

BrokerCheck Report

RUSSELL A ANDREWS

CRD# 1702479

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About BrokerCheck®

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:
 - 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
 - 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.



RUSSELL A. ANDREWS

CRD# 1702479

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

IA TCFG INVESTMENT ADVISORS, LLC
 310 Market Street
 First Floor
 Basalt, CO 81621
 CRD# 166606
 Registered with this firm since: 01/03/2020

B TCFG WEALTH MANAGEMENT, LLC
 310 Market Street
 First Floor
 Basalt, CO 81621
 CRD# 164153
 Registered with this firm since: 01/03/2020

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:

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

Registration History

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

- IA FIRST FINANCIAL EQUITY CORPORATION**
 CRD# 16507
 SCOTTSDALE, AZ
 04/2015 - 01/2020
- B FIRST FINANCIAL EQUITY CORPORATION**
 CRD# 16507
 Snowmass Village, CO
 04/2015 - 01/2020
- B AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.**
 CRD# 6363
 BASALT, CO
 02/2009 - 04/2015

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	3



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: **TCFG INVESTMENT ADVISORS, LLC**

Main Office Address: **28202 CABOT RD
SUITE 300
LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA 92677**

Firm CRD#: **166606**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
IA	Arizona	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	10/08/2020
IA	California	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	01/06/2020
IA	Colorado	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	02/18/2020
IA	Delaware	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	04/22/2020
IA	Georgia	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	10/21/2021
IA	New York	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	04/12/2023
IA	Pennsylvania	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	04/08/2020
IA	Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Restricted Approval	01/03/2020
IA	Utah	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	04/09/2020

Branch Office Locations

28202 CABOT RD
SUITE 300
LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA 92677

Broker Qualifications



Employment 1 of 2, continued

310 Market Street
First Floor
Basalt, CO 81621

Employment 2 of 2

Firm Name: **TCFG WEALTH MANAGEMENT, LLC**
Main Office Address: **28202 CABOT ROAD, SUITE 305
LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA 92677**
Firm CRD#: **164153**

SRO	Category	Status	Date
B FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	01/03/2020

U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B Arizona	Agent	Approved	01/03/2020
B California	Agent	Approved	01/03/2020
B Colorado	Agent	Approved	02/18/2020
B Delaware	Agent	Approved	04/30/2020
B Florida	Agent	Approved	04/24/2020
B Georgia	Agent	Approved	10/20/2021
B New York	Agent	Approved	04/13/2023
B North Carolina	Agent	Approved	05/29/2025
B Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	02/20/2020
B Utah	Agent	Approved	01/03/2020

Branch Office Locations

TCFG WEALTH MANAGEMENT, LLC

Broker Qualifications



Employment 2 of 2, continued

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

Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B General Securities Sales Supervisor Examination (Options Module & General Module)	Series 8	07/01/1994

General Industry/Product Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
B National Commodity Futures Examination	Series 3	05/02/1995
B General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	08/15/1987

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
IA Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	03/13/2001
B Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	08/27/1987

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/.

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:

Registration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
B 04/2015 - 01/2020	FIRST FINANCIAL EQUITY CORPORATION	16507	Snowmass Village, CO
IA 04/2015 - 01/2020	FIRST FINANCIAL EQUITY CORPORATION	16507	Snowmass Village, CO
B 02/2009 - 04/2015	AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	6363	BASALT, CO
IA 01/2009 - 04/2015	AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	6363	BASALT, CO
B 09/2005 - 02/2009	RBC CAPITAL MARKETS CORPORATION	31194	ASPEN, CO
IA 09/2005 - 02/2009	RBC CAPITAL MARKETS CORPORATION	31194	ASPEN, CO
IA 01/1999 - 09/2005	MORGAN STANLEY	7556	CENTENNIAL, CO
B 05/1994 - 09/2005	MORGAN STANLEY DW INC.	7556	PURCHASE, NY
B 01/1991 - 05/1994	WHEAT, FIRST SECURITIES, INC.	6124	CHARLOTTE, NC
B 01/1990 - 01/1991	BUTCHER & SINGER INC.	6517	
B 08/1987 - 02/1990	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	7691	NEW YORK, NY

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
01/2020 - Present	TCFG Insurance Solutions, LLC	Agent	N	Laguna Niguel, CA, United States
01/2020 - Present	TCFG Investment Advisors, LLC	Investment Advisor Representative	Y	Laguna Niguel, CA, United States
01/2020 - Present	TCFG Wealth Management, LLC	Registered Representative	Y	Laguna Niguel, CA, United States



Registration and Employment History

Employment History, continued

Employment	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	Employer Location
04/2015 - Present	FIRST FINANCIAL EQUITY CORP	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Y	BASALT, CO, 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.

