

BrokerCheck Report

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CRD# 3011847

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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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For additional information about the contents of this report, please refer to the User Guidance or 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.

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User Guidance

Brian D. Blough

CRD# 3011847

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

IA EDWARD JONES

2089 Teron Trace Suite 225
Dacula, GA 30019
CRD# 250
Registered with this firm since: 01/29/2007

B EDWARD JONES

2089 Teron Trace Suite 225
Dacula, GA 30019
CRD# 250
Registered with this firm since: 03/24/1998

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:

- 4 Self-Regulatory Organizations
- 26 U.S. states and territories

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):

No information reported.

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 2

Broker Qualifications



Date

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.

Status

This individual is currently registered with 4 SROs and is licensed in 26 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

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Firm Name: **EDWARD JONES**

Main Office Address: 12555 MANCHESTER ROAD

ST. LOUIS, MO 63131-3710

Category

Firm CRD#: **250**

SRO

	SRU	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	03/24/1998
B	NYSE American LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	09/13/2011
B	Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/12/2006
B	New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Representative	Approved	05/18/1998
	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
В	Alabama	Agent	Approved	10/29/2001
B	Arizona	Agent	Approved	06/04/2008
B	California	Agent	Approved	09/20/2018
B	Colorado	Agent	Approved	05/04/2011
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	06/30/1998
B	Georgia	Agent	Approved	03/31/1998
IA	Georgia	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	01/29/2007
B	Illinois	Agent	Approved	11/18/2013
В	Indiana	Agent	Approved	07/06/2016

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	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Kansas	Agent	Approved	07/09/2025
B	Kentucky	Agent	Approved	06/17/2025
B	Louisiana	Agent	Approved	06/10/2008
B	Minnesota	Agent	Approved	04/14/2025
B	Mississippi	Agent	Approved	07/14/2023
B	Nevada	Agent	Approved	11/09/2016
B	New Hampshire	Agent	Approved	03/07/2022
B	New Jersey	Agent	Approved	09/19/2006
B	North Carolina	Agent	Approved	04/01/1998
B	North Dakota	Agent	Approved	07/16/2025
B	Ohio	Agent	Approved	08/28/2025
B	Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	03/22/2002
B	South Carolina	Agent	Approved	05/31/2001
B	Tennessee	Agent	Approved	12/08/2004
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	02/19/2008
IA	Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Restricted Approval	12/04/2018
B	Virginia	Agent	Approved	04/01/1998
B	Washington	Agent	Approved	08/07/2018
В	Wisconsin	Agent	Approved	06/12/2018

Branch Office Locations

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Employment 1 of 1, continued EDWARD JONES

2089 Teron Trace Suite 225 Dacula, GA 30019

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, 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	10/01/2018
В	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	03/23/1998

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B (A) Uniform Combined State Law Examination	Series 66	01/22/2007
B Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	03/25/1998

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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User Guidance

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

No information reported.

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
01/1998 - Present	EDWARD D. JONES & CO., L.P.	NOT PROVIDED	Υ	LAWRENCEVILLE, GA, 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.

Rental Property Amelia Island, FL Start date: 11/1/2021

Owner

Hours per week: 0 Hours during trading: 0

Property owner

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	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 - 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:

EDWARD JONES

Allegations: 12/2002-12/2002; CLIENT STATES HE ESTABLISHED A 401K PLAN IN

DECEMBER 2002 AND EVERYTHING SEEMED TO RUN VERY SMOOTHLY. CLIENT ALLEGES THAT THE BRANCH OFFICE CHANGED THE MANNER IN WHICH THEY PROCESSED TRANSACTIONS WHICH HAS RESULTED IN HIS EMPLOYEES WHO HAD TAKEN LOANS AGAINST THEIR PLANS TO INCUR ADDITIONAL INTEREST CHARGES. CLIENT ALSO STATES SOME LOAN PAYMENTS WERE MISAPPLIED. CLIENT INDICATES THESE ACTIONS HAVE

MADE THEM LOSE CREDIBILITY WITH THEIR EMPLOYEES. CLIENT

ALLEGES WHEN THEY DISCUSSED TRANSFERRING THE ACCOUNTS, THEY

WERE ADVISED THEY WOULD INCUR APPROXIMATELY \$7,000.00 IN

CONTINGENT DEFERRED SALES CHARGES. CLIENT CLAIMS THEY WERE

NEVER AWARE B SHARE MUTUAL FUNDS WERE PURCHASED AND

BELIEVES THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN EDUCATED ABOUT THE DIFFERENT SHARE CLASSES. CLIENT ALSO INDICATES HE UNDERSTANDS B SHARES GENERALLY CONVERT TO A SHARES AND QUESTIONS WHY THE SHARES HAVE NOT BEEN CONVERTED. CLIENT REQUESTS THAT THE FIRM WAIVE THE CONTINGENT DEFERRED SALES CHARGES OF \$7,000.00. FILING

REQUIRED.

