Creating a Research Article and Relational Trademark Database for the Statistical Analysis of Insurance Industry Companies

- Purpose: To assess the determinates of trademark use and ownership among companies in the property and casualty insurance industry
- Hypotheses:
- Hypothesis 1: Insurance companies are likely to own more brand identity trademarks than brand association trademarks
- Hypothesis 2: Insurance companies are expected to own more trademarks at the parent company level than at the operating company level
- Hypothesis 3: Trademarks of both types will be positively associated with financial and organizational variables
- Summary of results:
- Hypothesis 1 is supported
- Hypothesis 2 is supported
- Brand ID tm's are positively associated with: company size, line of business.
- Brand Associations tm's are positively associated with: company size, stock company, line of business.
- Interestingly, trademarks have greater significant association with organizational characteristics than with financial characteristics. This merits further examination

Brand Identification Results - Tobit

	Model I		Model 2		Model 3	
Stock	-0.3250		-0.2350		-0.5616	
Direct	0.1874		0.2402		0.5845	*
Size	0.7215	***	0.6500	***	0.6636	***
LOB Herf	1.3381	*	1.1190	*	1.6381	**
Geog Herf	-1.1383	**	-1.0577	**	-1.0146	**
UW Leverage	0.4135		0.3684		0.4200	*
ROA	-0.1917		-0.4027		0.2413	
Ads / NPW	0.4696		-1.0798		-2.2583	
Age	0.0110		0.0102		0.0059	
% Personal	-0.0061		-0.0084	*	-0.0056	
MKT Share	2.6363	*	2.2159			
Parent Filing			-0.2475		-0.1487	
Number Brand Assoc.			2.8964	***	2.5034	***
Year Dummies	Yes		Yes		Yes	
MKT Share Controls					Yes	

Brand Association Results - Tobit

	Model I		Model 2		Model 3	
Stock	-1.3162	***	-1.5506	***	-1.7063	***
Direct	-0.3893		-0.3422		0.2083	
Size	0.8672	***	0.7559	***	0.6740	***
LOB Herf	2.1782	***	1.9837	***	2.0034	***
Geog Herf	-1.5887	***	-1.4771	***	-1.1587	**
UW Leverage	0.6777	*	0.7832	***	0.6342	
ROA	-4.9198		-6.4384		-7.2704	
Ads / NPW	7.3946	***	6.8685	***	4.6311	**
Age	0.0047		-0.0007		-0.0020	
% Personal	0.0103	*	0.0099	*	0.0031	
MKT Share	0.7261		-0.1707			
Parent Filing			0.4388		0.4793	
Number Brand ID			0.7465	***	0.7658	**
Year Dummies	Yes		Yes		Yes	
MKT Share Controls	S				Yes	

Additional steps need to be taken to complete this study, including

- Adding a trademark stockpile control variable
- Adding additional financial dependent variables, such as cash flows
- Expand data to include more current years