

BrokerCheck Report

DARREN AMERKANIAN

CRD# 2224332

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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?
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- Are there other resources I can use to check the background of investment professionals?
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DARREN AMERKANIAN

CRD# 2224332

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

IA RBC CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC

200 Park Avenue 2nd Floor FLORHAM PARK, NJ 07932 CRD# 31194

Registered with this firm since: 09/15/2014

Registered with this firm since: 09/15/2014

B RBC CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC

200 Park Avenue 2nd Floor FLORHAM PARK, NJ 07932-1026 CRD# 31194 **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:

- 22 Self-Regulatory Organizations
- 27 U.S. states and territories

This broker has passed:

- 0 Principal/Supervisory Exams
- 3 General Industry/Product Exams
- 1 State Securities Law Exam

Registration History

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

B WELLS FARGO ADVISORS, LLC CRD# 19616 WAYNE, NJ 08/2008 - 09/2014

WELLS FARGO ADVISORS, LLC CRD# 19616 ST. LOUIS, MO 08/2008 - 09/2014

UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. CRD# 8174 WEEHAWKEN, NJ 02/2006 - 08/2008

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:

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|------------------|-------|
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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 22 SROs and is licensed in 27 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

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Firm Name: RBC CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC

Main Office Address: 200 VESEY ST.

NEW YORK, NY 10281

Firm CRD#: **31194**

| | SRO | Category | Status | Date |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|------------|
| B | BOX Exchange LLC | General Securities Representative | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| B | Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc. | General Securities Representative | Approved | 11/18/2020 |
| B | Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc. | General Securities Representative | Approved | 11/18/2020 |
| B | Cboe C2 Exchange, Inc. | General Securities Representative | Approved | 11/18/2020 |
| B | Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc. | General Securities Representative | Approved | 11/18/2020 |
| B | Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc. | General Securities Representative | Approved | 11/18/2020 |
| B | Cboe Exchange, Inc. | General Securities Representative | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| B | FINRA | General Securities Representative | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| B | Investors' Exchange LLC | General Securities Representative | Approved | 11/18/2020 |
| B | Long-Term Stock Exchange, Inc. | General Securities Representative | Approved | 11/01/2020 |
| B | MEMX LLC | General Securities Representative | Approved | 11/01/2020 |
| B | MIAX PEARL, LLC | General Securities Representative | Approved | 11/02/2020 |
| B | NYSE American LLC | General Securities Representative | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| B | NYSE Arca, Inc. | General Securities Representative | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| B | NYSE National, Inc. | General Securities Representative | Approved | 11/18/2020 |
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08/02/2017

09/01/2021

09/15/2014

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|---------------------|------|----|-----------|
| SRO | | | |

| | SRO | Category | Status | Date |
|------------------|--|---|--|--|
| B | NYSE Texas, Inc. | General Securities Representative | Approved | 11/18/2020 |
| B | Nasdaq BX, Inc. | General Securities Representative | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| B | Nasdaq GEMX, LLC | General Securities Representative | Approved | 11/18/2020 |
| B | Nasdaq ISE, LLC | General Securities Representative | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| B | Nasdaq PHLX LLC | General Securities Representative | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| B | Nasdaq Stock Market | General Securities Representative | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| B | New York Stock Exchange | General Securities Representative | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| | U.S. State/ Territory | Category | Status | Date |
| | | | | |
| В | Arizona | Agent | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| B | Arizona California | Agent Agent | Approved Approved | 09/15/2014 09/15/2014 |
| | | - | · · | |
| В | California | Agent | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| B | California Colorado | Agent Agent | Approved Approved | 09/15/2014 11/18/2020 |
| B B | California Colorado Connecticut | Agent Agent Agent | Approved Approved | 09/15/2014 11/18/2020 01/02/2015 |
| B B B | California Colorado Connecticut Florida | Agent Agent Agent Agent | Approved Approved Approved Approved | 09/15/2014 11/18/2020 01/02/2015 09/15/2014 |
| B B B | California Colorado Connecticut Florida Georgia | Agent Agent Agent Agent Agent Agent | Approved Approved Approved Approved Approved | 09/15/2014 11/18/2020 01/02/2015 09/15/2014 09/16/2014 |
| B B B B | California Colorado Connecticut Florida Georgia Illinois | Agent Agent Agent Agent Agent Agent Agent Agent | Approved Approved Approved Approved Approved Approved Approved | 09/15/2014 11/18/2020 01/02/2015 09/15/2014 09/16/2014 |

