# **REPORT ON EXAMINATION**

# OF

# ADMIRAL INDEMNITY COMPANY

AS OF

**DECEMBER 31, 2022** 

TRINIDAD NAVARRO COMMISSIONER



STATE OF DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

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The above-captioned report was completed by examiners of the Delaware Department of Insurance.

Consideration has been duly given to the comments, conclusions and recommendations of the examiners regarding the status of the company as reflected in the report.

This report is hereby accepted, adopted and filed as an official record of this Department.

Trinidad Navarro Insurance Commissioner

Dated this <u>3</u> day of <u>June</u>, 2024

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May 13, 2024

Honorable Trinidad Navarro Commissioner of Insurance Delaware Department of Insurance 1351 West North Street Suite 101 Dover, Delaware 19904

Dear Commissioner:

In compliance with instructions and pursuant to statutory provisions contained in Examination Certification No.23.006, an examination has been made of the affairs, financial condition and management of

# ADMIRAL INDEMNITY COMPANY

hereinafter referred to as the Company or Admiral Indemnity. The Company was incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware as a stock company with its home office located at 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware. The administrative office of the Company is located at 475 Steamboat Road, Greenwich, Connecticut.

#### SCOPE OF EXAMINATION

We have performed our multi-state examination of Admiral Indemnity. The last examination of the Company was conducted by the Delaware Department of Insurance (Department) and covered the five-year period from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2018. This examination covers the four-year period from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2022. The examination of the Company was performed as part of the multi-state coordinated examination of Berkley U.S. Group (Berkley Group) of companies as of December 31, 2022. The Department was the lead state for the Berkley Group examination. The examination was conducted concurrently with that of its affiliates:

Name	Domicile
1. Nautilus Insurance Company	Arizona
2. Preferred Employers Insurance Company	California
3. Admiral Insurance Company	Delaware
4. Berkley Insurance Company	Delaware
5. Berkley Specialty Insurance Company	Delaware
6. Firemen's Insurance Company of Washington D. C.	Delaware
7. Gemini Insurance Company	Delaware
8. Midwest Employers Casualty Company	Delaware
9. Acadia Insurance Company	Iowa
10. Berkley Casualty Company	Iowa
11. Berkley Assurance Company	Iowa
12. Berkley National Insurance Company	Iowa
13. Berkley Prestige Insurance Company	Iowa
14. Berkley Regional Insurance Company	Iowa
15. Carolina Casualty Insurance Company	Iowa
16. Clermont Insurance Company	Iowa
17. Continental Western Insurance Company	Iowa
18. Intrepid Casually Company	Iowa
19. Intrepid Insurance Company	Iowa
20. Intrepid Specialty Insurance Company	Iowa
21. Key Risk Insurance Company	Iowa
22. Riverport Insurance Company	Iowa
23. StarNet Insurance Company	Iowa
24. Tri-State Insurance Company of Minnesota	Iowa
25. Union Insurance Company	Iowa
26. Berkley Life and Health Insurance Company	Iowa – Life Company
27. Great Divide Insurance Company	North Dakota
28. Union Standard Lloyds	Texas

To the fullest extent, the efforts, resources, project material and findings were coordinated and made available to all examination participants.

We conducted our examination in accordance with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) Financial Condition Examiners Handbook (Handbook) and generally accepted statutory insurance examination standards consistent with the Insurance Code and Regulations of the State of Delaware. The NAIC Handbook requires that we plan and perform the examination to evaluate the financial condition, assess corporate governance, identify current and prospective risks of the Company and evaluate system controls and procedures used to mitigate those risks. An examination also includes identifying and evaluating significant risks that could cause an insurer's surplus to be materially misstated both currently and prospectively.

All accounts and activities of the Company were considered in accordance with the risk-focused examination process. This may include assessing significant estimates made by management and evaluating management's compliance with Statutory Accounting Principles. The examination does not attest to the fair presentation of the financial statements included herein. If, during the course of the examination an adjustment is identified, the impact of such adjustment will be documented separately following the Company's financial statements.

This examination report includes significant findings of fact, pursuant to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware as required by 18 *Del. C.* § 321, along with general information about the insurer and its financial condition. There may be other items identified during the examination that, due to their nature, are not included within the examination report but separately communicated to other regulators and/or the Company.

During the course of this examination, consideration was given to work performed by the Company's external accounting firm KPMG, LLP (KPMG). Certain auditor work papers of the 2022 KPMG audit of the Company have been incorporated into the work papers of the examiners and have been utilized in determining the scope, areas of emphasis in conducting the examination and in the area of risk mitigation and substantive testing.

