

### **BrokerCheck Report**

### **JOHN ANDREW ROMANO**

CRD# 1029454

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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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#### **JOHN A. ROMANO**

CRD# 1029454

# Currently employed by and registered with the following Firm(s):

(A) OSAIC WEALTH, INC.

3261 US Highway 441 Building D2 Fruitland Park, FL 34731 CRD# 23131

Registered with this firm since: 06/14/2024

B OSAIC WEALTH, INC. 3261 US Highway 441

Building D2 Fruitland Park, FL 34731 CRD# 23131

CRD# 23131

Registered with this firm since: 06/14/2024

### **Report Summary for this Broker**



This report summary provides an overview of the broker's professional background and conduct. Additional information can be found in the detailed report.

#### **Broker Qualifications**

#### This broker is registered with:

- 1 Self-Regulatory Organization
- 34 U.S. states and territories

#### This broker has passed:

- 1 Principal/Supervisory Exam
- 3 General Industry/Product Exams
- 2 State Securities Law Exams

#### **Registration History**

This broker was previously registered with the following securities firm(s):

A SECURITIES AMERICA ADVISORS, INC.

CRD# 110518 LA VISTA, NE 10/1998 - 06/2024

SECURITIES AMERICA, INC.

CRD# 10205 LADY LAKE, FL 09/1998 - 06/2024

B SUNAMERICA SECURITIES, INC.

CRD# 20068 PHOENIX, AZ 04/1995 - 09/1998

#### **Disclosure Events**

All individuals registered to sell securities or provide investment advice are required to disclose customer complaints and arbitrations, regulatory actions, employment terminations, bankruptcy filings, and criminal or civil judicial proceedings.

Are there events disclosed about this broker? Yes

The following types of disclosures have been reported:

Type Count
Customer Dispute 1



### Registrations

This section provides the self-regulatory organizations (SROs) and U.S. states/territories the broker is currently registered and licensed with, the category of each license, and the date on which it became effective. This section also provides, for every brokerage firm with which the broker is currently employed, the address of each branch where the broker works.

This individual is currently registered with 1 SRO and is licensed in 34 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

### Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: OSAIC WEALTH, INC.

Main Office Address: 18700 N. HAYDEN ROAD

**SUITE 255** 

SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255

Firm CRD#: **23131** 

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	06/14/2024
B	FINRA	Investment Co./Variable Contracts Prin	Approved	06/14/2024
	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Alabama	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	California	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Colorado	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Connecticut	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Delaware	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
IA	Florida	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Georgia	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Illinois	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Indiana	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Iowa	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024



## **Employment 1 of 1, continued**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
В	Kentucky	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Maine	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Maryland	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Massachusetts	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Michigan	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Minnesota	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Missouri	Agent	Approved	07/01/2024
B	Montana	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Nevada	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	New Jersey	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	New Mexico	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	New York	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	North Carolina	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
IA	North Carolina	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Ohio	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Oregon	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	South Carolina	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Tennessee	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
IA	Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	06/14/2024



### **Employment 1 of 1, continued**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Utah	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Vermont	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Virginia	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024
B	Washington	Agent	Approved	07/31/2024
B	Wisconsin	Agent	Approved	06/14/2024

### **Branch Office Locations**

OSAIC WEALTH, INC. 3261 US Highway 441 Building D2 Fruitland Park, FL 34731



### **Industry Exams this Broker has Passed**

This section includes all securities industry exams that the broker has passed. Under limited circumstances, a broker may attain a registration after receiving an exam waiver based on exams the broker has passed and/or qualifying work experience. Any exam waivers that the broker has received are not included below. A passed exam or exam waiver does not permit a broker to do business without an active SRO or state registration.

This individual has passed 1 principal/supervisory exam, 3 general industry/product exams, and 2 state securities law exams.

### **Principal/Supervisory Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
B	Investment Company Products/Variable Contracts Principal Examination	Series 26	10/31/1988

### **General Industry/Product Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
В	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
В	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	08/05/1998
В	Investment Company Products/Variable Contracts Representative Examination	Series 6	02/03/1982

#### **State Securities Law Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
IA	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	07/15/1999
В	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	02/05/1982

Additional information about the above exams or other exams FINRA administers to brokers and other securities professionals can be found at www.finra.org/brokerqualifications/registeredrep/.

