

BrokerCheck Report

AVATAR CAPITAL GROUP LLC

CRD# 150136

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User Guidance

AVATAR CAPITAL GROUP LLC

CRD# 150136

SEC# 8-68218

Main Office Location

525 WASHINGTON BLVD. 14TH FLOOR JERSEY CITY, NJ 07310

Mailing Address

525 WASHINGTON BLVD. 14TH FLOOR JERSEY CITY, NJ 07310

Business Telephone Number

(212) 437-8120

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 03/16/2009. 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

The number of disclosures from non-registered control affiliates is 6

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: 06/30/2022

Does this brokerage firm owe any money or securities to any customer or brokerage firm?

This firm is classified as a limited liability company.

This firm was formed in Delaware on 03/16/2009.

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.

AVATAR CAPITAL GROUP LLC
Doing business as AVATAR CAPITAL GROUP LLC

CRD# 150136 **SEC#** 8-68218

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Business Telephone Number

(212) 437-8120



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): FX DIRECT DEALER LLC ("FXDD")

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Domestic Entity

Position OWNER

Position Start Date 03/2009

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):

ASSENTATO, EMIL

1952191

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

entity or an individual?

CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER

Position Start Date

01/2022

Percentage of Ownership

Less than 5%

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

Yes

Is this a public reporting

company?

Position

No

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):

ASSENTATO, EMIL

1952191

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

Position

MEMBER, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Position Start Date

03/2009

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Direct Owners and Executive Officers (continued)

Percentage of Ownership

Less than 5%

Does this owner direct the management or policies of

Yes

the firm?

Is this a public reporting

company?

No

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):

GARLAND, JOSEPH TIMOTHY

1043919

Is this a domestic or foreign

Individual

entity or an individual?

Position

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AND FINOP

Position Start Date

03/2012

Percentage of Ownership

Less than 5%

Does this owner direct the

management or policies of

the firm?

Yes

Is this a public reporting

company?

No

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



Indirect Owners

Legal Name & CRD# (if any): ASSENTATO, EMIL

1952191

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

Company through which indirect ownership is established

MAX Q

Relationship to Direct Owner

OWNER

Relationship Established

01/2009

Percentage of Ownership

75% or more

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

Yes

Is this a public reporting

No

company?

Legal Name & CRD# (if any): CURRENCY MOUNTAIN HOLDINGS LLC

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Domestic Entity

Company through which indirect ownership is established

FX DIRECT DEALER LLC

Relationship to Direct Owner

OWNER

Relationship Established

12/2012

Percentage of Ownership

75% or more

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

Yes

Is this a public reporting

No

company?

MAX Q INVESTMENTS LLC ("MAX Q")

Legal Name & CRD# (if any): Is this a domestic or foreign

Domestic Entity

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Indirect Owners (continued)

entity or an individual?

Company through which indirect ownership is established

CURRENCY MOUNTAIN HOLDINGS LLC

Relationship to Direct Owner

OWNER

Relationship Established

12/2012

Percentage of Ownership

75% or more

Does this owner direct the management or policies of

Yes

the firm?

Is this a public reporting

company?

No

Firm History

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

FINCA

No information reported.

Registrations

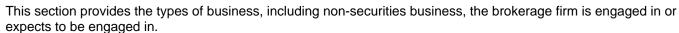
FINCA

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 11/23/2009 to 08/29/2022.

Types of Business



This firm currently conducts 8 types of businesses.

Types of Business

Broker or dealer retailing corporate equity securities over-the-counter

Broker or dealer selling corporate debt securities

U S. government securities dealer

U S. government securities broker

Municipal securities dealer

Municipal securities broker

Put and call broker or dealer or option writer

Non-exchange member arranging for transactions in listed securities by exchange member





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: HILLTOP SECURITIES INC.

CRD #: 6220

Business Address: 1201 ELM ST

SUITE 3500

DALLAS, TX 75270

Effective Date: 10/01/2018

Description: APPLICANT INTRODUCES ON A FULLY DISCLOSED BASIS TO ITS

CLEARING FIRM, HILLTOP SECURITIES INC.

Industry Arrangements



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

Name: HILLTOP SECURITIES INC.

CRD #: 6220

Business Address: 1201 ELM ST

SUITE 3500

DALLAS, TX 75270

Effective Date: 10/01/2018

Description: APPLICANT INTRODUCES ON A FULLY DISCLOSED BASIS TO ITS

CLEARING FIRM, HILLTOP SECURITIES INC.

