

BrokerCheck Report

YIELDQUEST SECURITIES, LLC

CRD# 135041

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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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YIELDQUEST SECURITIES, LLC

CRD# 135041

SEC# 8-66884

Main Office Location

191 PEACHTREE STREET NE
SUITE 3980
ATLANTA, GA 30303

Mailing Address

191 PEACHTREE STREET NE
SUITE 3980
ATLANTA, GA 30303

Business Telephone Number

404 446-3370

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 Georgia on 09/09/2004.
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? **Yes**

The following types of disclosures have been reported:

Type	Count
Regulatory Event	1



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:	11/24/2015
Does this brokerage firm owe any money or securities to any customer or brokerage firm?	Yes
Number of customers owed funds or securities:	0
Amount of money owed to customer:	\$0.00
Amount of money owed to brokerage firm:	\$350,000.00
Market value of securities owed to customer:	\$0.00
Market value of securities owed to brokerage firm:	\$0.00
Payment arrangement:	THERE IS A PENDING ARBITRATION BETWEEN YIELDQUEST SECURITIES AND SOUTHWEST SECURITIES AS YIELDQUEST HAS SIGNIFICANT COUNTER CLAIMS. THE REPAYMENT SHOULD BE DECIDED BY AN ARBITRATION PANEL



Firm Profile

This firm is classified as a limited liability company.

This firm was formed in Georgia on 09/09/2004.

Its fiscal year ends in December.

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.

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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):	CHITNIS, JAY KUMAR 2038685
Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?	Individual
Position	CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER, CEO, PRESIDENT, FINOP
Position Start Date	05/2013
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):	VOLT FASHIONS, LLC
Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?	Domestic Entity
Position	OWNER
Position Start Date	06/2015
Percentage of Ownership	10% but less than 25%
Does this owner direct the management or policies of the firm?	No
Is this a public reporting company?	No

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):	PHLONG, SEILA 4842392
Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?	Individual
Position	MUNICIPAL PRINCIPAL
Position Start Date	07/2015

Firm Profile



Direct Owners and Executive Officers (continued)

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

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):	SINHA, SIDHARTH 6524799
Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?	Individual
Company through which indirect ownership is established	VOLT FASHIONS, LLC
Relationship to Direct Owner	CEO
Relationship Established	06/2015
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

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 08/04/2005 to 07/14/2016.

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 9 types of businesses.

Types of Business

Broker or dealer retailing corporate equity securities over-the-counter
Broker or dealer selling corporate debt securities
Mutual fund underwriter or sponsor
Mutual fund retailer
U S. government securities broker
Municipal securities dealer
Municipal securities broker
Solicitor of time deposits in a financial institution
Trading securities for own account

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 refer or introduce customers to other brokers and dealers.

Name:	SOUTHWEST SECURITIES, INC.
CRD #:	6220
Business Address:	1201 ELM ST DALLAS, TX 75270-2180
Effective Date:	02/13/2013
Description:	SOUTHWEST SECURITIES, INC. MAINTAINS POSSESSION AND CONTROL OF CUSTOMER'S FUNDS AND SECURITIES. YIELDQUEST SECURITIES, LLC INTRODUCES CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS TO SOUTHWEST SECURITIES, INC. ON A FULLY DISCLOSED BASIS.

Firm Operations

Industry Arrangements



This firm does have books or records maintained by a third party.

Name: SOUTHWEST SECURITIES, INC.
CRD #: 6220
Business Address: 1201 ELM ST
DALLAS, TX 75270-2180
Effective Date: 02/13/2013
Description: BOOKS AND RECORDS ARE PRODUCED AND MAINTAINED BY SOUTHWEST SECURITIES, INC., INCLUDING CUSTOMER CONFIRMATIONS, CUSTOMER STATEMENTS, 1099'S, TRADE TICKETS, DAILY TRANSACTION LEDGERS AND BLOTTERS, EXCEPTION REPORTS, NEW ACCOUNT INFORMATION, COMMISSION STATEMENTS.

This firm does have accounts, funds, or securities maintained by a third party.