Approved

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Agent

Agent

Agent

Massachusetts

Michigan

Minnesota

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| U.S. State/ Territory | Category | Status | Date |
|-----------------------|--|---|---|
| Nevada | Agent | Approved | 10/12/2020 |
| New Hampshire | Agent | Approved | 12/04/2019 |
| New Jersey | Agent | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| New Jersey | Investment Adviser Representative | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| New Mexico | Agent | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| New York | Agent | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| North Carolina | Agent | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| Ohio | Agent | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| Oregon | Agent | Approved | 11/17/2023 |
| Pennsylvania | Agent | Approved | 09/15/2014 |
| South Carolina | Agent | Approved | 10/07/2014 |
| Tennessee | Agent | Approved | 01/07/2021 |
| Texas | Agent | Approved | 09/18/2014 |
| Texas | Investment Adviser Representative | Restricted Approval | 09/17/2014 |
| Vermont | Agent | Approved | 02/09/2024 |
| Virginia | Agent | Approved | 07/09/2025 |
| | New Hampshire New Jersey New Jersey New Mexico New York North Carolina Ohio Oregon Pennsylvania South Carolina Tennessee Texas Texas Vermont | NevadaAgentNew HampshireAgentNew JerseyAgentNew MexicoAgentNew YorkAgentNorth CarolinaAgentOhioAgentOregonAgentPennsylvaniaAgentSouth CarolinaAgentTennesseeAgentTexasAgentTexasInvestment Adviser RepresentativeVermontAgent | NevadaAgentApprovedNew HampshireAgentApprovedNew JerseyAgentApprovedNew JerseyInvestment Adviser RepresentativeApprovedNew MexicoAgentApprovedNew YorkAgentApprovedNorth CarolinaAgentApprovedOhioAgentApprovedOregonAgentApprovedPennsylvaniaAgentApprovedSouth CarolinaAgentApprovedTennesseeAgentApprovedTexasAgentApprovedTexasAgentApprovedTexasInvestment Adviser RepresentativeRestricted ApprovalVermontAgentApproved |

Branch Office Locations

RBC CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC

200 Park Avenue 2nd Floor FLORHAM PARK, NJ 07932-1026

RBC CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC

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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 0 principal/supervisory exams, 3 general industry/product exams, and 1 state securities law exam.

Principal/Supervisory Exams

| Exam | Category | Date |
|--------------------------|----------|------|
| No information reported. | | |

General Industry/Product Exams

| Exam | | Category | Date |
|------|---|-----------|------------|
| B | Securities Industry Essentials Examination | SIE | 10/01/2018 |
| B | Futures Managed Funds Examination | Series 31 | 03/01/1994 |
| B | General Securities Representative Examination | Series 7 | 09/17/1992 |

State Securities Law Exams

| Exam | | Category | Date |
|------|--|-----------|------------|
| В | Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination | Series 63 | 10/06/1992 |

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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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 | 08/2008 - 09/2014 | WELLS FARGO ADVISORS, LLC | 19616 | WAYNE, NJ |
| IA | 08/2008 - 09/2014 | WELLS FARGO ADVISORS, LLC | 19616 | WAYNE, NJ |
| IA | 02/2006 - 08/2008 | UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. | 8174 | FLORHAM PARK, NJ |
| B | 01/2006 - 08/2008 | UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. | 8174 | FLORHAM PARK, NJ |
| IA | 07/2002 - 01/2006 | MORGAN STANLEY | 7556 | FAIRFIELD, NJ |
| B | 09/1992 - 01/2006 | MORGAN STANLEY DW INC. | 7556 | FAIRFIELD, NJ |

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 |
|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| 03/2020 - Present | CITY NATIONAL BANK | EMPLOYEE OF AN AFFILIATE | Υ | FLORHAM PARK, NJ, United States |
| 09/2014 - Present | RBC CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC | Registered Representative | Υ | FLORHAM PARK, NJ, 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.
- 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 | 8 | 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 - 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 3

Reporting Source: Firm

Employing firm when activities occurred which led

Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC

to the complaint:

Allegations:

Claimant alleges that FA engaged in excessive, unsuitable and unauthorized

trading between late 2011 and February 2012.