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#### SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT FINDINGS

There were no significant findings or material changes in financial statements as a result of this examination.

#### **COMPANY HISTORY**

The Company was incorporated as FICO Insurance Company on April 6, 1992, under the laws of the District of Columbia, and commenced business on October 10, 1993, as a subsidiary of Firemen's Insurance Company of Washington, D.C. On March 23, 1995, the Company re-domiciled to the State of Maryland. On December 31, 1999, ownership of the Company transferred to Admiral Insurance Company (Admiral Insurance), the Company's name changed to Admiral Indemnity Company, and the Company re-domiciled to the State of Delaware.

#### **Capitalization**

The Company's Certificate of Incorporation authorizes the issuance of 250,000 shares of common stock with a \$16.50 par value and the issuance of 150,000 shares of preferred stock with a \$10 par value. As of December 31, 2022, the Company had 212,500 common shares issued and outstanding totaling \$3,506,250 and no preferred shares issued and outstanding. All outstanding common shares of the Company are owned by Admiral Insurance.

As of December 31, 2022, the Company reported gross paid in and contributed surplus of \$17,600,000.

#### **Dividends**

The Company did not pay any dividends during the period covered by this exam.

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#### MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL

#### **Directors**

Pursuant to the General Corporation Laws of the State of Delaware, as implemented by the Company's Certificate of Incorporation and bylaws, all corporate powers and its business property and affairs are managed by or under the direction of its Board of Directors (Board).

In accordance with the Company's bylaws, the number of Directors shall consist of nine members, and may consist of any number of Directors as may later be determined by resolution of the Board. Directors shall be elected annually by the sole stockholder and shall hold office for one year until successors are elected and qualified, or until earlier resignation or removal. The members of the Board, serving as of December 31, 2022, each elected or appointed in accordance with the Company bylaws were as follows:

<u>Name</u> Amy Adler Gobetz Maureen Eleanor Hackett Matthew Adam Cliszis Stephanie Anne Miller Keith Michael O'Loughlin David Donald Wessel <u>Title</u> Director President Senior Vice President Director Director Treasurer

#### **Officers**

In accordance with its bylaws, officers serving the Company shall be a President and a Secretary. The Board may also elect other such officers as considered necessary for the proper conduct of the business of the Company. The senior officers, duly appointed in accordance with the bylaws and serving at December 31, 2022, are as follows:

> Name Maureen Eleanor Hackett Howard Lincoln Ryerson David Donald Wessel Matthew Adam Cliszis

<u>Title</u> President Secretary Treasurer Senior Vice President Bertman Braud, Jr Ted Rodgers Assistant Treasurer Assistant Treasurer

#### Corporate Records

The recorded minutes of the Shareholders and Board were reviewed for the period under examination. The recorded minutes of the Board adequately documented its meetings and approval of Company transactions and events including approval of investment transactions in accordance with 18 *Del. C.* §1304. In addition, the review of Company files indicated that written correspondence was submitted to the Department with regards to the changes in officers and directors during the period under examination in compliance with 18 *Del. C.* §4919.

#### Insurance Holding Company System

The Company is a member of an Insurance Holding Company System as defined under 18 *Del. C.* § 5001 (7) of the Delaware Insurance Code. The Company is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Berkley Insurance Company (BIC).

An abbreviated organizational chart of the Group holding company system as of December 31, 2022, is as follows (William R. Berkley owns 20.6% voting interest in WR Berkley Corporation (WRBC) and WRBC owns 100% voting interests in the subsidiaries listed below):

William R. Berkley (1)
WR Berkley Corporation (2)
Signet Star Holdings, Inc.
Berkley Insurance Company
Admiral Insurance Company
Admiral Indemnity Company
Carolina Casualty Insurance Co
<b>Clermont Insurance Company</b>
Nautilus Insurance Company
Berkley Regional Insurance Company
Acadia Insurance Company
Berkley Casualty Company

DE	Pooling Affiliate
DE	Pooling Affiliate
DE	100% QS
IA	Pooling Affiliate
IA	100% QS
AZ	Pooling Affiliate
IA	Pooling Affiliate
IA	Pooling Affiliate
IA	Pooling Affiliate