Russ Andrews Investment Management | Not investment-related | 1/2020 | RIA/IA Advisor | Mr. Andrews will be conducting his securities and advisory business under the above name, with the title of Managing Director. This is a self-branding name, to facilitate securities compensation through TCFG |

Aspen Ski Co | Not investment related | 11/021 | Volunteer; Supervisor - Colin James | Greet guests, provide mountain info and safety guidelines, guest ski tours |

Always Mountain Time KNFO Radio | Not investment related | Aspen, CO | 8 hours/month; no compensation | Talk radio with David Bach, Marketing ads |

TCFG Investment Advisors, LLC | Investment-related | 1/2020 | RIA/IA Rep | 28202 Cabot Rd, Ste. 300, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677 |

TCFG Insurance Solutions, LLC | Investment-related | 1/2020 | Agent | 28202 Cabot Rd, Ste. 300, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677 |

State Office | Non-investment related | 3/29/2025 | Secretary CO GOP | 5950 S WILLOW DR GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111 | 25 hours/month | Secretarial duties, keep recorded details of meetings, attend events |

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:**
 - 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:**
 - 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.
 - 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



Disclosure Event Details

When evaluating this information, please keep in mind that a disclosure 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:	RBC CAPITAL MARKETS CORPORATION
Allegations:	CUSTOMER CLAIMS HIS FORMER FINANCIAL CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATIONS DID NOT MEET HIS INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES. IN ARBITRATION, CLAIMANTS ALLEGE BROKER MADE UNSUITABLE RECOMMENDATIONS AND OMISSIONS, IN PERIOD 9/2005 TO 1/2009. MAIN PRODUCT COMPLAINED ABOUT IS RALI HYBRID MORTGAGE BONDS.
Product Type:	Debt-Corporate
Alleged Damages:	\$150,000.00
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
Docket/Case #:	11-03534
Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation:	09/27/2011



Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 02/23/2009

Complaint Pending? No

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

Status Date: 01/17/2012

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Arbitration Information

Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA, CFTC, etc.): FINRA

Docket/Case #: 11-03534

Date Notice/Process Served: 09/27/2011

Arbitration Pending? No

Disposition: Settled

Disposition Date: 01/17/2012

Monetary Compensation Amount: \$33,750.00

Individual Contribution Amount: \$0.00

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: RBC CAPITAL MARKETS CORPORATION

Allegations: CUSTOMER CLAIMS HIS FORMER FINANCIAL CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATIONS DID NOT MEET HIS INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES. IN ARBITRATION, CLAIMANTS ALLEGE BROKER MADE UNSUITABLE RECOMMENDATIONS AND OMISSIONS, IN PERIOD 9/2005 TO 1/2009. MAIN PRODUCT COMPLAINED ABOUT IS RALI HYBRID MORTGAGE BONDS.

Product Type: Debt-Corporate



Alleged Damages: \$150,000.00

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

Docket/Case #: 11-03534

Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation: 09/27/2011

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 02/23/2009

Complaint Pending? No

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

Status Date: 09/20/2011

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Arbitration Information

Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA, CFTC, etc.): FINRA

Docket/Case #: 11-03534

Date Notice/Process Served: 09/27/2011

Arbitration Pending? No

Disposition: Settled

Disposition Date: 01/17/2012

Monetary Compensation Amount: \$33,750.00

Individual Contribution Amount: \$0.00



Disclosure 2 of 2

Reporting Source: Firm

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: MORGAN STANLEY DW INC.

Allegations: [CUSTOMER] CONTENDS, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT HER FINANCIAL ADVISOR RECOMMENDED UNSUITABLE INVESTMENTS. DAMAGES ARE NOT SPECIFICALLY ALLEGED BUT ARE BELIEVED TO BE IN EXCESS OF \$5,000.

Product Type: Mutual Fund(s)

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 09/26/2006

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Settled

Status Date: 11/30/2007

Settlement Amount: \$365,000.00

Individual Contribution Amount: \$0.00

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: RBC DAIN RAUSCHER INC.

Allegations: CLIENT ALLEGES MR. ANDREWS MADE UNSUITABLE INVESTMENTS AND RAISED QUESTIONS OF CHURNING IN HER PERSONAL AND PLEDGED ACCOUNTS AND A CRUT ACCOUNT HELD AT ANOTHER BROKERAGE FIRM. DAMAGES ARE UNSPECIFIED, BUT BELIEVED TO BE OVER \$5,000.00.

Product Type: Mutual Fund(s)

Other Product Type(s): EQUITY - LISTED

Alleged Damages: \$0.00



Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 09/07/2006

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Settled

Status Date: 11/30/2007

Settlement Amount: \$365,000.00

Individual Contribution Amount: \$0.00

Broker Statement THIS AMENDMENT HAS BEEN INITIATED BY RBC DAIN RAUSCHER ("RBC DAIN") SOLEY FOR PURPOSES OF REFLECTING MORGAN STANLEY DW INC.'S SETTLEMENT OF THE [CUSTOMER] MATTER.



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 Source:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	MORGAN STANLEY DW INC.
Allegations:	CLIENT ALLEGES "UNSUITABLE" INVESTMENTS DURING 1999-2002.
Product Type:	Other
Other Product Type(s):	EQUITY
Alleged Damages:	\$28,238.73

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:	06/17/2002
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Closed/No Action
Status Date:	06/07/2004
Settlement Amount:	
Individual Contribution Amount:	

End of Report



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