

# BrokerCheck Report CHARLES MERRILL KIPP

CRD# 2311866

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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.

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- 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
  - o information that regulators report regarding disciplinary actions or allegations against firms or brokers.
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- 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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#### **CHARLES M. KIPP**

CRD# 2311866

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

#### B MULTI-BANK SECURITIES, INC.

1000 TOWN CENTER #2300 SOUTHFIELD, MI 48075 CRD# 22098 Registered with this firm since: 10/07/2002

# **Report Summary for this Broker**



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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 9 U.S. states and territories This broker has passed: 1 Principal/Supervisory Exam 4 General Industry/Product Exams 2 State Securities Law Exams Registration History This broker was previously registered with the

following securities firm(s):

 B NATCITY INVESTMENTS, INC. CRD# 17490 CLEVELAND, OH 04/1998 - 10/2002
 B NATCITY INSURANCE SERVICES, INC. CRD# 16989 CLEVELAND, OH 01/1994 - 12/2001
 B W. S. GRIFFITH & CO., INC. CRD# 10410 HARTFORD, CT 02/1993 - 02/1994

#### **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	
Customer Dispute	3	

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

#### Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name:	MULTI-BANK SECURITIES, INC.
Main Office Address:	1000 TOWN CENTER #2300 SOUTHFIELD, MI 48075
Firm CRD#:	22098

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/07/2002
В	FINRA	General Securities Principal	Approved	10/11/2005
	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
В	Colorado	Agent	Approved	05/15/2014
В	Florida	Agent	Approved	07/29/2008
В	Idaho	Agent	Approved	10/18/2002
В	Illinois	Agent	Approved	10/18/2002
В	Michigan	Agent	Approved	10/07/2002
В	New Mexico	Agent	Approved	10/18/2002
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	09/21/2023
В	West Virginia	Agent	Approved	10/18/2002
B	Wyoming	Agent	Approved	10/18/2002



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#### **Branch Office Locations**

#### **MULTI-BANK SECURITIES, INC.**

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#### **Employment 1 of 1, continued**

1000 TOWN CENTER #2300 SOUTHFIELD, MI 48075

MULTI-BANK SECURITIES, INC. 1000 TOWN CENTER #2300 SOUTHFIELD, MI 48075



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

#### **Principal/Supervisory Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
В	General Securities Principal Examination	Series 24	10/10/2005

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

Exam		Category	Date
В	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
В	Municipal Advisor Representative Qualification Exam	Series 50	07/19/2017
В	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	01/18/1995
B	Investment Company Products/Variable Contracts Representative Examination	Series 6	02/17/1993

#### **State Securities Law Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
A	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	07/31/2001
В	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	01/12/1993

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/.

# **Professional Designations**

This section details that the representative has reported **0** professional designation(s).

No information reported.



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#### **Registration History**

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Reg	istration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
В	04/1998 - 10/2002	NATCITY INVESTMENTS, INC.	17490	CLEVELAND, OH
В	01/1994 - 12/2001	NATCITY INSURANCE SERVICES, INC.	16989	CLEVELAND, OH
В	02/1993 - 02/1994	W. S. GRIFFITH & CO., INC.	10410	HARTFORD, CT

#### **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
08/2023 - Present	Multi-Bank Securities, Inc.	Senior Vice President, Fixed Income	Y	Southfield, MI, United States
07/2022 - 08/2023	Multi-Bank Securities, Inc.	Senior Vice President	Υ	Southfield, MI, United States
10/2002 - 07/2022	MULTI-BANK SECURITIES, INC.	BROKER	Y	SOUTHFIELD, MI, 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.

Name of business: Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center; 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham, MI 48009;; nature of business: art; position: instructor; Start date: 2017; hours/month devoted: 7; hour during securities business: 0; description: I teach and instruct 2 days a week wheel throwing ceramics classes to adults.

Name Of business: Christ Church of Cranbrook; not investment related; address: 410 Church Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304; nature: religious; title: liturgy coordinator; start date: 5/1/23 thru 6/30/23; 10 hours/month; hours devoted to business during trading hours: 2; I will help for prepare the liturgy, proof the bulletin for accuracy and be part of any funeral / wedding planning when/if necessary, while priest is away.



#### 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:

- 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	1	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.

#### **Customer Dispute - Settled**

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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:	Firm
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	NATCITY INVESTMENTS, INC.
Allegations:	CUSTOMER ALLEGES THAT IN MAY 2001 CHARLES KIPP CALLED HER AND CONVINCED HER HE WAS GOING TO HELP HER REDUCE HER MARGIN DEBT BY PURCHASING, ON MARGIN, 300 SHARES OF EMC. CUSTOMER ALLEGES THAT INSTEAD IT ADDED MORE DEBT AND SHE LOST \$9,561.00.
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)
Other Product Type(s):	MARGIN ACCOUNT
Alleged Damages:	\$24,000.00
Customer Complaint Info	ormation
Date Complaint Received:	01/19/2006
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Settled
Status Date:	04/24/2006
Settlement Amount:	\$9,560.57
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00