Berkley Specialty Insurance Co	DE	Pooling Affiliate
Continental Western Insurance Co	IA	Pooling Affiliate
Firemen's Insurance Company of Washington, D.C.	DE	Pooling Affiliate
Tri-State Insurance Company of MN	IA	Pooling Affiliate
Union Insurance Company	IA	Pooling Affiliate
Berkley Prestige Insurance Company	IA	Pooling Affiliate
Berkley Assurance Company	IA	Pooling Affiliate
Berkley National Insurance Company	IA	Pooling Affiliate
Gemini Insurance Company	DE	Pooling Affiliate
Great Divide Insurance Company	ND	Pooling Affiliate
Intrepid Casualty Company	IA	Pooling Affiliate
Intrepid Insurance Company	IA	Pooling Affiliate
Intrepid Specialty Insurance Company	IA	Pooling Affiliate
Key Risk Insurance Company	IA	Pooling Affiliate
Midwest Employers Casualty Company	DE	Pooling Affiliate
Preferred Employers Insurance Company	CA	100% QS
Riverport Insurance Company	IA	Pooling Affiliate
StarNet Insurance Company	IA	Pooling Affiliate
Union Standard Lloyds	ΤX	100% QS
Berkley Life and Health Insurance Company	IA	Life Company

- It was noted in a Securities and Exchange Commission filing that as of December 31, 2022, William R. Berkley beneficially owned or controlled 56,982,979 common shares of WRBC, which is publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol WRB. According to the 2022 WRBC Annual Report, there were 276,778,950 outstanding common shares on December 31, 2022. This results in a 20.6% economic interest and 20.6% voting control that William R. Berkley has of WRBC. Consequently, William R. Berkley is considered the ultimate controlling entity of the Group and the Company.
- (2) As of December 31, 2022, other than noted in (1) above, no other individual or entity owns or controls greater than 10% of WRBC.

#### Agreements with Affiliates

#### Broker Agent Agreement

Effective January 1, 2002, the Company entered into a Broker Agent Agreement with

Berkley Connect Insurance Solution, LLC to perform certain insurance, marketing,

brokerage and related services to specified insurance solicitation, marketing and related

services.

#### Claims Administration Agreement

Effective September 1, 2022, a Claims Administration Agreement was entered into

with Berkley Claims Solutions, LLC to perform certain claims handling, management,

adjustment and related services on its behalf as more fully described in this Agreement with respect to certain insurance policies issued and identified by the Company.

#### Tax Allocation Agreement

Effective April 6, 1992, the Company and WRBC entered into an affiliated Tax Allocation Agreement. In accordance with the agreement, the Company will participate in WRBC's election to file a consolidated federal income tax return as long as the Company is a member of WRBC. For years where a consolidated federal tax return is filed, WRBC will pay or discharge, or cause to be paid or discharged, the consolidated federal tax liability of WRBC. Taxes are calculated on a separate return basis, and the Company will pay WRBC an amount equal to the federal income tax liability it would have incurred if it had filed on a separate return. Conversely, if the Company's separate return calculation results in a net operating loss, capital losses, deductions, tax credits or similar items, WRBC shall compensate the Company an amount equal to its federal income tax liability calculated on a separate return basis. In accordance with the contract, WRBC and the Company shall each pay its own state and local taxes.

### Investment Advisory Agreement

Effective February 3, 2006, the Company entered into an affiliated Investment Advisory Agreement with Berkley Dean and Company, Inc. (Berkley Dean). In accordance with the agreement, Berkley Dean provides certain investment advisory and management services based upon criteria, standards and guidelines established by the Company. The Company has ultimate and final authority over decisions and policies on purchases and sales of securities.

#### **TERRITORY AND PLAN OF OPERATION**

#### Territory

As of December 31, 2022, the Company is licensed and authorized on an admitted basis to write insurance in all fifty U.S. States and the District of Columbia.

#### Plan of Operation

For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company's direct written premiums were produced by the following profit centers described below: Berkley Luxury Group and Acadia Insurance Group.

Berkley Luxury Group provides commercial package insurance programs for highend co-operative, condominium and quality rental apartment buildings and upscale restaurants in the New York, New Jersey, Chicago and Washington, D.C. metropolitan markets, as well as other select markets.

Acadia Insurance Group is a northeast regional property and casualty underwriter offering a broad portfolio of products exclusively through local independent agents in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York and Vermont. In addition to its general offerings, Acadia Insurance Group has specialized expertise in insuring regional industries such as construction, lumber, fishing and transportation.

