

BrokerCheck Report

FREDERICK ROY HOFFMAN

CRD# 1326941

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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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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.

FREDERICK R. HOFFMAN

CRD# 1326941

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

A LPL FINANCIAL LLC
3610 CENTRAL AVE. SUITE 400
RIVERSIDE, CA 92506
CRD# 6413
Registered with this firm since: 02/14/2018

B LPL FINANCIAL LLC
3610 CENTRAL AVE. SUITE 400
RIVERSIDE, CA 92506
CRD# 6413
Registered with this firm since: 02/14/2018

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
- 18 U.S. states and territories

This broker has passed:

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

Registration History

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

- B INVEST FINANCIAL CORPORATION CRD# 12984 RIVERSIDE, CA 02/2009 - 02/2018
- INVEST FINANCIAL CORPORATION CRD# 12984 APPLETON, WI 02/2009 - 02/2018
- INTERSECURITIES, INC. CRD# 16164 PHILADELPHIA, PA 07/2000 - 12/2008

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:

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Customer Dispute	2

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

Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: LPL FINANCIAL LLC

Main Office Address: 1055 LPL WAY

FORT MILL, SC 29715

Firm CRD#: **6413**

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Principal	Approved	02/14/2018
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	02/14/2018
	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Alabama	Agent	Approved	02/14/2018
В	Arizona	Agent	Approved	02/14/2018
IA	Arizona	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	02/14/2018
B	California	Agent	Approved	02/14/2018
IA	California	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	02/14/2018
B	Colorado	Agent	Approved	02/14/2018
B	Georgia	Agent	Approved	09/19/2018
B	Hawaii	Agent	Approved	05/01/2024
B	Idaho	Agent	Approved	02/14/2018
B	Illinois	Agent	Approved	02/01/2023
B	Massachusetts	Agent	Approved	07/30/2025

Broker Qualifications



Employment 1 of 1, continued

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Montana	Agent	Approved	11/07/2018
B	Nevada	Agent	Approved	04/22/2019
B	Oregon	Agent	Approved	02/14/2018
B	Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	01/20/2023
B	South Dakota	Agent	Approved	03/25/2021
B	Tennessee	Agent	Approved	08/18/2025
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	02/14/2018
IA	Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Restricted Approval	02/14/2018
B	Utah	Agent	Approved	02/14/2018
B	Wisconsin	Agent	Approved	09/20/2022

Branch Office Locations

LPL FINANCIAL LLC 3610 CENTRAL AVE. SUITE 400 RIVERSIDE, CA 92506

LPL FINANCIAL LLC LAQUINTA, CA

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

Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exan	n	Category	Date
B	General Securities Principal Examination	Series 24	02/02/1998

General Industry/Product Exams

Exam		Category	Date
B	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
B	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	11/26/1997

State Securities Law Exams

Exam		Category	Date
IA	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	10/22/1999
B	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	10/31/1997

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



User Guidance

Registration History

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Reg	istration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
B	02/2009 - 02/2018	INVEST FINANCIAL CORPORATION	12984	RIVERSIDE, CA
IA	02/2009 - 02/2018	INVEST FINANCIAL CORPORATION	12984	RIVERSIDE, CA
IA	07/2000 - 12/2008	INTERSECURITIES, INC.	16164	RIVERSIDE, CA
B	11/1997 - 12/2008	INTERSECURITIES, INC.	16164	RIVERSIDE, CA

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
02/2018 - Present	LPL FINANCIAL LLC	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Υ	RIVERSIDE, CA, United States
02/2009 - 02/2018	INVEST FINANCIAL CORPORATION	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Υ	Tampa, FL, 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.

- 1. 02/14/2018 LIVINGSTON FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. Investment Related At Reported Business Location(s) DBA for LPL Business (entity for LPL business) Start Date 11/2009 160 Hours Per Month/160 Hours During Securities Trading.
- 2. 02/14/2018 No Business Name Not Investment Related 1313 Chicago Ave. Ste. 200 Riverside, CA 92507 Real Estate Rental Start Date 1/1/2014 0 Hours Per Month/0 Hours During Securities Trading.
- 3. 02/14/2018 LIFE BROKERAGE EQUITY GROUP OF CA Investment Related At Reported Business Location(s) Business Entity For Tax/Investment Purposes Only Start Date 03/07 160 Hours Per Month/130 Hours During Securities Trading.
- 4. 10/3/2018 LIVINGSTON FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. DBA: Livingston and LIVINGSTON FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. Investment Related At

Registration and Employment History



Other Business Activities, continued

Reported Business Location(s) - DBA for LPL Business (entity for LPL business) - Start Date: 09/06/2018 - 20 Hours Per Month/20 Hours During Securities Trading.

5. 10/5/2021 - LIFE BROKERAGE, INC. - Investment Related - At Reported Business Location(s) - Non-Variable Insurance - Owner and Administrator - Started 06/29/2006 - 10 Hours Per Month During Securities Trading - Fixed insurance, Life, Health disability, and Long term care.

