

BrokerCheck Report

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CRD# 1240315

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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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www.finra.org/brokercheck User Guidance

John F. Dolan

CRD# 1240315

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

(A) ALDEN INVESTMENT GROUP

Mahwah, NJ CRD# 317077

CRD# 40002

Registered with this firm since: 11/09/2022

B J. ALDEN ASSOCIATES, INC. 37 WEST AVE SUITE 301 WAYNE, PA 19087

Registered with this firm since: 10/27/2022

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
- 11 U.S. states and territories

This broker has passed:

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

Registration History

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

(A) CANTELLA & CO., INC.

CRD# 13905 MALDEN, MA

08/2018 - 11/2022

B CANTELLA & CO., INC. CRD# 13905 Mahwah, NJ 06/2018 - 11/2022

IA EDWARD JONES
CRD# 250

ST. LOUIS, MO 05/2010 - 05/2018

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	
Customer Dispute	3	
Termination	1	

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 11 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

Employment 1 of 2

Firm Name: ALDEN INVESTMENT GROUP

Main Office Address: 37 WEST AVENUE

SUITE 301

WAYNE, PA 19087-3226

Firm CRD#: **317077**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
IA	New Jersey	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	11/09/2022

Branch Office Locations

37 WEST AVENUE SUITE 301 WAYNE, PA 19087-3226

Mahwah, NJ

Employment 2 of 2

Firm Name: J. ALDEN ASSOCIATES, INC.

Main Office Address: 37 WEST AVE

SUITE 301

WAYNE, PA 19087

Firm CRD#: **40002**

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
В	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/27/2022

Broker Qualifications



Employment 2 of 2, continued

,	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Connecticut	Agent	Approved	10/27/2022
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	10/27/2022
B	Maryland	Agent	Approved	11/01/2022
B	New Jersey	Agent	Approved	11/04/2022
B	New York	Agent	Approved	10/27/2022
B	Ohio	Agent	Approved	10/27/2022
B	Oregon	Agent	Approved	10/27/2022
B	South Carolina	Agent	Approved	11/07/2022
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	10/27/2022
B	Vermont	Agent	Approved	10/27/2022
B	Virginia	Agent	Approved	11/08/2022

Branch Office Locations

J. ALDEN ASSOCIATES, INC.

37 WEST AVE SUITE 301 WAYNE, PA 19087

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 0 principal/supervisory exams, 2 general industry/product exams, and 2 state securities law exams.

Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
No information reported.		

General Industry/Product Exams

Exam		Category	Date
B	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
B	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	02/18/1984

State Securities Law Exams

Exam		Category	Date
IA	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	02/01/2008
B	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	02/28/1984

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/.

www.finra.org/brokercheck
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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
IA	08/2018 - 11/2022	CANTELLA & CO., INC.	13905	Mahwah, NJ
B	06/2018 - 11/2022	CANTELLA & CO., INC.	13905	Mahwah, NJ
IA	05/2010 - 05/2018	EDWARD JONES	250	UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ
B	04/2010 - 05/2018	EDWARD JONES	250	UPPER SADDLE RIVER, NJ
IA	04/2010 - 04/2010	WALNUT STREET SECURITIES, INC.	15840	MAHWAH, NJ
B	04/2010 - 04/2010	WALNUT STREET SECURITIES, INC.	15840	EL SEGUNDO, CA
B	03/2009 - 01/2010	LPL FINANCIAL CORPORATION	6413	WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ
IA	03/2009 - 01/2010	LPL FINANCIAL CORPORATION	6413	WOODCLIFF LAKE, NJ
IA	02/2008 - 04/2009	CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.	7059	PARAMUS, NJ
B	11/2002 - 04/2009	CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.	7059	PARAMUS, NJ
B	11/1984 - 01/2003	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	7691	NEW YORK, NY
B	02/1984 - 11/1984	DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS INC.	7556	

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	Employer Location
10/2022 - Present	Alden Investment Group	Registered Representative	Υ	Wayne, PA, United States
06/2018 - 10/2022	CANTELLA & CO., INC.	Financial Advisor	Υ	BOSTON, MA, United States
04/2010 - 05/2018	EDWARD JONES	FINANCIAL ADVISOR	Υ	ST LOUIS, MO, United States

Registration and Employment History



Employment History, continued

Employment Employer Name Position Investment Related Employer Location

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.

