

## BrokerCheck Report

### THEODORE ERNST CONTAG

CRD# 2464737

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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).



## THEODORE E. CONTAG

CRD# 2464737

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

**IA THRIVENT ADVISOR NETWORK, LLC**  
7760 France Ave S,  
Suite 710  
Edina, MN 55435  
CRD# 304569  
Registered with this firm since: 07/07/2020

**B THRIVENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT INC.**  
7760 France Ave S  
Edina, MN 55435  
CRD# 18387  
Registered with this firm since: 08/08/2024

## 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
- 12 U.S. states and territories

**This broker has passed:**

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

### Registration History

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

**B PURSHE KAPLAN STERLING INVESTMENTS**  
CRD# 35747  
Edina, MN  
08/2020 - 08/2024

**IA THRIVENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT INC.**  
CRD# 18387  
MINNEAPOLIS, MN  
01/2009 - 08/2020

**B THRIVENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT INC.**  
CRD# 18387  
EDINA, MN  
03/1994 - 08/2020

### 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:**

Type	Count
Customer Dispute	1



## 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 1 SRO and is licensed in 12 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.**

### Employment 1 of 2

Firm Name: **THRIVENT ADVISOR NETWORK, LLC**

Main Office Address: **600 PORTLAND AVENUE SOUTH  
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55415**

Firm CRD#: **304569**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
IA	Minnesota	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	07/07/2020

### Branch Office Locations

600 PORTLAND AVENUE SOUTH  
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55415

7760 France Ave S,  
Suite 710  
Edina, MN 55435

### Employment 2 of 2

Firm Name: **THRIVENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT INC.**

Main Office Address: **600 PORTLAND AVENUE SOUTH  
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55415**

Firm CRD#: **18387**

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	08/08/2024

## Broker Qualifications



### Employment 2 of 2, continued

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Arizona	Agent	Approved	09/11/2024
B	California	Agent	Approved	09/11/2024
B	Colorado	Agent	Approved	09/11/2024
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	09/11/2024
B	Illinois	Agent	Approved	09/11/2024
B	Iowa	Agent	Approved	09/11/2024
B	Michigan	Agent	Approved	09/11/2024
B	Minnesota	Agent	Approved	08/09/2024
B	Nevada	Agent	Approved	09/11/2024
B	Oregon	Agent	Approved	09/11/2024
B	South Dakota	Agent	Approved	09/11/2024
B	Wisconsin	Agent	Approved	09/11/2024

### Branch Office Locations

**THRIVENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT INC.**  
 7760 France Ave S  
 Edina, MN 55435

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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 2 state securities law exams.**

### Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
No information reported.		

### 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	06/13/2003
<b>B</b> Investment Company Products/Variable Contracts Representative Examination	Series 6	03/18/1994

### State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
<b>B</b> <b>IA</b> Uniform Combined State Law Examination	Series 66	07/22/2003
<b>B</b> Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	03/18/1994

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/](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> 08/2020 - 08/2024	PURSHE KAPLAN STERLING INVESTMENTS	35747	Edina, MN
<b>IA</b> 01/2009 - 08/2020	THRIVENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT INC.	18387	EDINA, MN
<b>B</b> 03/1994 - 08/2020	THRIVENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT INC.	18387	EDINA, MN
<b>IA</b> 11/2004 - 12/2007	THRIVENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT INC.	18387	EDINA, MN

### 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
08/2024 - Present	Thrivent Investment Management Inc	Registered Representative	Y	Minneapolis, MN, United States
07/2020 - Present	Thrivent Advisor Network DBA Parable Wealth Partners	Wealth Advisor	Y	Edina, MN, United States
01/2023 - 08/2024	Storyline, LLC	Owner/Vice President	Y	Edina, MN, United States
08/2020 - 07/2024	Purshe Kaplan Sterling Investments, Inc.	Registered Representative	Y	Albany, NY, United States
07/2002 - 07/2020	THRIVENT FINANCIAL FOR LUTHERANS	FINANCIAL ASSOCIATE	Y	APPLETON, WI, United States
07/2002 - 07/2020	THRIVENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT INC	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Y	EDINA, MN, United States





