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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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FORM 10-Q
QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2018
OR
1TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OI 1934
For the transition period from to
Commission file number 001-34580

#### FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 26-1911571 (State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

1 First American Way, Santa Ana, California 92707-5913 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(714) 250-3000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No 1

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes No 1

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act

Non-accelerated filer Smaller reporting company

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. 1

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes 1 No

#### APPLICABLE ONLY TO ISSUERS INVOLVED IN BANKRUPTCY

#### PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS:

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed all documents and reports required to be filed by Sections 12, 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 subsequent to the distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by a court. Yes 1 No 1

#### APPLICABLE ONLY TO CORPORATE ISSUERS:

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

On October 19, 2018, there were 111,787,641 shares of common stock outstanding.

## FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION

## AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

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THIS QUARTERLY REPORT ON FORM 10-Q CONTAINS FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 27A OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED, AND SECTION 21E OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS AMENDED. THESE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS CAN BE IDENTIFIED BY THE FACT THAT THEY DO NOT RELATE STRICTLY TO HISTORICAL OR CURRENT FACTS AND MAY CONTAIN THE WORDS "BELIEVE," "ANTICIPATE," "EXPECT," "INTEND," "PLAN," "PREDICT," "ESTIMATE," "PROJECT," "WILL BE," "WILL CONTINUE," "WILL LIKELY RESU OTHER SIMILAR WORDS AND PHRASES OR FUTURE OR CONDITIONAL VERBS SUCH AS "WILL," "MAY," "MIGHT," "SHOULD," "WOULD," OR "COULD." THESE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS INCLUDE, WITHOUT LIMITATION, STATEMENTS REGARDING FUTURE OPERATIONS, PERFORMANCE, FINANCIAL CONDITION, PROSPECTS, PLANS AND STRATEGIES. THESE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS ARE BASED ON CURRENT EXPECTATIONS AND ASSUMPTIONS THAT MAY PROVE TO BE INCORRECT.

RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES EXIST THAT MAY CAUSE RESULTS TO DIFFER MATERIALLY FROM THOSE SET FORTH IN THESE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS. FACTORS THAT COULD CAUSE THE ANTICIPATED RESULTS TO DIFFER FROM THOSE DESCRIBED IN THE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS INCLUDE, WITHOUT LIMITATION:

- **INTEREST RATE FLUCTUATIONS**;
- CHANGES IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE REAL ESTATE MARKETS;
- **WOLATILITY IN THE CAPITAL MARKETS:**
- **UNFAVORABLE ECONOMIC CONDITIONS**;
- FAILURES AT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WHERE THE COMPANY DEPOSITS FUNDS:
- CHANGES IN APPLICABLE LAWS AND GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS;
- HEIGHTENED SCRUTINY BY LEGISLATORS AND REGULATORS OF THE COMPANY'S TITLE
- INSURANCE AND SERVICES SEGMENT AND CERTAIN OTHER OF THE COMPANY'S BUSINESSES;
- USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA BY THE COMPANY AND OTHER PARTIES;
- REGULATION OF TITLE INSURANCE RATES:
- LIMITATIONS ON ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS AND OTHER DATA;
- CHANGES IN RELATIONSHIPS WITH LARGE MORTGAGE LENDERS AND GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED ENTERPRISES:
- CHANGES IN MEASURES OF THE STRENGTH OF THE COMPANY'S TITLE INSURANCE UNDERWRITERS, INCLUDING RATINGS AND STATUTORY CAPITAL AND SURPLUS:
- LOSSES IN THE COMPANY'S INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO;
- MATERIAL VARIANCE BETWEEN ACTUAL AND EXPECTED CLAIMS EXPERIENCE;
- DEFALCATIONS, INCREASED CLAIMS OR OTHER COSTS AND EXPENSES ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE COMPANY'S USE OF TITLE AGENTS;
- ANY INADEQUACY IN THE COMPANY'S RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK:
- **S**YSTEMS DAMAGE, FAILURES, INTERRUPTIONS AND INTRUSIONS, OR UNAUTHORIZED DATA DISCLOSURES;
- PROCESS AUTOMATION;
- TECHNOLOGICAL AND OTHER DEVELOPMENTS THAT CHANGE THE WAY REAL ESTATE
- TRANSACTIONS ARE CONDUCTED AND RELATED DOCUMENTS ARE PROCESSED;
- ERRORS AND FRAUD INVOLVING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS;
- THE COMPANY'S USE OF A GLOBAL WORKFORCE;
- INABILITY OF THE COMPANY'S SUBSIDIARIES TO PAY DIVIDENDS OR REPAY FUNDS; AND

OTHER FACTORS DESCRIBED IN THIS QUARTERLY REPORT ON FORM 10-Q, INCLUDING UNDER THE CAPTION "RISK FACTORS" IN ITEM 1A OF PART II.

THE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS SPEAK ONLY AS OF THE DATE THEY ARE MADE. THE COMPANY DOES NOT UNDERTAKE TO UPDATE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS TO REFLECT CIRCUMSTANCES OR EVENTS THAT OCCUR AFTER THE DATE THE FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS ARE MADE.

## PART I: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements.

FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION

## AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

(in thousands, except par values)

(unaudited)

	September 30,	December 31,
	2018	2017
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$2,205,319	\$1,387,226
Accounts and accrued income receivable, net	362,614	311,084
Income taxes receivable	49,031	38,673
Investments:		
Deposits with banks	37,547	41,335
Debt securities, includes pledged securities of \$107,288 and \$108,427	5,529,860	4,752,684
Equity securities	447,749	466,516
Other investments	123,652	117,768
	6,138,808	5,378,303
Secured financings receivable	86,509	_
Property and equipment, net	457,545	439,569
Title plants and other indexes	575,431	568,452
Deferred income taxes	22,803	22,803
Goodwill	1,145,086	1,113,005
Other intangible assets, net	111,647	99,913
Other assets	225,334	214,194
	\$11,380,127	\$9,573,222
Liabilities and Equity		
Deposits	\$4,548,635	\$3,070,566
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	826,729	793,157
Deferred revenue	255,324	240,822
Reserve for known and incurred but not reported claims	1,026,959	1,028,933
Income taxes payable	5,416	4,602
Deferred income taxes	219,307	219,307
Secured financings payable	86,501	
Notes and contracts payable	735,258	732,810
	7,704,129	6,090,197
Commitments and contingencies (Note 14)		
Stockholders' equity:		

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Preferred stock, \$0.00001 par value; Authorized—500 shares;		
Outstanding—none	_	_
Common stock, \$0.00001 par value; Authorized—300,000 shares;		
Outstanding—111,787 shares and 110,925 shares	1	1
Additional paid-in capital	2,266,830	2,236,351
Retained earnings	1,600,296	1,311,112
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(192,912)	(67,509)
Total stockholders' equity	3,674,215	3,479,955
Noncontrolling interests	1,783	3,070
Total equity	3,675,998	3,483,025
	\$11,380,127	\$9,573,222

