

BrokerCheck Report

MICHAEL CORBETT MILNE

CRD# 1842992

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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.

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This broker is not currently registered.

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 not currently registered.

This broker has passed:

- 2 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):

- B KOVACK SECURITIES INC.**
CRD# 44848
OCALA, FL
11/2011 - 08/2015
- B BROKERSXPRESS LLC**
CRD# 127081
OCALA, FL
02/2011 - 11/2011
- B RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.**
CRD# 6694
OCALA, FL
12/2006 - 01/2011

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
Regulatory Event	1
Customer Dispute	3
Termination	1

Investment Adviser Representative Information

The information below represents the individual's record as a broker. For details on this individual's record as an investment adviser representative, visit the SEC's Investment Adviser Public Disclosure website at

<https://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov>

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 broker is not currently registered.



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

Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B Municipal Securities Principal Examination	Series 53	02/26/2009
B General Securities Principal Examination	Series 24	12/08/2000

General Industry/Product Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	08/21/2015
B General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	04/17/1995
B Investment Company Products/Variable Contracts Representative Examination	Series 6	01/13/1989

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B IA Uniform Combined State Law Examination	Series 66	10/09/2002
B Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	08/05/1991

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 11/2011 - 08/2015	KOVACK SECURITIES INC.	44848	OCALA, FL
B 02/2011 - 11/2011	BROKERSXPRESS LLC	127081	OCALA, FL
B 12/2006 - 01/2011	RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	6694	OCALA, FL
B 09/2004 - 12/2006	RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOCIATES, INC.	705	GAINESVILLE, FL
B 07/2000 - 10/2004	SUNTRUST SECURITIES, INC.	17499	ATLANTA, GA
B 04/1998 - 06/2000	BANC OF AMERICA INVESTMENT SERVICES, INC.	16361	BOSTON, MA
B 02/1995 - 04/1998	BARNETT INVESTMENTS, INC.	14897	JACKSONVILLE, FL
B 02/1993 - 02/1995	JMC FINANCIAL CORPORATION	16063	BOSTON, MA
B 01/1989 - 06/1993	PFS INVESTMENTS INC.	10111	DULUTH, GA

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
08/2015 - Present	OCALA CAPITAL, LLC	INVESTMENT ADVISOR REPRESENTATIVE/MANAGING MEMBER	Y	OCALA, FL, United States
12/2004 - Present	OCALA CAPITAL, LLC	INSURANCE AGENT	Y	OCALA, FL, United States
11/2012 - 11/2015	MIKE MILNE, SOLE PROPRIETOR	ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS	Y	OCALA, FL, United States



Registration and Employment History

Employment History, continued

Employment	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	Employer Location
01/2012 - 08/2015	KOVACK ADVISORS INC.	INVESTMENT ADVISOR	Y	FT. LAUDERDALE, FL, United States
10/2011 - 08/2015	KOVACK SECURITIES, INC	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Y	FT. LAUDERDALE, 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) DBA: OCALA CAPITAL, LLC;OCALA, FL 34470; EST. 12/2004; FINANCIAL SERVICES, OWNER, INSURANCE AGENT; SELL INSURANCE PRODUCTS FOR COMMISSIONS, 80% OF TIME SPENT.

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
Regulatory Event	0	1	0
Customer Dispute	1	2	N/A
Termination	N/A	1	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.

Regulatory - Final

This type of disclosure event may involve (1) a final, formal proceeding initiated by a regulatory authority (e.g., a state securities agency, self-regulatory organization, federal regulatory such as the Securities and Exchange Commission, foreign financial regulatory body) for a violation of investment-related rules or regulations; or (2) a revocation or suspension of a broker's authority to act as an attorney, accountant, or federal contractor.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source:	Regulator
Regulatory Action Initiated By:	FINRA
Sanction(s) Sought:	Other: N/A
Date Initiated:	04/19/2013
Docket/Case Number:	2011026262301
Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the regulatory action:	RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)
Allegations:	FINRA RULE 2010, NASD RULE 2510(B): MILNE EXERCISED DISCRETION IN THE ACCOUNTS OF CUSTOMERS, BY SELLING OUT POSITIONS THAT THEY HELD IN STOCK. MILNE HAD PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED, WITH HIS CUSTOMERS WHO HELD SHARES, THE STRATEGY OF SELLING THIS STOCK IF A TARGET PRICE WERE REACHED OR A DOWNTURN SEEMED LIKELY, AND GENERALLY OBTAINED APPROVAL OF THIS APPROACH. HOWEVER, MILNE DID NOT OBTAIN WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION FROM THE CUSTOMERS OR APPROVAL FROM HIS MEMBER FIRM TO EXERCISE DISCRETION, AND IN MOST CASES HE DID NOT CONTACT CUSTOMERS BEFORE SELLING THE STOCK.
Current Status:	Final



