

# **BrokerCheck Report**

# **Rafael Sosa Matos**

CRD# 2244039

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#### 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?
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## **Rafael Sosa Matos**

CRD# 2244039

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

Registered with this firm since: 04/25/2023

LEVEL FOUR ADVISORY SERVICES
OVIEDO, FL
CRD# 134086

D LEVEL FOUR FINANCIAL, LLC
OVIDEO, FL
CRD# 25700
Registered with this firm since: 04/04/2023

## **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
- 51 U.S. states and territories

#### This broker has passed:

- 2 Principal/Supervisory Exams
- 6 General Industry/Product Exams
- 2 State Securities Law Exams

### **Registration History**

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

B MUTUAL OF OMAHA INVESTOR SERVICES, INC.

CRD# 611 LAKE MARY, FL 10/2019 - 09/2022

MUTUAL OF OMAHA INVESTOR SERVICES, INC.

CRD# 611 OMAHA, NE 10/2019 - 09/2022

FORESTERS ADVISORY SERVICES, LLC CRD# 164663 NEW YORK, NY 11/2017 - 05/2019

#### **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:

Туре	Count
Financial	2



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

### **Employment 1 of 2**

Firm Name: LEVEL FOUR ADVISORY SERVICES

Main Office Address: 12400 COIT ROAD

**SUITE 700** 

**DALLAS, TX 75251** 

Firm CRD#: **134086** 

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
IA	Florida	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	04/25/2023

#### **Branch Office Locations**

12400 COIT ROAD SUITE 700 DALLAS, TX 75251

OVIEDO, FL

## **Employment 2 of 2**

Firm Name: LEVEL FOUR FINANCIAL, LLC

Main Office Address: 12400 COIT ROAD

**SUITE 700** 

**DALLAS, TX 75251** 

Firm CRD#: **25700** 

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Principal	Approved	04/04/2023
В	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	04/04/2023



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	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA	Investment Banking Representative	Approved	04/04/2023
B	FINRA	Municipal Securities Principal	Approved	04/04/2023
B	FINRA	Municipal Securities Representative	Approved	04/04/2023
B	FINRA	Operations Professional	Approved	04/04/2023
	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Alabama	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	Alaska	Agent	Approved	04/26/2023
B	Arizona	Agent	Approved	05/03/2023
B	Arkansas	Agent	Approved	05/03/2023
B	California	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	Colorado	Agent	Approved	04/26/2023
B	Connecticut	Agent	Approved	04/26/2023
B	Delaware	Agent	Approved	05/15/2023
B	District of Columbia	Agent	Approved	04/26/2023
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	04/10/2023
B	Georgia	Agent	Approved	04/27/2023
B	Hawaii	Agent	Approved	04/26/2023
B	Idaho	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	Illinois	Agent	Approved	04/26/2023
B	Indiana	Agent	Approved	04/28/2023
B	lowa	Agent	Approved	04/27/2023



# **Employment 2 of 2, continued**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Kansas	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
В	Kentucky	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	Louisiana	Agent	Approved	04/28/2023
В	Maine	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	Maryland	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
В	Massachusetts	Agent	Approved	04/26/2023
B	Michigan	Agent	Approved	04/27/2023
B	Minnesota	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	Mississippi	Agent	Approved	04/26/2023
B	Missouri	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	Montana	Agent	Approved	05/03/2023
B	Nebraska	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	Nevada	Agent	Approved	05/01/2023
B	New Hampshire	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	New Jersey	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	New Mexico	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	New York	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	North Carolina	Agent	Approved	04/27/2023
B	North Dakota	Agent	Approved	05/01/2023
B	Ohio	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
В	Oklahoma	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023



# **Employment 2 of 2, continued**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Oregon	Agent	Approved	05/04/2023
B	Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	04/26/2023
B	Rhode Island	Agent	Approved	05/02/2023
B	South Carolina	Agent	Approved	04/27/2023
B	South Dakota	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	Tennessee	Agent	Approved	04/26/2023
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	Utah	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	Vermont	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	Virginia	Agent	Approved	04/26/2023
B	Washington	Agent	Approved	04/26/2023
B	West Virginia	Agent	Approved	04/27/2023
B	Wisconsin	Agent	Approved	04/25/2023
B	Wyoming	Agent	Approved	05/02/2023

## **Branch Office Locations**

**LEVEL FOUR FINANCIAL, LLC** OVIDEO, FL



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

## **Principal/Supervisory Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
В	Municipal Securities Principal Examination	Series 53	02/05/2018
В	General Securities Principal Examination	Series 24	01/13/2009

### **General Industry/Product Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
В	Operations Professional Examination	Series 99TO	01/02/2023
В	Investment Banking Registered Representative Examination	Series 79TO	01/02/2023
B	Municipal Securities Representative Examination	Series 52TO	01/02/2023
B	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
B	Limited Representative-Equity Trader Exam	Series 55	12/14/1999
В	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	01/20/1994

### **State Securities Law Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
IA	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	08/22/2017
B	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	06/29/1994

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.

