

## **BrokerCheck Report**

## **ALAN EDWARD KUZMA**

CRD# 1066138

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- 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:
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  - 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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This broker is not currently registered.

## **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 not currently registered.

#### This broker has passed:

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

#### **Registration History**

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

- B MTL EQUITY PRODUCTS, INC. CRD# 15764 FOUNTAIN HILLS, AZ 07/2002 - 11/2005
- B LOCUST STREET SECURITIES, INC. CRD# 1703 DES MOINES, IA 04/1998 - 07/2002
- B W. S. GRIFFITH & CO., INC. CRD# 10410 HARTFORD, CT 11/1993 - 04/1998

#### **Disclosure Events**

This broker has been involved in one or more disclosure events involving certain final criminal matters, regulatory actions, civil judicial proceedings, or arbitrations or civil litigations.

Are there events disclosed about this broker? Yes

The following types of disclosures have been reported:

Type Count
Regulatory Event 1

# Investment Adviser Representative Information

The information below represents the individual's record as a broker. For details on this individual's record as an investment adviser representative, visit the SEC's Investment Adviser Public Disclosure website at

https://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov

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#### **Broker Qualifications**



## Registrations

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

This broker is not currently registered.

#### **Broker Qualifications**



07/14/1987

#### **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 0 principal/supervisory exams, 1 general industry/product exam, and 2 state securities law exams.

## **Principal/Supervisory Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
	No information reported.		
Gene	ral Industry/Product Exams		
Exam		Category	Date
В	Investment Company Products/Variable Contracts Representative Examination	Series 6	08/03/1985
State	Securities Law Exams		
Exam		Category	Date
IA	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	09/10/2012

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/.

Series 63

Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination

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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 securities firms:

Reg	istration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
B	07/2002 - 11/2005	MTL EQUITY PRODUCTS, INC.	15764	FOUNTAIN HILLS, AZ
B	04/1998 - 07/2002	LOCUST STREET SECURITIES, INC.	1703	DES MOINES, IA
B	11/1993 - 04/1998	W. S. GRIFFITH & CO., INC.	10410	HARTFORD, CT
B	07/1986 - 11/1993	PHOENIX EQUITY PLANNING CORPORATION	3036	HARTFORD, CT
B	08/1985 - 06/1986	NML EQUITY SERVICES, INC.	2881	

## **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>
01/2018 - Present	Capital Markets IQ	IAR REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Υ	Wilmington, DE, United States
10/2002 - Present	KUZMA FINANCIAL SERVICES	INSURANCE SALES	N	LINCOLN, NE, United States
10/2012 - 01/2018	GLOBAL FINANCIAL PRIVATE CAPITAL	INVESTMENT ADVISER REPRESENTATIVE	Υ	SARASOTA, FL, United States

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#### **Disclosure Events**



What you should know about reported disclosure events:

- 1. Disclosure events in BrokerCheck reports come from different sources:
  - As mentioned at the beginning of this report, information contained in BrokerCheck comes from brokers, their employing firms, and regulators. When more than one source reports information for the same disclosure event, all versions of the event will appear in the BrokerCheck report. The different versions are separated by a solid line with the reporting source labeled.

For your convenience, below is a matrix of the number and status of regulatory 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.

	Final	On Appeal
Regulatory Event	1	0



#### **Disclosure Event Details**

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.

#### Regulatory - Final

This type of disclosure event involves a final, formal proceeding initiated by a regulatory authority (e.g., a state securities agency, self-regulatory organization, federal regulator such as the Securities and Exchange Commission, foreign financial regulatory body) for a violation of investmentrelated rules or regulations.

Disclosure 1 of 1

**Reporting Source:** Regulator **Regulatory Action Initiated** NASD

By:

Sanction(s) Sought:

Other Sanction(s) Sought:

Date Initiated: 06/14/2007

**Docket/Case Number:** 2005003359101

**Employing firm when activity** occurred which led to the

regulatory action:

MTL EQUITY PRODUCTS, INC.

**Product Type:** No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Allegations: NASD RULES 2110, 2210(B), 2210(D) - ALAN EDWARD KUZMA CONDUCTED

FINANCIAL SERVICES WORKSHOPS AND HAD INVITATIONS THAT HE APPROVED SENT BY A MAILHOUSE TO PROSPECTIVE CUSTOMERS WITHOUT INFORMING HIS MEMBER FIRM AND HAVING THE INVITATIONS APPROVED BY A REGISTERED PRINCIPAL OF THE FIRM PRIOR TO USE. THE WORKSHOP INVITATIONS CONTAINED STATEMENTS THAT DID NOT INCLUDE ALL RELEVANT INFORMATION, WERE INCOMPLETE AND WERE

NOT FAIR AND BALANCED.

