

# **BrokerCheck Report**

# **JOSEPH BRADLEY KUCERA**

CRD# 1884612

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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
  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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www.finra.org/brokercheck **User Guidance** 

## JOSEPH B. KUCERA

CRD# 1884612

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

MELLS FARGO ADVISORS 7400 W 130TH ST STES 200 & 400

> OVERLAND PARK, KS 66213 CRD# 19616

Registered with this firm since: 10/31/2019

### WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC

7400 W 130TH ST STES 200 & 400 OVERLAND PARK, KS 66213 CRD# 19616

Registered with this firm since: 10/31/2019

## **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:

- 11 Self-Regulatory Organizations
- 20 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):

IA UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.

CRD# 8174 WEEHAWKEN, NJ 09/2010 - 11/2019

UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. CRD# 8174

LEAWOOD, KS 09/2010 - 11/2019

R MORGAN STANLEY SMITH BARNEY

CRD# 149777 OVERLAND PARK, KS 06/2009 - 10/2010

#### **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:

Type Count **Customer Dispute** 1

## **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 11 SROs and is licensed in 20 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 BZX Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/31/2019
B	Cboe Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/31/2019
В	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/31/2019
В	NYSE American LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/31/2019
В	NYSE Arca, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/31/2019
В	NYSE Texas, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/31/2019
В	Nasdaq GEMX, LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/31/2019
B	Nasdaq ISE, LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/31/2019
В	Nasdaq PHLX LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/31/2019
B	Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/31/2019
В	New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/31/2019
	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
	•	<b>.</b>		
В	Arizona	Agent	Approved	10/31/2019
B	California	Agent	Approved	07/09/2021

# **Broker Qualifications**



# **Employment 1 of 1, continued**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Colorado	Agent	Approved	10/31/2019
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	11/17/2023
B	Idaho	Agent	Approved	09/19/2024
B	Illinois	Agent	Approved	10/31/2019
B	Indiana	Agent	Approved	12/02/2024
В	lowa	Agent	Approved	11/13/2019
B	Kansas	Agent	Approved	10/31/2019
IA	Kansas	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	10/31/2019
B	Minnesota	Agent	Approved	02/20/2025
B	Missouri	Agent	Approved	10/31/2019
B	Nebraska	Agent	Approved	10/31/2019
IA	Nebraska	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	12/10/2019
B	Ohio	Agent	Approved	10/31/2019
B	Oklahoma	Agent	Approved	11/01/2019
B	Oregon	Agent	Approved	08/08/2024
B	South Carolina	Agent	Approved	01/31/2022
B	South Dakota	Agent	Approved	11/18/2019
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	01/13/2022
B	Virginia	Agent	Approved	05/12/2021
B	Wisconsin	Agent	Approved	01/07/2025

# **Broker Qualifications**



**Employment 1 of 1, continued Branch Office Locations** 

WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC 7400 W 130TH ST STES 200 & 400 OVERLAND PARK, KS 66213

WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC 13625 CALIFORNIA ST 2ND FL OMAHA, NE 68154

## **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 reported.		

# **General Industry/Product Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
В	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
В	Futures Managed Funds Examination	Series 31	11/23/2005
В	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	10/15/1988

## **State Securities Law Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
IA	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	03/07/1994
B	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	11/05/1988

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
B	09/2010 - 11/2019	UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.	8174	LEAWOOD, KS
IA	09/2010 - 11/2019	UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.	8174	LEAWOOD, KS
B	06/2009 - 10/2010	MORGAN STANLEY SMITH BARNEY	149777	OVERLAND PARK, KS
IA	06/2009 - 10/2010	MORGAN STANLEY SMITH BARNEY LLC	149777	OVERLAND PARK, KS
B	04/2007 - 06/2009	MORGAN STANLEY & CO. INCORPORATED	8209	OMAHA, NE
IA	04/2007 - 06/2009	MORGAN STANLEY & CO. INCORPORATED	8209	OMAHA, NE
IA	04/2005 - 04/2007	MORGAN STANLEY	7556	OMAHA, NE
B	03/2005 - 04/2007	MORGAN STANLEY DW INC.	7556	OMAHA, NE
IA	10/1997 - 04/2005	CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.	7059	OMAHA, NE
B	12/1989 - 04/2005	CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.	7059	NEW YORK, NY
B	01/1989 - 12/1989	MCCARTHY, DUNN & CO.	18489	OMAHA, NE
B	10/1988 - 01/1989	AMERITAS INVESTMENT CORP.	14869	

