

SIGNET STAR RE, LLC

Signet Star Re is a specialty underwriter of treaty reinsurance serving the broker market. We utilize the risk-bearing capabilities of Berkley Insurance Company, the primary reinsurance risk-bearing entity of W. R. Berkley Corporation.



A BERKLEY
COMPANY

OUR MISSION

Signet Star is committed to providing realistic solutions to its clients' treaty and risk management needs. Operating from a strong financial platform with deep technical expertise, we develop relationships of mutual benefit that will endure the challenges of market cycles.

COMPANY DESCRIPTION

We are a specialty reinsurance underwriter with an emphasis on providing solutions for insurance companies, or units within an insurance company, that have a successful business model built upon specialization in the products they underwrite. That unique expertise provides them their competitive advantage.

Lines of business we reinsure include, but are not limited to: general and products liability, professional liability, medical malpractice, automobile, workers' compensation, umbrella and excess liability, and selected property per risk treaties entertained in support of other profitable reinsurance business.

We have exceptional continuity and experience across all functional areas, which is highly appreciated by our valued production sources, our reinsurance brokers. We look for the best opportunities to allocate our superior capital, capacity and resources in this challenging time of the market.

HOW SIGNET STAR RE IS DIFFERENT

Berkley Insurance Company's balance sheet is one of the strongest in the broker reinsurance market. Signet Star has over thirty years of uninterrupted service. We operate only in areas where we have sufficient expertise to adequately assess the risk involved. Our strategy is to avoid natural catastrophe exposures due to the inherent volatility associated with the segment. We have limited asbestos and environmental liabilities. Our solid financial stability, underwriting expertise and market knowledge put us in an optimal position to capitalize on market opportunities and maintain our position as one of the best performers in the reinsurance market.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Signet Star Re underwrites treaty reinsurance on behalf of Berkley Insurance Company, a leading writer of reinsurance in the U.S. market.

Signet Star Re

2008 Written Premiums
\$240 Million

Berkley Insurance Company

A.M. Best Rating	Financial Size Category	Standard & Poor's Rating
A+ (Superior)	XV	A+ (Strong)

FINANCIAL DATA

(Dollars in millions)
(Statutory Basis)

as of December 31, 2008

Total Assets	\$6,846
Policyholders' Surplus	\$2,037
Net Written Premiums	\$1,232



JON A. SCHRIBER
President & Chief Executive Officer

Jon Schriber joined Signet Star Re in 2007 and was promoted to President in 2008. He has 14 years of experience in the reinsurance industry in various underwriting, actuarial and marketing roles.



ABOUT W. R. BERKLEY CORPORATION

W. R. Berkley Corporation, founded in 1967, is one of the nation's premier commercial lines property casualty insurance providers. Each of the operating units in the Berkley group participates in a niche market requiring specialized knowledge about a territory or product. Our competitive advantage lies in our long-term strategy of decentralized operations, allowing each of our units to identify

and respond quickly and effectively to changing market conditions and local customer needs. This decentralized structure provides financial accountability and incentives to local management and enables us to attract and retain the highest caliber professionals. We have the expertise and resources to utilize our strengths in the present environment, and the flexibility to anticipate, innovate and respond to whatever opportunities and challenges the future may hold.

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