1) My cousin Herbert Gareiss, Jr passed away in May of 2008 and his will named me as the Trustee of the established Trust.

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.
- o 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.

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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.

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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	3	N/A
Termination	N/A	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 - Closed-No Action / Withdrawn / Dismissed / Denied

This type of disclosure event involves (1) a consumer-initiated, investment-related arbitration or civil suit containing allegations of sales practice violations against the individual broker that was dismissed, withdrawn, or denied; or (2) a consumer-initiated, investment-related written complaint containing allegations that the broker engaged in sales practice violations resulting in compensatory damages of at least \$5,000, forgery, theft, or misappropriation, or conversion of funds or securities, which was closed without action, withdrawn, or denied.

Disclosure 1 of 3

Reporting Source: Firm

Employing firm when activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

to the complain

Allegations:

THE CLIENT ALLEGED MISREPRESENTATION WITH RESPECT TO DIVIDEND

OF PREFERRED STOCK - 01/18/2008.

CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.

DAMAGES UNSPECIFIED.

Product Type: Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

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: 04/03/2009

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

Status Date: 07/14/2009



Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Firm Statement CLAIM DENIED.

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led

to the complaint: Allegations:

CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS, INC.

THE CLIENT ALLEGED MISREPRESENTATION WITH RESPECT TO DIVIDEND

OF PREFERRED STOCK - 01/18/08. DAMAGES UNSPECIFIED.

Product Type: Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

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: 04/03/2009

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

Status Date: 07/14/2009

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

CLAIM DENIED. **Broker Statement**

Disclosure 2 of 3

Reporting Source: Firm



Employing firm when activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED

Allegations:

CUSTOMERS CONTENDED THAT THE NL HIGH INCOME CORPORATE FUND WAS NOT AN APPROPRIATE INVESTMENT WITHIN THEIR PORTFOLIO. THE

ORIGINAL INVESTMENT WAS MADE IN 1992.

Product Type: Mutual Fund

Alleged Damages: \$320,000.00

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: 01/13/2003

Complaint Pending? Nο

Status: Denied

Status Date: 02/23/2003

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led MERRILL LYNCH

to the complaint:

Allegations:

THE CUSTOMERS CONTEND THAT THE NL HIGH INCOME CORPORATE

FUND WAS NOT AN APPROPRIATE INVESTMENT WITHIN THEIR PORTIFOLIO. THE ORIGINAL INVESTMENT WAS MADE IN 1992

Product Type: Mutual Fund **Alleged Damages:** \$320,000.00

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: 01/13/2003

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

Status Date: 02/23/2003

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Disclosure 3 of 3

Reporting Source: Firm

Employing firm when

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED

Allegations: CUSTOMER ALLEGES HIS FINANCIAL ADVISOR PURCHASED TWO MUTUAL

FUNDS IN HIS ACCOUNT ON MARGIN WITHOUT HIS AUTHORIZATION.

Product Type: Mutual Fund

Alleged Damages: \$15,000.00

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: 06/20/2002

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Closed/No Action

Status Date: 03/03/2010

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution



Amount:

Firm Statement RELATED TO OCCURENCE # 1086528

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

MERRILL LYNCH

Allegations: CUSTOMER ALLEGES HIS FINANCIAL ADVISOR PURCHASED TWO MUTUAL

FUNDS IN HIS ACCOUNT ON MARGIN WITHOUT HIS AUTHORIZATION.

Product Type: Mutual Fund

Alleged Damages: \$15,000.00

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: 06/20/2002

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Closed/No Action

Status Date: 03/03/2010

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Broker Statement MERRILL LYNCH AND THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR DENY THE ALLEGATION.



Employment Separation After Allegations

This type of disclosure event involves a situation where the broker voluntarily resigned, was discharged, or was permitted to resign after being accused of (1) violating investment-related statutes, regulations, rules or industry standards of conduct; (2) fraud or the wrongful taking of property; or (3) failure to supervise in connection with investment-related statutes, regulations, rules, or industry standards of conduct.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source: Firm

Employer Name: Edward Jones

Termination Type: Discharged

Termination Date: 05/18/2018

Allegations: Discharged after concerns that certain recommendations did not meet client

needs.

Product Type: No Product

Reporting Source: Broker

Employer Name: Edward Jones

Termination Type: Discharged

Termination Date: 05/18/2018

Allegations: Discharged after concerns that certain recommendations did not meet client

needs.

Product Type: No Product

End of Report



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