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

Name: HILLTOP SECURITIES INC.

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DALLAS, TX 75270

Effective Date: 10/01/2018

Description: APPLICANT INTRODUCES ON A FULLY DISCLOSED BASIS TO ITS

CLEARING FIRM, HILLTOP SECURITIES INC.

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

Name: HILLTOP SECURITIES INC.

CRD #: 6220

Business Address: 1201 ELM ST

SUITE 3500

DALLAS, TX 75270

Effective Date: 10/01/2018

Description: APPLICANT INTRODUCES ON A FULLY DISCLOSED BASIS TO ITS

CLEARING FIRM, HILLTOP SECURITIES INC.

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.

Organization Affiliates

FINCA

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

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Disclosure Events for Non-Registered Control Affiliates



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	6	0



Disclosure Event Details

Regulatory - Final

Disclosure 1 of 6

Reporting Source: Firm

Affiliate: FXDIRECT DEALER LLC

Current Status: Final

Allegations: COMPLAINT:

ON SEPTEMBER 3, 2014, NFA ISSUED A COMPLAINT CHARGING FXDD WITH FAILING TO IMPLEMENT AN ADEQUATE ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING PROGRAM, FAILING TO OFFSET TRANSACTIONS IN THE ACCOUNTS OF CERTAIN CUSTOMERS IN A FAIR AND ACCEPTABLE METHOD, FAILING TO FILE CERTIFIED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IN A TIMELY MANNER AND USING MISLEADING PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL TO SOLICIT CUSTOMERS. THE COMPLAINT ALSO CHARGED FXDD AND BOTKIER WITH FAILING TO ADEQUATELY SUPERVISE THE FIRM'S OPERATIONS AND ITS EMPLOYEES.

COMPLAINT:

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Initiated By: NFA

Date Initiated: 09/03/2014

Docket/Case Number: NFA 14BCC00017

Principal Product Type: Other

Other Product Type(s): FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief Civ

Civil and Administrative Penalt(ies) /Fine(s)

Sought:



Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution: Settled

Resolution Date: 12/08/2014

Sanctions Ordered: Monetary/Fine \$500,000.00

Other Sanctions Ordered: ON DECEMBER 8, 2014, PURSUANT TO A SETTLEMENT OFFER SUBMITTED

BY FXDD AND BOTKIER, FXDD WAS ORDERED TO PAY A \$500,000 FINE.

FXDD WAS ALSO ORDERED TO VOLUNTARILY WITHDRAW AS A

PROVISIONALLY REGISTERED SWAP DEALER; AND THEREAFTER OPERATE ONLY AS AN NFA MEMBER IB. AS AN NFA MEMBER IB, FXDD WAS ORDERED

TO NOT ACT AS A COUNTERPARTY OR DEALER IN ANY SWAPS

TRANSACTION AND MAINTAIN ADJUSTED NET CAPITAL AS REQUIRED FOR

AN IB UNDER NFA FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS SECTION 5.

Sanction Details: ON DECEMBER 8, 2014, PURSUANT TO A SETTLEMENT OFFER SUBMITTED

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Reporting Source: Firm

Affiliate: BOTKIER JOSEPH

Current Status: Final

Allegations: COMPLAINT:

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ADEQUATELY SUPERVISE THE FIRM'S OPERATIONS AND ITS EMPLOYEES.

COMPLAINT:



ON SEPTEMBER 3, 2014, NFA ISSUED A COMPLAINT CHARGING FXDD WITH FAILING TO IMPLEMENT AN ADEQUATE ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING PROGRAM, FAILING TO OFFSET TRANSACTIONS IN THE ACCOUNTS OF CERTAIN CUSTOMERS IN A FAIR AND ACCEPTABLE METHOD, FAILING TO FILE CERTIFIED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IN A TIMELY MANNER AND USING

MISLEADING PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL TO SOLICIT CUSTOMERS. THE COMPLAINT ALSO CHARGED FXDD AND BOTKIER WITH FAILING TO

ADEQUATELY SUPERVISE THE FIRM'S OPERATIONS AND ITS EMPLOYEES.

