

BrokerCheck Report

PAUL DREES HAAG

CRD# 1731564

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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:
 - 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.



PAUL D. HAAG
CRD# 1731564

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

- IA WELLS FARGO ADVISORS**
221 E MOUNTAIN ST
KERNERSVILLE, NC 27284
CRD# 19616
Registered with this firm since: 06/27/2002
- B WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC**
221 E MOUNTAIN ST
KERNERSVILLE, NC 27284
CRD# 19616
Registered with this firm since: 06/15/2002

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:

- 6 Self-Regulatory Organizations
- 19 U.S. states and territories

This broker has passed:

- 4 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):

- IA WACHOVIA SECURITIES, INC.**
CRD# 431
CHARLOTTE, NC
01/2002 - 06/2002
- B WACHOVIA SECURITIES, INC.**
CRD# 431
CHARLOTTE, NC
02/2000 - 06/2002
- B WACHOVIA BROKERAGE SERVICE**
CRD# 17503
WINSTON SALEM, NC
07/1996 - 02/2000

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	4



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 6 SROs and is licensed in 19 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: **WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC**

Main Office Address: **ONE NORTH JEFFERSON AVENUE
MAIL CODE: H0004-05E
ST. LOUIS, MO 63103**

Firm CRD#: **19616**

SRO	Category	Status	Date
B Cboe Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/18/2021
B FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	06/15/2002
B FINRA	General Securities Sales Supervisor	Approved	06/15/2002
B FINRA	Municipal Securities Principal	Approved	06/15/2002
B FINRA	Registered Options Principal	Approved	06/15/2002
B NYSE American LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/29/2011
B NYSE American LLC	Municipal Securities Principal	Approved	07/29/2011
B NYSE American LLC	General Securities Sales Supervisor	Approved	10/01/2018
B Nasdaq PHLX LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	09/30/2011
B Nasdaq PHLX LLC	General Securities Sales Supervisor	Approved	09/30/2011
B Nasdaq PHLX LLC	Registered Options Principal	Approved	09/30/2011
B Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/12/2006
B Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Sales Supervisor	Approved	07/12/2006
B New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Representative	Approved	06/15/2002
B New York Stock Exchange	Municipal Securities Principal	Approved	06/26/2010



Broker Qualifications

Employment 1 of 1, continued

SRO	Category	Status	Date
B New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Sales Supervisor	Approved	10/01/2018

U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B Arizona	Agent	Approved	09/02/2020
B California	Agent	Approved	06/15/2002
B Florida	Agent	Approved	06/15/2002
B Georgia	Agent	Approved	06/15/2002
B Hawaii	Agent	Approved	06/15/2002
B Illinois	Agent	Approved	06/15/2002
B Indiana	Agent	Approved	05/21/2019
B Kentucky	Agent	Approved	07/29/2024
B Massachusetts	Agent	Approved	06/15/2002
B Nevada	Agent	Approved	06/15/2002
B New Jersey	Agent	Approved	09/09/2020
B New York	Agent	Approved	06/15/2002
B North Carolina	Agent	Approved	06/15/2002
IA North Carolina	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	06/27/2002
B Ohio	Agent	Approved	06/15/2002
B Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	06/15/2002
B South Carolina	Agent	Approved	06/15/2002
B Tennessee	Agent	Approved	02/22/2013
B Texas	Agent	Approved	06/15/2002

Broker Qualifications



Employment 1 of 1, continued

U.S. State/ Territory		Category	Status	Date
B	Virginia	Agent	Approved	06/15/2002

Branch Office Locations

WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC
221 E MOUNTAIN ST
KERNERSVILLE, NC 27284



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

Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B General Securities Sales Supervisor - General Module Examination	Series 10	05/26/2000
B General Securities Sales Supervisor - Options Module Examination	Series 9	05/26/2000
B Municipal Securities Principal Examination	Series 53	05/07/1992
B Registered Options Principal Examination	Series 4	12/26/1990