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

## FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income

(in thousands, except per share amounts)

(unaudited)

	Three Month September 3 2018		Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018 2017		
Revenues					
Direct premiums and escrow fees	\$649,375	\$651,104	\$1,854,835	\$1,819,193	
Agent premiums	615,113	629,186	1,701,831	1,757,796	
Information and other	198,680	201,819	596,090	586,179	
Net investment income	67,874	44,460	167,000	117,109	
Net realized investment gains (losses)	11,144	(7,001	10,975	10,763	
	1,542,186	1,519,568	4,330,731	4,291,040	
Expenses					
Personnel costs	449,839	443,992	1,312,455	1,287,570	
Premiums retained by agents	485,621	497,911	1,341,808	1,387,608	
Other operating expenses	227,670	374,347	675,085	820,540	
Provision for policy losses and other claims	122,196	120,349	336,395	333,695	
Depreciation and amortization	31,729	36,000	92,534	96,292	
Premium taxes	18,774	19,900	51,837	52,527	
Interest	10,770	9,107	29,997	26,812	
	1,346,599	1,501,606	3,840,111	4,005,044	
Income before income taxes	195,587	17,962	490,620	285,996	
Income tax expense (benefit)	44,126	(3,224)	107,896	84,846	
Net income	151,461	21,186	382,724	201,150	
Less: Net loss attributable to noncontrolling interests	(19	(197)	(123	) (772 )	
Net income attributable to the Company	\$151,480	\$21,383	\$382,847	\$201,922	
Net income per share attributable to the Company's stockholders (Note 9):					
Basic	\$1.34	\$0.19	\$3.40	\$1.81	
Diluted	\$1.34	\$0.19	\$3.38	\$1.80	
Cash dividends declared per share	\$0.42	\$0.38	\$1.18	\$1.06	
Weighted-average common shares outstanding (Note 9):					
Basic	112,722	111,799	112,541	111,578	
Diluted	113,365	112,575	113,213	112,254	

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

## FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

(in thousands)

(unaudited)

	Three Mor	nths Ended	Nine Mont	hs Ended
		September 30,		30,
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Net income	\$151,461	\$21,186	\$382,724	\$201,150
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:		·	·	·
Unrealized (losses) gains on securities	(14,662)	13,929	(73,933)	52,014
Foreign currency translation adjustment	3,001	11,415	(11,296)	23,558
Pension benefit adjustment	118	85,891	357	93,061
Total other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	(11,543)	111,235	(84,872)	168,633
Comprehensive income	139,918	132,421	297,852	369,783
Less: Comprehensive loss attributable to noncontrolling interests	(19)	(192)	(142)	(760)
Comprehensive income attributable to the Company	\$139,937	\$132,613	\$297,994	\$370,543

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

## FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity

(in thousands)

(unaudited)

First American Financial Corporation Stockholders

			•		Accumulated			
			Additional		other	Total		
		Comn	poaind-in	Retained	comprehensi	stockholders'	Noncont	rolling
	Shares	stock	capital	earnings	loss	equity	interests	Total
Balance at December 31, 2017	110,925	\$1	\$2,236,351	\$1,311,112	\$(67,509)	\$3,479,955	\$3,070	\$3,483,025
Cumulative-effect adjustment								
(Note 1)	_	_		40,550	(40,550)		_	_
Net income (loss) for three months								
ended March 31, 2018	_		_	76,227	_	76,227	(55)	76,172
Dividends on common shares	_	_		(42,330)	_	(42,330)	_	(42,330)
Shares issued in connection with								
share-based compensation	620		(11,759 )	(847)	_	(12,606)	_	(12,606)
Share-based compensation	_	_	19,509	_	_	19,509	_	19,509
Net activity related to								
noncontrolling interests	_		189	_	_	189	(1,090)	(901)
Other comprehensive loss	_		_	_	(50,409)	(50,409)	(19)	(50,428)
Balance at March 31, 2018	111,545	1	2,244,290	1,384,712	(158,468)	3,470,535	1,906	3,472,441
Net income (loss) for three months								
ended June 30, 2018	_		_	155,140	_	155,140	(49	155,091
Dividends on common shares	_		_	(42,387)	_	(42,387)	_	(42,387)
Shares issued in connection with								
share-based compensation	113		2,204	(827)		1,377		1,377
Share-based compensation	_		7,626	_	_	7,626	_	7,626
Net activity related to								
noncontrolling interests	_	_	133	_	_	133	(158)	(25)
Other comprehensive loss	_	_	_	_	(22,901)	(22,901)	_	(22,901)
Balance at June 30, 2018	111,658	1	2,254,253	1,496,638	(181,369)	3,569,523	1,699	3,571,222
Net income (loss) for three								
months ended September 30, 2018	_		_	151,480	_	151,480	(19)	151,461
Dividends on common shares	_		_	(46,912)	_	(46,912)	_	(46,912)
Shares issued in connection with								
share-based compensation	129		5,466	(910)	_	4,556	_	4,556
Share-based compensation	_		7,241			7,241		7,241
Net activity related to								
noncontrolling interests	_	_	(130)	_	_	(130)	103	(27)
Other comprehensive loss		_	_		(11,543)	(11,543)		(11,543)

Balance at September 30, 2018 111,787 \$1 \$2,266,830 \$1,600,296 \$(192,912) \$3,674,215 \$1,783 \$3,675,998

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

## FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION

#### AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

Condensed Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity – (Continued)

(in thousands)

(unaudited)

First American Financial Corporation Stockholders

					Accumulated			
			Additional		other	Total		
		Com	n <b>pain</b> d-in	Retained	comprehens	i <b>se</b> ockholders	Noncont	rolling
	Shares	stock	capital	earnings	loss	equity	interests	Total
Balance at December 31, 2016	109,944	\$1	\$2,191,756	\$1,046,822	\$(230,400)	\$3,008,179	\$6,170	\$3,014,349
Net income (loss) for three months								
ended March 31, 2017	_		_	58,282	_	58,282	(213)	58,069
Dividends on common shares	_	_	_	(37,495)	_	(37,495)	_	(37,495)
Shares issued in connection with								
share-based compensation	584		(5,078)	(869)	_	(5,947)		(5,947)
Share-based compensation	_	_	17,032	_	_	17,032	_	17,032
Net activity related to								
noncontrolling interests	_		_		_		(841)	(841)
Other comprehensive income	_		_	_	32,411	32,411	7	32,418
Balance at March 31, 2017	110,528	1	2,203,710	1,066,740	(197,989)	3,072,462	5,123	3,077,585
Net income (loss) for three months								
ended June 30, 2017	_		_	122,257	_	122,257	(362)	121,895
Dividends on common shares	_		_	(37,604)	_	(37,604)	_	(37,604)
Shares issued in connection with								
share-based compensation	193		4,591	(811)	_	3,780	_	3,780
Share-based compensation			7,548			7,548	_	7,548
Net activity related to								
noncontrolling interests	_	_	_	_	_	_	(26)	(26)
Other comprehensive income					24,980	24,980		24,980
Balance at June 30, 2017	110,721	1	2,215,849	1,150,582	(173,009)	3,193,423	4,735	3,198,158
Net income (loss) for three								
months ended September 30, 2017				21,383	_	21,383	(197)	21,186
Dividends on common shares	_		_	(42,075)	_	(42,075)	_	(42,075)
Shares issued in connection with								
share-based compensation	96		4,271	(909)		3,362		3,362
Share-based compensation	_	_	6,616	_	_	6,616	_	6,616
Net activity related to								
noncontrolling interests			(45)		_	(45)	(40)	(85)
Other comprehensive income	_	_	_	_	111,230	111,230	5	111,235
Balance at September 30, 2017	110,817	\$1	\$2,226,691	\$1,128,981	\$(61,779)	\$3,293,894	\$4,503	\$3,298,397