Initiated By: NFA

Date Initiated: 09/03/2014

Docket/Case Number: NFA 14BCC00017

Principal Product Type: Other

Other Product Type(s): FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Civil and Administrative Penalt(ies) /Fine(s)

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution: Settled

Resolution Date: 12/08/2014

Sanctions Ordered: Monetary/Fine \$500,000.00

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Disclosure 2 of 6

Reporting Source: Firm

Affiliate: FXDIRECT DEALER LLC

Current Status: Final

Allegations: FXDIRECTDEALER, LLC ORDERED TO PAY \$600,000 CIVIL MONETARY

PENALTY AND TO COMPLY WITH THREE-YEAR REGISTRATION BAN AS FCM OR RFED FOR VIOLATING MINIMUM FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS AND A

PRIOR CFTC ORDER

FIRM'S SUPERVISORY FAILURES LED TO REPEATED AND EXTENDED

PERIODS OF UNDERCAPITALIZATION

WASHINGTON, DC - THE U.S. COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION (CFTC) TODAY ISSUED AN ORDER FILING AND

SIMULTANEOUSLY SETTLING CHARGES AGAINST FXDIRECTDEALER, LLC (FXDD), A CFTC-REGISTERED RETAIL FOREIGN EXCHANGE DEALER (RFED)

AND FUTURES COMMISSION MERCHANT (FCM) HEADQUARTERED IN NEW YORK, NEW YORK, FOR FAILING TO MEET THE MINIMUM FINANCIAL

REQUIREMENTS FOR RFEDS AND FCMS, FAILING TO SUPERVISE ITS

EMPLOYEES, AND FAILING TO COMPLY WITH A PRIOR CFTC

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DATED SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (PRIOR ORDER) (SEE CFTC PRESS RELEASE 6725-13). FXDD HAS BEEN REGISTERED WITH THE CFTC AS AN FCM SINCE DECEMBER 10, 2009 AND AS AN RFED SINCE

SEPTEMBER 2, 2010.

UNDER CFTC REGULATIONS, RFEDS AND FCMS THAT OFFER OR ENGAGE IN RETAIL FOREIGN EXCHANGE (FOREX) TRANSACTIONS MUST AT ALL TIMES MAINTAIN ADJUSTED NET CAPITAL (ANC) OF \$20 MILLION, OR MORE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES. IN THE PRIOR ORDER, THE CFTC FOUND THAT FXDD FAILED TO MAINTAIN ITS REQUIRED ANC DURING AT LEAST 18 SEPARATE MONTHS BETWEEN NOVEMBER 2010 AND DECEMBER 2012 AND ORDERED FXDD TO, AMONG OTHER THINGS, CEASE AND DESIST FROM FURTHER VIOLATIONS OF ITS ANC REQUIREMENTS.

ACCORDING TO THE ORDER, DURING THE PERIOD MARCH 20, 2013 TO DECEMBER 11, 2013, FXDD IMPROPERLY INCLUDED CERTAIN FUNDS HELD



IN AN ACCOUNT AT AN UNREGULATED ENTITY IN ITS ANC COMPUTATIONS. AFTER EXCLUDING THOSE FUNDS AS REQUIRED, THE ORDER FINDS THAT FXDD WAS UNDERCAPITALIZED FOR 96 DAYS BETWEEN APRIL 24, 2013 AND DECEMBER 13, 2013. ADDITIONALLY, THE ORDER FINDS THAT FXDD WAS UNDERCAPITALIZED FOR 41 DAYS BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 AND DECEMBER 13, 2013 IN VIOLATION OF THE PRIOR ORDER. THE ORDER ALSO FINDS THAT FXDD VIOLATED CFTC MINIMUM FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY MAKING THREE PROHIBITED EQUITY WITHDRAWALS BETWEEN JANUARY 13, 2014 AND FEBRUARY 14, 2014.

EACH OF THESE VIOLATIONS, THE ORDER FINDS, WAS A RESULT OF FXDD'S INADEQUATE SUPERVISORY SYSTEM AND ITS FAILURE TO DILIGENTLY SUPERVISE EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS, AND AGENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE HANDLING AND MONITORING OF FXDD'S COMPLIANCE WITH ITS MINIMUM FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS.

THE ORDER IMPOSES A \$600,000 CIVIL MONETARY PENALTY AGAINST FXDD FOR ITS VIOLATIONS, AS WELL AS A CEASE AND DESIST ORDER AND A THREE-YEAR REGISTRATION BAN AS AN FCM OR RFED. THE ORDER NOTES THAT IN SETTLING THIS MATTER, THE CFTC TOOK INTO ACCOUNT THE CORRECTIVE ACTION THAT FXDD UNDERTOOK AFTER ITS DEFICIENCIES WERE DISCOVERED AND FXDD'S PENDING REQUEST TO WITHDRAW ITS REGISTRATIONS AS AN FCM AND RFED.

