



CERTAINLY LLC

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JULY 01, 2024, TO JUNE 30, 2025

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SECTION I

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT

To the Management of Certainly LLC (“Certainly”):

Scope

We have examined Certainly’s [management assertion](#) that for its Certification Authority (“CA”) operations at its San Francisco, California, USA, Santa Clara, California, USA, and Reston, Virginia, USA, locations, for its CAs as enumerated in Appendix A, Certainly has:

- maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that it meets the Network and Certificate System Security Requirements as set forth by the CA/Browser Forum

throughout the period July 01, 2024 to June 30, 2025, based on the [WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – Network Security v1.7](#).

Certification Authority’s Responsibilities

Certainly’s management is responsible for its assertion, including the fairness of its presentation, and the provision of its described services in accordance with the WebTrust Principles and Criteria for Certification Authorities – Network Security v1.7.

Practitioner’s Responsibilities

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Certainly management’s assertion based on our examination. Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and in accordance with International Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000, Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information, issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether management’s assertion is fairly stated, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about management’s assertion. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material misstatement of management’s assertion, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We are required to be independent and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code of Professional Conduct established by the AICPA and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants’ Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants.

We applied the Statements on Quality Control Standards established by the AICPA and, accordingly, maintain a comprehensive system of quality control.

The relative effectiveness and significance of specific controls at Certainly and their effect on assessments of control risk for subscribers and relying parties are dependent on their interaction with the controls and other factors present at individual subscriber and relying party locations. Our examination did not extend to controls at individual subscriber and relying party locations and we have not evaluated the effectiveness of such controls.

Inherent Limitations

There are inherent limitations in the effectiveness of any system of internal control, including the possibility of human error and the circumvention of controls. For example, because of their nature, controls may not prevent, or detect unauthorised access to systems and information, or failure to comply with internal and external policies or requirements. Also, the projection to the future of any conclusions based on our findings is subject to the risk that controls may become ineffective.

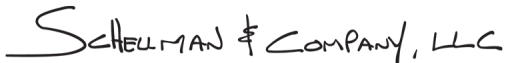
Opinion

In our opinion management's assertion, as referred to above, is fairly stated, in all material respects.

This report does not include any representation as to the quality of Certainly's services other than its Certification Authority operations at its San Francisco, California, USA, Santa Clara, California, USA, and Reston, Virginia, USA, locations, nor the suitability of any of Certainly's services for any customer's intended purpose.

Use of the WebTrust seal

Certainly's use of the WebTrust for Certification Authorities – Network Security Seal constitutes a symbolic representation of the contents of this report and it is not intended, nor should it be construed, to update this report or provide any additional assurance.



Schellman & Company, LLC
Tampa, FL
August 21, 2025

SECTION 2

MANAGEMENT'S ASSERTION

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Certainly LLC ("Certainly") operates the Certification Authority ("CA") services for its CA certificates as enumerated in Appendix A, and provides SSL CA services.

The management of Certainly is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective controls over its SSL CA operations, including its network and certificate security system controls. These controls contain monitoring mechanisms, and actions are taken to correct deficiencies identified.

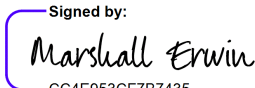
There are inherent limitations in any controls, including the possibility of human error, and the circumvention or overriding of controls. Accordingly, even effective controls can only provide reasonable assurance with respect to Certainly's Certification Authority operations. Furthermore, because of changes in conditions, the effectiveness of controls may vary over time.

Certainly management has assessed its controls over its SSL CA services. Based on that assessment, in Certainly management's opinion, in providing its SSL Certification Authority (CA) services at its San Francisco, California, USA, Santa Clara, California, USA, and Reston, Virginia, USA, locations, Certainly has:

- maintained effective controls to provide reasonable assurance that it meets the Network and Certificate System Security Requirements as set forth by the CA/Browser Forum

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Signed by:



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Marshall Erwin
Chief Information Security Officer
Certainly LLC
August 21, 2025

APPENDIX A

CERTAINLY'S ROOT AND ISSUING CAs

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Certificate Authority	Subject Common Name	SHA256 Fingerprint
Certainly Root E1	Certainly Root E1	B4585F22E4AC756A4E8612A1361C5D9D031A93FD84FEBB778FA3068B0FC42DC2
Certainly Intermediate E1	Certainly Intermediate E1	98DD2A75F65748F2667BC4B079177813647C17EDCC6DDEE92F1F06668BE0F1A3D
Certainly Root R1	Certainly Root R1	77B82CD8644C4305F7ACC5CB156B45675004033D51C60C6202A8E0C33467D3A0
Certainly Intermediate R1	Certainly Intermediate R1	575C09B07A001CA0EF6B3B1C5730BFAFEBC7AD9F56A009F1966C32F08E659713

The following certificates were signed by Starfield Technologies, Inc. for Certainly.

Root CA	Subject Common Name	SHA256 Fingerprint
Starfield Root Certificate Authority – G2	Certainly Intermediate E1	3379233C434610C8EAA9361ACBDD24C7D655409C6D680A8C2585FFDA27011EE7
Starfield Root Certificate Authority – G2	Certainly Intermediate R1	FEC41E32CA75C295A6240FA639D3ABE3BFB5CB131D6690E2331A176BED2E5BD2