## **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.

<b>Employment</b>	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	<b>Employer Location</b>
10/2019 - Present	WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC	REGISTERED REP	Υ	OVERLAND PARK, KS, United States
07/2013 - 10/2019	UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC	FINANCIAL ADVISOR	Υ	LEAWOOD, KS, United States

# **Registration and Employment History**



## **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.

KUCERA FARMS LLC, NOT INV RELATED, LOUISBURG, KS, 100% OWNERSHIP, START 10/4/2021, 6 HOURS PER MONTH, ZERO HOURS DURING TRADING, HOLDS RECREATIONAL USE PROPERTY. |

POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PARENT; INV RELATED; SHAWNEE, KS; POA; 04/2025; 5 HOURS PER MONTH; 5 HOURS DURING TRADING; ACT ON BEHALF OF PARENTS FOR FINANCES AND HEALTHCARE

### **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.

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.
- 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 - Award / Judgment**

This type of disclosure event involves a final, consumer-initiated, investment-related arbitration or civil suit containing allegations of sales practice violations against the broker that resulted in an arbitration award or civil judgment for the customer.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source: Regulator

Employing firm when

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

SALOMON SMITH BARNEY, INC. (N/K/A CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS, INC.)

Allegations: UNSUITABLE TRANSACTIONS, MISMANAGEMENT OF DISCRETIONARY

ACCOUNT, BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY, COMMON LAW FRAUD, BREACH OF CONTRACT, COMMON LAW NEGLIGENT MISREPRESENTATION AND

CONCEALMENT.

**Product Type:** Other

Other Product Type(s): STOCKS.

Alleged Damages: \$403,000.01

**Arbitration Information** 

Arbitration/Reparation Claim

filed with and Docket/Case

No.:

NASD - CASE #03-00157

Date Notice/Process Served: 01/08/2003

**Arbitration Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Award

**Disposition Date:** 05/14/2004

**Disposition Detail:** STIPULATED AWARD: AFTER CONSIDERING THE PLEADINGS, THE

STIPULATION TO DISMISS, AND PROPOSED STIPULATED AWARD, THE



PANEL HAS DECIDED IN FULL AND FINAL RESOLUTION OF THE ISSUES SUBMITTED AS FOLLOWS: ANY AND ALL CLAIMS ASSERTED IN THIS MATTER AGAINST RESPONDENT JOSEPH BRADLEY KUCERA HAVE BEEN MITTURE AND ADELUCE PROPERTY DISMISSION WIT

WITHDRAWN BY CLAIMANT AND ARE HEREBY DISMISSED WITH

PREJUDICE.

**Reporting Source:** Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

Allegations: CLAIMANT ALLEGES IMPROPER HANDLING OF ACCOUNT BETWEEN

SALOMON SMITH BARNEY INC.

APPROXIMATELY MAY 2000 THROUGH MAY 2001.

**Product Type:** Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Alleged Damages: \$403,000.00

**Customer Complaint Information** 

**Date Complaint Received:** 01/21/2003

**Complaint Pending?** No

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

**Status Date:** 01/21/2003

Settlement Amount: \$0.00

Individual Contribution

Amount:

\$0.00

**Arbitration Information** 

Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA,

CFTC, etc.):

NASD

 Docket/Case #:
 03-00157

 Date Notice/Process Served:
 01/21/2003

**Arbitration Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Settled

**Disposition Date:** 04/23/2004



**Monetary Compensation** 

Amount:

**Individual Contribution** 

**Amount:** 

\$0.00

\$0.00

**Broker Statement** 

AFTER CONSIDERING THE PLEADINGS, THE ARBITRATION PANEL DECIDED IN FULL TO DISMISS ALL CLAIMS AGAINST ME WITH PREJUDICE. THE CLAIMANT ALSO WITHDREW ALL THE CLAIMS AGAINST ME AND DID NOT OBJECT TO ANY EFFORT TO OBTAIN AN EXPUNGEMENT OF THIS MATTER FROM MY RECORD. I NEVER MET THE CLIENTS, THEIR ALLEGATION WERE ACTUALLY DIRECTED AT MY PARTNER BASED UPON THE FACT THAT I WAS NOT INVOLVED IN THE ALLEGED VIOLATION. THIS SETTLEMENT IS SOLEY WITH CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC. THIS SETTLEMENT DOES NOT REFLECT ANY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OR ADMISSION OF ANY LIABILITY OR MISCONDUCT ON MY PART WHATSOEVER. FINALLY, I DID NOT, NOR WAS I ASKED TO PERSONALLY CONTRIBUTE ANY AMOUNT TOWARDS THE SETTLEMENT OF THIS CASE.

# **End of Report**



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