The Company's direct written premiums by source are as follows:

Source	<u>2022</u>	Percent
Berkley Luxury Group Acadia Insurance Group	\$78,491,902 <u>2,801,028</u>	96.55% <u>3.45%</u>
Total	<u>\$81,292,930</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

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The Company's direct written premiums by line of business are as follows:

Line of Business	<u>2022</u>	Percent
Commercial Multiple Peril Private Flood Worker's Compensation Other Liability - Occurrence All Other Lines of Business Combined	\$69,436,017 4,329,644 2,801,028 2,568,565 <u>2,157,677</u>	85.41% 5.33% 3.45% 3.16% <u>2.65%</u>
Total	<u>\$81,292,931</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

The Company's direct written premiums by jurisdiction are as follows:

Jurisdiction	<u>2022</u>	Percent
New York Illinois	\$53,972,955 11,139,531	66.39% 13.70%
Pennsylvania	4,155,933	5.11%
District of Columbia New Jersey	2,566,128 2,231,352	3.16% 2.75%
All Other Jurisdictions Combined	7,227,032	8.89%
Total	<u>\$81,292,931</u>	100.00%

# **REINSURANCE**

The Company reported the following distribution of premiums written for the year

ended December 31, 2022:

	2022	%	GPW	2018	%	GPW
Direct written	\$ 81,292,931		99.98%	\$ 79,153,834		99.93%
Reinsurance assumed from affiliates	-		0.0%	-		0.0%
Reinsurance assumed from non-affiliates	 14,938		0.02%	 59,048		0.07%
Gross premiums written ("GPW")	\$ 81,307,869		100%	\$ 79,212,882		100%
Reinsurance ceded to affiliates	\$ 81,307,869		100.0%	\$ 79,212,882		100.0%
Reinsurance ceded to non-affiliates	 -		0.0%	 -		0.0%
Total ceded	\$ 81,307,869		100.0%	\$ 79,212,882		100.0%
Net premiums written	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-

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### Ceded Reinsurance Affiliates

Effective January 1, 2013, the Company entered into a 100% quota share agreement

with BIC. During 2022, the Company ceded premiums of \$81,307,869 to BIC.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The following financial statements, as reported and filed by the Company with the

Department, are reflected in the following:

- Statement of Assets as of December 31, 2022
- Statement of Liabilities and Surplus as of December 31, 2022
- Statement of Income for the year ended December 31, 2022
- Statement of Capital and Surplus Account for the year ended December 31, 2022
- Reconciliation of Capital and Surplus for the Period December 31, 2018 to December 31, 2022

# Statement of Assets As of December 31, 2022

			N	lonadmitted	Net Admitted		
	Ledger Assets			Assets	I	Assets 2022	
Bonds	\$	40,228,849	\$	-	\$	40,228,849	
Cash		52,329		-		52,329	
Cash equivalents		6,397,504		-		5,397,504	
Receivables for securities		119,727		-		119,727	
Subtotals; cash and invested assets	\$	46,798,408	\$	-	\$	46,798,408	
Investment income due and accrued		289,613		-		289,613	
Uncollected premiums and agents' balances in the							
course of collection		7,856,249		493,211		7,363,038	
Deferred premiums		13,815,204		-		13,815,204	
Current federal and foreign income tax recoverable							
and interest thereon		13,442		-		13,442	
Net deferred tax asset		25,336		-		25,336	
Guaranty funds receivable or on deposit		4,528		-		4,528	
Aggregate write-ins for other-than-invested assets		598,006		-		598,006	
Total Assets	\$	69,400,786	\$	493,211	\$	68,907,575	

# Statement of Liabilities and Surplus As of December 31, 2022

		Notes
Losses	\$ -	1
Reinsurance payable on paid losses and loss adjustment expenses	-	
Loss adjustment expenses	-	1
Commissions payable; contingent commissions and other similar charges	520,659	
Taxes; licenses and fees (excluding federal and foreign income taxes)	-	
Unearned premiums (after deducting unearned premiums for ceded reinsurance of		
\$40,013,533 and including warranty reserves of \$0)	-	
Advance premium	6,702	
Ceded reinsurance premiums payable (net of ceding commissions)	21,276,351	
Payable to parent; subsidiaries and affiliates	-	
Aggregate write-ins for liabilities	120,141	
Total liabilities excluding protected cell liabilities	 21,923,854	_
Total liabilities	\$ 21,923,854	_
Common capital stock	3,506,250	
Gross paid in and contributed surplus	17,600,000	
Unassigned funds (surplus)	 25,877,471	_
Surplus as regards policyholders	\$ 46,983,721	_
Total liabilities & surplus	\$ 68,907,575	