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

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## FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION

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Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(in thousands)

(unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended			
	September 2018		2017	
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net income	\$382,724		\$201,150	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to cash provided by operating activities:				
Provision for policy losses and other claims	336,395		333,695	
Depreciation and amortization	92,534		96,292	
Amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts on debt securities, net	20,521		25,013	
Net realized investment gains	(10,975	)	(10,763	)
Share-based compensation	34,376		31,196	
Equity in earnings of affiliates, net	(2,255	)	(4,550	)
Dividends from equity method investments	3,419		9,593	
Changes in assets and liabilities excluding effects of acquisitions and noncash				
transactions:				
Claims paid, including assets acquired, net of recoveries	(333,970	)	(351,397	)
Net change in income tax accounts	12,301		34,462	
Increase in accounts and accrued income receivable	(51,150	)	(11,907	)
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(11,806	)	95,383	
Increase in deferred revenue	14,678		20,313	
Other, net	(1,931	)	(12,953	)
Cash provided by operating activities	484,861		455,527	
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Net cash effect of acquisitions/dispositions	(73,757	)	(82,993	)
Net decrease in deposits with banks	2,462		1,171	
Purchases of debt and equity securities	(1,924,26	0)	(1,276,40	)1)
Proceeds from sales of debt and equity securities	660,548		599,365	
Proceeds from maturities of debt securities	429,287		457,334	
Net change in other investments	(6,612	)	2,555	
Advances under secured financing agreements	(1,537,65)	7)		
Collections of secured financings receivable	1,520,911		_	
Capital expenditures	(87,319	)	(103,064	)
Proceeds from sales of property and equipment	1,670		9,882	
Cash used for investing activities	(1,014,72)	7)	(392,151	)
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Net change in deposits	1,478,069	)	185,948	

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Borrowings under secured financing agreements	1,537,593	_
Repayments of secured financings payable	(1,520,855)	
Repayments of notes and contracts payable	(4,111 )	(4,128)
Net activity related to noncontrolling interests	(945)	(964)
Net (payments) proceeds in connection with share-based compensation plans	(6,673)	1,195
Payments of cash dividends	(131,629)	(117,174)
Cash provided by financing activities	1,351,449	64,877
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash	(3,490 )	7,524
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	818,093	135,777
Cash and cash equivalents—Beginning of period	1,387,226	1,006,138
Cash and cash equivalents—End of period	\$2,205,319	\$1,141,915
Supplemental information:		
Cash paid during the period for:		
Interest	\$28,030	\$24,619
Premium taxes	\$56,396	\$55,233
Income taxes, less refunds of \$1,047 and \$52,828	\$95,041	\$50,264

See notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

# FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (unaudited)

Note 1 – Basis of Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

**Basis of Presentation** 

The condensed consolidated financial information included in this report has been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") for interim financial information and Article 10 of Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") Regulation S-X. The principles for condensed interim financial information do not require the inclusion of all the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. Therefore, these financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017. The condensed consolidated financial statements included herein are unaudited; however, in the opinion of management, they contain all normal recurring adjustments necessary for a fair statement of the consolidated results for the interim periods. All material intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated upon consolidation.

#### Recently Adopted Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2017, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued updated guidance intended to reduce diversity in practice by clarifying which changes to the terms or conditions of a share-based payment award require an entity to apply modification accounting. The updated guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted. The adoption of this guidance had no impact on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

In March 2017, the FASB issued updated guidance intended to improve the presentation of net periodic pension cost and net periodic postretirement benefit cost through the disaggregation of the service cost component from the other components of net benefit cost. The updated guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted. The Company adopted this change in accounting principle at the beginning of 2018 and applied the change retrospectively to the prior year. As a result, other components of net benefit cost totaling \$155.4 million and \$171.4 million were reclassified from personnel costs to other operating expenses on the condensed consolidated statements of income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively. See Note 10 Employee Benefit Plans for further information on the Company's net periodic pension costs.

In January 2017, the FASB issued updated guidance to clarify the definition of a business with the objective of providing guidance to assist entities with evaluating whether transactions should be accounted for as acquisitions (or disposals) of assets or businesses. The updated guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted. The adoption of this guidance had no impact on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

In November 2016, the FASB issued updated guidance intended to reduce the diversity in practice on presenting restricted cash and restricted cash equivalents in the statement of cash flows. The updated guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted. The adoption of this guidance had no impact on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

In October 2016, the FASB issued updated guidance intended to simplify and improve the accounting for the income tax consequences of intra-entity transfers of assets, other than inventory. The updated guidance, which eliminates the intra-entity transfers exception, requires entities to recognize the income tax consequences of intra-entity transfers of assets, other than inventory, when the transfers occur. The updated guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted. The adoption of this guidance had no impact on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

In August 2016, the FASB issued updated guidance intended to eliminate the diversity in practice regarding the presentation and classification of certain cash receipts and cash payments in the statement of cash flows. The updated guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017, with early adoption permitted. The adoption of this guidance had no impact on the Company's condensed consolidated financial statements.

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In January 2016, the FASB issued updated guidance intended to enhance the reporting model for financial instruments to provide users of financial statements with more decision-useful information. In addition to making other targeted improvements to current guidance, the updated guidance also requires all equity investments, except those accounted for under the equity method of accounting or those that result in consolidation of the investee, to be measured at fair value with changes in the fair value recognized through net income. The updated guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017. The Company adopted this guidance at the beginning of 2018 and recognized cumulative net unrealized gains, net of taxes, of \$40.6 million related to its investments in equity securities, previously classified as available-for-sale, through a cumulative-effect adjustment to retained earnings. Changes in the fair values of these investments are reflected in net realized investment gains/losses on the Company's condensed consolidated statements of income. See Note 4 Debt and Equity Securities for further discussion of the Company's investments in equity securities.