Product Type: Other: Miscellaneous

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not exact):

Claimant seeks compensatory damages for the benefit of the Trusts of not less

than \$1,500,000.00.

Arbitration Information

Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA, CFTC, etc.):

FINRA

Docket/Case #: 16-02279

Date Notice/Process Served: 08/16/2016

Arbitration Pending? No

Disposition: Settled

Disposition Date: 10/13/2017



Monetary Compensation

Amount:

\$670,000.00

Individual Contribution

Amount:

\$0.00

Firm Statement Although admitting no liability, WFA is settling this matter solely to avoid the time,

cost and uncertainty of arbitration.

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:

Allegations:

Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC

Claimant alleges that FA engaged in excessive, unsuitable and unauthorized

trading between late 2011 to February 2012

Product Type: Other: Mischellaneous

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not

exact):

Claimant seeks compensatory damages for the benefit of the Trusts of not les than

\$1,500,00.00

Arbitration Information

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

CFTC, etc.):

FINRA

Docket/Case #: 16-02279

Date Notice/Process Served: 08/16/2016

Arbitration Pending? No

Disposition: Settled

Disposition Date: 10/13/2017 \$670,000.00

Monetary Compensation Amount:

Individual Contribution

\$0.00

Amount:

Disclosure 2 of 3



Reporting Source: Firm

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:

Wells Fargo Advisors, LLC

Allegations: COMPLAINT: THE CLIENT ALLEGES THAT HE MADE INVESTMENT

> DECISIONS BASED ON MISLEADING INFORMATION THAT HE RECEIVED FROM HIS FINANCIAL ADVISOR. IN ADDITION, THE CLIENT ALLEGES THAT

TRANSACTIONS WERE ENTERED IN HIS ACCOUNT WITHOUT HIS AUTHORIZATION. (8/27/08-8/27/13) ARBITRATION: CLAIMANTS ALLEGE UNAUTHORIZED TRADING. UNSUITABLE RECOMMENDATIONS AND MISREPRESENTATIONS WERE MADE IN ACCOUNTS BETWEEN 2007 AND

2012.

Product Type: Other: Miscellaneous

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not

exact):

Is this an oral complaint?

Is this a written complaint?

Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation? COMPLAINT: ALLEGES DAMAGES NOT SPECIFIED; HOWEVER, LOSSES APPEAR TO BE GREATER THAN \$5,000. ARBITRATION: CLAIMANTS SEEK

DAMAGES IN EXCESS OF \$800,000.

No

Yes

Nο

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 09/30/2013

Complaint Pending? No

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

04/08/2013 Status Date:

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Arbitration Information

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

CFTC, etc.):



Docket/Case #: 14-00567

Date Notice/Process Served: 04/08/2014

Arbitration Pending? No

Disposition: Settled

Disposition Date: 04/05/2016

Monetary Compensation

Amount:

\$100,000.00

Individual Contribution

Amount:

\$0.00

Firm Statement Without admitting any liability, the Firm settled the matter for \$100,000.00 to avoid

further costs of arbitration. The FA was not asked to contribute to the settlement

but is paying the cost of the mediation, which was \$7,150.00

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:

WELLS FARGO ADVISORS, LLC

Allegations: COMPLAINT: THE CLIENT ALLEGES THAT HE MADE INVESTMENT

DECISIONS BASED ON MISLEADING INFORMATION THAT HE RECEIVED FROM HIS FINANCIAL ADVISOR. IN ADDITION, THE CLIENT ALLEGES THAT

TRANSACTIONS WERE ENTERED IN HIS ACCOUNT WITHOUT HIS

AUTHORIZATION. (8/27/08-8/27/13) ARBITRATION: CLAIMANTS ALLEGE UNAUTHORIZED TRADING. UNSUITABLE RECOMMENDATIONS AND MISREPRESENTATIONS WERE MADE IN ACCOUNTS BETWEEN 2007 AND

2012.

Other: MISCELLANEOUS **Product Type:**

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not exact):

COMPLAINT: ALLEGES DAMAGES NOT SPECIFIED; HOWEVER, LOSSES APPEAR TO BE GREATER THAN \$5,000. ARBITRATION: CLAIMANTS SEEK

DAMAGES IN EXCESS OF \$800,000.

