

# **BrokerCheck Report**

# MARK JUDE KETNER

CRD# 1138522

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  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.
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- 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.
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- 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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### MARK J. KETNER

CRD# 1138522

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

B PHX FINANCIAL, INC. 150 Motor Parkway

Suite 309
Hauppauge, NY 11788
CRD# 144403

Registered with this firm since: 04/12/2018

# **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
- 13 U.S. states and territories

### This broker has passed:

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

### **Registration History**

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

- B MAXIM GROUP LLC CRD# 120708 WOODBURY, NY 10/2002 - 04/2018
- INVESTEC ERNST & COMPANY CRD# 266 NEW YORK, NY 10/1999 - 10/2002
- B ROYCE INVESTMENT GROUP, INC. CRD# 10494 WOODBURY, NY 10/1998 - 10/1999

#### **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:

Туре	Count
Regulatory Event	1
Customer Dispute	7
Judgment/Lien	4

### **Broker Qualifications**



# 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 13 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

# Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: PHX FINANCIAL, INC.
Main Office Address: 100 WALL STREET

FLOOR 10

NEW YORK, NY 10005

Firm CRD#: **144403** 

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Principal	Approved	04/12/2018
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	04/12/2018
В	FINRA	Municipal Securities Principal	Approved	04/12/2018
B	FINRA	Municipal Securities Representative	Approved	04/12/2018
	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
В	Arizona	Agent	Approved	07/11/2018
B	California	Agent	Approved	11/15/2019
В	Connecticut	Agent	Approved	06/06/2018
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	03/27/2024
B	Georgia	Agent	Approved	07/18/2018
В	Illinois	Agent	Approved	12/05/2025
B	Indiana	Agent	Approved	08/06/2018
B	Louisiana	Agent	Approved	09/11/2018
В	Michigan	Agent	Approved	04/12/2018

# **Broker Qualifications**



# **Employment 1 of 1, continued**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	New Jersey	Agent	Restricted Approval	08/13/2018
B	New York	Agent	Approved	07/09/2018
B	North Carolina	Agent	Approved	11/09/2018
B	South Carolina	Agent	Approved	01/03/2019

# **Branch Office Locations**

PHX FINANCIAL, INC.

150 Motor Parkway Suite 309 Hauppauge, NY 11788

### **Broker Qualifications**



# **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 2 principal/supervisory exams, 3 general industry/product exams, and 2 state securities law exams.

# **Principal/Supervisory Exams**

Exam	l	Category	Date
B	Municipal Securities Principal Examination	Series 53	02/02/1995
B	General Securities Principal Examination	Series 24	08/11/1986

## **General Industry/Product Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
В	Municipal Securities Representative Examination	Series 52TO	01/02/2023
В	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
В	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	06/18/1983

# **State Securities Law Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
IA	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	08/21/2002
B	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	08/12/1991

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 **0** professional designation(s).

No information reported.

# **Registration and Employment History**



## **Registration History**

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Reg	istration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
B	10/2002 - 04/2018	MAXIM GROUP LLC	120708	WOODBURY, NY
B	10/1999 - 10/2002	INVESTEC ERNST & COMPANY	266	NEW YORK, NY
B	10/1998 - 10/1999	ROYCE INVESTMENT GROUP, INC.	10494	WOODBURY, NY
B	12/1994 - 11/1998	PATTERSON TRAVIS, INC.	16540	ENGLEWOOD, CO
B	08/1994 - 11/1994	WESTFIELD FINANCIAL CORPORATION	8143	NEW YORK, NY
B	05/1988 - 09/1994	HIBBARD BROWN & CO., INC.	18246	NEW YORK, NY
B	02/1987 - 05/1988	SHERWOOD CAPITAL, INC.	10474	
В	06/1983 - 01/1987	FIRST JERSEY SECURITIES, INC.	6621	

### **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>
04/2018 - Present	PHX Financial, Inc.	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Υ	New York, NY, United States
10/2002 - 04/2018	MAXIM GROUP LLC	MASS TRANSFER	Υ	WOODBURY, NY, United States

### **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.

No information reported.