Name: SOUTHWEST SECURITIES, INC.
CRD #: 6220
Business Address: 1201 ELM ST
DALLAS, TX 75270-2180
Effective Date: 02/13/2013
Description: THE APPLICANT WILL OPERATE UNDER A FULLY DISCLOSED CLEARING ARRANGEMENT WITH SOUTHWEST SECURITIES, INC.

This firm does have customer accounts, funds, or securities maintained by a third party.

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Control Persons/Financing

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

Firm Operations

Industry Arrangements (continued)



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 not, 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.**

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



Disclosure Events

All firms registered to sell securities or provide investment advice are required to disclose regulatory actions, criminal or civil judicial proceedings, and certain financial matters in which the firm or one of its control affiliates has been involved. For your convenience, below is a matrix of the number and status of disclosure events involving this brokerage firm or one of its control affiliates. Further information regarding these events can be found in the subsequent pages of this report.

	Pending	Final	On Appeal
Regulatory Event	0	1	0

Disclosure Event Details

What you should know about reported disclosure events:

1. **BrokerCheck provides details for any disclosure event that was reported in CRD. It also includes summary information regarding FINRA arbitration awards in cases where the brokerage firm was named as a respondent.**
2. **Certain thresholds must be met before an event is reported to CRD, for example:**
 - o A law enforcement agency must file formal charges before a brokerage firm is required to disclose a particular criminal event.
3. **Disclosure events in BrokerCheck reports come from different sources:**
 - o Disclosure events for this brokerage firm were reported by the firm and/or regulators. When the firm and a regulator report information for the same event, both versions of the event will appear in the BrokerCheck report. The different versions will be separated by a solid line with the reporting source labeled.
4. **There are different statuses and dispositions for disclosure events:**
 - o A disclosure event may have a status of *pending*, *on appeal*, or *final*.
 - A "pending" event involves allegations that have not been proven or formally adjudicated.
 - An event that is "on appeal" involves allegations that have been adjudicated but are currently being appealed.
 - A "final" event has been concluded and its resolution is not subject to change.
 - o A final event generally has a disposition of *adjudicated*, *settled* or *otherwise resolved*.
 - An "adjudicated" matter includes a disposition by (1) a court of law in a criminal or civil matter, or (2) an administrative panel in an action brought by a regulator that is contested by the party charged with some alleged wrongdoing.
 - A "settled" matter generally involves an agreement by the parties to resolve the matter. Please note that firms may choose to settle customer disputes or regulatory matters for business or other reasons.
 - A "resolved" matter usually involves no payment to the customer and no finding of wrongdoing on the part of the individual broker. Such matters generally involve customer disputes.
5. **You may wish to contact the brokerage firm to obtain further information regarding any of the disclosure events contained in this BrokerCheck report.**

Regulatory - Final

This type of disclosure event involves (1) a final, formal proceeding initiated by a regulatory authority (e.g., a state securities agency, self-regulatory organization, federal regulator such as the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, foreign financial regulatory body) for a violation of investment-related rules or regulations; or (2) a revocation or suspension of the authority of a brokerage firm or its control affiliate to act as an attorney, accountant or federal contractor.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source: Regulator

Current Status: Final



Allegations:	RESPONDENT YIELDQUEST SECURITIES, LLC FAILED TO PAY FEES OF \$9,101.80 DUE TO FINRA.
Initiated By:	FINRA
Date Initiated:	12/22/2015
Docket/Case Number:	N/A
Principal Product Type:	No Product
Other Product Type(s):	
Principal Sanction(s)/Relief Sought:	Other
Other Sanction(s)/Relief Sought:	CANCELLATION
Resolution:	Other
Resolution Date:	07/14/2016
Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct?	No
Sanctions Ordered:	
Other Sanctions Ordered:	CANCELLATION
Sanction Details:	PURSUANT TO FINRA RULE 9553, YIELDQUEST SECURITIES' MEMBERSHIP WITH FINRA IS CANCELED AS OF JULY 14, 2016 FOR FAILURE TO PAY OUTSTANDING FEES.

End of Report



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