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September 11, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D  
Under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

BlackRock Insured Municipal 2008 Term Trust, Inc.  
(BRM)  
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock  
(Title of Class of Securities)

09247k109  
(CUSIP Number)

George W. Karpus, President  
Karpus Management, Inc. d/b/a  
Karpus Investment Management  
183 Sullys Trail  
Pittsford, New York 14534  
(716) 586-4680

(Name, Address, and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices  
and Communications)

September 9, 2002  
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the  
acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this  
schedule because of Rule 13d-1 (b) (3) or (4), check the following box. [ ]

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There are no exhibits.

ITEM 1 Security and Issuer

Common Stock  
Blackrock Advantage Term Trust, Inc.  
Blackrock Financial Management L. P.  
345 Park Ave.  
31 St. floor  
New York, New York 10154

ITEM 2 Identity and Background

a) Karpus Management, Inc. d/b/a Karpus Investment Management

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(?KIM?)

George W. Karpus, President, Director and Controlling Stockholder  
JoAnn VanDegriff, Vice President and Director

Sophie Karpus, Director

b) 183 Sullys Trail

Pittsford, New York 14534

c) Principal business and occupation - Investment Management for individuals, pension and profit sharing plans, corporations, endowments, trust and others, specializing in conservative asset management (i.e. fixed income investments).

d) None of George W. Karpus, JoAnn VanDegriff, or Sophie Karpus (?the Principals?) or KIM has been convicted in the past five years of any criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations).

e) During the last five years none of the principals or KIM has been a party to a civil proceeding as a result of which any of them is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

f) Each of the Principals is a United States citizen.

KIM is a New York corporation.

### ITEM 3 Source and Amount of Funds or Other Considerations

KIM, an independent investment advisor, has accumulated shares of BRM on behalf of accounts that are managed by KIM (?the Accounts?) under limited powers of attorney. All funds that have been utilized in making such purchases are from such Accounts.

### ITEM 4 Purpose of Transaction

KIM has purchased Shares for investment purposes. Being primarily a fixed income manager, with a specialty focus in the closed end fund sector, the profile of BRM fit the investment guidelines for various Accounts. Shares have been acquired since September 28, 1998.

### ITEM 5 Interest in Securities of the Issuer

a) As of the date of this Report, KIM owns 1,557,729 shares, which represents 5.73% of the outstanding Shares. Karpus Management, Inc.

owns 3,650 shares purchased on April 10, 2002 at a price of \$15.73 per share (900 shares), April 11 at \$15.78 (400 shares), April 25 at \$15.91, April 26 at \$15.93 (200 shares), April 30 at \$15.97 (200 shares), May 1 at \$15.97 (300 shares), May 2 and 3 at \$15.96 (850 shares), and July 12 at \$16.19 (600 shares). George Karpus presently owns 63,800 shares purchased on December 8, 1999 at \$13.63 (6000 shares), December 9 at \$13.50 (7000 shares), August 17, 2001 at \$15.65 (1,000 shares), August 22 at \$15.68 (9,000 shares), November 13 at \$15.90 (5,000 shares), February 11, 2002 at \$15.88 (5000 shares), April 18 at \$15.83 (1,500 shares), May 21 at \$15.97 (5,000 shares), July 11 at \$16.20 (10,000 shares), August 12 at \$16.43 (5,000 shares), August 13 at \$16.41 (5,000 shares), August 14 at \$16.44 (7,900 shares), and August 15 at \$16.43 (2,100 shares). He sold on January 17, 2001 at \$15.67 (1,800 shares), January 18 at \$15.69 (3,700 shares), and January 31 at \$15.73 (200 shares). JoAnn Van Degriff owns 4,500 shares purchased on June 29, 2001 at \$15.53 (2000 shares), April 18, 2002 at \$15.83 (1,500 shares), and May 9 and 10 at \$15.90 (1,000 shares). Sophie Karpus presently owns 250 shares purchased on September 18 and 19, 2001 at \$15.76 per share. None of the other Principals presently owns shares.

b) KIM has the sole power to dispose of and to vote all of such Shares under limited powers of attorney.

c) The first open market purchase occurred on September 28, 1998 as previously reported. Open market purchases for the last 60 days for the Accounts. There have been no dispositions and no acquisitions, other than by such open market purchases, during such period unless

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SHARES

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DATE  
SHARES  
PRICE PER

SHARE

SHARE

7/1/2002  
2000  
16.25

8/1/2002  
2600  
16.36  
7/1/2002  
-600  
16.3

8/5/2002  
1200  
16.38  
7/2/2002  
700  
16.26

8/7/2002  
7450  
16.38  
7/3/2002  
5000  
16.25

8/8/2002  
5000  
16.43  
7/8/2002  
4000  
16.24

8/12/2002  
5200  
16.43  
7/10/2002  
1000  
16.28

8/13/2002  
23600  
16.42  
7/11/2002  
19000  
16.21

8/14/2002  
15700  
16.43  
7/12/2002  
19700  
16.19

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8/15/2002  
2700  
16.43  
7/15/2002  
4800  
16.27

8/16/2002  
5800  
16.43  
7/16/2002  
21000  
16.25

8/19/2002  
1300  
16.42  
7/18/2002  
3000  
16.24

8/20/2002  
7700  
16.45  
7/22/2002  
15200  
16.25

8/21/2002  
19000  
16.42  
7/24/2002  
600  
16.26

8/22/2002  
52550  
16.39  
7/24/2002  
-350  
16.27

8/23/2002  
1700  
16.34  
7/29/2002  
1500  
16.3

8/26/2002  
16300  
16.38  
7/30/2002  
3000  
16.32

8/27/2002  
18900  
16.37  
7/31/2002  
2300

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16.36

8/28/2002  
23300  
16.39

8/30/2002  
13000  
16.48

The Accounts have the right to receive all dividends from, any proceeds from the sale of the Shares. KIM reserves the right to further accumulate or sell shares. None of the Accounts has an interest in shares constituting more than 5% of the Shares outstanding.

ITEM 6 Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings, or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

Except as described above, there are no contracts, arrangements, understandings or relationships of any kind among the Principals and KIM and between any of them and any other person with respect to any of BRM securities.

ITEM 7 Materials to be Filed as Exhibits  
Not applicable.

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete, and correct.

Karpus Management, Inc.

September 9, 2002  
Date

Name/Title

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
George W. Karpus, President