

BrokerCheck Report

WEALTHSTONE EQUITIES, INC.

CRD# 17826

<u>Section Title</u>	<u>Page(s)</u>
Report Summary	1
Registration and Withdrawal	2
Firm Profile	3 - 5
Firm History	6
Firm Operations	7 - 11
Disclosure Events	12



When communicating online or investing with any professional, make sure you know who you're dealing with. [Imposters](#) might link to sites like BrokerCheck from [phishing](#) or similar scam websites, or through [social media](#), trying to steal your personal information or your money.

Please contact FINRA with any concerns.

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:
 - 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
 - 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.

-

Thank you for using FINRA BrokerCheck.



Using this site/information means that you accept the FINRA BrokerCheck Terms and Conditions. A complete list of Terms and Conditions can be found at brokercheck.finra.org



For additional information about the contents of this report, please refer to the User Guidance or www.finra.org/brokercheck. It provides a glossary of terms and a list of frequently asked questions, as well as additional resources. [For more information about FINRA, visit www.finra.org.](http://www.finra.org)



WEALTHSTONE EQUITIES, INC.

CRD# 17826

SEC# 8-35791

Main Office Location

5000 HORIZONS DR.
COLUMBUS, OH 43220

Mailing Address

5000 HORIZONS DR.
COLUMBUS, OH 43220

Business Telephone Number

614-267-2600

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 corporation.
This firm was formed in Ohio on 11/26/1985.
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	3

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: 11/08/2016

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



Firm Profile

This firm is classified as a corporation.

This firm was formed in Ohio on 11/26/1985.

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.

WEALTHSTONE EQUITIES, INC.

Doing business as WEALTHSTONE EQUITIES, INC.

CRD# 17826

SEC# 8-35791

Main Office Location

5000 HORIZONS DR.
COLUMBUS, OH 43220

Mailing Address

5000 HORIZONS DR.
COLUMBUS, OH 43220

Business Telephone Number

614-267-2600



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):	WEALTHSTONE, INC.
Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?	Domestic Entity
Position	CORPORATE INTERMEDIARY
Position Start Date	11/1985
Percentage of Ownership	75% or more
Does this owner direct the management or policies of the firm?	No
Is this a public reporting company?	No

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):	SHEFFIELD, DOUGLAS MCDONALD 1174596
Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?	Individual
Position	PRESIDENT; CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER
Position Start Date	11/1995
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

Firm Profile

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



Indirect Owners

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):	WYLAND, JAMES HOWARD 473655
Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?	Individual
Company through which indirect ownership is established	WEALTHSTONE, INC.
Relationship to Direct Owner	BENEFICIAL OWNER
Relationship Established	11/1985
Percentage of Ownership	25% but less than 50%
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 06/20/1986 to 01/09/2017.

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 4 types of businesses.

Types of Business

Mutual fund retailer
Broker or dealer selling variable life insurance or annuities
Broker or dealer selling tax shelters or limited partnerships in primary distributions
Other - INVESTMENT BANKING

Other Types of Business

This firm does not effect transactions in commodities, commodity futures, or commodity options.
This firm does not engage in other non-securities business.

Non-Securities Business Description:

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.

WEALTHSTONE INC controls the firm.

CRD #:	110725
Business Address:	5000 HORIZONS DR. COLUMBUS, OH 43220
Effective Date:	11/26/1985
Foreign Entity:	No
Country:	
Securities Activities:	No
Investment Advisory Activities:	Yes
Description:	WEALTHSTONE, INC., A REGISTERED INVESTMENT ADVISOR, OWNS 100% OF THE STOCK OF APPLICANT.

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	3	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:**
 - 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:**
 - 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:**
 - 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.
 - 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 3

Reporting Source: Regulator

Current Status: Final



Allegations: 4/27/99GS: ON APRIL 9, 1999, DISTRICT NO. 8 NOTIFIED RESPONDENT FIRST COLUMBUS EQUITIES, INC. THAT THE LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE, WAIVER, AND CONSENT NO. C8B990010 WAS ACCEPTED; THEREFORE, THE FIRM IS CENSURED AND FINED \$1,000 - (NASD RULE 2110 - RESPONDENT MEMBER FAILED TO FILE A FOCUS IIA REPORT ON A TIMELY BASIS IN VIOLATION OF SEC RULE 17A-5(A)(2)(II)).

Initiated By: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITIES DEALERS, INC.

Date Initiated: 04/09/1999

Docket/Case Number: C8B990010

Principal Product Type: Other

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief Sought: Censure

Other Sanction(s)/Relief Sought: FINED \$1,000.00

Resolution: Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)

Resolution Date: 04/09/1999

Sanctions Ordered: Censure
Monetary/Fine \$1,000.00

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details: CENSURED AND FINED \$1,000

Regulator Statement 09/03/1999JJM: \$2,500.00 (CREDIT, NET CHARGE \$1,000.00) PAID ON 05/06/1999, INVOICE NO. 99-8B-355.