Resolution:	Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)
Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct?	No
Resolution Date:	04/19/2013
Sanctions Ordered:	Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s) Suspension
If the regulator is the SEC, CFTC, or an SRO, did the action result in a finding of a willful violation or failure to supervise?	No
(1) willfully violated any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any of such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, or to have been unable to comply with any provision of such Act, rule or regulation?	



(2) willfully aided, abetted, counseled, commanded, induced, or procured the violation by any person of any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any of such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board? or

(3) failed reasonably to supervise another person subject to your supervision, with a view to preventing the violation by such person of any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board?

Sanction 1 of 1

Sanction Type:	Suspension
Capacities Affected:	ANY CAPACITY
Duration:	15 BUSINESS DAYS
Start Date:	05/20/2013
End Date:	06/10/2013

**Monetary Sanction 1 of 1**

Monetary Related Sanction: Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)

Total Amount: \$5,000.00

Portion Levied against individual: \$5,000.00

Payment Plan:

Is Payment Plan Current:

Date Paid by individual: 02/03/2014

Was any portion of penalty waived? No

Amount Waived:

Regulator Statement WITHOUT ADMITTING OR DENYING THE FINDINGS, MILNE CONSENTED TO THE DESCRIBED SANCTIONS AND TO THE ENTRY OF FINDINGS, THEREFORE HE IS FINED \$5,000 AND SUSPENDED FROM ASSOCIATION WITH ANY FINRA MEMBER IN ANY CAPACITY FOR 15 BUSINESS DAYS. THE SUSPENSION IS IN EFFECT FROM MAY 20, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 10, 2013.

Reporting Source: Broker

Regulatory Action Initiated By: FINRA

Sanction(s) Sought: Other: N/A

Date Initiated: 04/19/2013

Docket/Case Number: 2011026262301

Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the regulatory action: RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

Product Type: Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Allegations: FINRA RULE 2010, NASD RULE 2510(B): MILNE EXERCISED DISCRETION IN THE ACCOUNTS OF CUSTOMERS, BY SELLING OUT POSITIONS THAT THEY HELD IN STOCK. MILNE HAD PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED, WITH HIS CUSTOMERS WHO HELD SHARES, THE STRATEGY OF SELLING THIS STOCK IF A TARGET PRICE WERE REACHED OR A DOWNTURN SEEMED LIKELY, AND GENERALLY OBTAINED APPROVAL OF THIS APPROACH.



HOWEVER, MILNE DID NOT OBTAIN WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION FROM THE CUSTOMERS OR APPROVAL FROM HIS MEMBER FIRM TO EXERCISE DISCRETION, AND IN MOST CASES HE DID NOT CONTACT CUSTOMERS BEFORE SELLING THE STOCK.

Current Status:	Final
Resolution:	Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)
Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct?	No
Resolution Date:	04/19/2013
Sanctions Ordered:	Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s) Suspension
Sanction 1 of 1	
Sanction Type:	Suspension
Capacities Affected:	ANY CAPACITY
Duration:	15 BUSINESS DAYS
Start Date:	05/20/2013
End Date:	06/10/2013
Monetary Sanction 1 of 1	
Monetary Related Sanction:	Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)
Total Amount:	\$5,000.00
Portion Levied against individual:	\$5,000.00
Payment Plan:	
Is Payment Plan Current:	
Date Paid by individual:	
Was any portion of penalty waived?	No
Amount Waived:	



Broker Statement

THIS ACTION WAS THE RESULT OF ME TRYING TO BE PROACTIVE IN MY CLIENTS ACCOUNTS IN THE SALE OF ONE STOCK THAT WAS DOWNGRADED. I HAD PREVIOUSLY SPOKEN TO EACH CLIENT ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF SELLING THE POSITIONS BUT DID NOT SPEAK TO EVERY CLIENT DIRECTLY ON THE DAY THE STOCK WAS SOLD. I BELIEVED I WAS ACTING IN MY CLIENTS' BEST INTEREST.



