

# ANIE ELLIS

## Dear Reader,

Thank you for viewing my portfolio. I'm excited about the opportunity to contribute to your mission and bring my leadership experience, sales expertise, and entrepreneurial mindset to a team committed to innovation and impact.

Over the past decade, I've built a career rooted in **sales management, team development, and strategic growth**. Before launching my own independent insurance agency, I held leadership roles across multiple insurance firms, where I **recruited and trained top-performing teams**, **implemented cross-selling strategies**, and **drove regional expansion**. These experiences taught me how to lead with purpose, exceed performance goals, and cultivate lasting client relationships.

Currently, I serve as an **Agency Development Manager at Colonial Life**, while operating my own agency and holding a leadership role at **Zales Outlet**. In these positions, I've balanced **business expansion**, **customer service excellence**, and **operational strategy**, all while mentoring teams and managing high-value client portfolios. This dynamic experience has strengthened my ability to **adapt quickly**, **lead collaboratively**, and **deliver results in fast-paced environments**.

I'm particularly drawn to emphasis on **team empowerment**, **brand stewardship**, and **community engagement integrated into AI workflows**. I bring not only a strong foundation in **retail and sales leadership**, but also a forward-thinking perspective on how your company might continue expanding its customer offerings. With my background in **insurance operations**, **policy development**, and **territorial growth**, I'd be excited to contribute ideas that support long-term visions while remaining fully committed to the responsibilities of your operations.

I'm energized by the opportunity to join and assist a company that values innovation, sustainability, and excellence. I would welcome the chance to discuss how my experience and passion for strategic growth can support your continued success.

Thank you again for your time.

Warm regards,

Anie Ellis

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Sales Leadership · Team Management · Insurance Licensed P&C, L&H, Annuities · Strategic Growth · Client Relations · Retail Operations · Marketing & Advertising · Website Development · Problem Solving · Ecommerce & Drop Shipping · Diamontology · Al Integration · Software Proficiency: Microsoft Office Suite, Salesforce, Adobe DC, Zoom, Mailchimp, Constant Contact, QuickBooks, AMS360, CRMs, LRM, SRMs.

# Professional Experience

## Signet Jewelers – Zales Outlet / Banter

Sales Lead & Team Support Dec 2022 – Present | Nashville, TN • Achieve daily, monthly, and annual sales targets in a luxury retail environment • Support inventory management, reporting, and team coordination • Present financing and credit solutions to customers • Develop online marketing strategies to drive referrals and new business • Continue industry education and certifications in jewelry and sales

#### Colonial Life & Independent Insurance Sales

Agency Development Manager & Business Development Consultant Jan 2021 – Currently Conduct outside marketing to build referral networks and attract new clients, Issue policies across captive and independent carriers to secure best rates. • Perform policy reviews to ensure comprehensive client protection • Mentor agents and support business expansion initiatives

## **Independent Insurance Agency Owner**

Founder & Principal Agent June 2018 – Dec 2020 (covid) • Recruited, trained, and managed a team of licensed agents • Oversaw operations including QuickBooks, vendor relations, and compliance • Issued and reviewed new business policies across multiple lines • Designed marketing programs that doubled agency revenue • Navigated COVID-era challenges.

## Insurance Sales Manager / Liability Specialist

Regional Sales & Audit Lead June 2015 – March 2018 & 2009 – 2013 • Led cross-selling audits and financial lead generation campaigns • Created scripts and systems that generated over \$5M in closable leads • Developed marketing strategies to expand agency reach and revenue • Supported financial advisors with targeted client acquisition

#### **Luxury Jewelry & Insurance Markets**

Sales, Management & Client Relations 2004 – Present (Various Roles) • Over 20 years of experience in luxury retail and insurance markets • Specialized in high-value client engagement, product education, and sales strategy • Integrated ecommerce, drop shipping, and digital advertising into business models