



HISTORY

Durham and Bates has been a leading insurance broker serving the Pacific Northwest for nearly a century. We trace our roots back to 1907, when M.C. Harrison and C.P. Sargent expanded their ship chandlery business to provide Hull and Cargo insurance to shipowners. In 1911, Gilbert Durham purchased the insurance portion of the company. Donald Bates joined him in 1920, formally establishing Durham and Bates.

Today, we are an expanding, multi-lined agency providing risk management services to a number of industries. We view ourselves as a consulting brokerage, partnering with clients as risk management specialists - knowledgeable in specific industries beyond our insurance expertise.

The Durham and Bates Team

At Durham and Bates, we practice utmost selectivity in the recruitment and retention of our associates. We hire only those people with whom you'd want to do business. Each Durham and Bates associate must demonstrate exceptional character, world class communication skills, an individual passion for their expertise and a proven, high degree of specialty competence. Each associate is ready and eager to bring a personal brand of real value to your business.

Durham and Bates Vision

To be the West Coast's premier insurance broker.

Durham and Bates Mission

Create a special, valued relationship with each business partner.