In May 2014, the FASB issued updated guidance for recognizing revenue from contracts with customers to provide a single, comprehensive revenue recognition model for all contracts with customers to improve comparability within and across industries, and across capital markets. The new revenue standard contains principles that an entity will apply to determine the measurement of revenue and the timing of recognition. The underlying principle is that an entity will recognize revenue to depict the transfer of goods or services to customers at an amount that the entity expects to be entitled to in exchange for those goods or services. Revenue from insurance contracts is not within the scope of this guidance. In August 2015, the FASB issued updated guidance which defers the effective date of this guidance by one year. In 2016, the FASB issued additional updates to the new guidance primarily to clarify, among other things, the implementation guidance related to principal versus agent considerations, identifying performance obligations, accounting for licenses of intellectual property, and to provide narrow-scope improvements and additional practical expedients. In February 2017, the FASB issued an additional update to the new guidance to clarify the scope of derecognition guidance for nonfinancial assets and to provide guidance for partial sales of nonfinancial assets. The updated guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2017. The Company elected to adopt the new guidance under the modified retrospective approach, which, except for the disclosure requirements, did not have a material impact on its condensed consolidated financial statements. See Note 2 Adoption of Revenue Guidance for further information about the Company's revenues within the scope of the new guidance.

#### **Pending Accounting Pronouncements**

In August 2018, the FASB issued updated guidance that is intended to reduce potential diversity in practice in accounting for the costs of implementing cloud computing arrangements (i.e., hosting arrangements) that are service contracts. The updated guidance aligns the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs for these arrangements with the requirements for capitalizing implementation costs incurred to develop or obtain internal-use software and hosting arrangements that include an internal-use software license. The updated guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently assessing the impact of this guidance on its condensed consolidated financial statements.

In August 2018, the FASB issued updated guidance as part of its disclosure framework project intended to improve the effectiveness of disclosures in the notes to the financial statements. The updated guidance eliminates, adds and modifies certain disclosure requirements related to fair value measurements. The updated guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted. Except for

the disclosure requirements, the Company does not expect the adoption of this guidance to have a material impact on its condensed consolidated financial statements.

In January 2017, the FASB issued updated guidance intended to simplify how an entity tests goodwill for impairment by eliminating Step 2 from the goodwill impairment test. Under the updated guidance, an entity will perform its goodwill impairment test by comparing the fair value of a reporting unit with its carrying amount and will recognize an impairment charge for the amount by which the carrying amount exceeds the reporting unit's fair value, with the loss recognized limited to the total amount of goodwill allocated to that reporting unit. The updated guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted. The Company does not expect the adoption of this guidance to have a material impact on its condensed consolidated financial statements.

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In June 2016, the FASB issued updated guidance intended to provide financial statement users with more decision-useful information about the expected credit losses on financial instruments and other commitments to extend credit held by a reporting entity at each reporting date. The updated guidance replaces the current incurred loss impairment methodology with a methodology that reflects expected credit losses and requires the consideration of a broader range of reasonable and supportable information to inform credit loss estimates. The updated guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted. The Company is currently assessing the impact of this guidance on its condensed consolidated financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued updated guidance that requires the rights and obligations associated with leasing arrangements be reflected on the balance sheet in order to increase transparency and comparability among organizations. Under the updated guidance, lessees will be required to recognize a right-of-use asset and a liability to make lease payments and disclose key information about leasing arrangements. The updated guidance is required to be adopted using a modified retrospective transition approach. In July 2018, the FASB issued additional updates to the new guidance which allows for the initial application of the guidance at the adoption date and for the recognition of a cumulative-effect adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings in the period of adoption. The updated guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2018, with early adoption permitted. While the Company is currently evaluating the impact the new guidance will have on its condensed consolidated financial statements, the Company expects the adoption of the new guidance will result in a material increase in the assets and liabilities on its condensed consolidated balance sheets and will likely have an insignificant impact on its condensed consolidated statements of income and statements of cash flows.

#### Note 2 – Adoption of Revenue Guidance

The Company's information and other revenues and escrow fees are within the scope of the new accounting guidance related to the recognition of revenue from contracts with customers, which the Company adopted effective January 1, 2018. Under the new guidance, revenue is recognized when control of the promised goods or services is transferred to the customer and in an amount that reflects the consideration the Company expects to be entitled to in exchange for these goods or services. See Note 1 Basis of Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion of the new guidance.

For those products and services where the Company's performance obligation is satisfied at a point in time and for which there is no ongoing obligation, revenue is recognized upon delivery. For those products and services where the Company satisfies its performance obligation over time as the product or service is being transferred to the customer, revenue is generally recognized using the output method as the products or services are delivered.

The Company has elected to apply the optional exemptions allowed under the new guidance whereby the Company is not required to disclose either the transaction price allocated to performance obligations that are unsatisfied as of the end of the period or an explanation as to when the Company expects to recognize the related revenue. Such contracts generally include performance obligations that are contingent upon the closing of a real estate transaction or include variable consideration based on order volumes, and have remaining contract terms of generally less than three years. The Company is eligible to apply the optional exemptions to its remaining performance obligations due to 1)

the performance obligation is part of a contract that has an original duration of one year or less, 2) the associated revenue being recognized is based on the Company's right to invoice for the value of the product or service delivered, 3) the associated variable consideration is being allocated entirely to wholly unsatisfied performance obligations or 4) immateriality.

The Company has also elected to apply the practical expedient allowed under the new guidance whereby it can disregard the impact to the transaction price of the effects of a significant financing component for arrangements where the Company expects the period between delivery of the product or service and customer payment to be one year or less. In addition, the Company has elected to apply the practical expedient whereby it can recognize the incremental costs of obtaining a contract as an expense when incurred if the amortization period for the asset that the Company otherwise would have recognized is one year or less.

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The Company records a contract asset, and recognizes revenue, upon delivery of certain products related to the closing of a real property transaction where the Company's right to payment is subject to the closing of the real estate transaction. The Company records a contract liability for payments received in advance of revenue recognition for certain products or services. Contract assets and liabilities were not material at September 30, 2018. Revenues recognized during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 that were included in contract liabilities at the beginning of the period were not material.

For information about the Company's revenues disaggregated by reportable segment see Note 16 Segment Information.

Note 3 – Escrow Deposits, Like-kind Exchange Deposits and Trust Assets

The Company administers escrow deposits and trust assets as a service to its customers. Escrow deposits totaled \$8.9 billion and \$7.5 billion at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively, of which \$4.4 billion and \$2.9 billion, respectively, were held at the Company's federal savings bank subsidiary, First American Trust, FSB. The escrow deposits held at First American Trust, FSB are temporarily invested in cash and cash equivalents and debt securities, with offsetting liabilities included in deposits in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets. The remaining escrow deposits were held at third-party financial institutions.

Trust assets held or managed by First American Trust, FSB totaled \$3.8 billion and \$3.7 billion at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively. Escrow deposits held at third-party financial institutions and trust assets are not considered assets of the Company and, therefore, are not included in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets. However, the Company could be held contingently liable for the disposition of these assets.

In conducting its operations, the Company often holds customers' assets in escrow, pending completion of real estate transactions and, as a result, the Company has ongoing programs for realizing economic benefits with various financial institutions. The results from these programs are included in the condensed consolidated financial statements as income or a reduction in expense, as appropriate, based on the nature of the arrangement and benefit received.