Reporting Source: Firm

Current Status: Final

Allegations: FAILURE TO FILE REPORT FOCUS IIA REQUIRED BY SEC RULE 17-A5(A)(2)(III) WITH THE NASD WITHIN 17 BUSINESS DAYS FOLLOWING END OF DECEMBER, 1998 QUARTER IN VIOLATION OF CONDUCT RULE 2110. THE REPORT WAS RECEIVED 2 CALENDAR DAYS LATE.

Initiated By: NASD

Date Initiated: 03/09/1999

Docket/Case Number: C8B990010



Principal Product Type: Insurance

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief Sought: Censure

Other Sanction(s)/Relief Sought: FINE

Resolution: Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)

Resolution Date: 05/10/1999

Sanctions Ordered: Censure
Monetary/Fine \$1,000.00

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details: \$1,000 FINE PAID ON 5/19/1999.

Disclosure 2 of 3

Reporting Source: Regulator

Current Status: Final

Allegations:

Initiated By: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITIES DEALERS, INC.

Date Initiated: 09/08/1995

Docket/Case Number: C8B950019

Principal Product Type:

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief Sought:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief Sought:

Resolution: Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)

Resolution Date: 09/08/1995

Sanctions Ordered: Censure
Monetary/Fine \$2,500.00

Other Sanctions Ordered:



Sanction Details:

Regulator Statement

ON SEPTEMBER 8, 1995, DISTRICT NO. 8 NOTIFIED FIRST COLUMBUS EQUITIES, INC. THAT THE LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE, WAIVER, AND CONSENT NO. C8B950019 WAS ACCEPTED: THEREFORE, RESPONDENT MEMBER IS CENSURED AND FINED \$2,500. - (ARTICLE III, SECTION 1 OF THE RULES OF FAIR PRACTICE - RESPONDENT MEMBER FAILED TO COMPLY WITH SEC RULES 15c2-4 IN THAT IT FAILED TO ESTABLISH AN ESCROW ACCOUNT ARRANGEMENT OFFER HOLDING CUSTOMER SUBSCRIPTIONS IN A CONTINGENT OFFERING.)

\$2,500.00 PAID ON 9/22/95, INVOICE #95-8B-585

Reporting Source:

Firm

Current Status:

Final

Allegations:

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH RULE 15C2-4 IN THAT IT FAILED TO ESTABLISH AN ESCROW ACCOUNT FOR HOLDING CUSTOMER SUBSCRIPTIONS IN A CONTINGENT OFFERING ENTITLED JACKSON I-94 HOTEL LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, IN VIOLATION OF ART III, SECTION 1 OF THE RULES OF FAIR PRACTICE OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Initiated By:

NASD

Date Initiated:

06/19/1995

Docket/Case Number:

C8B950019

Principal Product Type:

Insurance

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief Sought:

Censure

Other Sanction(s)/Relief Sought:

FINE

Resolution:

Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)

Resolution Date:

09/08/1995

Sanctions Ordered:

Censure
Monetary/Fine \$2,500.00

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

\$2,500 FINE PAID 09/19/1995.



Disclosure 3 of 3

Reporting Source:	Regulator
Current Status:	Final
Allegations:	FAILURE TO PAY ASSESSMENT FEE
Initiated By:	CALIFORNIA
Date Initiated:	08/27/1991
Docket/Case Number:	AWC-C8B950019
URL for Regulatory Action:	
Principal Product Type:	
Other Product Type(s):	
Principal Sanction(s)/Relief Sought:	
Other Sanction(s)/Relief Sought:	
Resolution:	Order
Resolution Date:	08/27/1991
Sanctions Ordered:	Revocation/Expulsion/Denial
Other Sanctions Ordered:	
Sanction Details:	BROKER-DEALER CERTIFICATE SUMMARILY REVOKED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF ASSESSMENT FEE
Regulator Statement	Not Provided

Reporting Source:	Firm
Current Status:	Final
Allegations:	FALIURE TO PAY ASSESSMENT FEE
Initiated By:	CALIFORNIA
Date Initiated:	08/27/1991
Docket/Case Number:	
Principal Product Type:	Insurance



Other Product Type(s):	
Principal Sanction(s)/Relief Sought:	Revocation
Other Sanction(s)/Relief Sought:	
Resolution:	Order
Resolution Date:	08/27/1991
Sanctions Ordered:	Revocation/Expulsion/Denial
Other Sanctions Ordered:	
Sanction Details:	LICENSE REVOKED
Firm Statement	ORDER ENTERED REVOKING CALIFORNIA LICENSE. LICENSE HAS SINCE BE REINSTATED.

End of Report



This page is intentionally left blank.