Nο Is this an oral complaint?

Is this a written complaint?

Yes

Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation? No



Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 09/30/2013

Complaint Pending? No

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

Status Date: 04/08/2013

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Arbitration Information

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

CFTC, etc.):

FINRA

Docket/Case #: 14-00567

Date Notice/Process Served: 04/08/2014

Arbitration Pending?

Disposition: Settled

Disposition Date: 04/05/2016

Monetary Compensation

Amount:

\$100,000.00

Individual Contribution

Amount:

\$0.00

No

Broker Statement The Claim was denied twice by Wells Fargo and Once by FINRA Regulatory. No

wrong doing on my part was found. Based on these facts, I agreed to pay the

mediator fee to close the matter

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Reporting Source: Firm

Employing firm when

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

MSDW

Allegations: PLAINTIFF CLAIMS FINANCIAL ADVISOR ALLEGEDLY MISHANDLED THE

TERMINATION OF A VARIABLE ANNUITY IN ABOUT MAY 2003 AND FAILED TO SUBSEQUENTLY TRANSFER THE FUNDS INTO PLAINTIFF'S RETIREMENT



ACCOUNT, RESULTING IN DAMAGES. ALLEGED DAMAGES UNSPECIFIED.

Product Type: Annuity(ies) - Variable

Alleged Damages: \$285,000.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Litigation

Status Date: 03/16/2007

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Civil Litigation Information

Court Details: SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, ESSEX COUNTY, ESX-L-1243-07

Date Notice/Process Served: 03/16/2007

Litigation Pending? No

Disposition: Settled

Disposition Date: 06/23/2008

Monetary Compensation

Amount:

\$30,000.00

Individual Contribution

\$0.00

Amount:

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

MORGAN STANLEY, DW

Allegations: PLAINTIFF CLAIMS FINANCIAL ADVISOR ALLEGEDLY MISHANDLED THE

TERMINATION OF A VARIABLE ANNUITY IN ABOUT MAY 2003 AND FAILED TO SUBSEQUENTLY TRANSFER THE FUNDS INTO PLAINTIFF'S RETIREMENT ACCOUNT, RESULTING IN DAMAGES. ALLEGED DAMAGES UNSPECIFIED.

Product Type: Annuity(ies) - Variable

Alleged Damages: \$285,000.00



Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:

Complaint Pending?

Status: Litigation

Status Date:

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Civil Litigation Information

Court Details: SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, ESSEX COUNTY, ESX-L-1243-07

Date Notice/Process Served: 03/16/2007

Litigation Pending? No

Disposition: Settled

Disposition Date: 06/23/2008

Monetary Compensation

Amount:

\$30,000.00

Individual Contribution

Amount:

\$0.00

Broker Statement CLIENT PURCHASED A MANULIFE VARIABLE ANNUITY WITH HIS PRIOR

FINANCIAL ADVISOR AT MORGAN STANLEY. CLIENT STATED HE WAS DISAPPOINTED WITH ANNUITY'S PERFORMANCE. CLIENT REQUESTED THAT THE ANNUITY BE REDEEMED. THE CLIENT SIGNED THE ANNUITY REDEMPTION FORM AND HAD THE PROCEEDS SENT TO HIS HOME. THE CLIENT BROUGHT THE CHECK FROM THIS REDEMPTION INTO THE BRANCH AND REQUESTED THAT THE CHECK BE DEPOSITED INTO HIS NON-QUALIFIED ACCOUNT. TWO YEARS SUBSEQUENT, CLIENT CALLED WITH QUESTIONS REGARDING 1099S FOR THE TAX YEAR 2003. MORGAN

STANLEY RESEARCHED THE CLIENT'S INQUIRY AND RESPONDED. THE \$30,000 SETTLEMENT WAS PAID TO THE CLIENT BY MORGAN

STANLEY.

THERE WERE NO SPECIFIC FINDINGS AGAINST THE FA IN THE

DISPOSITION.



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.

The firm made a good faith estimate the alleged damages would not be less than

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Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

RBC CAPITAL MARKETS, LLC

Allegations: Client alleged financial advisor misrepresented investment recommendations.