Product Type: Mutual Fund

Alleged Damages: \$7,000.00



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: 05/29/2009

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

Status Date: 07/01/2009

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Broker Statement

WHEN THE PLAN WAS ESTABLISHED IN 2002. THE FA AND A LORD ABBETT REPRESENTATIVE PRESENTED A SHARE AND B SHARE OPTIONS TO THE CLIENT. THE CLIENT WAS ADVISED IF HE SELECTED B SHARES, INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEES WOULD NOT SUBJECT TO A CONTINGENT DEFERRED SALES CHARGE (CDSC); HOWEVER, IF THE PLAN WAS MOVED FROM LORD ABBETT, THE CDSC WOULD BE APPLIED. PRIOR TO 02/05 CHANGES. THE DEFERRALS AND LOAN PAYMENTS WERE SUBMITTED AND DEPOSITED AT MONTH END REFLECTING EACH WEEKLY PAY PERIOD. AFTER 02/05, THE SAME PROCEDURE WAS CONTINUED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF NOT REFLECTING EACH WEEKLY PAY PERIOD. THE FA HAS INDICATED, WHEN A LOAN IS ORIGINATED, A CONFIRMATION LETTER IS SENT TO THE PARTICIPANT REFLECTING THE LOAN AMOUNT AND PAY-OFF SCHEDULE. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THE LOAN INFORMATION IS ALSO REFLECTED ON STATEMENTS AS WELL AS ON THE ADMINISTRATOR AND EMPLOYEE WEBSITE. IN 06/08, EMPLOYEES WERE NOTIFIED BY THE TPA OF AN ISSUE RELATED TO THE LOANS. THE FA HAS STATED THE COMPANY WAS NOTIFIED OF THE ISSUE AND WAS ENCOURAGED TO BEGIN WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS; HOWEVER, NO CHANGES WERE MADE. THE COMPANY WAS NOTIFIED A SECOND TIME OF THE ISSUE RELATED TO THE LOANS IN 08/08 AND AGAIN NO CHANGES WERE MADE. IT SEEMS THE CLIENT WAS AWARE OF THE CDSC ASSOCIATED WITH PURCHASING B SHARE MUTUAL FUNDS THROUGH INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE FA AS WELL AS LORD ABBETT. SINCE THE PLAN WAS ESTABLISHED, THE CLIENT HAS RECEIVED ACCOUNT STATEMENTS WHICH HAVE REFLECTED THAT THE MUTUAL FUNDS PURCHASED WERE B SHARES. IN ADDITION, IT APPEARS THE CLIENT WAS ADVISED THAT A CDSC WOULD BE APPLIED IF



THE ENTIRE PLAN WAS MOVED FROM LORD ABBETT. BASED ON OUR REVIEW OF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED, WE ARE RESPECTFULLY DENYING THE CLIENT'S REQUEST FOR A WAIVER OF THE CDSC.

Disclosure 2 of 2

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:

EDWARD JONES

Allegations:

THE CUSTOMER CLAIMS THE IR BOUGHT STOCKS AT HIGH PRICES AND

DID NOT NOTIFY

HIM WHEN THE STOCKS DROPPED IN VALUE. ALSO CLAIMS THE MR.

BLOUGH PROVIDED

HIM WITH OLD INFORMATION WHEN HE REQUESTED THE BALANCE OF HIS

ACCOUNT.

THE CUSTOMER CLAIMS THE INVESTMENTS PURCHASED WERE NOT

SUITABLE FOR AN

INDIVIDUAL WITH HIS NET WORTH AND CLAIMS HE LOST \$18,000.00. A

REVIEW OF THE

CUSTOMER'S ACCOUNT INDICATES THE INVESTMENTS BEING

QUESTIONED ARE MAINLY EQUITY MUTUAL FUNDS.

Product Type: Mutual Fund(s)
Alleged Damages: \$18,000.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 06/26/2000

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Closed/No Action

Status Date: 07/25/2000

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution

Amount:

Broker Statement THE IR DISCUSSED ALL INVESTMENTS WITH THE CLIENT AND FOLLOWED

HIS INSTRUCTIONS ON THE

BUYS AND SELLS IN THIS ACCOUNT. SINCE THE CLIENT HELD A MORE

CONSERVATIVE PORTFOLIO



WITH ANOTHER BROKER DEALER, HE WANTED TO INVEST A BIT MORE AGRESSIVELY WITH THIS ACCOUNT. THE IR FOLLOWED THE CLIENT'S INSTRUCTIONS AND PROVIDED THE CLIENT WITH THE MOST RECENT NEWS AND CLOSING PRICES.

End of Report



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