

# BrokerCheck Report EDWARD SCOTT SHORT

CRD# 2462752

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- 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.
- 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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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.

This broker is not currently registered.	Disclosure Events		
This broker has passed:	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.		
<ul><li>0 Principal/Supervisory Exams</li><li>2 General Industry/Product Exams</li></ul>	Are there events disclosed about this broker? Yes The following types of disclosures have been		
1 State Securities Law Exam			
Registration History	reported: _ Type	Count	
This broker was previously registered with the following securities firm(s):	Regulatory Event	1	
	Criminal	1	
B LAIDLAW & COMPANY (UK) LTD.	Customer Dispute	4	
CRD# 119037 MELVILLE, NY 10/2012 - 10/2022 B EKN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. CRD# 113525 MELVILLE, NY 12/2001 - 10/2012 B EHRENKRANTZ KING NUSSBAUM CRD# 31140 NEW YORK, NY 11/2001 - 12/2001			

## **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.

This individual has passed 0 principal/supervisory exams, 2 general industry/product exams, and 1 state securities law exam.

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

Exam		Category	Date
	No information reported.		
Gene	ral Industry/Product Exams		
Exam		Category	Date
В	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
B	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	03/04/1994
State	State Securities Law Exams		
Exam		Category	Date
В	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	03/16/1994

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/.

# **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**

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#### **Registration History**

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Regi	istration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
В	10/2012 - 10/2022	LAIDLAW & COMPANY (UK) LTD.	119037	MELVILLE, NY
В	12/2001 - 10/2012	EKN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.	113525	MELVILLE, NY
В	11/2001 - 12/2001	EHRENKRANTZ KING NUSSBAUM	31140	NEW YORK, NY
В	10/1999 - 10/2001	WEATHERLY SECURITIES CORPORATION	11081	NEW YORK, NY
В	09/1997 - 10/1999	TASIN & COMPANY, INC.	30709	HAUPPAUGE, NY
В	02/1996 - 07/1997	HGI	14079	JERICHO, NY
В	08/1995 - 02/1996	AMERICORP SECURITIES, INC.	30405	NEW YORK, NY
В	03/1994 - 08/1995	ROYCE INVESTMENT GROUP, INC.	10494	WOODBURY, NY

#### **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
12/2001 - Present	EHRENKRANTZ KING NUSSBAUM, INC.	BROKER	Υ	GARDEN CITY, NY, 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.

#### BLUE WATER LIQUIDITY, NOT INVESTMENT RELATED, 18 LAMARR AVE. MELVILLE, NY 11747, OFFICE SUPPORT COMPANY, PRESIDENT, 8 HOURS/MONTH, NO HOURS DURING TRADING



#### 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
Regulatory Event	0	1	0
Criminal	0	1	0
Customer Dispute	0	4	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.

#### **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:	01/31/2023
Docket/Case Number:	2020065683302
Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the regulatory action:	Laidlaw & Company (UK) Ltd.
Product Type:	Other: Unspecified Securities
Allegations:	Without admitting or denying the findings, Short consented to the sanctions and to the entry of findings that he willfully violated the Best Interest Obligation under Rule 15I-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Regulation BI) by recommending a series of trading in an elderly customer's account that was excessive, unsuitable, and not in the customer's best interest. The findings stated that the customer relied on Short's advice and routinely followed his recommendations and, as a result, Short exercised de facto control over the customer's account. As a result of Short's trading, the customer's account generated \$116,859 in commissions and resulted in approximately \$185,000 in trading losses, an annualized cost-to-equity ratio of 76.53 percent, and an annualized turnover rate of 47.49. The high cost-to-equity ratio meant the



	customer's account would have to grow by more than 76 percent annually just to break even. This level of trading was excessive, unsuitable, and not in the customer's best interest.
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:	01/31/2023
Sanctions Ordered:	Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s) Restitution Suspension Other: interest on restitution
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?	Yes
(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?	Yes

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(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

No

No

(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:	Seven months
Start Date:	02/06/2023
End Date:	09/05/2023



Monetary Related Sanction:	Restitution
Total Amount:	\$116,859.00
Portion Levied against individual:	\$116,859.00
Payment Plan:	Deferred; 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:	

Amount Waived:



#### **Criminal - Final Disposition**

This type of disclosure event involves a criminal charge against the broker that has resulted in a conviction, acquittal, dismissal, or plea. The criminal matter may pertain to any felony or certain misdemeanor offenses, including bribery, perjury, forgery, counterfeiting, extortion, fraud, and wrongful taking of property.

