

## **BrokerCheck Report**

## **FMN CAPITAL CORPORATION**

CRD# 38105

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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:
  - 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.
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User Guidance

## **FMN CAPITAL CORPORATION**

CRD# 38105

SEC# 8-48082

#### **Main Office Location**

26041 ACERO MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691 Regulated by FINRA Los Angeles Office

## **Mailing Address**

26041 ACERO MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691

## **Business Telephone Number**

949-455-0300

## **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 California on 01/31/1995. 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 firm is registered with:

- the SEC
- 1 Self-Regulatory Organization
- 51 U.S. states and territories

Is this brokerage firm currently suspended with any regulator? **No** 

This firm conducts 6 types of businesses.

This firm is affiliated with financial or investment institutions.

This firm has referral or financial arrangements with other brokers or dealers.

#### **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

This firm is classified as a corporation.

This firm was formed in California on 01/31/1995.

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.

#### **FMN CAPITAL CORPORATION**

**Doing business as FMN CAPITAL CORPORATION** 

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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): JEFFREY G. MERWIN IRREVOCABLE TRUST DATED 12.29.2021

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Domestic Entity

**Position** OWNER

Position Start Date 12/2021

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

Legal Name & CRD# (if any): MATTHEW M. MERWIN IRREVOCABLE TRUST DATED 12.28.2021

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

**Domestic Entity** 

**Position** OWNER

Position Start Date 12/2021

**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

Legal Name & CRD# (if any): JOHN J. MERWIN IRREVOCABLE TRUST DATED 12.28.2021

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Domestic Entity

Position OWNER
Position Start Date 12/2021

Percentage of Ownership 10% but less than 25%

## **Direct Owners and Executive Officers (continued)**

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

No

Is this a public reporting company?

No

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):

MERWIN, JOHN J

6249352

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

**Position** 

**TRUSTEE** 

**Position Start Date** 

12/2021

**Percentage of Ownership** 

10% but less than 25%

Does this owner direct the management or policies of

the firm?

Is this a public reporting

company?

No

Nο

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):

MERWIN, MATTHEW SCOTT

1142898

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

**Position** 

FOUNDER/OWNER

**Position Start Date** 

01/1995

**Percentage of Ownership** 

10% but less than 25%

Does this owner direct the management or policies of

Yes

the firm?

Is this a public reporting

company?

No

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):

MERWIN, JEFFREY GEORGE

5165996







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**Direct Owners and Executive Officers (continued)** 

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

Position

CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER/TRUSTEE

**Position Start Date** 

07/2016

**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

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):

MERWIN, MATTHEW MICHAEL

5930281

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

Position

FINOP, PFO, POO/TRUSTEE

**Position Start Date** 

04/2017

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

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):

TICKEL, GARY ARNOLD

1100279

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

**Position** 

ALTERNATE FINOP

**Position Start Date** 

12/2014

**Percentage of Ownership** 

Less than 5%

## **Direct Owners and Executive Officers (continued)**

Does this owner direct the management or policies of

No

the firm?

Is this a public reporting company?

No

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

# FINCA

## **Indirect Owners**

No information reported.

## **Firm History**

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

FINCA

No information reported.





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 currently registered with the SEC, 1 SRO and 51 U.S. states and territories.

Federal Regulator	Status	Date Effective
SEC	Approved	06/08/1995

## **SEC Registration Questions**

This firm is registered with the SEC as:

A broker-dealer: Yes

A broker-dealer and government securities broker or dealer: No

A government securities broker or dealer only: No

This firm has ceased activity as a government securities broker or dealer: No

Self-Regulatory Organization	Status	Date Effective
FINRA	Approved	06/08/1995





U.S. States & Territories	Status	Date Effective
Alabama	Approved	07/20/2015
Alaska	Approved	02/25/1999
Arizona	Approved	03/25/1996
Arkansas	Approved	11/06/2003
California	Approved	06/14/1995
Colorado	Approved	09/22/1995
Connecticut	Approved	09/10/1996
Delaware	Approved	01/17/2013
District of Columbia	Approved	05/25/2023
Florida	Approved	03/18/1998
Georgia	Approved	07/17/2003
Hawaii	Approved	01/04/1999
Idaho	Approved	04/08/2005
Illinois	Approved	08/25/1998
Indiana	Approved	02/07/2006
Iowa	Approved	07/29/1998
Kansas	Approved	04/17/2000
Kentucky	Approved	02/23/2015
Louisiana	Approved	04/18/2016
Maine	Approved	01/13/2012
Maryland	Approved	11/19/2001
Massachusetts	Approved	07/01/2008
Michigan	Approved	06/03/2004
Minnesota	Approved	10/17/2005
Mississippi	Approved	06/04/2003
Missouri	Approved	07/22/1998
Montana	Approved	02/18/2016
Nebraska	Approved	02/15/2019
Nevada	Approved	06/18/1998
New Hampshire	Approved	11/25/2013
New Jersey	Approved	03/01/1999
New Mexico	Approved	01/11/2006
New York	Approved	04/30/1996