The Company facilitates tax-deferred property exchanges for customers pursuant to Section 1031 of the Internal Revenue Code and tax-deferred reverse exchanges pursuant to Revenue Procedure 2000-37. As a facilitator and intermediary, the Company holds the proceeds from sales transactions and takes temporary title to property identified by the customer to be acquired with such proceeds. Upon the completion of each such exchange, the identified property is transferred to the customer or, if the exchange does not take place, an amount equal to the sales proceeds or, in the case of a reverse exchange, title to the property held by the Company is transferred to the customer. Like-kind exchange funds held by the Company totaled \$2.6 billion at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017. The like-kind exchange deposits are held at third-party financial institutions and, due to the structure utilized to facilitate these transactions, the proceeds and property are not considered assets of the Company and, therefore, are not included in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets. All such amounts are placed in deposit accounts insured, up to applicable limits, by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The Company could be held contingently liable to the customer for the transfers of property, disbursements of proceeds

and the returns on such proceeds.

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Note 4 – Debt and Equity Securities

Investments in debt securities, classified as available-for-sale, are as follows:

	Amortized	Gross unrealized		Estimated
(in thousands)	cost	Gains	Losses	fair value
September 30, 2018				
U.S. Treasury bonds	\$204,854	\$135	\$(5,033)	\$199,956
Municipal bonds	1,093,531	3,630	(22,973)	1,074,188
Foreign government bonds	156,289	231	(2,518)	154,002
Governmental agency bonds	334,690	284	(8,425)	326,549
Governmental agency mortgage-backed securities	2,786,111	2,422	(49,763)	2,738,770
U.S. corporate debt securities	773,189	2,763	(12,147)	763,805
Foreign corporate debt securities	275,290	1,020	(3,720)	272,590
	\$5,623,954	\$10,485	\$(104,579)	\$5,529,860
December 31, 2017				
U.S. Treasury bonds	\$173,049	\$2,199	\$(1,250)	\$173,998
Municipal bonds	1,031,146	12,185	(7,394)	1,035,937
Foreign government bonds	170,220	489	(1,221)	169,488
Governmental agency bonds	212,731	1,061	(2,322)	211,470
Governmental agency mortgage-backed securities	2,172,377	3,168	(16,588)	2,158,957
U.S. corporate debt securities	734,409	11,768	(2,962)	743,215
Foreign corporate debt securities	256,430	4,145	(956)	259,619
	\$4,750,362	\$35,015	\$(32,693)	\$4,752,684

Sales of debt securities resulted in realized gains of \$0.6 million and \$1.9 million, realized losses of \$3.1 million and \$6.9 million, and proceeds of \$183.1 million and \$525.4 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, and realized gains of \$0.9 million and \$3.9 million, realized losses of \$0.4 million and \$4.0 million, and proceeds of \$63.7 million and \$357.7 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively.

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Gross unrealized losses on investments in debt securities are as follows:

	Less than 12 months		12 months or longer		Total	
	Estimated	Unrealized	Estimated	Unrealized	Estimated	Unrealized
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(in thousands)	fair value	losses	fair value	losses	fair value	losses
September 30, 2018						
U.S. Treasury bonds	\$138,105	\$ (2,976)	\$49,131	\$ (2,057)	\$187,236	\$(5,033)
Municipal bonds	508,857	(7,747)	296,302	(15,226)	805,159	(22,973)
Foreign government bonds	101,286	(1,250)	33,004	(1,268)	134,290	(2,518)
Governmental agency bonds	183,040	(3,260)	136,979	(5,165)	320,019	(8,425)
Governmental agency						
mortgage-backed securities	1,367,730	(21,748)	877,474	(28,015)	2,245,204	(49,763)
U.S. corporate debt securities	442,049	(7,825)	86,252	(4,322)	528,301	(12,147)
Foreign corporate debt securities	152,560	(2,546)	39,727	(1,174)	192,287	(3,720)
	\$2,893,627	\$ (47,352)	\$1,518,869	\$ (57,227)	\$4,412,496	\$(104,579)
December 31, 2017						
U.S. Treasury bonds	\$78,605	\$(511)	\$37,498	\$ (739)	\$116,103	\$(1,250)
Municipal bonds	279,292	(1,714)	226,895	(5,680)	506,187	(7,394)
Foreign government bonds	98,942	(972)	6,678	(249)	105,620	(1,221)
Governmental agency bonds	55,707	(409)	93,737	(1,913)	149,444	(2,322)
Governmental agency						
mortgage-backed securities	671,871	(4,868)	774,959	(11,720)	1,446,830	(16,588)
U.S. corporate debt securities	171,817	(1,568)	60,724	(1,394)	232,541	(2,962)
Foreign corporate debt securities	81,525	(821)	5,697	(135)	87,222	(956)
	\$1,437,759	\$(10,863)	\$1,206,188	\$(21,830)	\$2,643,947	\$(32,693)

Based on the Company's review of its debt securities in an unrealized loss position at September 30, 2018, it determined that the losses were primarily the result of changes in interest rates, which were considered to be temporary, rather than a deterioration in credit quality. The Company does not intend to sell and it is not more likely than not that the Company will be required to sell these securities prior to recovering their amortized cost. As such, the Company does not consider these securities to be other-than-temporarily impaired at September 30, 2018.

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Investments in debt securities at September 30, 2018, by contractual maturities, are as follows:

		Due after	Due after		
	Due in one	one through	five through	Due after	
(in thousands)	year or less	five years	ten years	ten years	Total
U.S. Treasury bonds					
Amortized cost	\$ 27,440	\$63,667	\$51,675	\$62,072	\$204,854
Estimated fair value	\$ 27,200	\$62,757	\$50,409	\$59,590	\$199,956
Municipal bonds					
Amortized cost	\$ 84,445	\$273,965	\$305,452	\$429,669	\$1,093,531
Estimated fair value	\$84,352	\$272,119	\$300,956	\$416,761	\$1,074,188
Foreign government bonds					
Amortized cost	\$ 19,036	\$109,717	\$11,715	\$15,821	\$156,289
Estimated fair value	\$ 19,002	\$108,840	\$11,505	\$14,655	\$154,002
Governmental agency bonds					
Amortized cost	\$ 33,161	\$119,472	\$127,656	\$54,401	\$334,690
Estimated fair value	\$ 33,115	\$116,611	\$125,714	\$51,109	\$326,549
U.S. corporate debt securities					
Amortized cost	\$31,337	\$368,851	\$329,269	\$43,732	\$773,189
Estimated fair value	\$ 31,258	\$364,834	\$324,843	\$42,870	\$763,805
Foreign corporate debt securities					
Amortized cost	\$ 26,278	\$157,324	\$83,175	\$8,513	\$275,290
Estimated fair value	\$ 26,241	\$155,799	\$82,037	\$8,513	\$272,590
Total debt securities excluding mortgage-backed					
securities					
Amortized cost	\$ 221,697	\$1,092,996	\$908,942	\$614,208	\$2,837,843
Estimated fair value	\$ 221,168	\$1,080,960	\$895,464	\$593,498	\$2,791,090
Total mortgage-backed securities					
Amortized cost					\$2,786,111
Estimated fair value					\$2,738,770
Total debt securities					
Amortized cost					\$5,623,954
Estimated fair value					\$5,529,860

Mortgage-backed securities, which include contractual terms to maturity, are not categorized by contractual maturity as borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with, or without, call or prepayment penalties.