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### **Broker Qualifications**



### **Professional Designations**

This section details that the representative has reported 1 professional designation(s).

#### Certified Financial Planner

This representative holds or did hold **1** professional designation(s) that may have been used to qualify as an Investment Advisor representative. Please check with the appropriate designation authority for verification that the designation is still in effect. The contact information for these professional designation authorities can be found on the website for the North American Securities Administrators Association at http://www.nasaa.org

### **Registration and Employment History**



### **Registration History**

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Reg	istration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
IA	10/1998 - 06/2024	SECURITIES AMERICA ADVISORS, INC.	110518	LADY LAKE, FL
B	09/1998 - 06/2024	SECURITIES AMERICA, INC.	10205	LADY LAKE, FL
B	04/1995 - 09/1998	SUNAMERICA SECURITIES, INC.	20068	PHOENIX, AZ
B	05/1993 - 04/1995	IFG NETWORK SECURITIES, INC.	19948	ATLANTA, GA
B	04/1992 - 05/1993	AMERICAN CLASSIC SECURITIES, INC.	25399	PONTE VEDRA, FL
B	02/1982 - 02/1992	FIRST AMERICAN NATIONAL SECURITIES, INC.	10111	DULUTH, GA

### **Employment History**

This section provides up to 10 years of an individual broker's employment history as reported by the individual broker on the most recently filed Form U4.

Please note that the broker is required to provide this information only while registered with FINRA or a national securities exchange and the information is not updated via Form U4 after the broker ceases to be registered. Therefore, an employment end date of "Present" may not reflect the broker's current employment status.

Employment	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	<b>Employer Location</b>
06/2024 - Present	OSAIC WEALTH, INC.	Mass Transfer	Υ	LADY LAKE, FL, United States
06/2024 - Present	OSAIC WEALTH, INC.	Mass Transfer	Υ	LADY LAKE, FL, United States
08/1992 - Present	SENIOR CAPITAL SERVICES	INSURANCE AGENT / PRESIDENT	Υ	LONGWOOD, FL, United States
10/1998 - 06/2024	SECURITIES AMERICA ADVISORS, INC.	INVESTMENT ADVISOR REP	Υ	LADY LAKE, FL, United States
09/1998 - 06/2024	SECURITIES AMERICA, INC.	REGISTERED REP	Υ	LADY LAKE, FL, United States

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### **Registration and Employment History**



#### **Other Business Activities**

This section includes information, if any, as provided by the broker regarding other business activities the broker is currently engaged in either as a proprietor, partner, officer, director, employee, trustee, agent or otherwise. This section does not include non-investment related activity that is exclusively charitable, civic, religious or fraternal and is recognized as tax exempt.

DISTRIBUTION STRATEGIES FOR RETIREMENT BOOK AUTHOR 1% TIME SPENT

#### JOHN ROMANO

POSITION: Owner-Author NATURE: DISTRIBUTION STRATEGIES FOR RETIREMENT BOOK AUTHOR 1% TIME SPENT INVESTMENT

RELATED: Yes NUMBER OF HOURS: 0 SECURITIES TRADING HOURS: 0 START DATE: 01/01/2013

ADDRESS: 305 Skyline Dr Ste 3, Lady Lake FL 32159, United States

DESCRIPTION: Selling my book, DISTRIBUTION STRATEGIES FOR RETIREMENT, via Amazon, I am the author.

#### JOHN ROMANO

POSITION: Registered representative NATURE: FIXED INSURANCE BUSINESS - ANNUITIES- SALES- AGENT- INVESTMENT RELATED-

START DATE: 9/1998 LOCATED AT 305 SKYLINE DR STE 3; LADY LAKE, FL 32159-4592 INVESTMENT RELATED: Yes NUMBER OF

HOURS: 8 SECURITIES TRADING HOURS: 8 START DATE: 09/01/1998 ADDRESS: 305 skyline drive suite 3, lady lake FL 32159, United States

DESCRIPTION: FIXED INSURANCE BUSINESS - ANNUITIES- SALES- AGENT- INVESTMENT RELATED

#### **Disclosure Events**



#### What you should know about reported disclosure events:

1. All individuals registered to sell securities or provide investment advice are required to disclose customer complaints and arbitrations, regulatory actions, employment terminations, bankruptcy filings, and criminal or civil judicial proceedings.

