

BrokerCheck Report

GOLDEN GATE FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC

CRD# 120600

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About BrokerCheck®

BrokerCheck offers information on all current, and many former, registered securities brokers, and all current and former registered securities firms. FINRA strongly encourages investors to use BrokerCheck to check the background of securities brokers and brokerage firms before deciding to conduct, or continue to conduct, business with them.

- **What is included in a BrokerCheck report?**

- BrokerCheck reports for individual brokers include information such as employment history, professional qualifications, disciplinary actions, criminal convictions, civil judgments and arbitration awards. BrokerCheck reports for brokerage firms include information on a firm's profile, history, and operations, as well as many of the same disclosure events mentioned above.

- Please note that the information contained in a BrokerCheck report may include pending actions or allegations that may be contested, unresolved or unproven. In the end, these actions or allegations may be resolved in favor of the broker or brokerage firm, or concluded through a negotiated settlement with no admission or finding of wrongdoing.

- **Where did this information come from?**

- The information contained in BrokerCheck comes from FINRA's Central Registration Depository, or CRD® and is a combination of:
 - o information FINRA and/or the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) require brokers and brokerage firms to submit as part of the registration and licensing process, and
 - o information that regulators report regarding disciplinary actions or allegations against firms or brokers.

- **How current is this information?**

- Generally, active brokerage firms and brokers are required to update their professional and disciplinary information in CRD within 30 days. Under most circumstances, information reported by brokerage firms, brokers and regulators is available in BrokerCheck the next business day.

- **What if I want to check the background of an investment adviser firm or investment adviser representative?**

- To check the background of an investment adviser firm or representative, you can search for the firm or individual in BrokerCheck. If your search is successful, click on the link provided to view the available licensing and registration information in the SEC's Investment Adviser Public Disclosure (IAPD) website at <https://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov>. In the alternative, you may search the IAPD website directly or contact your state securities regulator at <http://www.finra.org/Investors/ToolsCalculators/BrokerCheck/P455414>.

- **Are there other resources I can use to check the background of investment professionals?**

- FINRA recommends that you learn as much as possible about an investment professional before deciding to work with them. Your state securities regulator can help you research brokers and investment adviser representatives doing business in your state.

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**GOLDEN GATE FINANCIAL GROUP,
LLC**

CRD# 120600

SEC# 8-65524

Main Office Location

50 FRANCISCO STREET
SUITE 203
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94133

Mailing Address

50 FRANCISCO STREET
SUITE 203
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94133

Business Telephone Number

(415) 362-5006

Report Summary for this Firm

This report summary provides an overview of the brokerage firm. Additional information for this firm can be found in the detailed report.

Firm Profile

This firm is classified as a limited liability company.

This firm was formed in Delaware on 04/25/2002.

Its fiscal year ends in December.

Firm History

Information relating to the brokerage firm's history such as other business names and successions (e.g., mergers, acquisitions) can be found in the detailed report.

Firm Operations

This brokerage firm is no longer registered with FINRA or a national securities exchange.

Disclosure Events

Brokerage firms are required to disclose certain criminal matters, regulatory actions, civil judicial proceedings and financial matters in which the firm or one of its control affiliates has been involved.

Are there events disclosed about this firm? **No**

Registration Withdrawal Information

This section provides information relating to the date the brokerage firm ceased doing business and the firm's financial obligations to customers or other brokerage firms.



Date firm ceased business: 12/31/2006

Does this brokerage firm owe any money or securities to any customer or brokerage firm? No



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Firm Names and Locations

This section provides the brokerage firm's full legal name, "Doing Business As" name, business and mailing addresses, telephone number, and any alternate name by which the firm conducts business and where such name is used.

GOLDEN GATE FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC

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Firm Profile

This section provides information relating to all direct owners and executive officers of the brokerage firm.

Direct Owners and Executive Officers

Legal Name & CRD# (if any): CASTAGNA, PAUL ALPHONSE
43003

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual? Individual

Position CHAIRMAN/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Position Start Date 05/2002

Percentage of Ownership 75% or more

Does this owner direct the management or policies of the firm? Yes

Is this a public reporting company? No

Legal Name & CRD# (if any): HALEN, HOWARD THOMAS III
3180634

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual? Individual

Position PRESIDENT/CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

Position Start Date 05/2002

Percentage of Ownership 10% but less than 25%

Does this owner direct the management or policies of the firm? Yes

Is this a public reporting company? No

Legal Name & CRD# (if any): KONG KEE, SAM KUHAULUA
4200888

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual? Individual

Position EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT/CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER



Firm Profile

Direct Owners and Executive Officers (continued)

Position Start Date	12/2005
Percentage of Ownership	5% but less than 10%
Does this owner direct the management or policies of the firm?	Yes
Is this a public reporting company?	No

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):	GIBBONS, PATRICK L. 4336580
Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?	Individual
Position	TREASURER/SECRETARY/FINOP
Position Start Date	04/2004
Percentage of Ownership	Less than 5%
Does this owner direct the management or policies of the firm?	No
Is this a public reporting company?	No

Firm Profile

This section provides information relating to any indirect owners of the brokerage firm.

Indirect Owners

No information reported.



Firm History

This section provides information relating to any successions (e.g., mergers, acquisitions) involving the firm.

No information reported.



Firm Operations



Registrations

This section provides information about the regulators (Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), self-regulatory organizations (SROs), and U.S. states and territories) with which the brokerage firm is currently registered and licensed, the date the license became effective, and certain information about the firm's SEC registration.

This firm is no longer registered.

The firm's registration was from 02/11/2003 to 01/16/2007.

Firm Operations



Types of Business

This section provides the types of business, including non-securities business, the brokerage firm is engaged in or expects to be engaged in.

This firm currently conducts 5 types of businesses.

Types of Business

Mutual fund retailer
Broker or dealer selling variable life insurance or annuities
Investment advisory services
Trading securities for own account
Private placements of securities

Firm Operations



Clearing Arrangements

This firm does not hold or maintain funds or securities or provide clearing services for other broker-dealer(s).

Introducing Arrangements

This firm does not refer or introduce customers to other brokers and dealers.

Firm Operations

Industry Arrangements



This firm does not have books or records maintained by a third party.

This firm does not have accounts, funds, or securities maintained by a third party.

This firm does not have customer accounts, funds, or securities maintained by a third party.

Control Persons/Financing

This firm does not have individuals who control its management or policies through agreement.

This firm does not have individuals who wholly or partly finance the firm's business.



Firm Operations

Organization Affiliates

This section provides information on control relationships the firm has with other firms in the securities, investment advisory, or banking business.

This firm is, directly or indirectly:

- in control of
 - controlled by
 - or under common control with
- the following partnerships, corporations, or other organizations engaged in the securities or investment advisory business.**

ORION PARTNERS, LLC is under common control with the firm.

CRD #:	120275
Business Address:	50 FRANCISCO STREET SUITE 203 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94133
Effective Date:	04/25/2002
Foreign Entity:	No
Country:	
Securities Activities:	No
Investment Advisory Activities:	Yes
Description:	HOWARD T. HALEN, III, PRESIDENT OF APPLICANT, HAS A 60% OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN AND IS MANAGER OF ORION PARTNERS, LLC. SAM K. KONG KEE, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF APPLICANT, HAS A 40% OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN ORION PARTNERS, LLC.

This firm is not directly or indirectly, controlled by the following:

- bank holding company
- national bank
- state member bank of the Federal Reserve System
- state non-member bank
- savings bank or association
- credit union
- or foreign bank

End of Report



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