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Investments in equity securities are as follows:

		Estimated
(in thousands)	Cost	fair value
September 30, 2018	*	*
Preferred stocks	\$18,616	\$18,432
Common stocks	373,543	429,317
	\$392,159	\$447,749
December 31, 2017		
Preferred stocks	\$19,233	\$18,990
Common stocks	394,439	447,526
	\$413,672	\$466,516

The Company adopted new accounting guidance on January 1, 2018, which requires investments in equity securities with readily determinable fair values to be measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized through net income. See Note 1 Basis of Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion of the new guidance.

Net gains (realized and unrealized) of \$14.2 million and \$16.0 million were recognized for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, as a result of changes in the fair values of equity securities. Included in net gains during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, were net unrealized gains of \$14.1 million and \$15.9 million, respectively, related to equity securities still held at September 30, 2018. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, sales of equity securities resulted in realized gains of \$0.7 million and \$17.9 million and realized losses of \$0.3 million and \$2.0 million, respectively.

The composition of the investment portfolio at September 30, 2018, by credit rating, is as follows:

					Non-Inves	tment		
	A- or higher		BBB+ to E	BBB-	Grade		Total	
	Estimated		Estimated		Estimated		Estimated	
(in thousands, except								
percentages)	fair value	Percenta	gefair value	Percenta	ag <b>&amp;</b> air value	Percent	tag <b>&amp;</b> air value	Percentage
Debt securities:								
U.S. Treasury bonds	\$199,956	100.0	\$		\$—	_	\$199,956	100.0
Municipal bonds	997,639	92.9	52,149	4.9	24,400	2.2	1,074,188	100.0
Foreign government bonds	125,378	81.4	23,757	15.4	4,867	3.2	154,002	100.0

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Governmental agency								
bonds	326,549	100.0					326,549	100.0
	320,349	100.0	<del>_</del>	_	_	_	320,349	100.0
Governmental agency								
mortgage-backed securities	2,738,770	100.0					2,738,770	100.0
U.S. corporate debt								
securities	303,068	39.7	248,671	32.6	212,066	27.7	763,805	100.0
Foreign corporate debt								
securities	123,299	45.2	112,708	41.3	36,583	13.5	272,590	100.0
Total debt securities	4,814,659	87.1	437,285	7.9	277,916	5.0	5,529,860	100.0
Preferred stocks	58	0.3	16,017	86.9	2,357	12.8	18,432	100.0
Total	\$4,814,717	86.8	\$453,302	8.2	\$280,273	5.0	\$5,548,292	100.0

As of September 30, 2018, the estimated fair value of total debt securities included \$157.1 million of bank loans, of which \$146.3 million was non-investment grade; \$95.6 million of high yield corporate debt securities, all of which was non-investment grade; and \$86.3 million of emerging market debt securities, of which \$11.6 million was non-investment grade.

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The composition of the debt securities portfolio in an unrealized loss position at September 30, 2018, by credit rating, is as follows:

					Non-Inves	tment		
	A- or higher		BBB+ to I	BBB-	Grade		Total	
	Estimated		Estimated		Estimated		Estimated	
(in thousands, except								
percentages)	fair value	Percenta	gefair value	Percent	ag <b>£</b> air value	Percent	ag <b>£</b> air value	Percentage
U.S. Treasury bonds	\$187,236	100.0	<b>\$</b> —	_	<b>\$</b> —	_	\$187,236	100.0
Municipal bonds	757,128	94.0	34,436	4.3	13,595	1.7	805,159	100.0
Foreign government bonds	106,665	79.5	22,758	16.9	4,867	3.6	134,290	100.0
Governmental agency								
bonds	320,019	100.0		_		_	320,019	100.0
Governmental agency								
mortgage-backed securities	2,245,204	100.0	_	_	_	_	2,245,204	100.0
U.S. corporate debt								
securities	260,752	49.3	193,826	36.7	73,723	14.0	528,301	100.0
Foreign corporate debt								
securities	82,630	43.0	89,010	46.3	20,647	10.7	192,287	100.0
Total	\$3,959,634	89.7	\$340,030	7.7	\$112,832	2.6	\$4,412,496	100.0

As of September 30, 2018, the estimated fair value of total debt securities in an unrealized loss position included \$28.9 million of bank loans, of which \$28.5 million was non-investment grade; \$60.6 million of high yield corporate debt securities, all of which was non-investment grade; and \$72.9 million of emerging market debt securities, of which \$10.1 million was non-investment grade.

The credit ratings in the above tables reflect published ratings obtained from globally recognized securities rating agencies. If a security was rated differently among the rating agencies, the lowest rating was selected. Governmental agency mortgage-backed securities are not rated by any of the ratings agencies; however, these securities have been included in the above table in the "A- or higher" category because the payments of principal and interest are guaranteed by the governmental agency that issued the security.

#### Note 5 - Goodwill

A summary of the changes in the carrying amount of goodwill, by operating segment, for the nine months ended September 30, 2018, is as follows:

	Title		
	Insurance		
		Specialty	
	and		
(in thousands)	Services	Insurance	Total
Balance at December 31, 2017	\$1,066,240	\$46,765	\$1,113,005
Acquisitions	34,261	_	34,261
Foreign currency translation	(2,180)	_	(2,180)
	(2,100)		( )
Balance at September 30, 2018	( )	\$46,765	\$1,145,086

The Company's four reporting units for purposes of assessing goodwill for impairment are title insurance, home warranty, property and casualty insurance and trust and other services. During the nine months ended September 30, 2018, there were no triggering events that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of any reporting unit below its carrying amount.

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### Note 6 – Other Intangible Assets

Other intangible assets consist of the following:

	September 30,	December 31,
(in thousands)	2018	2017
Finite-lived intangible assets:		
Customer relationships	\$116,030	\$106,086
Noncompete agreements	12,965	11,509
Trademarks	10,016	9,229
Internal-use software licenses	25,779	28,956
Patents	2,840	2,840
	167,630	158,620
Accumulated amortization	(72,867)	(75,591)
	94,763	83,029
Indefinite-lived intangible assets:		
Licenses	16,884	16,884
	\$111,647	\$99,913

Amortization expense for finite-lived intangible assets was \$7.9 million and \$22.0 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, and \$7.0 million and \$19.7 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively.