Reporting Source:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	NATCITY INVESTMENTS, INC.
Allegations:	CUSTOMER ALLEGES THAT IN MAY 2001 CHARLES KIPPP CALLED HER AND CONVINCED HER HE WAS GOING TO HELP HER REDUCE HER MARGIN DEBT BY PURCHASING, ON MARGIN, 300 SHARES OF EMC. CUSTOMER ALLEGES THAT INSTEAD IT ADDED MORE DEBT AND SHE LOST \$9,561.00
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)
Other Product Type(s):	MARGIN ACCOUNT
Alleged Damages:	\$24,000.00
Customer Complaint Infor	mation
Date Complaint Received:	01/19/2006
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Settled
Status Date:	04/24/2006
Settlement Amount:	\$9,560.57
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00
Broker Statement	AS PART OF A THREE-MAN PARTNERSHIP, I TOOK INCOMING CALLS REGARDING EQUITIES. IT WAS NOT CUSTOMARY TO MAKE OUTBOUND CALLS TO PRE-EXISTING CLIENTS OF THE OTHER PARTNERS. [CUSTOMER'S] ACCOUNT WAS ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAINED BY ONE OF THE OTHER PARTNERS. SHE CALLED ABOUT EVERY 6 MONTHS TO GET AN UPDATE ON HER POSITIONS AND ASK FOR IDEAS. OCCASIONALLY I TOOK THOSE CALLS. FOR A TIME, I SUGGESTED EMC AS A STOCK FOR TECHNOLOGY INVESTORS. AT NO TIME DID I OR WOULD I INDICATE THAT [CUSTOMER], OR ANY OTHER CLIENT, COULD REDUCE THEIR MARGIN DEBT BY BUYING MORE ON MARGIN.

Disclosure 2 of 2	
Reporting Source:	Firm
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	NATCITY INVESTMENTS, INC.



Allegations:	CUSTOMER FILED AN ARBITRATION CASE FOR UNSUITABLE RECOMMENDATIONS AND UNAUTHORIZED TRADING
Product Type:	Debt - Corporate
Alleged Damages:	\$53,000.00
Customer Complaint Info	rmation
Date Complaint Received:	04/28/2003
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Arbitration/Reparation
Status Date:	04/28/2003
Settlement Amount:	
Individual Contribution Amount:	
Arbitration Information	
Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.:	NASD 03-01460
Date Notice/Process Served:	04/28/2003
Arbitration Pending?	No
Disposition:	Settled
Disposition Date:	08/17/2004
Monetary Compensation Amount:	\$15,000.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00
Firm Statement	NATCITY SETTLED THIS CLAIM TO AVOID THE COSTS OF AN ARBITRATION HEARING. NATCITY FOUND NO FAULT WITH MR. KIPP'S SALES PRACTICES IN THIS MATTER.
Reporting Source:	Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led NATCITY INVESTMENTS, INC. to the complaint:



Allegations:	CLAIMANT ASSERTS MR. KIPP AND ASSOCIATES SOLD CUSTOMER WORLDCOMM BONDS THAT WERE A SECURED INVESTMENT, PRINCIPAL WOULD BE RETURNED TO HER, WORLDCOMM WOULD NEVER GO BANKRUPT AND BONDS WERE 100% SAFE.			
Product Type:	Debt - Corporate			
Alleged Damages:	\$53,000.00			
Customer Complaint Information				
Date Complaint Received:	04/28/2003			
Complaint Pending?	No			
Status:	Arbitration/Reparation			
Status Date:	04/28/2003			
Settlement Amount:				
Individual Contribution Amount:				
Arbitration Information				
Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.:	NASD 03-01460			
Date Notice/Process Served:	04/28/2003			
Arbitration Pending?	No			
Disposition:	Settled			
Disposition Date:	08/17/2004			
Monetary Compensation Amount:	\$15,000.00			
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00			
Broker Statement	NATCITY INVESTMENTS SETTLED THIS CLAIM TO AVOID THE COSTS OF AN ARBITRATION HEARING. NATCITY FOUND NO FAULT WITH MR. KIPP'S SALES PRACTICES IN THIS MATTER, AND HE PAID NOTHING TOWARD THE SETTLEMENT.			



#### **Customer Dispute - Pending**

This type of disclosure event involves (1) a pending consumer-initiated, investment-related arbitration or civil suit that contains allegations of sales practice violations against the broker; or (2) a pending, 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.

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Disclosure 1 of 1	
Reporting Source:	Firm
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	NATCITY INVESMENTS, INC.
Allegations:	CLIENT IS NOT HAPPY WITH THE PERFORMANCE OF STOCK THAT WAS A RECOMMENDATION OF FC.
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)
Alleged Damages:	\$12,000.00
<b>Customer Complaint Info</b>	rmation
Date Complaint Received:	06/13/2003
Complaint Pending?	Yes
Settlement Amount:	
Individual Contribution Amount:	
Reporting Source:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	NAT CITY INVESTMENTS, INC.
Allegations:	CLIENT IS NOT HAPPY WITH THE PERFORMANCE OF STOCK THAT WAS A RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCIAL CONSULTANT.
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)
Alleged Damages:	\$12,000.00
<b>Customer Complaint Info</b>	rmation
Date Complaint Received:	06/13/2003
Complaint Pending?	Yes

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Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:



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