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# **News Release**

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## **Richard Booth Joins Guy Carpenter as Vice Chairman**

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Guy Carpenter & Company, LLC, the leading global risk and reinsurance specialist, today announced that it has appointed Richard Booth as Vice Chairman, effective July 7.

In this role Mr. Booth will contribute to set the overall strategic direction of Guy Carpenter and will provide advice on improving operational performance. In addition, Mr. Booth will focus on developing key client relationships.

He will report to Peter Zaffino, President and CEO of Guy Carpenter & Company, LLC, and will join the company's Executive Committee.

Previously, Mr. Booth served as Vice Chairman of Transition Planning and Chief Administrative Officer at American International Group, Inc. and Chairman of Hartford Steamboiler (HSB). Mr. Booth served as President and Chief Executive Officer of HSB from 2000 to 2007. Prior to joining HSB, Mr. Booth spent 30 years in various senior insurance industry positions, including President, Chief Operating Officer, and Director of the Travelers Corporation and Executive Vice President and a director of The Phoenix Companies.

"We are delighted that we have been able to attract someone of Richard's caliber to Guy Carpenter," said Mr. Zaffino. "He has an outstanding reputation in the insurance sector and a deep expertise in our industry. We look forward to his insight on strategy, and his unique perspective will add significant value to Guy Carpenter. With his wealth of experience and broad skills set, Richard will be a tremendous addition to our senior team."

#### About Guy Carpenter

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