

## BrokerCheck Report

# STUART LEIGHTON UPDEGROVE

CRD# 2273334

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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).



## STUART L. UPDEGROVE

CRD# 2273334

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

- B CEROS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.**  
50 Washington St.  
The Penthouse  
South Norwalk, CT 06854  
CRD# 37869  
Registered with this firm since: 01/11/2022

## 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:**

- 2 Self-Regulatory Organizations
- 52 U.S. states and territories

**This broker has passed:**

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

### Registration History

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

- B NATIONAL SECURITIES CORPORATION**  
CRD# 7569  
SOUTH NORWALK, CT  
04/2009 - 02/2022
- B EASTBROOK CAPITAL GROUP LLC**  
CRD# 39781  
NEW YORK, NY  
08/1996 - 04/2009
- B NORTHEAST SECURITIES, INC.**  
CRD# 25996  
MITCHELFIELD, NY  
01/1995 - 10/1996

### 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 2 SROs and is licensed in 52 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.**

### Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: **CEROS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.**

Main Office Address: **1445 RESEARCH BOULEVARD  
SUITE 530  
ROCKVILLE, MD 20850**

Firm CRD#: **37869**

|   | SRO                 | Category                          | Status   | Date       |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|------------|
| B | FINRA               | General Securities Principal      | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | FINRA               | General Securities Representative | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Nasdaq Stock Market | General Securities Principal      | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Nasdaq Stock Market | General Securities Representative | Approved | 01/11/2022 |

|   | U.S. State/ Territory | Category | Status   | Date       |
|---|-----------------------|----------|----------|------------|
| B | Alabama               | Agent    | Approved | 01/13/2022 |
| B | Alaska                | Agent    | Approved | 02/07/2022 |
| B | Arizona               | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Arkansas              | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | California            | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Colorado              | Agent    | Approved | 02/07/2022 |
| B | Connecticut           | Agent    | Approved | 01/12/2022 |
| B | Delaware              | Agent    | Approved | 01/14/2022 |
| B | District of Columbia  | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |

## Broker Qualifications



### Employment 1 of 1, continued

|   | U.S. State/ Territory | Category | Status   | Date       |
|---|-----------------------|----------|----------|------------|
| B | Florida               | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Georgia               | Agent    | Approved | 02/17/2022 |
| B | Hawaii                | Agent    | Approved | 04/05/2022 |
| B | Idaho                 | Agent    | Approved | 01/25/2022 |
| B | Illinois              | Agent    | Approved | 05/23/2022 |
| B | Indiana               | Agent    | Approved | 03/24/2022 |
| B | Iowa                  | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Kansas                | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Kentucky              | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Louisiana             | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Maine                 | Agent    | Approved | 01/14/2022 |
| B | Maryland              | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Massachusetts         | Agent    | Approved | 02/07/2022 |
| B | Michigan              | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Minnesota             | Agent    | Approved | 02/11/2022 |
| B | Mississippi           | Agent    | Approved | 01/14/2022 |
| B | Missouri              | Agent    | Approved | 02/08/2022 |
| B | Montana               | Agent    | Approved | 02/11/2022 |
| B | Nebraska              | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Nevada                | Agent    | Approved | 01/25/2022 |
| B | New Hampshire         | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |

## Broker Qualifications



### Employment 1 of 1, continued

|   | U.S. State/ Territory | Category | Status   | Date       |
|---|-----------------------|----------|----------|------------|
| B | New Jersey            | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | New Mexico            | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | New York              | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | North Carolina        | Agent    | Approved | 02/08/2022 |
| B | North Dakota          | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Ohio                  | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Oklahoma              | Agent    | Approved | 01/13/2022 |
| B | Oregon                | Agent    | Approved | 01/14/2022 |
| B | Pennsylvania          | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Puerto Rico           | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Rhode Island          | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | South Carolina        | Agent    | Approved | 01/24/2022 |
| B | South Dakota          | Agent    | Approved | 02/02/2022 |
| B | Tennessee             | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Texas                 | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Utah                  | Agent    | Approved | 01/12/2022 |
| B | Vermont               | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Virginia              | Agent    | Approved | 01/24/2022 |
| B | Washington            | Agent    | Approved | 02/04/2022 |
| B | West Virginia         | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
| B | Wisconsin             | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |

Broker Qualifications



Employment 1 of 1, continued

| U.S. State/ Territory |         | Category | Status   | Date       |
|-----------------------|---------|----------|----------|------------|
| B                     | Wyoming | Agent    | Approved | 01/11/2022 |
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Branch Office Locations

CEROS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.  
50 Washington St.  
The Penthouse  
South Norwalk, CT 06854

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

### Principal/Supervisory Exams

| Exam  | Category  | Date       |
|---|-----------|------------|
| <b>B</b> General Securities Principal Examination | Series 24 | 10/17/1995 |

### General Industry/Product Exams

| Exam   | Category | Date       |
|--|----------|------------|
| <b>B</b> Securities Industry Essentials Examination    | SIE      | 10/01/2018 |
| <b>B</b> General Securities Representative Examination | Series 7 | 11/04/1992 |

### State Securities Law Exams

| Exam  | Category  | Date       |
|---|-----------|------------|
| <b>IA</b> Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination    | Series 65 | 12/20/1999 |
| <b>B</b> Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination | Series 63 | 09/10/1993 |

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> 04/2009 - 02/2022 | NATIONAL SECURITIES CORPORATION    | 7569  | SOUTH NORWALK, CT |
| <b>B</b> 08/1996 - 04/2009 | EASTBROOK CAPITAL GROUP LLC        | 39781 | NEW YORK, NY      |
| <b>B</b> 01/1995 - 10/1996 | NORTHEAST SECURITIES, INC.         | 25996 | MITCHELFIELD, NY  |
| <b>B</b> 08/1994 - 01/1995 | SANDS BROTHERS & CO., LTD.         | 26816 | NEW YORK, NY      |
| <b>B</b> 08/1993 - 01/1994 | PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES INCORPORATED | 7471  | NEW YORK, NY      |
| <b>B</b> 11/1992 - 12/1992 | NORI, HENNION, WALSH, INC.         | 25766 | PARSIPPANY, 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                |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| 01/2022 - Present | Ceros Financial Services Inc.   | Registered Representative | Y                  | Rockville, MD, United States     |
| 04/2009 - 01/2022 | NATIONAL SECURITIES CORPORATION | REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE | Y                  | SOUTH NORWALK, 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.

1 - COVE LANE HOLDINGS LLC; NOT INVESTMENT RELATED; 50 WASHINGTON STREET NORWALK, CT; MANAGER; 03/2009; ENTITY IS FOR ADMIN, BILL PAYING ONLY. NO SECURITIES BUSINESS WILL BE CONDUCTED UNDER THIS NAME.

2 - TSIF MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATES, LLC; INVESTMENT RELATED; 120 BROADWAY, NY, NY 10271; PROPOSED/PENDING MAY 2012; MEMBER OF BOARD; RAISING VENTURE CAPITAL.

3- ORDER GROOVE, INC ENTERPRISE SOFTWARE STRATIC ADVISOR CONSULTANT START MARCH 2016 10 HRS PER MONTH ZERO DURING TRADING HRS....(4)LINEAGE BRANDS, LLC HOSPITALITY, EQUITY OWNERSHIP START 10/31/2017

# Registration and Employment History

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