

## BrokerCheck Report

**Michael Vincent Mortellaro**

CRD# 2142876

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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](http://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](http://www.finra.org).



## Michael V. Mortellaro

CRD# 2142876

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

**IA SIMPLICITY WEALTH**  
 475 SPRINGFIELD AVE.  
 SUITE #1  
 SUMMIT, NJ 07901  
 CRD# 300572  
 Registered with this firm since: 12/05/2023

**B THE LEADERS GROUP, INC.**  
 475 Springfield Avenue  
 Summit, NJ 07901  
 CRD# 37157  
 Registered with this firm since: 10/09/2023

## 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
- 3 U.S. states and territories

#### This broker has passed:

- 3 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 SIMPLICITY FINANCIAL INVESTMENT SERVICES, INC.**  
 CRD# 148024  
 SUMMIT, NJ  
 01/2022 - 10/2023
- IA SIMPLICITY SOLUTIONS, LLC**  
 CRD# 175009  
 MINNEAPOLIS, MN  
 07/2021 - 12/2022
- IA ASSETMARK, INC.**  
 CRD# 109018  
 CONCORD, CA  
 10/2019 - 11/2020

### 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? **No**



## 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 3 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.**

### Employment 1 of 2

Firm Name: **SIMPLICITY WEALTH**  
 Main Office Address: **475 SPRINGFIELD AVE.  
 SUITE #1  
 SUMMIT, NJ 07901**  
 Firm CRD#: **300572**

|    | U.S. State/ Territory | Category                          | Status              | Date       |
|----|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| IA | Florida               | Investment Adviser Representative | Approved            | 12/05/2023 |
| IA | New Jersey            | Investment Adviser Representative | Approved            | 12/12/2023 |
| IA | Texas                 | Investment Adviser Representative | Restricted Approval | 12/12/2023 |

### Branch Office Locations

475 SPRINGFIELD AVE.  
 SUITE #1  
 SUMMIT, NJ 07901

### Employment 2 of 2

Firm Name: **THE LEADERS GROUP, INC.**  
 Main Office Address: **475 SPRINGFIELD AVE  
 SUMMIT, NJ 07901**  
 Firm CRD#: **37157**

|   | SRO   | Category                            | Status   | Date       |
|---|-------|-------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| B | FINRA | General Securities Representative   | Approved | 10/09/2023 |
| B | FINRA | General Securities Sales Supervisor | Approved | 10/09/2023 |



Broker Qualifications

Employment 2 of 2, continued

| SRO                | Category                | Status   | Date       |
|--------------------|-------------------------|----------|------------|
| <div>B</div> FINRA | Operations Professional | Approved | 10/09/2023 |

| U.S. State/ Territory   | Category | Status   | Date       |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|------------|
| <div>B</div> Florida    | Agent    | Approved | 10/09/2023 |
| <div>B</div> New Jersey | Agent    | Approved | 10/09/2023 |

Branch Office Locations

THE LEADERS GROUP, INC.  
475 Springfield Avenue  
Summit, NJ 07901

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

### Principal/Supervisory Exams

| Exam   | Category  | Date       |
|--|-----------|------------|
| <b>B</b> General Securities Sales Supervisor - Options Module Examination                  | Series 9  | 01/02/2023 |
| <b>B</b> General Securities Sales Supervisor - General Module Examination                  | Series 10 | 01/02/2023 |
| <b>B</b> General Securities Sales Supervisor Examination (Options Module & General Module) | Series 8  | 05/27/1994 |

### General Industry/Product Exams

| Exam   | Category    | Date       |
|--|-------------|------------|
| <b>B</b> Operations Professional Examination           | Series 99TO | 01/02/2023 |
| <b>B</b> Securities Industry Essentials Examination    | SIE         | 10/01/2018 |
| <b>B</b> General Securities Representative Examination | Series 7    | 06/11/1991 |

### State Securities Law Exams

| Exam  | Category  | Date       |
|---|-----------|------------|
| <b>IA</b> Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination    | Series 65 | 08/01/2008 |
| <b>B</b> Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination | Series 63 | 11/07/1991 |

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/](http://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>B</b> 01/2022 - 10/2023  | SIMPLICITY FINANCIAL INVESTMENT SERVICES, INC. | 148024 | SUMMIT, NJ            |
| <b>IA</b> 07/2021 - 12/2022 | SIMPLICITY SOLUTIONS, LLC                      | 175009 | Lakewood Ranch, FL    |
| <b>IA</b> 10/2019 - 11/2020 | ASSETMARK, INC.                                | 109018 | Sarasota, FL          |
| <b>B</b> 09/2019 - 11/2020  | ASSETMARK BROKERAGE, LLC                       | 169804 | CONCORD, CA           |
| <b>IA</b> 03/2016 - 08/2019 | GLOBAL FINANCIAL PRIVATE CAPITAL, INC.         | 132070 | SARASOTA, FL          |
| <b>B</b> 02/2016 - 04/2019  | G.F. INVESTMENT SERVICES, LLC                  | 132939 | MCDONOUGH, GA         |
| <b>IA</b> 08/2008 - 03/2014 | STRATEGIC ADVISERS, INC.                       | 104555 | SARASOTA, FL          |
| <b>B</b> 06/2006 - 03/2014  | FIDELITY BROKERAGE SERVICES LLC                | 7784   | SARASOTA, FL          |
| <b>B</b> 10/1991 - 07/2004  | CHARLES SCHWAB & CO., INC.                     | 5393   | WESTLAKE, TX          |
| <b>B</b> 06/1991 - 09/1991  | CHATFIELD DEAN & CO., INC.                     | 14714  | GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO |

### 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            |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| 10/2023 - Present | The Leaders Group Inc | Registered Representative         | Y                  | Littleton, CO, United States |
| 09/2021 - Present | Simplicity Wealth     | Investment Adviser Representative | Y                  | Summit, NJ, United States    |
| 03/2021 - Present | Simplicity            | Senior Vice President             | Y                  | Summit, NJ, United States    |
| 02/2021 - 05/2021 | Unemployed            | N/A                               | N                  | N/A, FL, United States       |
| 02/2016 - 01/2021 | GFPC/AssetMark        | Vice President (Multiple Roles)   | Y                  | Sarasota, FL, United States  |





Registration and Employment History

Employment History, continued

| Employment        | Employer Name | Position       | Investment Related | Employer Location        |
|-------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| 01/2015 - 02/2016 | New York Life | Vice President | Y                  | Tampa, 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.) SIMPLICITY GROUP - 5/1/21 - 475 Springfield Ave, Summit, NJ 07901 - SVP of Planning, SVP of Planning, Invt Rel, Insurance business, 160 hrs/mo; 160 hrs/mo (during trading hours).

## End of Report



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