### **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
Regulatory Event	0	1	0
Customer Dispute	0	7	N/A
Judgment/Lien	4	N/A	N/A

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#### **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.

### Regulatory - Final

This type of disclosure event may involve (1) a final, formal proceeding initiated by a regulatory authority (e.g., a state securities agency, self-regulatory organization, federal regulatory such as the Securities and Exchange Commission, foreign financial regulatory body) for a violation of investment-related rules or regulations; or (2) a revocation or suspension of a broker's authority to act as an attorney, accountant, or federal contractor.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Regulatory Action Initiated FINRA

Bv:

Sanction(s) Sought:

**Date Initiated:** 03/27/2018

**Docket/Case Number:** 2016050823601

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

Maxim Group LLC

Product Type: Unit Investment Trust

Allegations: Without admitting or denying the findings, Ketner consented to the sanctions and

to the entry of findings that he engaged in an unsuitable pattern of short-term trading of unit investment trusts (UITs) in connection with the accounts of customers. The findings stated that prior to the maturity dates of these UITs, Ketner repeatedly recommended that these customers sell these products well before their maturity dates. The majority of the UITs that Ketner recommended had maturity dates of at least 24 months and carried sales charges ranging from 1.95 percent to 3.95 percent. Nevertheless, Ketner repeatedly recommended that his customers sell their UIT positions less than a year after purchase. Indeed, the average holding period for the UITs recommended by Ketner was 195 days. In addition, on multiple occasions, Ketner recommended that a customer use the



proceeds from the short-term sale of a UIT to purchase another UIT with identical

investment objectives.

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? No

Resolution Date: 03/27/2018

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

Restitution Suspension

If the regulator is the SEC, CFTC, or an SRO, did the action result in a finding of a willful violation or failure to supervise? Nο

(1) willfully violated any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any of such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, or to have been unable to comply with any provision of such Act, rule or regulation?



(2) willfully aided, abetted, counseled, commanded, induced, or procured the violation by any person of any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the **Securities Exchange Act of** 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the **Investment Company Act of** 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any of such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board? or

(3) failed reasonably to supervise another person subject to your supervision, with a view to preventing the violation by such person of any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the **Securities Exchange Act of** 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the **Investment Company Act of** 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities **Rulemaking Board?** 

Sanction 1 of 1

Sanction Type: Suspension

Capacities Affected: All capacities

**Duration:** two months

**Start Date:** 04/16/2018

**End Date:** 06/15/2018



**Monetary Sanction 1 of 2** 

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:** 

Date Paid by individual: 11/22/2018

Was any portion of penalty

waived?

No

**Amount Waived:** 

**Monetary Sanction 2 of 2** 

Monetary Related Sanction: Restitution

Total Amount: \$1,054.33

**Portion Levied against** 

individual:

**Payment Plan:** 

\$1,054.33

plus interest

**Is Payment Plan Current:** 

Date Paid by individual:

Was any portion of penalty

waived?

No

**Amount Waived:** 

**Regulator Statement** Fines paid in full on November 22, 2018.

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Reporting Source: Broker

Regulatory Action Initiated By:

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Sanction(s) Sought:

**Date Initiated:** 03/27/2018

**Docket/Case Number:** 2016050823601



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

Maxim Group LLC

Product Type: Unit Investment Trust

Allegations: Without admitting or denying the findings, Ketner consented to the sanctions and

to the entry of findings that he engaged in an unsuitable pattern of short-term trading of unit investment trusts (UITs) in connection with the accounts of customers. The findings stated that prior to the maturity dates of these UITs, Ketner repeatedly recommended that these customers sell these products well before their maturity dates. The majority of the UITs that Ketner recommended had maturity dates of at least 24 months and carried sales charges ranging from 1.95 percent to 3.95 percent. Nevertheless, Ketner repeatedly recommended that his customers sell their UIT positions less than a year after purchase. Indeed, the average holding period for the UITs recommended by Ketner was 195 days. In addition, on multiple occasions, Ketner recommended that a customer use the proceeds from the short-term sale of a UIT to purchase another UIT with identical

investment objectives.