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 1

Reporting Source:	Firm
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	Optionsxpress, Inc. & Kovack Securities, Inc.
Allegations:	Claimant alleged breach of fiduciary duty, breach of contract, negligence, common law fraud, negligent misrepresentation, unauthorized trading, & negligent supervision relating to Representative's trading of options and common stocks.
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock) Options
Alleged Damages:	\$50,000.00
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 #:	17-01079
Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation:	05/12/2017

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:	05/12/2017
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Settled
Status Date:	09/19/2017
Settlement Amount:	\$13,000.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00



Reporting Source:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	Optionsxpress, Inc. & Kovack Securities, Inc.
Allegations:	Claimant alleged breach of fiduciary duty, breach of contract, negligence, common law fraud, negligent misrepresentation, unauthorized trading and negligent supervision relating to Representative's trading of options and common stocks
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock) Options
Alleged Damages:	\$50,000.00
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 #:	17-01079
Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation:	05/12/2017
Customer Complaint Information	
Date Complaint Received:	09/21/2017
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Settled
Status Date:	09/19/2017
Settlement Amount:	\$13,000.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00
Broker Statement	The allegation made against me I adamantly protest and find exception to. The documentation that was presented during the arbitration shows I was in frequent communication with the claimant both face to face and telephonically. The claimant



was aware and involved in the investment choices, even her step-daughter who has investment knowledge was aware and did not discouraged her from the strategies that were being used. Also the trades made in her accounted were discounted and her risk tolerance in all these trades were taken in consideration and all trades were made with her authorization. A settlement was reached in order to save on legal fees and to bring this matter to a close.



Customer Dispute - Closed-No Action / Withdrawn / Dismissed / Denied

This type of disclosure event involves (1) a pending consumer-initiated, investment-related arbitration or civil suit that contains allegations of sales practice violations against the broker; or (2) a pending, 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.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES
Allegations:	CLIENT ALLEGES THAT HE LOST MONEY DUE TO THE POOR INVESTMENT ADVICE OF MR. MICHAEL MILNE AND THAT THE EFFECTS OF USING A MARGIN ACCOUNT WERE NOT PROPERLY EXPLAINED AND DISCLOSED TO HIM.
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)
Alleged Damages:	\$5,000.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:	03/25/2009
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Denied
Status Date:	04/21/2009
Settlement Amount:	
Individual Contribution Amount:	



Customer Dispute - Pending

This type of disclosure event involves (1) a pending consumer-initiated, investment-related arbitration or civil suit that contains allegations of sales practice violations against the broker; or (2) a pending, 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.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	Ocala Capital, LLC
Allegations:	Client alleges a breach of fiduciary duty, mismanagement and that investments made were not in line with stated risk tolerance.
Product Type:	Equity-OTC Options
Alleged Damages:	\$11,000.00
Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not exact):	Client has asked to have lost funds replaced and states account was originally \$75,000 and dropped to \$64,000
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:	04/18/2025
Complaint Pending?	Yes
Settlement Amount:	
Individual Contribution Amount:	



Employment Separation After Allegations

This type of disclosure event involves a situation where the broker voluntarily resigned, was discharged, or was permitted to resign after being accused of (1) violating investment-related statutes, regulations, rules or industry standards of conduct; (2) fraud or the wrongful taking of property; or (3) failure to supervise in connection with investment-related statutes, regulations, rules, or industry standards of conduct.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source:	Firm
Employer Name:	RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC
Termination Type:	Discharged
Termination Date:	01/25/2011
Allegations:	UNAUTHORIZED USE OF DISCRETION
Product Type:	No Product

Reporting Source:	Broker
Employer Name:	RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.
Termination Type:	Discharged
Termination Date:	01/25/2011
Allegations:	UNAUTHORIZED USE OF DISCRETION.
Product Type:	No Product

End of Report



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