Estimated amortization expense for finite-lived intangible assets for the next five years is as follows:

Year	(in thousands)
Remainder of 2018	\$ 7,700
2019	\$ 21,707
2020	\$ 13,392
2021	\$ 10,479
2022	\$ 10,030
2023	\$ 9,755

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### Note 7 – Reserve for Known and Incurred But Not Reported Claims

Activity in the reserve for known and incurred but not reported claims is summarized as follows:

	Nine months ended				
	September 30,				
(in thousands)	2018	2017			
Balance at beginning of period	\$1,028,933	\$1,025,863			
Provision related to:					
Current year	328,326	330,342			
Prior years	8,069	3,353			
	336,395	333,695			
Payments, net of recoveries, related to:					
Current year	167,802	165,914			
Prior years	166,168	185,483			
	333,970	351,397			
Other	(4,399)	13,487			
Balance at end of period	\$1,026,959	\$1,021,648			

The provision for title insurance losses, expressed as a percentage of title insurance premiums and escrow fees, was 4.0% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017. The current quarter rate of 4.0% reflects the ultimate loss rate for the current policy year and no change in the loss reserve estimates for prior policy years. The 4.0% rate for the third quarter of 2017 reflected the ultimate loss rate for the 2017 policy year and no change in the loss reserve estimates for prior policy years.

A summary of the Company's loss reserves is as follows:

(in thousands, except percentages)	September 30	), 2018	December 31	, 2017	'
Known title claims	\$81,212	7.9 %	\$83,094	8.1	%
Incurred but not reported claims	881,071	85.8 %	875,724	85.1	%
Total title claims	962,283	93.7 %	958,818	93.2	%
Non-title claims	64,676	6.3 %	70,115	6.8	%
Total loss reserves	\$1,026,959	100.0%	\$1,028,933	100.0	)%

#### Note 8 – Income Taxes

On December 22, 2017, comprehensive tax reform legislation known as the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the "Tax Reform Act") was signed into law. The Tax Reform Act amended the Internal Revenue Code to reduce U.S. tax rates and modify policies, credits and deductions for individuals and businesses.

Also, on December 22, 2017, the SEC issued Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 118, which provided for a one-year measurement period that allows businesses time to evaluate the financial statement implications of the Tax Reform Act. The measurement period allows businesses to gather the information necessary to prepare and analyze the tax accounting effects of the Tax Reform Act on financial statements issued during the measurement period. The ultimate impact of the Tax Reform Act on the Company's financial statements may differ, perhaps materially, from the amounts originally estimated due to further refinement of the Company's calculations, changes in interpretations and assumptions the Company has made, guidance that may be issued by taxing authorities and regulatory bodies, and actions the Company may take as a result of the Tax Reform Act. The Company anticipates completing its tax accounting for the Tax Reform Act during the measurement period, and will record and disclose any adjustments made to its initial estimates during that time frame.

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The Company's effective income tax rates (income tax expense as a percentage of income before income taxes) were 22.6% and 22.0% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, respectively, and -17.9% and 29.7% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively. The Company's effective tax rates differ from the statutory federal rates of 21% and 35% for 2018 and 2017, respectively, due to state and foreign income taxes incurred, as well as permanent differences between financial statement income and amounts reported for income tax purposes, including the recognition of excess tax benefits or tax deficiencies associated with share-based payment transactions through income tax expense. The Company's effective tax rates for 2017 also reflect state tax benefits relating to the termination of the Company's pension plan, as well as the release of reserves relating to tax positions taken on prior year tax returns.

In connection with the Company's June 2010 spin-off from its prior parent, the Company entered into a tax sharing agreement which governs the Company's and its prior parent's respective rights, responsibilities and obligations for certain tax related matters. At September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the Company had a net payable to its prior parent of \$15.5 million and \$15.0 million, respectively, related to tax matters prior to the spin-off. This amount is included in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheets in accounts payable and accrued liabilities. The increase during the current year was primarily the result of an additional accrual for tax matters prior to the spin-off.

The Company evaluates the realizability of its deferred tax assets by assessing the valuation allowance and makes adjustments to the allowance as necessary. The factors used to assess the likelihood of realization include the Company's forecast of future taxable income and available tax planning strategies that could be implemented to realize the deferred tax assets. The Company's ability or failure to achieve forecasted taxable income in the applicable taxing jurisdictions could affect the ultimate realization of deferred tax assets. Based on actual future operating results in certain jurisdictions, it is possible that the current valuation allowance positions of those jurisdictions could be adjusted in the next 12 months.

As of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the liability for income taxes associated with uncertain tax positions was \$13.1 million and \$12.8 million, respectively. As of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the liability could be reduced by \$3.7 million due to offsetting tax benefits associated with the correlative effects of potential adjustments, including timing adjustments and state income taxes. The net amounts of \$9.4 million and \$9.1 million as of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, respectively, if recognized, would favorably affect the Company's effective tax rate.

The Company's continuing practice is to recognize interest and penalties, if any, related to uncertain tax positions in income tax expense. As of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the Company had accrued \$5.7 million and \$5.3 million, respectively, of interest and penalties (net of tax benefits of \$1.5 million and \$1.4 million, respectively) related to uncertain tax positions.

It is reasonably possible that the amount of the unrecognized benefit with respect to certain of the Company's unrecognized tax positions may significantly decrease within the next 12 months. Any such change may be the result of ongoing audits or the expiration of federal and state statutes of limitations for the assessment of taxes.

The Company, or one of its subsidiaries, files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction, various state jurisdictions and various non-U.S. jurisdictions. The primary non-federal jurisdictions are California, Canada, India and the United Kingdom. As of September 30, 2018, the Company had concluded U.S. federal income tax

examinations through 2015 and is generally no longer subject to state and non-U.S. income tax examinations for years prior to 2005.

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Note 9 – Earnings Per Share

The computation of basic and diluted earnings per share is as follows:

	Three Mor	nths Ended	Nine Mon	ths Ended	
	September	: 30,	September	: 30,	
(in thousands, except per share amounts)	2018	2017	2018	2017	
Numerator					
Net income attributable to the Company	\$151,480	\$21,383	\$382,847	\$201,922	
Denominator					
Basic weighted-average shares	112,722	111,799	112,541	111,578	
Effect of dilutive employee stock options and					
restricted stock units ("RSUs")	643	776	672	676	
Diluted weighted-average shares	113,365	112,575	113,213	112,254	
Net income per share attributable to the Company's stockholders					
Basic	\$1.34	\$0.19	\$3.40	\$1.81	
Diluted	\$1.34	\$0.19	\$3.38	\$1.80	

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018, no RSUs had an antidilutive effect on weighted-average diluted common shares outstanding, and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, 1 thousand RSUs and 8 thousand RSUs, respectively, were excluded from the weighted-average diluted common shares outstanding due to their antidilutive effect. No stock options had an antidilutive effect on weighted-average diluted common shares outstanding for either period in the current year or in the prior year.

