

# **BrokerCheck Report**

## **POONUM VASISHTH**

CRD# 1646066

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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
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  representatives doing business in your state.

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#### **POONUM VASISHTH**

CRD# 1646066

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



1301 A Street Suite 300 Tacoma, WA 98402 CRD# 149777

Registered with this firm since: 12/10/2010

**B** MORGAN STANLEY

1301 A Street Suite 300 Tacoma, WA 98402 CRD# 149777

Registered with this firm since: 12/10/2010

### **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:

- 4 Self-Regulatory Organizations
- 26 U.S. states and territories

#### This broker has passed:

- 0 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):

LPL FINANCIAL CORPORATION CRD# 6413

FORT MILL, SC 01/2002 - 12/2010

01/2002 - 12/2010

B LPL FINANCIAL CORPORATION CRD# 6413 PORT ORCHARD, WA

FUTURESHARE FINANCIAL LLC CRD# 47268 JERSEY CITY, NJ 10/2001 - 01/2002

#### **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:

Type Count Customer Dispute 2

#### **Broker Qualifications**



**Date** 

### 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.

**Status** 

This individual is currently registered with 4 SROs and is licensed in 26 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

### **Employment 1 of 1**

SRO

Firm Name: MORGAN STANLEY

Main Office Address: 2000 WESTCHESTER AVENUE

**PURCHASE, NY 10577-2530** 

Category

Firm CRD#: **149777** 

	SINO	Category	Status	Date
В	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	12/10/2010
В	NYSE American LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	06/17/2011
В	Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Representative	Approved	12/10/2010
В	New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Representative	Approved	12/10/2010
	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Alabama	Agent	Approved	11/07/2024
В	Alaska	Agent	Approved	02/27/2012
B	Arizona	Agent	Approved	03/21/2012
В	California	Agent	Approved	12/10/2010
B	Colorado	Agent	Approved	12/10/2010
В	District of Columbia	Agent	Approved	06/18/2024
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	01/22/2021
B	Georgia	Agent	Approved	12/13/2019
B	Hawaii	Agent	Approved	08/31/2022

### **Broker Qualifications**



### **Employment 1 of 1, continued**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Idaho	Agent	Approved	08/31/2022
В	Indiana	Agent	Approved	01/10/2018
В	Maine	Agent	Approved	03/29/2017
B	Maryland	Agent	Approved	08/31/2022
В	Montana	Agent	Approved	02/20/2025
В	Nevada	Agent	Approved	12/10/2010
B	New Mexico	Agent	Approved	05/02/2025
B	New York	Agent	Approved	06/19/2020
В	Ohio	Agent	Approved	09/01/2022
B	Oregon	Agent	Approved	01/19/2011
В	Texas	Agent	Approved	12/10/2010
IA	Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Restricted Approval	01/03/2011
В	Utah	Agent	Approved	10/06/2022
B	Vermont	Agent	Approved	09/27/2022
В	Virginia	Agent	Approved	08/02/2018
В	Washington	Agent	Approved	12/10/2010
IA	Washington	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	12/10/2010
B	Wisconsin	Agent	Approved	02/18/2025
В	Wyoming	Agent	Approved	10/24/2023

### **Branch Office Locations**

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### **Broker Qualifications**



**Employment 1 of 1, continued MORGAN STANLEY** 

1301 A Street Suite 300 Tacoma, WA 98402

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

### **Principal/Supervisory Exams**

Exam	Category	Date
No information re	ted.	

### **General Industry/Product Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
B	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
B	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	09/18/2000
В	Investment Company Products/Variable Contracts Representative Examination	Series 6	06/21/1999

#### **State Securities Law Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
IA	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	12/08/1999
В	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	06/21/1999

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
IA	01/2002 - 12/2010	LPL FINANCIAL CORPORATION	6413	PORT ORCHARD, WA
B	01/2002 - 12/2010	LPL FINANCIAL CORPORATION	6413	PORT ORCHARD, WA
B	10/2001 - 01/2002	FUTURESHARE FINANCIAL LLC	47268	JERSEY CITY, NJ
B	11/2000 - 10/2001	NATHAN & LEWIS SECURITIES, INC.	8503	NEW YORK, NY
B	06/1999 - 03/2001	SUNSET FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	3538	KANSAS CITY, MO
B	04/1987 - 04/1995	FIDELITY EQUITY SERVICES CORPORATION	17455	

#### **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>
01/2015 - Present	MORGAN STANLEY PRIVATE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	FINANCIAL ADVISOR	Υ	NEW YORK, NY, United States
12/2010 - Present	MORGAN STANLEY SMITH BARNEY	FA	Υ	TACOMA, WA, 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.