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Disclosure 1 of 1	
Reporting Source:	Broker
Formal Charges were brought in:	State Court
Name of Court:	BROWARD COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT
Location of Court:	FORT LAUDERDALE, FL
Docket/Case #:	090188G7CF10A
Charge Date:	11/02/2009
Charge(s) 1 of 1	
Formal Charge(s)/Description:	VIOLATION STATUTE 893.13 - POSSESSION OF COCAINE
No of Counts:	1
Felony or Misdemeanor:	Felony
Plea for each charge:	NO PLEA - CASE DISMISSED
Disposition of charge:	Dismissed
Current Status:	Final
Status Date:	12/17/2010
Disposition Date:	12/17/2010
Sentence/Penalty:	NONE - CASE DISMISSED



#### **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.

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Disclosure 1 of 2	
Reporting Source:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	EHRENKRANTZ KING NUSSBAUM INC
Allegations:	UNSUITABLE TRADES,UNREASONABLE COMMISSIONS,MISREPRESENTATION.ACTIVITY FROM 11/2000 TO 02/2004. ACTIVITY FROM 11/2000 TO 10/2001 OCCURRED WITH THE FIRM WEATHERLY SECURITIES.
Product Type:	Equity - OTC
Alleged Damages:	\$1,413,000.00
<b>Customer Complaint Infor</b>	rmation
Date Complaint Received:	05/05/2005
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Arbitration/Reparation
Status Date:	05/05/2005
Settlement Amount:	
Individual Contribution Amount:	
Arbitration Information	
Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.:	NASD #05-02018
Date Notice/Process Served:	05/05/2005
Arbitration Pending?	No
Disposition:	Settled
Disposition Date:	01/19/2007
Monetary Compensation Amount:	\$450,000.00



Individual Contribution \$75,000.00 Amount:

Disclosure 2 of 2		
Reporting Source:	Firm	
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	TASIN & COMPANY, INC.	
Allegations:	FAILURE TO FOLLOW INSTRUCTION, EXCESSIVE COMMISSIONS	
Product Type:	Equity - OTC	
Alleged Damages:	\$50,000.00	
Customer Complaint Information		
Date Complaint Received:	05/13/1998	
Complaint Pending?	Yes	
Status:	Arbitration/Reparation	
Status Date:		
Settlement Amount:		
Individual Contribution Amount:		
Arbitration Information		
Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.:	NASD 98-01780	
Date Notice/Process Served:	05/13/1998	
Arbitration Pending?	Yes	
Reporting Source:	Broker	
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	TASIN & COMPANY	
Allegations:	ALLEGED FAILURE TO FOLLOW CLIENT'S INSTRUCTIONS	
Product Type:	Equity - OTC	

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Alleged Damages:	\$50,000.00	
Customer Complaint Information		
Date Complaint Received:	07/01/1998	
Complaint Pending?	No	
Status:	Arbitration/Reparation Settled	
Status Date:	07/01/1998	
Settlement Amount:	\$0.00	
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00	
Arbitration Information		
Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.:	NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITIES DEALERS - NASD98-01780	
Date Notice/Process Served:	07/01/1998	
Arbitration Pending?	No	
Disposition:	Withdrawn	
Disposition Date:	03/20/2000	
Monetary Compensation Amount:	\$30,000.00	
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00	



#### 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.

Disclosure 1 of 2	
Reporting Source:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	EKN FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.
Allegations:	CLIENT COMPLAINED ABOUT LOSSES IN HIS ACCOUNT FROM JULY 1, 2011 TO DECEMBER 2011, ALSO IMPLIED THAT SOME OF THE TRADES WERE UNAUTHORIZED.
Product Type:	Equity-OTC Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)
Alleged Damages:	\$84,000.00
Is this an oral complaint?	No
Is this a written complaint?	Yes
Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?	No
<b>Customer Complaint Inform</b>	mation
Date Complaint Received:	12/19/2011
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Withdrawn
Status Date:	12/20/2011
Settlement Amount:	
Individual Contribution Amount:	
Broker Statement	AFTER DISCUSSING THE ISSUES WITH THE BROKER THE CLIENT EMAILED THAT HE WAS SATISFIED WITH THE EXPLANATIONS GIVEN AND THAT HE WAS RESCINDING HIS COMPLAINT, AND WOULD NOT BE PURSUING ADDITIONAL ACTION.



Disclosure 2 of 2		
Reporting Source:	Broker	
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	EKN FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	
Allegations:	CUSTOMER ALLEGES THAT THE BROKER FAILED TO CANCEL AN OPEN STOP-LOSS ORDER. SUBSEQUENTLY, THE STOCK WAS STOPPED OUT, WHICH THE CUSTOMER IS CLAIMING AS AN UNAUTHORIZED TRADE.	
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)	
Alleged Damages:	\$20,823.00	
Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not exact):	THE ALLEGED COMPENSATORY DAMAGE AMOUNT WAS NOT CLAIMED BY THE CUSTOMER UNTIL JANUARY 8, 2010. THE ORIGINAL COMPLAINT CLAIMED NO DAMAGES, ONLY THAT THE TRADE WAS UNAUTHORIZED.	
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:	11/03/2009	
Complaint Pending?	No	
Status:	Closed/No Action	
Status Date:	01/27/2010	
Settlement Amount:		
Individual Contribution Amount:		
Broker Statement	CUSTOMER RECEIVED A CONFIRMATION OF AN OPEN STOP LOSS ORDER WHICH HE THOUGHT WAS AN ACTUAL SALE. IN SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATIONS WITH HIS BROKER HE AGREED TO MAINTAIN THE STOP LOSS ORDER. ONLY AFTER STOCK WAS STOPPED OUT AND SUBSEQUENTLY WENT UP IN PRICE DID THE CUSTOMER COMPLAIN ABOUT AN UNAUTHORIZED TRADE. IT WAS NOT UNTIL JANUARY 8, 2009 THAT A DOLLAR AMOUNT WAS SPECIFIED BY THE CUSTOMER. ALL	

ALLEGATIONS ARE DENIED IN THEIR ENTIRETY.



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