



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **SIGNET JEWELERS LTD. – RE-CERTIFIED BY THE RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL**

LONDON - The Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC) announced today that the largest specialty retail jeweler in the US and the UK, Signet Jewelers Ltd., has achieved Re-Certification by meeting the ethical, social and environmental standards established by the RJC's Member Certification System.

"RJC congratulates Signet Jewelers Ltd. on their Re-Certification. As a Founding Member of RJC, Signet Jewelers Ltd. has been an integral part of the RJC's success to-date. Their supportive voice and influence across all parts of the supply chain through their own 'lead by example' approach have grown interest in RJC in both developed and emerging markets. RJC is well aware that Signet Jewelers Ltd. took measured time and resources to come to their landmark decision to work with their suppliers over time to bring them to RJC membership. We are eagerly looking forward to working further with Signet Jewelers Ltd. on this initiative," says Catherine Sproule, CEO interim.

"As a Founding, Re-Certified Member of RJC, we're pleased that Signet has shown that it continues to meet the high standards of RJC Certification. Corporate Social Responsibility is a key strategic pillar at Signet and consequently we strive for continuous improvement in the integrity of the jewelry supply chain which is paramount to the company and we believe, the global industry." said Mike Barnes, Signet Jewelers Ltd., Chief Executive Officer. "That's why we've recently made it clear to all our suppliers that we expect them to follow our example by becoming certified members of RJC, over time. We encourage all other RJC Certified Members to do the same to promote and enhance consumer confidence in the products we all sell around the world."

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#### **About RJC**

The Responsible Jewellery Council is an international not-for-profit standards and certification organisation. It has more than 460 Member companies that span the jewellery supply chain from mine to retail. RJC Members commit to and are independently audited against the RJC Code of Practices – an international standard on responsible business practices for diamonds, gold and platinum group metals. The Code of Practices addresses human rights, labour rights, environmental impact, mining practices, product disclosure and many more important topics in the jewellery supply chain. RJC also works with multi-stakeholder initiatives on responsible sourcing and supply chain due diligence. The RJC's Chain-of-Custody Certification for precious metals supports these initiatives and can be used as a tool to deliver broader Member and stakeholder benefit.

The RJC is a [Full Member of the ISEAL Alliance](#) – the global association for sustainability standards. For more information on RJC Members, Certification, and Standards please visit [www.responsiblejewellery.com](http://www.responsiblejewellery.com)

#### **About Signet Jewelers Ltd.**

Signet Jewelers Limited is the largest specialty jewelry retailer in the US and UK. Signet's US division operates over 1,400 stores in all 50 states primarily under the name brands of Kay Jewelers and Jared The Galleria Of Jewelry. Signet's UK division operates approximately 500 stores primarily under the name brands of H.Samuel and Ernest Jones. Further information on Signet is available at [www.signetjewelers.com](http://www.signetjewelers.com). See also [www.kay.com](http://www.kay.com), [www.jared.com](http://www.jared.com), [www.hsamuel.co.uk](http://www.hsamuel.co.uk) and [www.ernestjones.co.uk](http://www.ernestjones.co.uk).

#### **[RJC Certification Information Signet Jewelers Ltd](#)** **[RJC Certified Members](#)**

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