## Note 10 – Employee Benefit Plans

Net periodic cost related to the Company's defined benefit pension and supplemental benefit plans includes the following components:

	Three M Ended	Ionths	Nine Mo	onths Ended
	Septemb	per 30,	Septemb	er 30,
(in thousands)	2018	2017	2018	2017
Expense:				
Service costs	\$130	\$184	\$390	\$551
Interest costs	2,018	2,086	6,054	11,185
Expected return on plan assets				(4,740 )

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Amortization of net actuarial loss	1,205	1,958	3,615	15,792
Amortization of prior service credit	(1,045)	(1,045)	(3,135)	(3,268)
Settlement costs		152,388		152,388
	\$2,308	\$155,571	\$6,924	\$171,908

The Company adopted new accounting guidance which requires the components of net periodic cost, other than the service cost component, to be included in other operating expenses in the Company's condensed consolidated statements of income. The change was applied retrospectively to the prior year, which resulted in a reclass of \$155.4 million and \$171.4 million from personnel costs to other operating expenses for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2017, respectively. For further information about the new guidance see Note 1 Basis of Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

Prior year net periodic cost includes costs related to the Company's previously terminated defined benefit pension plans, for which the Company has no remaining obligation.

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#### Note 11 – Fair Value Measurements

Certain of the Company's assets are carried at fair value. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

The Company categorizes its assets and liabilities carried at fair value using a three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements that distinguishes between market participant assumptions developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the Company (observable inputs) and the Company's own assumptions about market participant assumptions developed based on the best information available in the circumstances (unobservable inputs). The hierarchy for inputs used in determining fair value maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that observable inputs be used when available. The hierarchy level assigned to the assets and liabilities is based on management's assessment of the transparency and reliability of the inputs used to estimate the fair values at the measurement date. The three hierarchy levels are defined as follows:

Level 1—Valuations based on unadjusted quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2—Valuations based on observable inputs (other than Level 1 prices), such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities at the measurement date; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3—Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement, and involve management judgment.

If the inputs used to measure fair value fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy, the hierarchy level assigned is based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis

The valuation techniques and inputs used by the Company to estimate the fair value of assets measured on a recurring basis are summarized as follows:

#### Debt securities

The fair values of debt securities were based on the market values obtained from independent pricing services that were evaluated using pricing models that vary by asset class and incorporate available trade, bid and other market information and price quotes from well-established, independent broker-dealers. The independent pricing services monitor market indicators, industry and economic events, and for broker-quoted only securities, obtain quotes from market makers or broker-dealers that they recognize to be market participants. The pricing services utilize the market approach in determining the fair values of the debt securities held by the Company. The Company obtains an understanding of the valuation models and assumptions utilized by the services and has controls in place to determine that the values provided represent fair values. The Company's validation procedures include comparing prices received from the pricing services to quotes received from other third party sources for certain securities with market prices that are readily verifiable. If the price comparison results in differences over a predefined threshold, the

Company will assess the reasonableness of the changes relative to prior periods given the prevailing market conditions and assess changes in the issuers' credit worthiness, performance of any underlying collateral and prices of the instrument relative to similar issuances. To date, the Company has not made any material adjustments to the fair value measurements provided by the pricing services.

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Typical inputs and assumptions to pricing models used to value the Company's U.S. Treasury bonds, municipal bonds, foreign government bonds, governmental agency bonds, governmental agency mortgage-backed securities and U.S. and foreign corporate debt securities include, but are not limited to, benchmark yields, reported trades, broker-dealer quotes, credit spreads, credit ratings, bond insurance (if applicable), benchmark securities, bids, offers, reference data and industry and economic events. For mortgage-backed securities, inputs and assumptions may also include the structure of issuance, characteristics of the issuer, collateral attributes and prepayment speeds.

#### Equity securities

The fair values of equity securities, including preferred and common stocks, were based on quoted market prices for identical assets that are readily and regularly available in an active market.

The following tables present the fair values of the Company's assets, measured on a recurring basis, as of September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017:

			Le	vel
Total	Level 1	Level 2	3	
\$199,956	<b>\$</b> —	\$199,956	\$	
1,074,188	_	1,074,188		_
154,002	_	154,002		
326,549		326,549		
2,738,770	_	2,738,770		
763,805	_	763,805		_
272,590	_	272,590		
5,529,860		5,529,860		
18,432	18,432	_		
429,317	429,317	_		
447,749	447,749			
\$5,977,609	\$447,749	\$5,529,860	\$	_
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(in thousands)	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
December 31, 2017				
Debt securities:				
U.S. Treasury bonds	\$173,998	<b>\$</b> —	\$173,998	\$—
Municipal bonds	1,035,937		1,035,937	_
Foreign government bonds	169,488	_	169,488	_
Governmental agency bonds	211,470		211,470	—
Governmental agency mortgage-backed securities	2,158,957	_	2,158,957	_

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U.S. corporate debt securities	743,215		700,347	42,868
Foreign corporate debt securities	259,619	_	257,953	1,666
	4,752,684	_	4,708,150	44,534
Equity securities:				
Preferred stocks	18,990	18,990		
Common stocks	447,526	447,526	_	_
	466,516	466,516		_
Total assets	\$5,219,200	\$466,516	\$4,708,150	\$44,534

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There were no transfers between Levels 1 and 2 during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017. Transfers into or out of the Level 3 category occur when unobservable inputs become more or less significant to the fair value measurement. The Company's policy is to recognize transfers between levels in the fair value hierarchy at the end of the reporting period.

The following table presents a summary of the changes in the fair values of Level 3 assets for the three months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017:

	September U.S.	30, 2018		Septembe U.S.		
	corporate	Foreign		corporate		
		corporate			corporate	
	debt			debt		
		debt			debt	
(in thousands)	securities	securities	Total	securities	securities	Total
Fair value at beginning of period	\$13,113	\$ 1,601	\$14,714	\$18,128	\$ 1,915	\$20,043
Transfers into Level 3				3,747	573	4,320
Transfers out of Level 3	(10,081)	(1,609	) (11,690)	(6,788)	_	(6,788)
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses):						
Included in earnings	11	_	11	26	(1	) 25
Included in other comprehensive income (loss)	31	11	42	(86)	(5	) (91 )
Purchases	_	_	_	901	149	1,050
Sales	(1,280)		(1,280)	(1,231)		(1,231)
Settlements	(1,794)	(3	) (1,797)	(2,188)	(1,758	) (3,946)
Fair value at end of period	\$—	\$ <i>—</i>	\$—	\$12,509	\$ 873	\$13,382

The following table presents a summary of the changes in the fair values of Level 3 assets for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017:

	September 30, 2018 U.S.			September U.S.	30, 2017						
	corporate Foreign corporate		Foreign		rate Foreign corporate Foreign		Foreign		corporate Foreign		
		corporate				corporate					
	debt			debt							
		debt			debt						
(in thousands)	securities	securities	-	Total	securities	securities	Total				
Fair value at beginning of period	\$42,868	\$ 1,666	9	\$44,534	\$46,665	\$ 6,268	\$52,933				
Transfers into Level 3					377	198	575				
Transfers out of Level 3	(25,089)	(788	)	(25,877)	(27,066)	(2,111	(29,177)				

Net realized and unrealized gains (losses):

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Included in earnings	(194	)	3	(191	)	117	11	128	
Included in other comprehensive income (loss)	(156	)	(6	) (162	)				