## Registration and Employment History

### 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.

#### FIXED INSURANCE SALES

POSITION: Insurance Producer NATURE: Selling and servicing fixed insurance contracts INVESTMENT RELATED: No NUMBER OF HOURS: 5  
SECURITIES TRADING HOURS: 5 START DATE: 04/01/1994  
ADDRESS: 7760 France Ave S Suite 710, Edina MN 55435, United States  
DESCRIPTION: Selling/Servicing fixed insurance contracts

#### FRESH ENERGY

POSITION: Board Member NATURE: Environmental non-profit promoting carbon reducing activities across industries in Minnesota and the upper mid-west INVESTMENT RELATED: No NUMBER OF HOURS: 3 SECURITIES TRADING HOURS: 3 START DATE: 10/15/2021  
ADDRESS: 408 Saint Peter St, #350, St. Paul MN 55102, United States  
DESCRIPTION: Board Member. We meet as a board 4 times per year and I offer insight on topics when asked. I recuse myself from any conversation about investments.

#### STEEN FAMILY FOUNDATION

POSITION: Board Member NATURE: Private Family Foundation to support charitable causes INVESTMENT RELATED: No NUMBER OF HOURS: 1 SECURITIES TRADING HOURS: 0 START DATE: 06/01/2016  
ADDRESS: 6000 Bonnie Brae Dr, Edina MN 55439, United States  
DESCRIPTION: Board Member. We meet 2 times per year to discuss how and where to make grants from the foundation. Assets are managed by an outside firm and I recuse myself from any conversation related to investments.

#### ERNST & ANDREW, LLC

POSITION: Owner/Vice President NATURE: Holding Company INVESTMENT RELATED: No NUMBER OF HOURS: 5 SECURITIES TRADING HOURS: 5 START DATE: 04/01/2018  
ADDRESS: 7760 France Ave S Suite 710, Edina MN 55435, United States  
DESCRIPTION: Strategic direction, leadership, business management

#### STORYLINE, LLC

POSITION: Owner/Vice President NATURE: LLC is established for the expenses for TAN/TIMI business INVESTMENT RELATED: No NUMBER OF HOURS: 5 SECURITIES TRADING HOURS: 5 START DATE: 09/30/2022  
ADDRESS: 7760 France Ave. S Suite 710, Edina MN 55435, United States  
DESCRIPTION: Leadership and strategic direction.

#### THRIVENT ADVISOR NETWORK, LLC. DBA PARABLE WEALTH PARTNERS

POSITION: Founding Partner/Wealth Coach NATURE: Affiliated Retail Investment Advisory Firm INVESTMENT RELATED: No NUMBER OF HOURS: 144 SECURITIES TRADING HOURS: 144 START DATE: 08/01/2020  
ADDRESS: 7760 France Ave S, Suite 710, Edina MN 55435, United States  
DESCRIPTION: Provide investment advisory services to retail clients.

## 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:**
  - 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:**
  - 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.
  - 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	1	N/A



## Disclosure Event Details

When evaluating this information, please keep in mind that a disclosure 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 1

<b>Reporting Source:</b>	Broker
<b>Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:</b>	THRIVENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT
<b>Allegations:</b>	CUSTOMER ALLEGED THAT RR PUT HER IN AN INAPPROPRIATE PRODUCT. FIRM FOUND NO WRONGDOING BY RR. HOWEVER GOODWILL OFFER MADE, AND ACCEPTED BY CUSTOMER, TO REIMBURSE CUSTOMER FOR DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TOTAL PREMIUM PAID AND CURRENT VALUE, AND INTEREST.
<b>Product Type:</b>	Annuity-Variable
<b>Alleged Damages:</b>	\$19,824.27
<b>Is this an oral complaint?</b>	No
<b>Is this a written complaint?</b>	Yes
<b>Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?</b>	No

### Customer Complaint Information

<b>Date Complaint Received:</b>	04/06/2009
<b>Complaint Pending?</b>	No
<b>Status:</b>	Settled
<b>Status Date:</b>	08/12/2009



<b>Settlement Amount:</b>	\$14,470.67
<b>Individual Contribution Amount:</b>	\$0.00

## End of Report



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