Product Type: Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Unit Investment Trust

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not

Explanation (if amount not exact):

\$5000

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: 05/28/2025

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

Status Date: 06/16/2025

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

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Reporting Source: Firm



Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:

WELLS FARGO ADVISORS, LLC

Allegations:

CLIENT ALLEGES UNAUTHORIZED USE OF MARGIN FUNDS IN THE

ACCOUNT. (01/23/2012)

Product Type:

Other: MISCELLANEOUS

Alleged Damages:

\$0.00

Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not

exact):

AMOUNT OF DAMAGES ARE NOT DISCLOSED BUT AFTER A GOOD-FAITH DETERMINATION THEY ARE REASONABLY BELIEVED TO BE MORE THAN

\$5.000.00.

Is this an oral complaint? Is this a written complaint?

Yes

No

No

Is this an arbitration/CFTC

reparation or civil litigation?

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 01/21/2015

Complaint Pending?

No

Status:

Denied

Status Date:

04/09/2015

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

Allegations:

WELLS FARGO ADVISORS, LLC

CLIENT ALLEGES UNAUTHORIZED USE OF MARGIN FUNDS IN THE

ACCOUNT

Product Type: Other: MISCELLANEOUS

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Alleged Damages Amount AMOUNT OF DAMAGES ARE NOT DISCLOSED BUT AFTER A GOOD-FAITH



Explanation (if amount not

exact):

DETERMINATION THEY ARE REASONABLY BELIEVED TO BE MORE THAN

\$5.000.00

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: 01/21/2015

Complaint Pending?

No

Status:

Denied

Status Date:

04/09/2015

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Broker Statement

NUMEROUS CONVERSATIONS WERE HELD WITH CLIENT REGARDING MARGIN AS STATED IN CONTACT MANAGEMENT NOTES. CLIENT SIGN ED ALL PAPERWORK PERTAINING TO MARGIN AND RECIEVED AND

DEPOSITED THE CHECK. CLIENT WAS AWARE THAT DURING ANY

TRANSACTIONS DISCUSSED AND EXECUTED, SOME OF THE PROCEEDS WERE USED TO LOWER MARGIN. AS STATED IN CONTACT MGT. NOTES, CLIENT REITERATED THAT THEY WERE WAITING FOR AN OUTSIDE

TRANSACTION TO BE COMPLETED SO THOSE PROCEEDS COULD BE USED TO PAY THE MARGIN OFF. ALSO BRANCH MANAGER HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH CLIENT REGARDING MARGIN AS STATED IN BRNACH MANAGEMENT

SUPERVISORY NOTES.

Disclosure 3 of 5

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when

activities occurred which led

WACHOVIA SECURITIES, LLC

to the complaint:

Allegations:

ALLEGES FA SAID MONEY WOULD NOT BE INVESTED IN ANYTHING RISKY,

AND THAT CLIENT IS LOSING MONEY. ALLEGES DAMAGES, UNSPECIFIED,

BELIEVED TO EXCEED \$5,000. NO DATES SPECIFIED.

Product Type: Unit Investment Trust(s)



Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 02/02/2009

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

Status Date: 03/02/2009

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Disclosure 4 of 5

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

Allegations: CLIENT ALLEGES SHE WAS MISLED BY FA. ALLEGES DAMAGES,

WACHOVIA SECURITIES, LLC

UNSPECIFIED, BELIEVED TO EXCEED \$5,000. NO DATES SPECIFIED.

Product Type: Other

Other Product Type(s): MISCELLANEOUS

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 02/02/2009

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

Status Date: 02/25/2009

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Disclosure 5 of 5

Reporting Source: Broker



Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:

WACHOVIA SECURITIES, LLC

Allegations:

CLIENT ALLEGES HE WAS NOT IN A POSITION TO TAKE RISKS, AND STATES THAT ACCOUNTS HAVE DECLINED IN VALUE. ALLEGES FA TOLD CLIENT HE WAS IN A SAFE POSITION. DATES NOT SPECIFIED. ALLEGES DAMAGES, UNSPECIFIED, BELIEVED TO EXCEED \$5,000.

Product Type: Other

Other Product Type(s): MISCELLANEOUS

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 02/03/2009

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

Status Date: 02/24/2009

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

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