General Industry/Product Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
B Futures Managed Funds Examination	Series 31	01/30/2009
B General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	11/21/1987

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
IA Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	07/02/2001
B Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	12/07/1987

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
IA 01/2002 - 06/2002	WACHOVIA SECURITIES, INC.	431	CHARLOTTE, NC
B 02/2000 - 06/2002	WACHOVIA SECURITIES, INC.	431	CHARLOTTE, NC
B 07/1996 - 02/2000	WACHOVIA BROKERAGE SERVICE	17503	WINSTON SALEM, NC
B 07/1995 - 07/1996	AMERICAN ENTERPRISE INVESTMENT SERVICES INC.	26506	MINNEAPOLIS, MN
B 06/1989 - 07/1996	AMERICAN EXPRESS FINANCIAL ADVISORS INC.	6363	MINNEAPOLIS, MN
B 06/1989 - 07/1996	IDS LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	6321	MINNEAPOLIS, MN
B 12/1987 - 01/1989	CHARLES SCHWAB & CO., INC.	5393	

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
11/2016 - Present	WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC	REGISTERED REP	Y	WINSTON SALEM, NC, United States
05/2009 - 11/2016	WELLS FARGO ADVISORS LLC	REGISTERED REP	Y	WINSTON SALEM, NC, 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.
 - 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:**
 - o 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	4	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:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	WELLS FARGO ADVISORS, LLC
Allegations:	CLAIMANTS, RESIDENTS OF FLORIDA, ALLEGE SUPERVISORY PROCEDURES WERE NOT FOLLOWED BETWEEN JANUARY 2008 TO MAY 2009 IN RELATION TO THEIR ACCOUNT. CLAIMANTS REQUEST \$465,028.89 IN COMPENSATORY DAMAGES.
Product Type:	Other: MISCELLANEOUS
Alleged Damages:	\$465,028.90
Is this an oral complaint?	No
Is this a written complaint?	Yes
Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?	Yes
Arbitration/Reparation forum or court name and location:	FINRA
Docket/Case #:	11-01050
Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation:	03/23/2011

Customer Complaint Information



Date Complaint Received:	03/28/2011
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Settled
Status Date:	01/06/2012
Settlement Amount:	\$110,000.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00
Broker Statement	RESPONDENT WELLS FARGO AGREED TO SETTLE THIS MATTER FOR \$110,000.00 IN ORDER TO AVOID THE DISTRACTION AND EXPENSE OF FURTHER ARBITRATION. THIS SETTLEMENT DOES NOT REPRESENT AN ADMISSION BY RESPONDENT OF LIABILITY, WRONGDOING, OR VIOLATION OF LAW. THE FA WILL NOT BE CONTRIBUTING TO THE SETTLEMENT, AND THE TRANSACTIONS AT ISSUE WERE UNSOLICITED TRADES PLACED THROUGH THE DISCOUNT TRADING DESK.

Disclosure 2 of 2

Reporting Source:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	WACHOVIA SECURITIES, LLC
Allegations:	VERBALLY ALLEGED UNAUTHOIZED TRADING. (3/12/2008 AND 3/17/2008)
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)
Alleged Damages:	\$0.00
Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not exact):	ALLEGED DAMAGES, NOT SPECIFIED, WERE BELIEVED TO EXCEED \$5,000.
Is this an oral complaint?	Yes
Is this a written complaint?	No
Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?	No

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:	07/10/2008
Complaint Pending?	No



Status:	Settled
Status Date:	08/22/2008
Settlement Amount:	\$18,500.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00
Broker Statement	CLAIM SETTLED FOR \$18,500 IN THE INTEREST OF CLIENT RELATIONS AND TO AVOID MORE COSTLY FORMAL PROCEEDINGS, WITHOUT ADMITTING ANY LIABILITY WHATSOEVER. **IN AN EARLY CONVERSATION WITH CLIENT, CLIENT INTRODUCED ME TO HIS BROTHER WHO WAS NOT AUTHORIZED ON THE ACCOUNT, BUT PUT HIM ON THE PHONE WITH ME. DURING A SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATION IN WHICH THIS BROTHER GAVE TRADES, AN AUTHORIZED BROTHER WAS IN THE ROOM AND COULD BE HEARD ADVISING HIM OF HOW MANY SHARES TO PURCHASE."