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?

No

Resolution Date: 03/27/2018

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

Restitution Suspension

Sanction 1 of 1

Sanction Type: Suspension

Capacities Affected: All Capacities

**Duration:** Two Months

**Start Date:** 04/16/2018

**End Date:** 06/15/2018

**Monetary Sanction 1 of 2** 



Monetary Related Sanction: Restitution

**Total Amount:** \$1,054.43

**Portion Levied against** 

individual:

\$1,054.43

**Payment Plan:** 

**Is Payment Plan Current:** 

Date Paid by individual:

Was any portion of penalty

waived?

No

**Amount Waived:** 

**Monetary Sanction 2 of 2** 

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:** 

Date Paid by individual:

Was any portion of penalty

waived?

No

**Amount Waived:** 

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### **Customer Dispute - Award / Judgment**

This type of disclosure event involves a final, consumer-initiated, investment-related arbitration or civil suit containing allegations of sales practice violations against the broker that resulted in an arbitration award or civil judgment for the customer.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source: Regulator

Employing firm when activities occurred which led

Maxim Group LLC

to the complaint:

Allegations:

Ketner was named in a customer complaint that asserted the following causes of

action: wholesale unauthorized trading; churning; failure to supervise; and

unsuitability.

**Product Type:** 

Other: unspecified securities

Alleged Damages:

\$199,788.00

**Arbitration Information** 

Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case

FINRA - CASE #15-03492

No.:

Date Notice/Process Served: 12/29/2015

Arbitration Pending?

**Disposition:** Award

**Disposition Date:** 05/13/2019

**Disposition Detail:** Respondent Ketner is jointly and severally liable for and shall pay to Claimant the

sum of \$199,788.00 in compensatory damages, is jointly and severally liable for and shall pay to Claimant the sum of \$26,268.40 in expert witness fees, and is jointly and severally liable and shall pay to Claimant reimbursement for the \$300

non-refundable portion of the filing fees previously paid to FINRA Dispute

Resolution.

Nο

Reporting Source: Firm

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:

Maxim Group LLC

Allegations: From 2005-2013 client alleges the RR made unsuitable trades in clients account.

Client also alleges excessive trading.



**Product Type:** Equity-OTC

Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Alleged Damages: \$475,000.00

**Arbitration Information** 

Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA,

**Date Notice/Process Served:** 

CFTC, etc.):

**FINRA** 

Docket/Case #: <u>15-03492</u>

**Arbitration Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Award to Customer

**Disposition Date:** 05/13/2019

**Monetary Compensation** 

**Amount:** 

\$199,788.00

01/05/2016

Individual Contribution \$0.00

Amount:

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

MAXIM GROUP LLC

Allegations: FROM 2005-2013, CLIENT ALLEGES RR MADE UNSUITABLE TRADES IN

CLIENT'S ACCOUNT. CLIENT ALSO ALLEGES EXCESSIVE TRADING.

Product Type: Equity-OTC

Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Alleged Damages: \$475,000.00

Is this an oral complaint?

No
Is this a written complaint?

Yes
Is this an arbitration/CFTC

No

Customer Complaint Information

reparation or civil litigation?

