

BrokerCheck Report

INVESTMENT ADVISORS & CONSULTANTS, INC.

CRD# 7996

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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.
- 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
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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.

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User Guidance

INVESTMENT ADVISORS & CONSULTANTS, INC.

CRD# 7996

SEC# 8-23962

Main Office Location

40 STATE ROUTE #36, SUITE 3 WEST LONG BRANCH, NJ 07764-1430

Mailing Address

40 STATE ROUTE #36, SUITE 3 WEST LONG BRANCH, NJ 07764-1430

Business Telephone Number

732 923- 1331

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 New Jersey on 05/24/1979. Its fiscal year ends in September.

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: 02/22/2008

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

This firm is classified as a corporation.

This firm was formed in New Jersey on 05/24/1979.

Its fiscal year ends in September.

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.

INVESTMENT ADVISORS & CONSULTANTS, INC.

Doing business as INVESTMENT ADVISORS & CONSULTANTS, INC.

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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): MUSUMECI, THOMAS EUGENE

343955

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

Position CHAIRMAN/TREASURER

Position Start Date 05/1979

Percentage of Ownership 50% but less than 75%

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

Yes

Is this a public reporting company?

No

Legal Name & CRD# (if any): MU

MUSUMECI, THOMAS EUGENE

343955

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

Position

CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER

Position Start Date

11/2004

Percentage of Ownership

50% but less than 75%

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

Yes

Is this a public reporting

No

company?

PARSONS, JOSEPH CLARK

869879

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):

Individual

Position PRESIDENT

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Position Start Date

04/1982

Percentage of Ownership

50% but less than 75%

Does this owner direct the management or policies of

Yes

the firm?

Is this a public reporting

company?

No

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):

MUSUMECI, LAURA LUCIA

1473758

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

Position

SECRETARY

Position Start Date

05/1979

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

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):

MUSUMECI, THOMAS ANDREW

2580325

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

Position

VICE PRESIDENT

Position Start Date

01/2004

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



Direct Owners and Executive Officers (continued)

Legal Name & CRD# (if any): RICE, JAMES ARTHUR

1402916

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

Position VICE PRESIDENT, CHEIF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Position Start Date 01/2004

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

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

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Indirect Owners

No information reported.

Firm History

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

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No information reported.

Registrations

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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 08/21/1979 to 04/22/2008.

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.





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.

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.

Organization Affiliates

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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:

- 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: 11-30-00, NASD RULES 2110 AND 3010 - RESPONDENT MEMBER, ACTING

THROUGH AN INDIVIDUAL, FAILED TO REASONABLY AND PROPERLY SUPERVISE THE ACTIVITIES OF A REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE SO AS TO DETECT AND PREVENT THE REPRESENTATIVE'S VIOLATIONS OF NASD

CONDUCT RULE 2110, SPECIFICALLY THE FELONY VIOLATION OF ASSISTING IN THE STRUCTURING OF TRANSACTIONS; AND, ACTING THROUGH THE INDIVIDUAL, FAILED TO ESTABLISH, MAINTAIN, AND

ENFORCE ADEQUATE WRITTEN SUPERVISORY PROCEDURES REGARDING THE PROCESSING OF CASH AND CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE FIRM'S COMPLIANCE WITH SEC RULE 17A-8 AND OTHER ANTI-STRUCTURING AND CURRENCY TRANSACTION REPORTING

REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED UNDER FEDERAL LAW.

Initiated By: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITIES DEALERS, INC.

Date Initiated: 11/21/2000

Docket/Case Number: C9B000029

Principal Product Type: No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution: Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)

Resolution Date: 11/21/2000

Sanctions Ordered: Censure

Monetary/Fine \$7,500.00

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details: CENSURED AND FINED \$7,500, JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY

Reporting Source: Firm

Current Status: Final

Allegations: A LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE, WAIVER AND CONSENT NUMBER C9B000029

WAS ACCEPTED ON NOVEMBER 21, 2000. THE ALLEGATIONS WERE THAT INVESTMENT ADVISORS & CONSULTANTS, INC. FAILED TO REASONABLY

AND PROPERLY SUPERVISE THE ACTIVITY OF A REGISTERED

REPRESENTATIVE WHO VIOLATED NASD CONDUCT RULE 2110 AND FAILED

TO MAINTAIN PROPER WRITTEN SUPERVISORY PROCEDURES IN



COMPLIANCE WITH SEC RULE 17A-8, AND THEREFORE VIOLATED NASD CONDUCT RULE 2110 AND 3010. INVESTMENT ADVISORS & CONSULTANTS,

INC. NEITHER ADMITTED NOR DENIED THESE ALLEGATIONS.

Initiated By: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITIES DEALERS

Date Initiated: 11/21/2000

Docket/Case Number: C9B000029

Principal Product Type: Mutual Fund(s)

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution: Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)

Censure

Resolution Date: 11/21/2000

Sanctions Ordered: Censure

Monetary/Fine \$7,500.00

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details: PLEASE SEE ANSWER TO 12A. THE FINE WAS PAID ON 12-13-2000.

FROM DECEMBER 1996 THROUGH MARCH 1997 A REGISTERED

REPRESENTATIVE OF INVESTMENT ADVISORS & CONSULTANTS, INC. ENGAGED IN CRIMINAL STRUCTURING OF TRANSACTIONS. THE NASD ALLEGED THAT INVESTMENT ADVISORS & CONSULTANTS, INC. DID NOT HAVE PROPER WRITTEN SUPERVISORY PROCEDURES TO RECOGNIZE STRUCTURING ACTIVITY AND FURTHER FAILED TO PROPERLY SUPERVISE

A REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE BY NOT DISCOVERING THE

STRUCTURING ACTIVITIES ON A TIMELY BASIS. INVESTMENT ADVISORS &

CONSULTANTS, INC. NEITHER ADMITTED NOR DENIED THESE

ALLEGATIONS. IT IS UNCONTESTED HOWEVER, THAT THE REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE, WHO WAS BARRED, WAS CONSPIRING WITH THE

CUSTOMER TO HIDE THE TRANSACTIONS FROM INVESTMENT ADVISORS &

CONSULTANTS, INC.

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