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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	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 - 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 2

Reporting Source: Firm

Employing firm when activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

LPL FINANCIAL, LLC

Allegations: CUSTOMER ALLEGES VARIABLE ANNUITY PURCHASED IN 2007 WAS

MISREPRESENTED. COMPENSATORY DAMAGES NOT SPECIFIED BUT REASONABLY BELIEVED THAT CUSTOMER SEEKS OVER \$5,000 IN

DAMAGES.

**Product Type:** Annuity-Variable

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not exact):

DAMAGES UNSPECIFIED BUT REASONABLY BELIEVED THAT CUSTOMER

SEEKS OVER \$5,000 IN DAMAGES.

**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: 09/30/2014



Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

**Status Date:** 10/09/2014

**Settlement Amount:** 

**Individual Contribution** 

**Amount:** 

Firm Statement CLAIM HAS BEEN DENIED. FIRM'S INVESTIGATION CONCLUDED THAT

TRANSACTION WAS FULLY DISCUSSED, DOCUMENTED AND AUTHORIZED. CUSTOMER INVESTED A TOTAL OF \$110,853, AND RECEIVED A TOTAL OF \$106,065 IN DISTRIBUTIONS AND SURRENDER, SO ACTUAL INVESTMENT LOSS WAS \$4,788. PRODUCT HAD BEEN PURCHASED TO PROVIDE LIFETIME INCOME OF 6% OF AT LEAST HER INITIAL INVESTMENT, WHICH CUSTOMER HAD BEEN RECEIVING BEFORE SHE SURRENDERED THE CONTRACT IN 2011 WITHOUT SPEAKING WITH REPRESENTATIVE ABOUT

THE CONSEQUENCES OF THAT.

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:

LPL FINANCIAL, LLC

Allegations:

CUSTOMER ALLEGES VARIABLE ANNUITY PURCHASED IN 2007 WAS MISREPRESENTED. COMPENSATORY DAMAGES NOT SPECIFIED BUT REASONABLY BELIEVED THAT CUSTOMER SEEKS OVER \$5,000 IN

DAMAGES.

**Product Type:** Annuity-Variable

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not exact):

DAMAGES UNSPECIFIED BUT REASONABLY BELIEVED THAT CUSTOMER

SEEKS OVER \$5,000 IN DAMAGES.

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: 09/30/2014

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THE CONSEQUENCES OF THAT.

Disclosure 2 of 2

Reporting Source: Firm

Employing firm when activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

LPL FINANCIAL

Allegations: CUSTOMER ALLEGED THAT RECOMMENDATION TO EXCHANGE VARIABLE

ANNUITY IN AUGUST 2010 WAS UNSUITABLE AND SOUGHT TO HAVE

TRANSACTION REVERSED.

**Product Type:** Annuity-Variable

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not

exact):

DAMAGES UNSPECIFIED BUT REASONABLY BELIEVED TO BE GREATER

THAN \$5,000

Is this an oral complaint?

Nο

Is this a written complaint?

Yes

Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?

No



### **Customer Complaint Information**

Date Complaint Received: 03/18/2011

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

**Status Date:** 05/17/2011

**Settlement Amount:** 

**Individual Contribution** 

Amount:

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

Allegations:

LPL FINANCIAL

CUSTOMER ALLEGED THAT RECOMMENDATION TO EXCHANGE VARIABLE

ANNUITY IN AUGUST 2010 WAS UNSUITABLE AND SOUGHT TO HAVE

TRANSACTION REVERSED.

**Product Type:** Annuity-Variable

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Alleged Damages Amount

**Explanation (if amount not** 

exact):

DAMAGES UNSPECIFIED, BUT REASONABLY BELIEVED TO BE GREATER

THAN \$5,000

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:** 03/18/2011

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

**Status Date:** 05/17/2011

**Settlement Amount:** 

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Individual Contribution Amount:

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