U.S. States & Territories	Status	Date Effective
North Carolina	Approved	04/04/2000
North Dakota	Approved	04/07/2009
Ohio	Approved	02/20/1997
Oklahoma	Approved	07/02/2003
Oregon	Approved	10/05/1995
Pennsylvania	Approved	07/03/2008
Rhode Island	Approved	08/12/2022
South Carolina	Approved	07/07/2008
South Dakota	Approved	01/15/2008
Tennessee	Approved	11/03/2014
Texas	Approved	02/08/2016
Utah	Approved	01/03/1996
Vermont	Approved	09/12/2022
Virginia	Approved	11/05/1996
Washington	Approved	09/18/1995
West Virginia	Approved	06/22/2016
Wisconsin	Approved	10/06/2005
Wyoming	Approved	08/22/2022

## **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 6 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 retailer

Municipal securities broker

Broker or dealer selling variable life insurance or annuities

Broker or dealer selling tax shelters or limited partnerships in primary distributions



# FINCA

## **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.

NATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC

**CRD #:** 13041

Business Address: 82 DEVONSHIRE STREET

BOSTON, MA 02109-3614

**Effective Date:** 08/01/2002

**Description:** NFS,LLC IS APPLICANT'S CLEARING FIRM.

## **Industry Arrangements**



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

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

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**Effective Date:** 08/01/2002

**Description:** NFS, LLC IS THE APPLICANT'S CLEARING FIRM.

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Name: NATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC

**CRD #:** 13041

Business Address: 82 DEVONSHIRE STREET

BOSTON, MA 02109-3614

**Effective Date:** 08/01/2003

**Description:** NFS, LLC IS THE APPLICANT'S CLEARING FIRM.

#### **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**

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.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT NETWORK INC is under common control with the firm.

**CRD #**: 110454

**Business Address:** 24411 RIDGE ROUTE DRIVE, #220

LAGUNA HILLS, CA 92653-1698

**Effective Date:** 11/17/1990

Foreign Entity: No

Country:

Securities Activities: No

Investment Advisory

**Activities:** 

Yes

**Description:** THE APPLICANT IS UNDER COMMON CONTROL WITH FINANCIAL

MANAGEMENT NETWORK, INC., A REGISTERED INVESTMENT ADVISER. MERWIN FAMILY TRUST IS 100% OWNER OF BOTH APPLICANT AND

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT NETWORK, INC.

## 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:
  - 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:
  - 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: THE DIVISION ALLEGED THAT FMN CAPITAL CORPORATION SUBMITTED

UNAUTHORIZED PROXY VOTES ON BEHALF OF ITS CLIENTS.

Initiated By: MASSACHUSETTS SECURITIES DIVISION

**Date Initiated:** 06/22/2016

Docket/Case Number: E-2016-0020

**URL for Regulatory Action:** 

Principal Product Type: Other

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Cease and Desist

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

CENSURE, ADMINISTRATIVE FINE, REVIEW OF WRITTEN SUPERVISORY

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES WITH RESPECT TO PROXY VOTING

Resolution: Order

Resolution Date: 06/22/2016

Does the order constitute a final order based on

final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or

deceptive conduct?

Sanctions Ordered: Censure

Monetary/Fine \$23,000.00 Cease and Desist/Injunction

Other Sanctions Ordered: FMN CAPITAL CORPORATION WILL REVIEW ITS WRITTEN SUPERVISORY

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES WITH RESPECT TO PROXY VOTING.

Sanction Details: \$23,000.00 ADMINISTRATIVE FINE

No

Reporting Source: Firm

Current Status: Final

Allegations: FMN BROKER-DEALER AGENT VOTED CLIENT PROXIES WITHOUT PROPER

AUTHORIZATION. ON SEPTEMBER 25, 2015, FMN REPRESENTATIVE SUBMITTED SIGNED LETTER TO AN RCS CONTRACTED PROXY SOLICITATION FIRM REGARDING THE SPECIAL MEETING. FMN

REPRESENTATIVE STATED IN AUTHORIZATION LETTER THAT HE HAD AUTHORITY TO VOTE CLIENT SHARES. HOWEVER, IN LETTER SUBMITTED TO ENFORCEMENT SECTION BY FMN IN RESPONSE TO SUBPOENA ISSUED



BY DIVISION, FMN STATED THAT ITS PROCEDURES DO NOT ALLOW BD AGENTS TO OBTAIN AUTHORITY TO VOTE SHAREHOLDER PROXIES ON

BEHALF OF CLIENTS.

Initiated By: COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF

THE COMMONWEALTH SECURITIES DIVISION

**Date Initiated:** 04/14/2016

Docket/Case Number: E-2016-0020

Principal Product Type: No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

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

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

CEASE AND DESIST, CENSURED BY DISVISION AND FINED \$23,000

Resolution: Decision & Order of Offer of Settlement

Resolution Date: 06/20/2016

Sanctions Ordered: Censure

Monetary/Fine \$23,000.00 Cease and Desist/Injunction

Other Sanctions Ordered: CEASE AND DESIST, CENSURE AND FINE, REVIEW WSPS.

Sanction Details: FINE-\$23,000 PAID TO COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS ON

06/20/2016

Firm Statement FMN AGREES TO PERMANENTLY CEASE AND DESIST FROM CONDUCT IN

VIOLATION OF THE ACT; AGREES TO BE CENSURED BY THE DIVISION, AGREES TO PAY FINE, AGREES TO REVIEW WRITTEN SUPERVISORY

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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## **End of Report**



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