THE CFTC THANKS THE NATIONAL FUTURES ASSOCIATION FOR ITS ASSISTANCE.

CFTC DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT STAFF MEMBERS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS CASE ARE RACHEL HAYES, CHARLES MARVINE, AND RICHARD WAGNER. KEVIN PICCOLI, GERALD NUDGE, ROBERT LOEBER, AND NICHOLAS CHIACCHERE OF THE CFTC'S DIVISION OF SWAP DEALER AND INTERMEDIARY OVERSIGHT ALSO ASSISTED IN THIS MATTER.

Initiated By: CFTC

Date Initiated: 09/24/2014

Docket/Case Number: CFTC 14-28



Principal Product Type: Other

Other Product Type(s): FOREIGN EXCHANGE

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Civil and Administrative Penalt(ies) /Fine(s)

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

PAY \$600,000 CIVIL MONETARY PENALTY AND TO COMPLY WITH THREE-

YEAR REGISTRATION BAN AS FCM OR RFED

Resolution: Settled

Resolution Date: 09/24/2014

Sanctions Ordered: Monetary/Fine \$600,000.00

Cease and Desist/Injunction

Other Sanctions Ordered: PAY \$600,000 CIVIL MONETARY PENALTY AND TO COMPLY WITH THREE-

YEAR REGISTRATION BAN AS FCM OR RFED

Sanction Details: PAY \$600,000 CIVIL MONETARY PENALTY AND TO COMPLY WITH THREE-

YEAR REGISTRATION BAN AS FCM OR RFED

Firm Statement MAY NOT APPLY TO REGISTER 09/24/2014

COMMISSION ORDER 09/24/2014 OTHER (SEE NARRATIVE) 09/24/2014 CEASE AND DESIST ORDER 09/24/2014

Disclosure 3 of 6

Reporting Source: Firm

Affiliate: FXDIRECTDEALERS LLC

Current Status: Final

Allegations: NFA ISSUED A COMPLAINT CHARGING FXDD WITH FAILING TO IMPLEMENT

AN ADEQUATE AML PROGRAM. THE COMPLAINT ALSO CHARGED FXDD

AND GREEN WITH FAILING TO SUPERVISE.

Initiated By: NFA

Date Initiated: 10/23/2012

Docket/Case Number: NFA 12BCC00030

Principal Product Type: No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Civil and Administrative Penalt(ies) /Fine(s)

Sought:



Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution: Settled

Resolution Date: 09/18/2013

Sanctions Ordered: Monetary/Fine \$1,095,119.00

Other Sanctions Ordered: CUSTOMER RESTITUTION OF \$1828261.00 (REFLECTED IN CFTC CASE #

13-34)

Sanction Details: FINE \$1095119.00; PAID 9/24/13

RESTITUTION \$1828261; PAID 9/24/13

Firm Statement THIS WAS ROLLED INTO AND SETTLED WITH NFA 12BCC00021.

Disclosure 4 of 6

Reporting Source: Firm

Affiliate: FXDIRECTDEALERS LLC

Current Status: Final

Allegations: NFA ISSUED A COMPLAINT CHARGING FXDD WITH USING ASYMMETRICAL

PRICE SLIPPAGE SETTINGS THAT FAVORED FXDD OVER CUSTOMERS;

FAILING TO SUPERVISE THE TRADE INTEGRITY OF THE FIRM'S

ELECTRONIC TRADING SYSTEMS; FAILING TO MAINTAIN COMPLETE AND ACCURATE RECORDS; FAILING TO REVIEW THE USE OF PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL; MAKING IMPROPER PRICE ADJUSTMENTS IN CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS; KNOWINGLY CONVERTING CUSTOMER FUNDS; FAILING TO IMPLEMENT AN ADEQUATE AML PROGRAM; AND FAILING TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT ADEQUATE PROCEDURES TO ENSURE THAT ALL ENTITIES AND PERSONS THAT THE FIRM DOES BUSINESS WITH ARE REGISTERED WITH THE CFTC AND NFA MEMBERS. THE COMPLAINT ALSO CHARGED

FXDD AND GREEN WITH WILLFULLY SUBMITTING MISLEADING

INFORMATION TO NFA AND OTHERS; FAILING TO TREAT ALL CUSTOMERS

EQUALLY WHEN GIVING PRICE ADJUSTMENTS; AND FAILING TO

SUPERVISE.