# Statement of Income For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

#### Underwriting Income Premiums earned \$ Deductions Losses incurred Loss adjustment expenses incurred Other underwriting expenses incurred Total underwriting deductions \$ \$ Net underwriting gain (loss) -Investment Income Net investment income earned \$ 880,736 Net realized capital gains (losses) less capital gains tax of \$-14,401 (54,176) Net investment gain (loss) \$ 826,560 Other Income Net gain (loss) from agents' or premium balances charged off (amount recovered \$0 amount charged off \$3,748) \$ (3,748)Aggregate write-ins for miscellaneous income 3,748 Total other income \$ \_ Net income before dividends to policyholders; after capital gains tax and before all other federal and foreign income taxes 826,560 \$ Dividends to policyholders \_ Net income; after dividends to policyholders; after capital gains tax and before all other federal and foreign income taxes 826,560 Federal and foreign income taxes incurred 139,329 Net income \$ 687,231

# Capital & Surplus Account For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Surplus as regards policyholders; December 31 prior year Net income	\$ 45,838,563 687,231
Change in net unrealized capital gains or (losses) less capital gains tax of	
\$73,279	275,667
Change in net unrealized foreign exchange capital gain (loss)	-
Change in net deferred income tax	9,807
Change in nonadmitted assets	(57,398)
Change in provision for reinsurance	-
Transferred to capital (stock dividend)	-
Dividends to stockholders	-
Aggregate write-ins for gains and losses in surplus	229,850
Change in surplus as regards policyholders for the year	\$ 1,145,157
Surplus as regards policyholders; December 31 current year	\$ 46,983,721

	Common		Aggregate Write ins	regate Write ins Gross Paid-in and		Unassigned			
	Capital Stock		for special surplus	Contributed Surplus		Surplus		_	Total
12/31/2018	\$	3,506,250	\$ -	\$	17,600,000	\$	22,516,766	_	\$ 43,623,016
12/31/2019							1,085,782	(1)	1,085,782
12/31/2019							285	(2)	285
12/31/2019							(8,950)	(3)	(8,950)
12/31/2020							(137,549)	(2)	(137,549)
12/31/2020							45,960	(3)	45,960
12/31/2021							502,455	(1)	502,455
12/31/2021							(68,110)	(2)	(68,110)
12/31/2021							(26,204)	(3)	(26,204)
12/31/2022							687,231	(1)	687,231
12/31/2022							228,076	(2)	228,076
12/31/2022							229,850	(3)	229,850
Total		\$3,506,250	\$ -	\$	17,600,000	\$	25,877,470	-	\$ 46,983,720

# Reconciliation of Capital and Surplus As of December 31, 2018 to December 31, 2022

(1) Represents net income

(2) Change in unrealized capital gains (losses), Change in net unrealized foreign exchange capital gain, Change in net deferred income tax, Change in non-admitted assets, Change in provision for reinsurance

(3) Aggregate write-ins for gains and losses in surplus (Change in post-retirement liability, Change in foreign exchange adjustment, Change in contingent reserve for municipal bond

# ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS RESULTING FROM THE EXAMINATION

There were no changes made to the Financial Statements as a result of this Examination.

**COMMENTS ON FINANCIAL STATEMENT ITEMS** 

<u>Note 1:</u>	
Losses	\$0
Loss Adjustment Expenses	\$0

The examination liabilities for the aforementioned captioned items are the same as

those balances reported by the Company as of December 31, 2022. The examination analysis

of Loss and Loss Adjustment Expense reserves was conducted in accordance with Actuarial

Principles and Standards of Practice and Statutory Accounting Principles, including NAIC

Accounting Practices and Procedures Manual, Statement of Statutory Accounting Principles

No. 55 Unpaid Claims, Losses and Loss Adjustment Expenses (SSAP No. 55).

# SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There were no material subsequent events noted during the course of this examination.

# **SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS**

There were no recommendations as a result of this examination.

The assistance and cooperation of the Company's outside audit firm, KPMG, and the

Company's management and staff was appreciated and is acknowledged.

Respectfully Submitted,

Greg Taylor

Greg Taylor, CFE Examiner In-Charge State of Delaware

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Anthony Cardone, CPA, CFE Supervising Examiner State of Delaware

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I, Greg Taylor, hereby verify and attest, under penalty of perjury, that the above is a true and correct copy of the examination report and findings submitted to the Delaware Department of Insurance pursuant to Examination Certification No. 23.006.

Greg Taylor, OFE