Date Complaint Received: 04/06/2015



**Complaint Pending?** No

**Status:** Evolved into Arbitration/CFTC reparation (the individual is a named party)

**Status Date:** 01/05/2016

**Settlement Amount:** 

**Individual Contribution** 

**Amount:** 

**Arbitration Information** 

Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA,

CFTC, etc.):

FINRA

Docket/Case #: <u>15-03492</u>

**Date Notice/Process Served:** 01/05/2016

**Arbitration Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Award to Customer

**Disposition Date:** 05/13/2019

**Monetary Compensation** 

Amount:

\$199,788.00

**Individual Contribution** 

**Amount:** 

\$0.00



### **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 6

**Reporting Source:** Broker

**Employing firm when** activities occurred which led MAXIM GROUP LLC

to the complaint:

Allegations:

ORAL ALLEGATIONS OF SUITABILITY FROM CLIENT'S ATTORNEY

REGARDING INVESTMENTS MADE IN 2007 AND 2008.

**Product Type:** Equity-OTC

Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Unit Investment Trust

No

**Alleged Damages:** \$80,000.00

Is this an oral complaint? Yes

Is this a written complaint? Nο

Is this an arbitration/CFTC

reparation or civil litigation?

**Customer Complaint Information** 

**Date Complaint Received:** 12/15/2011

**Complaint Pending?** Nο

Status: Settled

**Status Date:** 04/02/2012

**Settlement Amount:** \$55,000.00

**Individual Contribution** \$25,000.00

Amount:

Disclosure 2 of 6

**Reporting Source:** Broker

**Employing firm when** 

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

MAXIM GROUP LLC

Allegations: CUSTOMER ALLEGES THAT MR. KETNER MADE AN UNSUITABLE



RECOMENDATION IN OR ABOUT APRIL 2007.

**Product Type:** Equity-OTC

Alleged Damages: \$40,592.00

No

Is this an oral complaint? No

Is this a written complaint? Yes

Is this an arbitration/CFTC

reparation or civil litigation?

# **Customer Complaint Information**

**Date Complaint Received:** 05/17/2011

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Settled

**Status Date:** 10/22/2012

Settlement Amount: \$30,000.00

**Individual Contribution** 

Amount:

Disclosure 3 of 6

**Reporting Source:** Broker

**Employing firm when** 

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

MAXIM GROUP LLC

\$15,000.00

Allegations: CLIENT ALLEGES UNSUITABLE INVESTMENT PRACTICES FROM INCEPTION

OF ACCOUNT IN 2003 WITH ITS CLOSING IN 2012.

**Product Type:** Debt-Corporate

Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Mutual Fund

Unit Investment Trust

Alleged Damages: \$394,644.50

Is this an oral complaint? No

Is this a written complaint? Yes

Is this an arbitration/CFTC

reparation or civil litigation?

No



# **Customer Complaint Information**

**Date Complaint Received:** 07/07/2013

Complaint Pending? No

**Status:** Evolved into Arbitration/CFTC reparation (the individual is a named party)

**Status Date:** 07/07/2013

**Settlement Amount:** 

**Individual Contribution** 

**Amount:** 

**Arbitration Information** 

Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA,

CFTC, etc.):

**FINRA** 

**Docket/Case #:** 13-01732

**Date Notice/Process Served:** 07/07/2013

**Arbitration Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Settled

Disposition Date: 07/29/2014

**Monetary Compensation** 

Amount:

\$150,000.00

**Individual Contribution** 

Amount:

\$60,000.00

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Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:

MAXIM GROUP

Allegations: CLAIMANTS ALLEGE EXCESSIVE AND UNSUITABLE TRADING. NO TIME

PERIOD IS INCLUDED. ACCOUNT WAS ACTIVE FROM FEBRUARY 2006

THROUGH MARCH 2010.

Product Type: Equity-OTC

Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

**Options** 



Alleged Damages: \$170,000.00

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 or court name and location:

FINRA DISPUTE RESOLUTION - NEW YORK DISTRICT

**Docket/Case #:** 10-03609

Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation

or civil litigation:

08/05/2010

# **Customer Complaint Information**

**Date Complaint Received:** 08/20/2010

**Complaint Pending?** No

Status: Settled

 Status Date:
 02/10/2011

 Settlement Amount:
 \$42,500.00

**Individual Contribution** 

Amount:

\$0.00

Disclosure 5 of 6

**Reporting Source:** Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

Allegations:

MAXIM GROUP LLC

CLIENT ALLEGES CHURNING FROM OCTOBER 2008 THROUGH MARCH

2010.

