BrokerCheck Report

JOHN SHERWOOD BEARD

CRD# 3058457

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- **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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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
- 1 General Industry/Product Exam
- 1 State Securities Law Exam

Registration History

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

B **SUNAMERICA SECURITIES, INC.**
CRD# 20068
PHOENIX, AZ
10/2001 - 10/2002

B **A. G. EDWARDS & SONS, INC.**
CRD# 4
ST. LOUIS, MO
01/2001 - 10/2001

B **FFP SECURITIES, INC.**
CRD# 16337
CHESTERFIELD, MO
09/1999 - 09/2000

Disclosure Events

This broker has been involved in one or more disclosure events involving certain final criminal matters, regulatory actions, civil judicial proceedings, or arbitrations or civil litigations.

Are there events disclosed about this broker? **Yes**

The following types of disclosures have been reported:

Type	Count
Criminal	4

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Broker Qualifications

Registrations

This section provides the self-regulatory organizations (SROs), states and U.S. territories the broker is currently registered and licensed with, the category of each registration, and the date on which the registration became effective. This section also provides, for each 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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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, 1 general industry/product exam, and 1 state securities law exam.

Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam		Category	Date
	No information reported.		

General Industry/Product Exams

Exam		Category	Date
B	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	07/22/1998

State Securities Law Exams

Exam		Category	Date
B	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	08/03/1998

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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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

Registration History

The broker previously was registered with the following securities firms:

Registration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
B 10/2001 - 10/2002	SUNAMERICA SECURITIES, INC.	20068	PHOENIX, AZ
B 01/2001 - 10/2001	A. G. EDWARDS & SONS, INC.	4	ST. LOUIS, MO
B 09/1999 - 09/2000	FFP SECURITIES, INC.	16337	CHESTERFIELD, MO
B 07/1998 - 10/1999	WACHOVIA SECURITIES, INC.	431	CHARLOTTE, NC

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
10/2001 - Present	SUNAMERICA SECURITIES INC	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Y	WEST JEFFERSON, NC, United States

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Disclosure Events

What you should know about reported disclosure events:

1. **Disclosure events in BrokerCheck reports come from different sources:**
   - As mentioned at the beginning of this report, information contained in BrokerCheck comes from brokers, their employing firms, and regulators. When more than one source reports information for the same disclosure event, all versions of the event will appear in the BrokerCheck report. The different versions are separated by a solid line with the reporting source labeled.

For your convenience, below is a matrix of the number and status of regulatory 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.

	Final	On Appeal
Criminal	4	0

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Disclosure Event Details

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.

Criminal - Final Disposition

This type of disclosure event involves a conviction or guilty plea for any felony or certain misdemeanor offenses, including bribery, perjury, forgery, counterfeiting, extortion, fraud, and wrongful taking of property that is currently on appeal.

Disclosure 1 of 4

Reporting Source:	Broker
Court Details:	DISTRICT COURT WATAUGA COUNTY NC FILE #98-CR000335
Charge Date:	01/03/1997
Charge Details:	WORTHLESS CHECK CHARGE - WROTE CHECK FOR $55.72 1 COUNT MISDEMEANOR GUILTY(I SIGNED A WAIVER WHICH IS EQUIVALENT TO A GUILTY PLEA)
Felony?	No
Current Status:	Final
Status Date:	02/26/1998
Disposition Details:	SIGNED WAIVER AND PAID RESTITUTION(COURT COSTS) OF $85.00 PLUS CHECK AMOUNT OF $55.72 FOR TOTAL OF $140.72 PAID ON 02/26/98. NO COURT APPEARANCE
Broker Statement	AS A RESULT OF BANK DEPOSIT MISTAKE OF 01/03/97 THIS CHECK DID NOT CLEAR. I SIGNED A WAIVER AND AGREED TO MAKE RESTITUTION. NO COURT APPEARANCE WAS REQUIRED.

Disclosure 2 of 4

Reporting Source:	Broker
Court Details:	DISTRICT COURT WATAUGA COUNTY NC FILE # 97-CR006910
Charge Date:	05/23/1997
Charge Details:	WORTHLESS CHECK CHARGE - WROTE CHECK FOR $73.33 1 COUNT MISDEMEANOR GUILTY(I SIGNED WAIVER WHICH IS EQUIVALENT TO A GUILTY PLEA)
Felony?	No
Current Status:	Final
Status Date:	12/31/1997

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Disposition Details:	SIGNED WAIVER AND PAID RESTITUTION(COURT COSTS) OF $80.00 PLUS CHECK AMOUNT OF $73.33 FOR TOTAL OF $153.33 - PAID ON 12/31/97 NO COURT APPEARANCE
Broker Statement	AS ARESULT OF A BANK DEPOSIT MISTAKE OF 05/23/97 THIS CHECK DID NOT CLEAR. I SIGNED A WAIVER AND AGREED TO MAKE RESTITUTION. NO COURT APPEARANCE WAS REQUIRED.

Disclosure 3 of 4

Reporting Source:	Broker
Court Details:	DISTRICT COURT WATAUGA COUNTY NC FILE # 97-CR00357
Charge Date:	11/04/1996
Charge Details:	WORTHLESS CHECK CHARGE - WROTE CHECK FOR $39.31 1 COUNT MISDEMEANOR GUILTY - (I SIGNED WAIVER WHICH IS EQUIVALENT TO GUILTY PLEA)
Felony?	No
Current Status:	Final
Status Date:	02/12/1997
Disposition Details:	SIGNED WAIVER - PAID RESTITUTION(COURT COSTS) OF $65.00 PLUS CHECK AMOUNT OF $39.31 FOR A TOTAL OF $104.31 - PAID ON 02/12/97 NO COURT APPEARANCE
Broker Statement	AS A RESULT OF THE BANK DEPOSIT MISTAKE OF 11/04/96 THIS CHECK DID NOT CLEAR. I SIGNED A WAIVER TO MAKE RESTITUTION NO COURT APPEARANCE WAS REQUIRED.

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Reporting Source:	Broker
Court Details:	DISTRICT COURT WATAUGA COUNTY, NC 96-CR007581
Charge Date:	11/07/1996
Charge Details:	WORTHLESS CHECK CHARGE 1 COUNT MISDEMEANOR AS A RESULT OF THIS $110 CHECK NOT CLEARING. PLEA WAIVED & PAID. (BY WAIVING ONE ACCEPTS A GUILTY PLEA)
Felony?	No
Current Status:	Final

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Status Date:	01/14/1997
Disposition Details:	FINE WAS PAID BEFORE COURT DATE SIGNED WAIVER - PAID RESTITUTION(COURT COSTS) OF $65 PLUS CHECK AMT. OF $110 FRO A TOTAL OF $175 - PAID ON 1-14-97 - NO COURT APPEARANCE
Broker Statement	AFTER THE FIRST OCCURENCE ON 11/04/96 THE BANK MOUNTES $300.00 SERVICE CHARGES AND SO THIS CHEK WAS DEPOSITED AND SUBSEQUENTLY DID NOT CLEAR. I SIGNED A WAIVER & AGREED TO MAKE RESTITUTION - NO COURT APPEARANCE WAS REQUIRED

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