

BrokerCheck Report
STEPHEN J LANDA
 CRD# 2172148

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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
- 2 General Industry/Product Exams
- 2 State Securities Law Exams

Registration History

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

- B INVEST FINANCIAL CORPORATION**
CRD# 12984
EASTON, CT
03/2005 - 08/2015
- B GREENWICH GLOBAL, LLC**
CRD# 37304
WILTON, CT
05/2004 - 03/2005
- B SIG SECURITIES, L.L.C.**
CRD# 45915
DALLAS, TX
12/2004 - 03/2005

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	2
Termination	2
Judgment/Lien	2

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

Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B Municipal Fund Securities Principal Examination	Series 51	09/06/2005
B General Securities Principal Examination	Series 24	12/02/2001

General Industry/Product Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	08/28/2015
B General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	11/08/1991

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B IA Uniform Combined State Law Examination	Series 66	08/22/2001
B Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	10/03/1991

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 03/2005 - 08/2015	INVEST FINANCIAL CORPORATION	12984	EASTON, CT
B 05/2004 - 03/2005	GREENWICH GLOBAL, LLC	37304	WILTON, CT
B 12/2004 - 03/2005	SIG SECURITIES, L.L.C.	45915	DALLAS, TX
B 08/2000 - 05/2004	ROYAL ALLIANCE ASSOCIATES, INC.	23131	SCOTTSDALE, AZ
B 11/1991 - 09/2000	AMERICAN EXPRESS FINANCIAL ADVISORS INC.	6363	MINNEAPOLIS, MN
B 11/1991 - 09/2000	IDS LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	6321	MINNEAPOLIS, MN

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
05/2014 - Present	Startech	Consulting, Sales	N	Easton, CT, United States
03/2005 - Present	MIGHTY OAK MANAGEMENT LLC	INVESTMENT ADVISER REPRESENTATIVE	Y	STAMFORD, CT, 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.

STARTECH LLC; NOT INVESTMENT RELATED; PRESIDENT/CEO; PLASMA CONVERTER TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT & SALES; RESTART DATE 9/22/14; 16 HPM/4 HPM DURING TRADING HOURS. 2) MIGHTY OAK MANAGEMENT LLC. INVESTMENT RELATED. 849 BLACK ROCK TURNPIKE, EASTON, CT 06612. FINANCIAL PLANNING & CONSULTING SERVICES. OWNER. IAR REP. START 03/01/02 4 HPM/2 HPM DURING TRADING. Stephen Landa, insurance agent, life, annuity and long term care insurance sales, 1 hpm, 1hpm during trading hours,business address is 849 Black Rock Tpke, Easton, CT 06612

Registration and Employment History



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	0	2	N/A
Termination	N/A	2	N/A
Judgment/Lien	2	N/A	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:

Date Initiated: 05/17/2017

Docket/Case Number: [2016049485101](#)

Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the regulatory action: Invest Financial Corporation

Product Type: Mutual Fund

Allegations: Without admitting or denying the findings, Landa consented to the sanctions and to the entry of findings that he employed an unsuitable short-term mutual fund trading strategy in the individual account of a customer and the joint account of the customer and another customer. The findings stated that at the time, the customers were both 60 years of age or older, retired, and living on fixed incomes. Also, both of them had conservative investment objectives and moderate risk tolerances. Nevertheless, on occasions, Landa recommended that the customers purchase mutual fund shares and then, shortly thereafter, recommended that they sell the shares. Landa did not have a reasonable basis for believing that such transactions were suitable. Even though mutual funds are intended as longer-term investments, Landa recommended that the customers sell the mutual fund shares



after an average holding period of fewer than six months. Also, all of these transactions involved Class A mutual fund shares, which included front-end sales loads. As a result of these transactions, the customers suffered collective losses of approximately \$18,156.53.

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:	05/17/2017
Sanctions Ordered:	Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s) Restitution 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:	All capacities
Duration:	two months
Start Date:	06/05/2017
End Date:	08/04/2017



Monetary Sanction 1 of 2

Monetary Related Sanction: Restitution

Total Amount: \$18,156.53

Portion Levied against individual: \$18,156.53

Payment Plan: deferred restitution, plus interest

Is Payment Plan Current:

Date Paid by individual:

Was any portion of penalty waived? No

Amount Waived:

Monetary Sanction 2 of 2

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

Total Amount: \$5,000.00

Portion Levied against individual: \$5,000.00

Payment Plan: deferred

Is Payment Plan Current:

Date Paid by individual:

Was any portion of penalty waived? No

Amount Waived:



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:	INVEST FINANCIAL CORPORATION
Allegations:	MR. LANDA IS NOT NAMED; HE IS PRINCIPAL OF THE "NAMED" FIRM; ALLEGATIONS OF BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY, FRAUD, MISREPRESENTATION.
Product Type:	Other: TIC-1031 EXCHANGE
Alleged Damages:	\$1,000,000.00
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 #:	12-03003
Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation:	08/20/2012

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:	08/31/2012
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Settled
Status Date:	12/18/2013
Settlement Amount:	\$200,000.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00



Disclosure 2 of 2

Reporting Source:	Firm
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	AMERICAN EXPRESS FINANCIAL ADVISORS INC
Allegations:	[CUSTOMER] AND [OTHER CUSTOMER NAMED] CLAIM THAT MR. LANDA RECOMMENDED AND SOLICIED THEM TO INVEST IN AN OUTSIDE INVESTMENT FROM ABOUT SEPTEMBER 1999 THROUGH MARCH 2000. [OTHER CUSTOMER NAMED], AN AMERICAN EXPRESS CLIENT, ALLEGES HE LOST \$100,000 AND [CUSTOMER], WHO IS NOT AND NEVER WAS AN AMERICAN EXPRESS CLIENT, ALLEGES HE LOST \$1,650,000.
Product Type:	Other
Other Product Type(s):	OUTSIDE INVESTMENT
Alleged Damages:	\$1,750,000.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:	10/13/2000
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Litigation
Status Date:	10/13/2000
Settlement Amount:	

