that have been disproportionately impacted in the current crisis. I applaud the authors for this important work, and urge practitioners and theorists alike to investigate this new approach." —John Talmage, President and CEO, Social Compact "In the wake of the credit crisis, it is clear that transparency is the key to not repeating history. In *Credit Risk Assessment: The New Lending System for Borrowers, Lenders and Investors*, Clark Abrahams and Mingyuan Zhang describe a new lending framework that seeks to connect all the players in the lending chain and provide a more holistic view of customers' risk potential. As the financial services industry recovers from the mortgage meltdown, the Abrahams/Zhang lending model certainly offers some new food for thought to laymen and professionals alike." —Maria Bruno-Britz, Senior Editor, *Bank Systems & Technology* magazine "Mass tort litigation against the gun industry, with its practical weaknesses,

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successes, and goals, provides the framework for this collection of thoughtful essays by leading social scientists, lawyers, and academics. . . . These informed analyses reveal the complexities that make the debate so difficult to resolve. . . .

Suing the Gun Industry masterfully reveals the many details contributing to the intractability of the gun debate." -New York Law Journal "Second Amendment advocate or gun-control fanatic, all Americans who care about freedom need to read Suing the Gun Industry." -Bob Barr, Member of Congress, 1995-2003, and Twenty-First Century Liberties Chair for Freedom and Privacy, American Conservative Union "The source for anyone interested in a balanced analysis of the lawsuits against the gun industry." -David Hemenway, Professor of Health Policy & Director, Harvard Injury Control Research Center Harvard School of Public Health Health Policy and Management Department, author of Private Guns, Public Health "Highly readable, comprehensive, well-balanced. It contains everything you need to know, and on all sides, about the wave of lawsuits against U.S. gun manufacturers." -James B. Jacobs, Warren E. Burger Professor of Law and author of Can Gun Control Work? "In Suing the Gun Industry, Timothy Lytton has assembled some of the leading scholars and advocates, both pro and con, to analyze this fascinating effort to circumvent the well-known political obstacles to more effective gun control. This fine book offers a briefing on both the substance

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and the legal process of this wave of lawsuits, together with a better understanding of the future prospects for this type of litigation vis-à-vis other industries." -Philip J. Cook, Duke University "An interesting collection, generally representing the center of the gun-control debate, with considerable variation in focus, objectivity, and political realism." -Paul Blackman, retired pro-gun criminologist and advocate

Gun litigation deserves a closer look amid the lessons learned from decades of legal action against the makers of asbestos, Agent Orange, silicone breast implants, and tobacco products, among others. *Suing the Gun Industry* collects the diverse and often conflicting opinions of an outstanding cast of specialists in law, public health, public policy, and criminology and distills them into a complete picture of the intricacies of gun litigation and its repercussions for gun control. Using multiple perspectives, *Suing the Gun Industry* scrutinizes legal action against the gun industry. Such a broad approach highlights the role of this litigation within two larger controversies: one over government efforts to reduce gun violence, and the other over the use of mass torts to regulate unpopular industries. Readers will find *Suing the Gun Industry* a timely and accessible picture of these complex and controversial issues.

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