6. 11/01/2021 - Life Brokerage Financial Group - Investment Related - At Reported Business Location(s) - Non-Variable Insurance - Agent - Start Date: 09/29/2021 - 10 Hours Per Month/10 Hour During Securities Trading.

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	2	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 2

Reporting Source: Firm

Employing firm when

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

Allegations:

INTERSECURITIES, INC. N/K/A TRANSAMERICA FINANCIAL ADVISORS, INC.

THE CLIENT ALLEGES THAT THE 419 PLAN CREATED IN DECEMBER 2001

AND MAY 2002 AND THE VARIALBE UBNIVERSAL LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES THAT WERE USED TO FUND THE PLANS WERE MISREPRESENTED TO HIM.

Product Type: Insurance

Alleged Damages: \$400,000.00

Civil Litigation Information

Type of Court: State Court

Name of Court: SUPERIOR COURT

Location of Court: COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA

Docket/Case #: RIC10016720

Date Notice/Process Served: 04/01/2011

Litigation Pending? No

Disposition: Settled

Disposition Date: 01/07/2014

Monetary Compensation \$95,000.00

Amount:



Individual Contribution \$5,000.00

Amount:

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

Allegations: THE CLIENT ALLEGES THAT THE 419 PLAN CREATED IN DECEMBER 2001

INTERSECURITIES

AND MAY 2002 AND THE VARIABLE UNIVERSAL LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES THAT WERE USED TO FUND THE PLANS WERE MISREPRESENTED TO HIM.

Product Type: Insurance

Alleged Damages: \$400,000.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:

Complaint Pending? Yes

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Civil Litigation Information

Type of Court: State Court

Name of Court: RIVERSIDE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

Location of Court: RIVERSIDE, CA

Docket/Case #: R1C10016720

Date Notice/Process Served: 03/10/2011

Litigation Pending? No

Disposition: Settled

Disposition Date: 01/07/2014

Monetary Compensation Amount:

\$95,000.00

Individual Contribution \$5,000.00

Amount:



Broker Statement FILING TO UPDATE CIVIL LITIGATION SETTLEMENT DRP.

Disclosure 2 of 2

Reporting Source: Firm

Employing firm when activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

Allegations:

INTERSECURITIES, INC.

THE CLIENTS ALLEGE THAT THE 419 PLANS CREATED IN DECEMBER 2004

AND JANUARY 2006 AND THE VARIABLE UNIVERSAL LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES THAT WERE USED TO FUND THE PLANS WERE UNSUITABLE

BASED ON THEIR INVESTMENT GOALS.

Product Type: Insurance

Alleged Damages: \$650,000.00

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: 12/05/2008

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Evolved into Civil litigation (the individual is a named party)

No

Status Date: 12/24/2008

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Civil Litigation Information

Type of Court: State Court

Name of Court: SUPERIOR COURT

Location of Court: RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA

Docket/Case #: RIC 515405

Date Notice/Process Served: 12/24/2008



Litigation Pending? No

Disposition: Settled

Disposition Date: 07/19/2011

Monetary Compensation

Amount:

\$500,000.00

Individual Contribution

Amount:

\$0.00

Firm Statement

CUSTOMER COMPLAINT BECAME LITIGATION. WITHOUT ADMITTING ANY

GUILT OR LIABILITY, THE LITIGATION WAS SETTLED BY THE

REPRESENTATIVES FOR \$500,000.

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

Allegations: BREACH OF CONTRACT/UNSUITABLE PRODUCT AND INVESTMENT

RECOMMENDATIONS

INTERSECURITIES, INC.

Product Type: Insurance

Other: VARIABLE UNIVERSAL LIFE

Alleged Damages: \$650,000.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Evolved into Civil litigation (the individual is a named party)

Status Date: 12/24/2008

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Civil Litigation Information

Type of Court: State Court

Name of Court: SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Location of Court: COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE



Docket/Case #: RIC515405

Date Notice/Process Served: 12/24/2008

Litigation Pending? No

Disposition: Settled

Disposition Date: 07/19/2011

Monetary Compensation

Amount:

\$500,000.00

Individual Contribution

Amount:

\$0.00

Broker Statement THIS CASE WAS SETTLED BY THE ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING THE E & O

CARRIER. WHILE I DISAGREE WITH THE SETTLEMENT ON THE

TEAM/[CUSTOMER] CASE, THE E & O INSURANCE CARRIER DIDN'T WANT TO UNDERGO THE EXPENSE AND POSSIBILITIES OF A CIVIL JURY TRIAL. I REMAIN CONFIDENT THE SERVICES I PROVIDED FOR THE CLIENT WERE IN AGREEMENT WITH HIS GOALS AND DIRECTION, BUT HE CHANGED HIS MIND BECAUSE OF THE ECONOMY AND HIS BUSINESS AT THAT TIME.

End of Report



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