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# **Registration and Employment History**



## **Registration History**

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Reg	istration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
В	10/2019 - 09/2022	MUTUAL OF OMAHA INVESTOR SERVICES, INC.	611	LAKE MARY, FL
IA	10/2019 - 09/2022	MUTUAL OF OMAHA INVESTOR SERVICES, INC.	611	LAKE MARY, FL
IA	11/2017 - 05/2019	FORESTERS ADVISORY SERVICES, LLC	164663	Maitland, FL
B	11/2016 - 05/2019	FORESTERS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	305	Maitland, FL
B	06/2014 - 04/2016	W&S BROKERAGE SERVICES, INC.	8099	MAITLAND, FL
IA	02/2013 - 04/2014	MORGAN STANLEY	149777	WINTER PARK, FL
B	12/2012 - 04/2014	MORGAN STANLEY	149777	WINTER PARK, FL
B	09/2010 - 12/2012	VFINANCE INVESTMENTS, INC	44962	LONGWOOD, FL
B	11/2008 - 07/2010	JESUP & LAMONT SECURITIES CORP	39056	LONGWOOD, FL
B	02/2008 - 12/2008	EMPIRE FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.	28759	LONGWOOD, FL
B	08/2006 - 02/2008	EMPIRE FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.	28759	LONGWOOD, FL
B	05/2005 - 07/2005	ASSENT LLC	104162	BOLINGBROOK, IL
B	03/2003 - 08/2003	CARLIN EQUITIES CORP.	31295	NEW YORK, NY
B	11/2001 - 10/2002	BANIF SECURITIES INC	38913	MIAMI, FL
B	07/1999 - 12/2000	ROBERT FLEMING INC.	1711	NEW YORK, NY
B	10/1997 - 01/1999	ABN AMRO INCORPORATED	15776	STAMFORD, CT
B	01/1994 - 10/1997	BEAR, STEARNS & CO. INC.	79	NEW YORK, NY

# **Employment History**

## **Registration and Employment History**



## **Employment History, continued**

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>
04/2023 - Present	LEVEL FOUR ADVISORY SERVICES, LLC	SUPERVISORY PRINCIPAL / BRANCH MANAGER	Υ	DALLAS, TX, United States
04/2023 - Present	LEVEL FOUR FINANCIAL, LLC	SUPERVISORY PRINCIPAL / BRANCH MANAGER	Υ	DALLAS, TX, United States
09/2022 - 03/2023	AMERICAN FIDELITY	ACCOUNT MANAGER	N	CLEAR WATER, FL, United States
10/2019 - 09/2022	MUTUAL OF OMAHA INVESTOR SERVICES, INC.	Registered Representative	Υ	LAKE MARY, FL, United States
09/2019 - 09/2022	MUTUAL OF OMAHA INSURANCE COMPANY	Insurance Agent	N	Oviedo, FL, United States
05/2019 - 09/2019	Standard Construction Services, LLC.	Independent Contractor	N	Windermere, FL, United States
08/2017 - 05/2019	FORESTERS ADVISORY SERVICES	Investment Adviser Representative	Υ	Maitland, FL, United States
10/2016 - 05/2019	FORESTERS FINANCIAL SERVICES	Assistant Manager	Υ	Maitland, FL, United States
11/2017 - 04/2018	SCHLESINGER ASSOCIATES	Participant	N	Orlando, FL, United States
04/2016 - 10/2016	Unemployed	Unemployed	N	Winter Springs, FL, United States
06/2014 - 04/2016	W&S BROKERAGE SERVICES, INC.	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Υ	CINCINNATI, OH, United States
05/2014 - 04/2016	WESTERN & SOUTHERN LIFE	Sales Manager	N	MAITLAND, 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.

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## Other Business Activities, continued

LEVEL FOUR ADVISORY SERVICES, LLC, SEC REGISTERED INVESTMENT ADVISOR, 12400 COIT ROAD, SUITE 700, DALLAS TX 75251, SUPERVISORY PRINCIPAL / BRANCH MANAGER, DEVOTE 50% OF TIME BETWEEN LFF AND LFAS, STARTED 4/2023.

#### **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.

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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:

- 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
Financial	0	2	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.

#### Financial - Final

This type of disclosure event involves a bankruptcy, compromise with one or more creditors, or Securities Investor Protection Corporation liquidation involving the broker or an organization/brokerage firm the broker controlled that occurred within the last 10 years.

Disclosure 1 of 2

**Reporting Source:** Broker

Action Type: Compromise

**Action Date:** 07/13/2018

**Organization Investment-**

Related?

Action Pending? No

**Disposition:** Satisfied/Released

**Disposition Date:** 07/13/2018

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: HSBC Bank/LVNF Funding

Original Amount Owed: \$2,352.00

Terms Reached with Creditor: one payment of \$705.71

Disclosure 2 of 2

**Reporting Source:** Broker

Action Type: Compromise

**Action Date:** 07/13/2018



Organization Investment-Related?

Action Pending? No

**Disposition:** Satisfied/Released

**Disposition Date:** 07/13/2018

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: American Express

Original Amount Owed: \$526.08

Terms Reached with Creditor: one payment of \$315.664

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