#### 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 broker is required to disclose a particular criminal event.
- A customer dispute must involve allegations that a broker engaged in activity that violates certain rules or conduct governing the industry and that the activity resulted in damages of at least \$5,000.

3. Disclosure events in BrokerCheck reports come from different sources:

 As mentioned at the beginning of this report, information contained in BrokerCheck comes from brokers, brokerage firms and regulators. When more than one of these sources reports information for the same disclosure event, all 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 brokers and brokerage 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.

For your convenience, below is a matrix of the number and status of disclosure events involving this broker. Further information regarding these events can be found in the subsequent pages of this report. You also may wish to contact the broker to obtain further information regarding these events.

	Pending	Final	On Appeal
Customer Dispute	0	1	N/A



#### **Disclosure Event Details**

When evaluating this information, please keep in mind that a discloure event may be pending or involve allegations that are contested and have not been resolved or proven. The matter may, in the end, be withdrawn, dismissed, resolved in favor of the broker, or concluded through a negotiated settlement for certain business reasons (e.g., to maintain customer relationships or to limit the litigation costs associated with disputing the allegations) with no admission or finding of wrongdoing.

This report provides the information exactly as it was reported to CRD and therefore some of the specific data fields contained in the report may be blank if the information was not provided to CRD.

#### **Customer Dispute - Settled**

This type of disclosure event involves a consumer-initiated, investment-related complaint, arbitration proceeding or civil suit containing allegations of sale practice violations against the broker that resulted in a monetary settlement to the customer.

Disclosure 1 of 1

**Reporting Source:** Broker

**Employing firm when** 

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

SECURITIES AMERICA, INC

CLAIMANTS ALLEGE THAT DUE TO MISREPRESENTATIONS AND OMISSIONS Allegations:

THAT OCCURRED DURING THE SALE OF THREE NON-TRADED REITS THE

CLIENTS LOST APPROXIMATELY \$32,000. THEY ALLEGE THE INVESTMENTS WERE INAPPROPRIATE AND UNSUITABLE.

**Product Type:** Real Estate Security

**Alleged Damages:** \$32,000.00

Is this an oral complaint? No

Is this a written complaint? No

Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation? Yes

Arbitration/Reparation forum

**FINRA** 

03/06/2015

or court name and location:

Docket/Case #: 15-00576

Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation

or civil litigation:

### **Customer Complaint Information**



**Date Complaint Received:** 04/16/2015

**Complaint Pending?** No

Status: Settled

**Status Date:** 01/04/2016

Settlement Amount: \$7,500.00

**Individual Contribution** 

Amount:

\$0.00

**Broker Statement** 

THE DETAILS, RISKS, AND LIQUIDITY OF THE NON-TRADED REITS WERE EXPLAINED TO THE CLAIMANTS. THEY SIGNED MULTIPLE DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS WHICH IDENTIFIED THESE ITEMS. IN CALCULATING THEIR LOSSES CLAIMANTS LEFT OUT THE PARTIAL REDEMPTIONS AND DIVIDENDS PAID OVER THE YEARS. FURTHER, THEY SOLD THE REITS, WITHOUT CONSULTING ME, FOR SIGNIFICANTLY LESS THAN THE ESTIMATED SHARE VALUATION THROUGH THE SECONDARY MARKET. 1/4/2016: THIS MATTER WAS SETTLED BY THE FIRM. MR. ROMANO WAS NOT ASKED TO NOR DID HE CONTRIBUTE TO THE SETTLEMENT. THERE WAS NO ADMISSION OF LIABLITY OR WRONGDOING BY EITHER THE FIRM

OR MR. ROMANO.

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