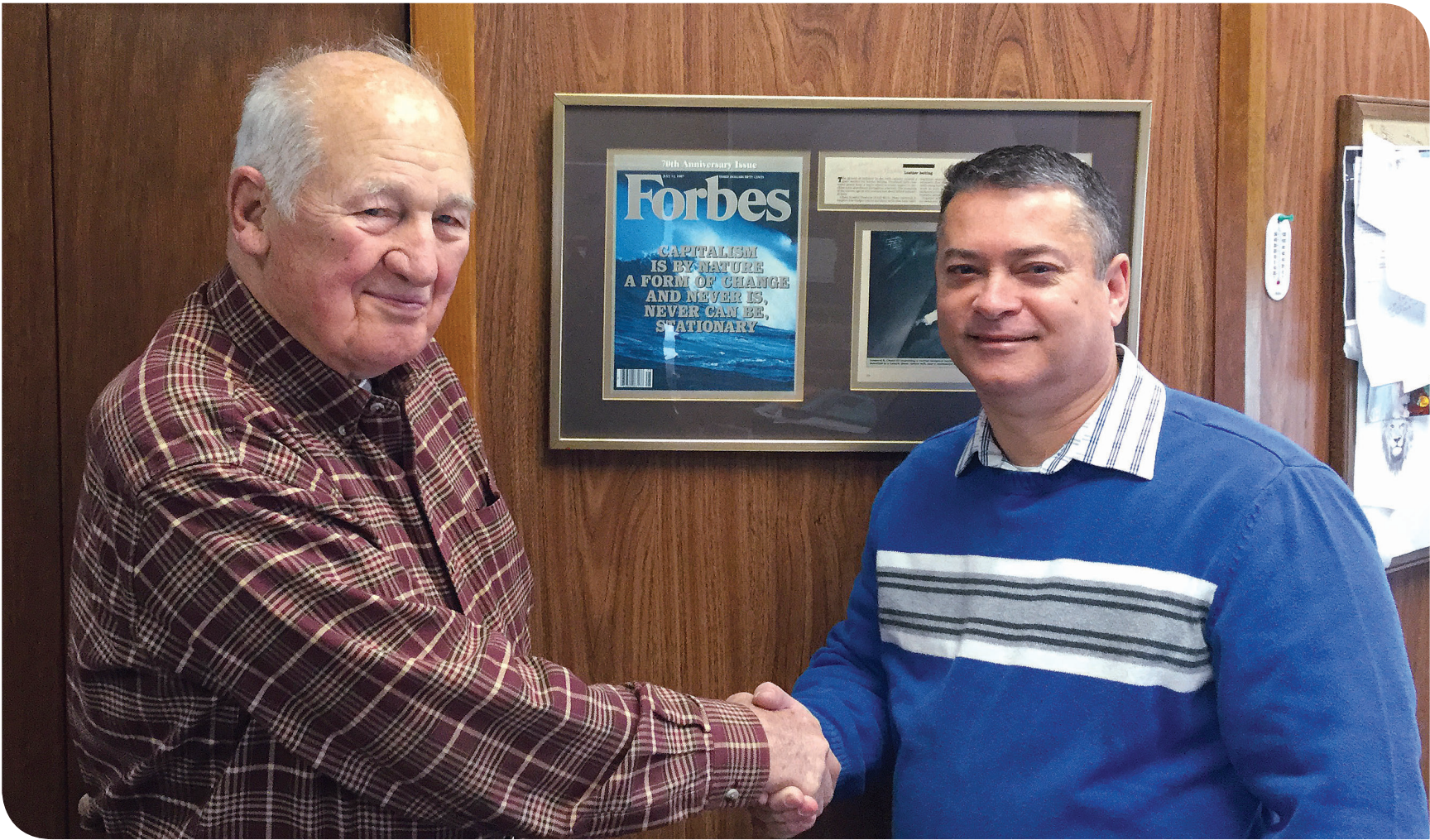


# HAGUE TEXTILES INC.

*established: 1907*



## Continue the legacy...

**SOME PEOPLE SAY** “manufacturing in Massachusetts is dead.” Not at Hague Textiles inc. thanks to Tim Couto and a group of hard working artisans who have called this their home for over 30 years.

**THE OLD** Chace Leather products mill building has been under Tim’s manufacturing expertise for over 20 years. Tim Couto, a veteran, started working at Chace when he was 21 and has never left. He found that he enjoyed learning to master each machine and discovering the strengths and challenges faced by the production workflow.

**CHACE LEATHER** goods was owned by Len Chase and the Chase family for three generation they supplied the leather belting to multitudes of manufacturing mills here in New England.

**TIM COUTO** envisions the same legacy that Len Chase had when he started the company back in 1907.

**“I HAVE BEEN** in this business for over 30

years and I have seen it changed in some powerful ways,” Mr. Couto says. Having thought to myself, we have some of the most skilled and hardworking artisans in the leather business and I never want to see that lost, because if it becomes obsolete it will never come back. “People don’t understand if it’s gone, it’s gone and there’s nothing we can do to bring that skill set back.”

**HAGUE TEXTILES** is now wholly owned by Mr. Couto who is continuing the manufacturing of leather and OEM production at the facility as well as expanding into other markets. Longhorn gun leather is another brand from the Chase’s legacy that has been revived to focus and supply holsters and other leather product to the sporting industry. Longhorn gun leather has witnessed a steady interest in skeet and trapping sports lately.

**THE OEM BUSINESS** came to Hague by

way of a contract that Chace had won in the 1980’s and had seen its production records broken year over year by Tim and his team for the quality and on time delivery of any supplier that worked with Motorola. The OEM business has grown at Hague by bringing in such brands as Starrett, Klein cutlery, Beretta and other brands that have become the hallmark for quality tools here in America. Tim believes Hague textiles lives up to the motto “whatever tools you offer, Hague’s tool cases will add value by keeping your tools organized and protected.” We offer quality cases that reinforce your brand.

**HAGUE TEXTILES** is trying to continue that Legacy started by the Chace family, known for quality craftsmanship, on time delivery and attention to detail. Our focus is on work as simple as contract cut and ship, leather and synthetic tool holsters and carrying case solutions. We offer many services like packaging product and drop shipping to your customers.



**MR. COUTO SAYS** “ I talk to leather sales people all the time and they say some of that business is still here, it has just become more challenging to find it. Not everyone is sending manufacturing overseas, there are still companies that believe everyone who purchases goods has a responsibility to purchase it from US manufacturers.”

**HAGUE TEXTILES** and Longhorn gun leather in their small way are asking you to help support manufacturing in Massachusetts by starting the dialogue about quality and competitive pricing verses offshore cheaply made products and those of poor quality. ■



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