Initiated By: NFA

Date Initiated: 06/29/2012

Docket/Case Number: NFA 12BCC00021

Principal Product Type: Other

Other Product Type(s): FOREIGN CURRENCY



Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Civil and Administrative Penalt(ies) /Fine(s)

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution: Settled

Resolution Date: 09/18/2013

Sanctions Ordered: Monetary/Fine \$1,095,119.00

Other Sanctions Ordered: CUSTOMER RESTITUTION OF \$1828261.00 (REFLECTED IN CFTC CASE #

13-34)

Sanction Details: FINE - \$1,095,119; PAID 9/24/13

RESTITUTION \$1,828,261; PAID 9/24/13

Firm Statement IN ADDITION, FXDD WAS ORDERED NOT TO IMPOSE ANY FEES, PENALTIES,

OR OTHER CHARGES FOR RESTITUION CREDITS MADE TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS, NOR IMPOSE ANY FEES OR RESTRICTIONS IF AND WHEN AFFECTED CUSTOMERS WITHDRAW THE RESTITUTION FUNDS CREDITED TO THEIR ACCOUNTS. FINALLY, FXDD WAS ORDERED TO PROVIDE ALL NECESSARY INFORMATION TO NFA SO IT CAN VERIFY THAT FXDD HAS CREDITED THE AFFECTED CUSTOMERS THE AMOUNT OF RESTITUTION DUE THEM FOR UNFAVORABLE PRICE SLIPPAGE THEY EXPERIENCED ON "LIMIT-FILL-OR-KILL" TRADES PLACED IN THEIR ACCOUNTS FROM

DECEMBER 10, 2009 UNTIL JUNE 29, 2011; AND THAT THOSE CREDITS

WERE, IN FACT, RECEIVED BY SUCH CUSTOMERS.

Disclosure 5 of 6

Reporting Source: Firm

Affiliate: FXDIRECTDEALER LLC

Current Status: Final

Allegations: FXDD DID NOT MAINTAIN ITS REQUIRED ADJUSTED NET CAPITAL DURING

AT LEAST 18 SEPARATE MONTHS BETWEEN NOVEMBER 2010 AND

DECEMBER 2012. WITH MONTH-END ADJUSTED NET CAPITAL

COMPUTATIONS SHOWING THAT FXDD WAS UNDERCAPITALIZED BY MORE

THAN \$7.5 MILLION AT ONE POINT. BECAUSE FXDD REPORTED ITS ADJUSTED NET CAPITAL ON A CONSOLIDATED BASIS WITH ITS SUBSIDIARY, FXDD APPARENTLY DID NOT REALIZE THAT, ON THE

REQUIRED STAND-ALONE BASIS, IT FAILED TO SATISFY ITS ADJUSTED NET

CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS THROUGHOUT MOST OF THIS PERIOD, THE

ORDER FINDS.



Initiated By: CFTC

Date Initiated: 09/30/2013

Docket/Case Number: CFTC 13-42

Principal Product Type: No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Cease and Desist

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

FINE

Resolution: Order

Resolution Date: 09/30/2013

Sanctions Ordered: Monetary/Fine \$275,000.00

Cease and Desist/Injunction

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details: FINE \$275,000; PAID 10/4/2013

Firm Statement NO OTHER CONDITIONS.

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Reporting Source: Firm

Affiliate: FXDIRECTDEALER, LLC

Current Status: Final

Allegations: THE PRICE QUOTES OFFERED BY FXDD COULD SLIP BETWEEN THE TIME

THE CUSTOMER WOULD CLICK ON A PRICE SHOWING ON THE COMPUTER AND THE TIME FXDD WOULD FILL THE ORDER. THE SYSTEM EMPLOYED SLIPPAGE PARAMETERS THAT DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THE ORDER

IS FILLED OR REJECTED. THE ODER INDICATES FXDD USED

ASYMMETRICAL SLIPPAGE PARAMETERS THAT FAVORED THE FIRM OVER

THE CUSTOMER.

Initiated By: CFTC

Date Initiated: 09/18/2013

Docket/Case Number: CFTC 13-34

Principal Product Type: Other



Other Product Type(s): FOREIGN CURRENCY

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Cease and Desist

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

CIVIL MONETARY PENALTY AND CUSTOMER RESTITUTION

Resolution: Order

Resolution Date: 09/18/2013

Sanctions Ordered: Monetary/Fine \$2,742,392.00

Disgorgement/Restitution Cease and Desist/Injunction

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details: RESTITUTION - \$1,828,261

CFTC CIVIL PENALTY - \$914,131

PAID -9/24/13

Firm Statement NO OTHER CONDITIONS.

End of Report



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