

BrokerCheck Report

BENJAMIN HILLIARD CLARK

CRD# 2663792

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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.

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?
- 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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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.

Broker Qualifications

This broker is not currently registered.

This broker has passed:

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

Registration History

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

- B UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. CRD# 8174 PORTLAND, ME 02/2007 - 01/2018
- MCDONALD INVESTMENTS INC. CRD# 566 PORTLAND, ME 05/1999 - 02/2007
- B KEY INVESTMENTS INC. CRD# 15873 CLEVELAND, OH 07/1998 - 05/1999

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

Investment Adviser Representative Information

The information below represents the individual's record as a broker. For details on this individual's record as an investment adviser representative, visit the SEC's Investment Adviser Public Disclosure website at

https://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov

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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.

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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, 2 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	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	01/18/2018
В	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	10/28/1995

State Securities Law Exams

Exam		Category	Date
BIA	Uniform Combined State Law Examination	Series 66	09/30/1998
В	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	12/29/1995

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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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:

Reg	istration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
B	02/2007 - 01/2018	UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.	8174	PORTLAND, ME
B	05/1999 - 02/2007	MCDONALD INVESTMENTS INC.	566	PORTLAND, ME
B	07/1998 - 05/1999	KEY INVESTMENTS INC.	15873	CLEVELAND, OH
B	05/1996 - 07/1998	FORUM FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	17685	PORTLAND, ME
B	10/1995 - 01/1996	FIDELITY BROKERAGE SERVICES, INC.	7784	SMITHFIELD, RI

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
04/2018 - Present	HEADINVEST	PARTNER & PORTFOLIO MANAGER, INVESTMENT ADVISER REPRESENTATIVE	Υ	PORTLAND, ME, United States
02/2007 - 01/2018	UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.	Mass Transfer	Υ	PORTLAND, ME, 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.

JTF59, LLC / 156 Royall Point Rd Yarmouth,ME 04096 / Other/ Real Estate / The sole purpose is ownership of a commercial building with a partner. We each own 50% / Partner / / Oversee rental of commercial building / Start Date 5/1/2016/The LLC is the mechanism by which I own a commercial building with a partner /

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.

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.

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	0	1	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 - 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.

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Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:

UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.

Allegations:

TIME FRAME: MARCH 1, 2007 - MARCH 6, 2009

CLIENT ALLEGES THAT HER FINANCIAL ADVISORS FAILED TO FOLLOW HER

INSTRUCTIONS AND PURCHASED THE WRONG SECURITY. CLIENT FURTHER ALLEGES HER FINANCIAL ADVISORS MISREPRESENTED AN INVESTMENT STATING THAT IT WAS 100% PRINCIPAL BACKED AND THAT SHE WOULDN'T "LOSE ONE PENNY". CLIENT FURTHER STATES THAT HER INSTRUCTIONS FOR NO RISK WERE NOT FOLLOWED BUT INSTEAD HER FINANCIAL ADVISORS PLACED HER ACCOUNT IN GREATER RISK MAKING HER ACCOUNT TOO AGGRESSIVE. THE CLIENT ALLEGES THAT SHE WAS CHARGED A SIGNIFICANT HIGHER FEE THAN WHAT SHE WAS ORIGINALLY

TOLD BY HER FINANCIAL ADVISORS.

THE CLIENT ALLEGES THAT SHE WAS CONTINUOUSLY CHARGED

MANAGEMENT FEES AFTER SHE GAVE INSTRUCTIONS TO TERMINATE HER AGREEMENT. THE ALLEGED DAMAGES ARE ESTIMATED TO BE IN EXCESS

OF \$5,000.

Product Type: Other: MISCELLANEOUS

Alleged Damages: \$5,000.00



Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not exact):

THE ALLEGED DAMAGES ARE ESTIMATED TO BE IN EXCESS OF \$5,000.

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: 01/26/2010

Complaint Pending?

No

Status:

Closed/No Action

Status Date:

03/23/2010

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Broker Statement

AS IT RELATES TO THE COMPLAINTS INVOLVING A QUARTERLY TAX CHECK, THE PURCHASES OF "PREPAID LEGAL" AND THE PURCHASE OF DENNISON MINES "DNN", PRINCIPAL PROTECTION NOTES, AND THE SETTING OF FEE LEVEL, I WAS NOT A PARTY TO THESE TRANSACTIONS NOR HAVE I HAD AN PREVIOUS CONVERSATIONS WITH THE CLIENT

ABOUT THESE TRANSACTIONS.
IN REGARDS TO HER COMPLAINT ABOUT THE TERMINATION OF

MANAGEMENT FEES: I VEHEMENTLY DISAGREE WITH THE CLIENT'S RECOLLECTION. HER EMAILS AND OUR CONVERSATIONS ARE CONTRARY TO THE ACCUSATION. AT NO POINT DURING OUR NOVEMBER MEETING WAS THERE EVER ANY DISCUSSION ABOUT SHUTTING DOWN HER FEE BASED ACCOUNT. IT WASN'T UNTIL HER EMAIL DATED SUNDAY JANUARY 25, 2009 THAT SHE EXPRESSED HER DESIRE TO CLOSE HER FEE-BASED ACCOUNT RELATIONSHIP. SHE WROTE "I HAVE BEEN THINKING THAT I MAY NOT WANT TO HAVE ANY FEES ASSOCIATED WITH MY ACCOUNT.". IN THE SAME EMAIL SHE ALSO WROTE "SO, COULD YOU REMOVE ALL MY FEES FROM THIS ACCOUNT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE." WE SCHEDULED A CALL FOR LATE AFTERNOON ON JANUARY 27, 2009 TO DISCUSS HER

FEELINGS, AND FEES WERE SHUT OFF ON JANUARY 28, 2009.

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