

## VELA INSURANCE SERVICES, LLC

Vela Insurance Services is an underwriting manager that specializes in writing commercial casualty lines of insurance including general liability, products and completed operations liability, and miscellaneous professional liability coverages.



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### OUR MISSION

Vela Insurance Services takes pride in partnering with appointed specialist wholesale brokers to create relationships designed to provide sound solutions for complicated risks.

### COMPANY DESCRIPTION

Vela Insurance Services, which began operations in 1996 as an underwriting manager, writes excess and surplus lines casualty business with a primary focus on construction, manufacturing and professional services coverages. With underwriting offices in Chicago, IL; Solvang, CA; Radnor, PA; San Diego, CA; Walnut Creek, CA and Jacksonville, FL, Vela writes a variety of classes nationwide exclusively through its network of appointed excess and surplus lines brokers. Our claims office in Omaha, Nebraska provides effective and efficient claims handling.

Vela is a member company of W. R. Berkley Corporation, recognized as a solid and reputable name in the property casualty business.

### HOW VELA INSURANCE SERVICES IS DIFFERENT

Vela's professional staff is committed to meeting its customers' needs by providing superior products and services utilizing an innovative underwriting approach. We pride ourselves in surplus lines expertise and promise to:

- Listen
- Be responsive
- Convert opportunities into successes

### 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.

### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Vela Insurance Services utilizes W. R. Berkley Corporation member company Gemini Insurance Company as its issuing carrier.

#### GEMINI INSURANCE COMPANY

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



**DAVID A. JORDAN**  
President

David A. Jordan assumed the leadership of Vela in 2009. He has over 30 years' experience in the property casualty industry, including executive management roles with major insurance organizations.



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