**Current Status:** Final

Resolution: Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)



Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct?

Nο

**Resolution Date:** 06/14/2007

Sanctions Ordered: Monetary/Fine \$5,000.00

Suspension

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details: WITHOUT ADMITTING OR DENYING THE FINDINGS, KUZMA CONSENTED TO

THE DESCRIBED SANCTIONS AND TO THE ENTRY OF FINDINGS;

THEREFORE, HE WAS FINED \$5,000 AND SUSPENDED FROM ASSOCIATION WITH ANY NASD MEMBER IN ANY CAPACITY FOR 20 BUSINESS DAYS. THE FINE IS DUE AND PAYABLE IMMEDIATELY UPON REASSOCIATION WITH A MEMBER FIRM FOLLOWING THE SUSPENSION OR PRIOR TO ANY REQUEST FOR RELIEF FROM ANY STATUTORY DISQUALIFICATION RESULTING FROM THIS OR ANY OTHER EVENT OR PROCEEDING, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER. THE SUSPENSION IN ANY CAPACITY IS IN EFFECT FROM JULY 2, 2007

THROUGH JULY 30, 2007.

**Reporting Source:** Firm

**Regulatory Action Initiated** 

Bv:

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITIES DEALERS

Sanction(s) Sought: Civil and Administrative Penalt(ies) /Fine(s)

Other Sanction(s) Sought: 20 DAY SUSPENSION/ \$5000.00 FINE

Date Initiated: 11/15/2005

**Docket/Case Number:** NASD AWC NO. 20050033591-01

**Employing firm when activity** 

occurred which led to the

regulatory action:

MTL EQUITY PRODUCTS, INC.

**Product Type:** No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Allegations: NASD ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF RULES 2210(B), 2210(D) AND 2110 WITH



REGARD TO CERTAIN MATERIAL KUZMA CAUSED TO BE MAILED OUT TO THE PUBLIC IN CONNECTION WITH WORKSHOPS HE CONDUCTED WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OR APPROVAL OF MTL EQUITY PRODUCTS.

INC.

**Current Status:** Final

Resolution: Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)

**Resolution Date:** 06/13/2007

**Sanctions Ordered:** Monetary/Fine \$5,000.00

Suspension

**Other Sanctions Ordered:** 

**Sanction Details:** 20-BUSINESS-DAY SUSPENSION

**Reporting Source:** Broker **FINRA** 

**Regulatory Action Initiated** 

By: Sanction(s) Sought:

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

Suspension

**Date Initiated:** 11/15/2005

Docket/Case Number: 20050033591-01

**Employing firm when activity** occurred which led to the regulatory action:

MTL Equity Products, Inc

**Product Type:** No Product

Allegations: NASD Alleged violations of Rules 2210(B), 2210(D) and 2110 with regard to

certain material Kuzma caused to be mailed out to the public i connection with workshops he conducted without the knowledge or approval of MTL Equity

Products, Inc

**Current Status:** Final

Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC) Resolution:



Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct?

No

Resolution Date: 06/13/2007

Sanctions Ordered: Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)

Suspension

Sanction 1 of 1

Sanction Type: Suspension

Capacities Affected: All Capacities

**Duration:** 20 Business Days

**Start Date:** 07/02/2007

**End Date:** 07/30/2007

Monetary Sanction 1 of 1

Monetary Related Sanction: Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)

**Total Amount:** \$5,000.00

**Portion Levied against** 

individual:

\$5,000.00

**Payment Plan:** 

Is Payment Plan Current: No

Date Paid by individual:

Was any portion of penalty

waived?

No

**Amount Waived:** 

Broker Statement This FINRA sanction came over 18 months after I left MTL. MTL received a

telephone call from the state banking and finance department concerning (i) a seminar flyer I sent by mail, and (ii) whether my employer was aware of the flyer and seminar. One sentence in the flyer stated, "we guarantee it will be time well spent." The state objected to the use of the word "guarantee" even though it was used in a broad and general context and did not imply any sort of investment results. MTL was aware of my seminar so the state quickly closed its investigation without any sanction. When MTL amended my Form U-5, it marked a box "asked"

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to resign" which triggered a FINRA review. Even though I was no longer with MTL, FINRA sanctioned me over 18 months later.

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