

# BrokerCheck Report Steven I Balaban CRD# 1380366

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#### • What is included in a BrokerCheck report?

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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:
  - 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?
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- 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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# Steven I. Balaban

CRD# 1380366

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

# CONCORDE ASSET MANAGEMENT,

5075 Shoreham Place Suite 200 San Diego, CA 92122 CRD# 140367 Registered with this firm since: 08/02/2018

#### B CONCORDE INVESTMENT SERVICES, LLC

5075 Shoreham Place Suite 230 San Diego, CA 92122 CRD# 151604 Registered with this firm since: 08/01/2018

# **Report Summary for this Broker**



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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
- 10 U.S. states and territories

#### This broker has passed:

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

## **Registration History**

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

 INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC CRD# 7717 SAN DIEGO, CA 04/2014 - 07/2018
INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC CRD# 7717 SAN DIEGO, CA 04/2014 - 07/2018
UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. CRD# 8174 WEEHAWKEN, NJ 07/2006 - 07/2010

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

## Employment 1 of 2

Firm Name:	CONCORDE ASSET MANAGEMENT, LLC
Main Office Address:	3909 RESEARCH PARK DRIVE SUITE 200 ANN ARBOR, MI 48108
Firm CRD#:	140367

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
IA	Arizona	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	02/14/2019
A	California	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	08/02/2018
IA	Colorado	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	04/30/2025
IA	Connecticut	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	09/18/2020
IA	Florida	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	05/03/2019
IA	Illinois	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	06/08/2023
IA	Maine	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	05/14/2020
A	New Mexico	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	06/30/2021
IA	Oregon	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	03/01/2019
<b>I</b> A	Washington	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	03/25/2019

# **Branch Office Locations**

3909 RESEARCH PARK DRIVE SUITE 200



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# **Employment 1 of 2, continued**

ANN ARBOR, MI 48108

5075 Shoreham Place Suite 200 San Diego, CA 92122

# Employment 2 of 2

Firm	Name:	CONCORDE INVE	STMENT SERVICES, LLC		
	n Office Address:	3909 RESEARCH SUITE 200 ANN ARBOR, MI 151604			
	SRO	131004	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA		General Securities Representative		08/01/2018
	U.S. State/ Terr	ritory	Category	Status	Date
B	Arizona		Agent	Approved	08/24/2018
В	California		Agent	Approved	08/01/2018
В	Florida		Agent	Approved	08/24/2018
В	Illinois		Agent	Approved	06/08/2023
В	New Mexico		Agent	Approved	06/23/2021
В	Oregon		Agent	Approved	08/24/2018
В	Washington		Agent	Approved	08/24/2018

# **Branch Office Locations**

# CONCORDE INVESTMENT SERVICES, LLC

5075 Shoreham Place Suite 230 San Diego, CA 92122

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### 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, 3 general industry/product exams, and 3 state securities law exams.

## **Principal/Supervisory Exams**

Exam	Category	Date
No information reported.		

## **General Industry/Product Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
В	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
В	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	04/17/2014
В	National Commodity Futures Examination	Series 3	10/23/1990

# **State Securities Law Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
BIA	Uniform Combined State Law Examination	Series 66	04/23/2014
IA	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	06/02/1997
В	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	06/20/1985

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/.



## **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

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### **Registration History**

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Reg	istration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
IA	04/2014 - 07/2018	INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC	7717	SAN DIEGO, CA
В	04/2014 - 07/2018	INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC	7717	SAN DIEGO, CA
В	07/2006 - 07/2010	UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.	8174	LA JOLLA, CA
IA	07/2006 - 07/2010	UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.	8174	LA JOLLA, CA
IA	07/1997 - 07/2006	CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.	7059	SAN DIEGO, CA
В	07/1993 - 07/2006	CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.	7059	SAN DIEGO, CA
В	09/1992 - 07/1993	LEHMAN BROTHERS INC.	7506	NEW YORK, NY
B	11/1986 - 09/1992	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	7691	NEW YORK, NY
В	07/1985 - 11/1986	BUCHANAN & CO., INC.	7113	

### **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
08/2010 - Present	DISABILITY	DISABILITY	Ν	SAN DIEGO, CA, United States
04/2014 - 08/2018	INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL GROUP LLC	FINANCIAL ADVISOR	Y	SAN DIEGO, CA, 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.

# **Registration and Employment History**



### **Other Business Activities, continued**

(1) CA INSURANCE AGENT OFFERING SALES OF LIFE INSURANCE AND LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE SINCE 2014. NON-INVESTMENT RELATED. TIME SPENT AS REQUIRED. BUSINESS CONDUCTED AT OFFICE ADDRESS OF RECORD.

(2) DBA NAME "FINANCIAL DESIGNS" FOR SECURITIES AND ADVISORY SERVICES SINCE APRIL 2014. INVESTMENT RELATED. APPROXIMATELY 99% OF TIME SPENT. BUSINESS CONDUCTED AT OFFICE ADDRESS OF RECORD.

(3) CONCORDE ASSET MANAGEMENT, LLC., 5057 Shoreham Place Suite 200, San Diego, CA, 92122. INVESTMENT RELATED, INVESTMENT ADVISOR REP OFFERING INVESTMENT ADVISORY SALES AND SERVICE. full time.

4) Concorde Insurance Agency, 5057 Shoreham Place Suite 200, San Diego, CA, 92122. Investment Related. Agent, Insurance Services. 1-5 hours/month during business hours, 1-5 hours/month outside business hours.

5) Westland Insurance. This is an insurance service firm that is investment related. It is located at: 5075 Shoreham Place Suite 200, San Diego, CA 92122. Roles include certified financial planner and registered independent adviser. Hours worked 1-5 hours during business hours and 1-5 hours during non-business hours.



#### 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:

- 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.

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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	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	1	
Reporting Sour	ce:	Broker
Employing firm activities occur to the complain	red which led	SALOMON SMITH BARNEY
Allegations:		CLIENTS ALLEGED THAT THE PURCHASE OF A STOCK WAS UNAUTHORIZED. 2000
Product Type:		Equity - OTC
Alleged Damage	es:	\$6,810.00
Customer Co	mplaint Infor	mation
Date Complaint	Received:	08/09/2001
Complaint Pend	ding?	No
Status:		Denied
Status Date:		01/16/2002
Settlement Amo	ount:	
Individual Cont Amount:	ribution	
Broker Stateme	ent	THE CLIENT'S CLAIM WAS DENIED.



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