**Product Type:** Equity-OTC

Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Options

Alleged Damages: \$15,026.00



Alleged Damages Amount

**Explanation (if amount not** 

exact):

Is this an oral complaint? No

Is this a written complaint? Yes

Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?

No

**GOOD FAITH ESTIMATE** 

### **Customer Complaint Information**

**Date Complaint Received:** 03/24/2010

Complaint Pending?

No

Status: Settled

**Status Date:** 05/20/2010

Settlement Amount: \$25,000.00

Individual Contribution \$25,000.00

Amount:

Disclosure 6 of 6

**Reporting Source:** Broker

**Employing firm when** 

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

MAXIM GROUP LLC

Allegations: CUSTOMER ALLEGE UNSUITABILITY OF INVESTMENTS

Product Type: Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Alleged Damages: \$60,000.00

## **Customer Complaint Information**

**Date Complaint Received:** 08/01/2006

**Complaint Pending?** No

Status: Settled

**Status Date:** 01/12/2007

Settlement Amount: \$40,000.00

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Individual Contribution Amount:

\$40,000.00



### Judgment / Lien

This type of disclosure event involves an unsatisfied and outstanding judgments or liens against the broker.

Disclosure 1 of 4

Reporting Source: Broker

Judgment/Lien Holder: IRS

Judgment/Lien Amount: \$39,187.54

Judgment/Lien Type: Tax

Date Filed with Court:10/18/2017Date Individual Learned:08/06/2018

Type of Court: State Court

Name of Court: Recorder of Deeds

**Location of Court:** Riverhead NY 11901

Docket/Case #: LFED00026670

Judgment/Lien Outstanding?

**Broker Statement** Tax attorney currently working a resolution to this matter.

Yes

Disclosure 2 of 4

Reporting Source: Broker

Judgment/Lien Holder: IRS

Judgment/Lien Amount: \$62,846.17

Judgment/Lien Type: Tax

Date Filed with Court: 01/11/2017

Date Individual Learned: 05/03/2017

Type of Court: State Court

Name of Court: Recorder of Deeds

Location of Court: Riverhead, NY

Docket/Case #: LFED00024970

Judgment/Lien Outstanding? Yes



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Reporting Source: Broker

Judgment/Lien Holder: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

Judgment/Lien Amount: \$58,762.59

Judgment/Lien Type: Tax

**Date Filed with Court:** 08/20/2013

Type of Court: IRS

Name of Court: IRS

Location of Court: NEW YORK

Docket/Case #: LFED00017365

Judgment/Lien Outstanding? Yes

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Reporting Source: Broker

Judgment/Lien Holder: IRS

Judgment/Lien Amount: \$42,480.00

Judgment/Lien Type: Tax

Date Filed with Court: 12/12/2011

Type of Court: DEPT. OF TREASURY

Name of Court: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

**Location of Court:** OTHER - HOLTSVILLE, NY

Docket/Case #: LFED00014255

Judgment/Lien Outstanding? Yes

Broker Statement ALL THESE NEW YORK STATE TAX LIABILITIES ARE BEING PAID OFF ON A

MONTHLY PAYMENT PLAN. AS OF JULY 1, 2013, THERE ARE 7 PAYMENTS REMAINING FOR ALL TAXES OWED. WHEN I CALLED NEW YORK STATE TO SET UP A MONTHLY PAYMENT PLAN, IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT IF I AGREED TO A VERY HIGH PAYMENT PLAN, THERE WOULD NOT BE LIENS

PLACED AGAINST ME.

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