Individual Contribution Amount:

Civil Litigation Information

Court Details:	SUPERIOR COURT JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF FAIRFIELD AT BRIDGE, CT NO CASE NO
Date Notice/Process Served:	10/13/2000
Litigation Pending?	No
Disposition:	Settled
Disposition Date:	06/30/2004
Monetary Compensation Amount:	\$25,000.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$25,000.00

**Firm Statement**

SUPERIOR COURT JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF FAIRFIELD AT BRIDGEPORT, CT
NO CASE NO. ASSIGNED YET (IN LITIGATION). WE DISCOVERED THAT THS
THREATENED LAWSUIT WAS FILED WITH THE COURT AND IS A CIVIL
LIGATION MATTER.

Reporting Source:

Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:

AMERICAN EXPRESS FINANCIAL ADVISORS

Allegations:

[CUSTOMER] AND [THIRD PARTY] CLAIM THAT I RECOMMENDED THAT THEY INVEST IN A NIGERIAN INVESTMENT FRAUD DURING THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 1999 TO MARCH 2000. WHILE [CUSTOMER] WAS A CLIENT OF THE BROKER DEALER FOR WHICH I WAS AN AGENT, [THIRD PARTY] NEVER WAS. [CUSTOMER] ALLEGES HE LOST \$100,000.00 AND [THIRD PARTY] ALLEGES HE LOST \$165,000.00. NONE OF THEIR ALLEGATIONS ABOUT MY INVOLVEMENT ARE TRUE.

Product Type:

Other

Other Product Type(s):

UNKNOWN

Alleged Damages:

\$1,750,000.00

Customer Complaint Information**Date Complaint Received:**

10/13/2000

Complaint Pending?

No

Status:

Litigation

Status Date:

10/13/2000

Settlement Amount:**Individual Contribution Amount:****Civil Litigation Information****Court Details:**

SUPERIOR COURT JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF FAIRFIELD AT BRIDGE, CT
NO CASE NO. NOT ASSIGNED YET.

Date Notice/Process Served:

10/13/2000

Litigation Pending?

No

Disposition:

Settled



Disposition Date:	06/30/2004
Monetary Compensation Amount:	\$25,000.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$25,000.00



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 2

Reporting Source:	Firm
Employer Name:	INVEST FINANCIAL CORPORATION
Termination Type:	Voluntary Resignation
Termination Date:	08/05/2015
Allegations:	AT THE TIME OF TERMINATION, A REVIEW OF THE REPRESENTATIVE'S CLIENT'S ACCOUNTS WAS BEING CONDUCTED FOR POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS CONCERNING MUTUAL FUNDS.
Product Type:	Mutual Fund
Firm Statement	This change was done in error originally.

Disclosure 2 of 2

Reporting Source:	Broker
Employer Name:	AMERICAN EXPRESS FINANCIAL ADVISORS
Termination Type:	Voluntary Resignation
Termination Date:	08/23/2000
Allegations:	THE NASD HAS REVIEWED THIS CASE AND CLOSED IT FINDING NO EVIDENCE TO SUBSTANTIATE THE CLAIM THAT WAS MADE.
Product Type:	Other
Other Product Types:	NONE
Broker Statement	AMER. EXP. DECIDED TO MARK ON MY U-5 THAT I HAD BEEN TERMINATED AFTER I HAD TRANSFERRED TO ANOTHER BROKERAGE FIRM. THEY STATED THAT A COMPLAINT TO THEM FROM A FORMER CLIENT WAS THE CAUSE. I TOLD AMER. EXP. THAT THE ALLEGATION WAS UNTRUE, THE NASD HAS REVIEWED THIS CASE AND CLOSED IT WITHOUT ANY ADVERSE FINDING TO ME.



Judgment / Lien

This type of disclosure event involves an unsatisfied and outstanding judgments or liens against the broker.

Disclosure 1 of 2

Reporting Source:	Broker
Judgment/Lien Holder:	IRS
Judgment/Lien Amount:	\$25,238.49
Judgment/Lien Type:	Tax
Date Filed with Court:	12/08/2015
Date Individual Learned:	12/28/2015
Type of Court:	IRS
Name of Court:	Secretary of State
Location of Court:	Hartford, CT
Docket/Case #:	01872LAN2457358
Judgment/Lien Outstanding?	Yes
Broker Statement	A payment plan is in place and in process of further negotiation to accelerate the payoff

Disclosure 2 of 2

Reporting Source:	Broker
Judgment/Lien Holder:	ELIO AND ANTOINETTE TIBERI
Judgment/Lien Amount:	\$105,355.57
Judgment/Lien Type:	Civil
Date Filed with Court:	06/18/2013
Type of Court:	SUPERIOR COURT
Name of Court:	JUDICIAL COURT OF FAIRFIELD AT BRIDGEPORT
Location of Court:	BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT
Docket/Case #:	FBT-CV12-6029617-S
Judgment/Lien Outstanding?	Yes
Broker Statement	THIS IS A LOAN FROM MY EX WIFE'S PARENTS TO BOTH MYSELF AND MY EX WIFE THAT I AGREED TO TAKE ON MYSELF AS PART OF THE



RESOLUTION AGREEMENT. EVEN THOUGH I AM PAYING IT AS AGREED, IT
STILL HAD TO BE FORMALIZED AS A JUDGEMENT FOR THIS PROCESS.

End of Report



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