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:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	WELLS FARGO ADVISORS, LLC
Allegations:	CLAIMANT, AN ALABAMA CORPORATION, ALLEGED BETWEEN 2004 AND 2007, FAS MADE UNSUITABLE INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS IN WARRANTS ISSUED BY JEFFERSON COUNTY, AL. CLAIMANT REQUESTED REPURCHASE OF A \$750,000 WARRANT AT PAR OR DAMAGES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$750,000.
Product Type:	Other: WARRANTS/RIGHTS
Alleged Damages:	\$750,000.00
Is this an oral complaint?	No
Is this a written complaint?	Yes
Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?	Yes
Arbitration/Reparation forum or court name and location:	FINRA
Docket/Case #:	10-01140
Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation:	03/17/2010

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:	03/22/2010
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Withdrawn
Status Date:	07/21/2011
Settlement Amount:	



Individual Contribution Amount:

Broker Statement

ALL SECURITIES PURCHASED WERE DISCUSSED WITH THE CLIENT AT THE TIME OF PURCHASE. THE CLAIM IS BASED ON THE DEFAULT AND CREDIT PROBLEMS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA. BONDS TENDERED IN MARCH 2008 WERE FOR CREDIT ISSUES WITH XLCA INSURANCE, NOT JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA. FUNDS FROM THE TENDERED SECURITIES WERE REINVESTED IN SIMILAR SECURITIES.
***THE CASE WAS DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE BY CLAIMANT.

Disclosure 2 of 2

Reporting Source:

Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:

WACHOVIA SECURITIES INC.

Allegations:

GEORGIA RESIDENT CLAIMS THAT THE FA'S PURCHASE OF A WORLDCOM 6.25% BOND DUE 8/15/03 FOR HIS PENSION & PROFIT SHARING ACCOUNT ON MARCH 24, 2000 WAS CONTRARY TO HIS INSTRUCTION THAT HE WANTED ONLY HIGH-QUALITY BONDS IN THE ACCOUNT. FURTHER THE CLIENT CLAIMS THAT THE FA DID NOT KEEP HIM APPRISED AS TO THE FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY THAT WORLDCOM WAS EXPERIENCING IN 2002, NOR THAT THE CREDIT RATING FOR THE BOND HAD BEEN LOWERED. THE CLIENT DEMANDED THAT HE BE MADE WHOLE FOR THE DECREASE IN THE VALUE OF THE BOND FROM THE DATE OF PURCHASE - APPROXIMATELY \$82,000 AS OF THE DATE OF THE COMPLAINT.

Product Type:

Debt - Corporate

Alleged Damages:

\$82,000.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:

07/29/2002

Complaint Pending?

No

Status:

Denied

Status Date:

09/09/2002

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Broker Statement

LETTER SENT TO THE CLIENT ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2002 DENYING THE



CLAIM. THE WORLDCOM BOND THAT WAS PURCHASED BY THE CLIENT WAS RATED A2/BBB AT THE TIME OF PURCHASE AND IT MET AND/OR EXCEEDED THE PARAMETERS SET BY THE CLIENT FOR THE QUALITY OF BONDS THAT HE WANTED TO OWN. THE INFORMATION ABOUT WORLDCOM'S FINANCIAL PROBLEMS AND THE DOWNGRADE WITH RESPECT TO THE CREDIT RATING FOR THE WORLDCOM BOND(S) WAS PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE-- A YEAR EARLIER THE CLIENT HAD SOLD STOCK THAT HE HELD IN WORLDCOM BASE ON CONCERNS WITH THE COMPANY.

End of Report



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