

# BrokerCheck Report MARCO MENDOZA CRD# 3111936

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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
  - 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.	Disclosure Even	ts
This broker has passed:	investment advice are complaints and arbitra	red to sell securities or provide e required to disclose customen ations, regulatory actions, ions, bankruptcy filings, and al proceedings.
<ul> <li>0 Principal/Supervisory Exams</li> </ul>	Are there events disc	closed about this broker? Yes
<ul> <li>2 General Industry/Product Exams</li> </ul>	Ale there events dist	losed about this broker: 163
2 State Securities Law Exams	The following types reported:	of disclosures have been
Registration History	Туре	Count
This broker was previously registered with the	Criminal	1
following securities firm(s):	Customer Dispute	3
<ul> <li>B WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC CRD# 19616 LOS ANGELES, CA 01/2011 - 11/2024</li> <li>B WELLS FARGO INVESTMENTS, LLC CRD# 10582 LOS ANGELES, CA 05/2001 - 01/2011</li> <li>B WELLS FARGO SECURITIES INC. CRD# 17438 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 09/1998 - 05/2001</li> </ul>	Investment Advis	ser Representative
	record as a broker. F	t

### **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. 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	1	Category	Date
В	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
В	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	09/09/1998

### **State Securities Law Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
IA	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	10/08/1998
В	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	09/21/1998

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/.

## **Broker Qualifications**

# **Professional Designations**

This section details that the representative has reported **0** professional designation(s).

No information reported.



User Guidance

### **Registration and Employment History**



### **Registration History**

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Registration Dat	es Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
B 01/2011 - 1	1/2024 WELLS FARGO CLEA	RING SERVICES, LLC 19616	LOS ANGELES, CA
B 05/2001 - 0	1/2011 WELLS FARGO INVES	STMENTS, LLC 10582	LOS ANGELES, CA
B 09/1998 - 0	5/2001 WELLS FARGO SECU	RITIES INC. 17438	SAN FRANCISCO, CA

### **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
11/2024 - Present	IFC ADVISORS LLC	MEMBER/INVESTMEN T ADVISER REPRESENTATIVE	Y	LOS ANGELES, CA, United States
11/2016 - 11/2024	WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC	REGISTERED REP	Y	LOS ANGELES, CA, United States
01/2011 - 11/2016	WELLS FARGO ADVISORS LLC	REGISTERED REP	Y	LOS ANGELES, CA, 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, INV RELATED, BOISE, ID, 100% OWNERSHIP, START 3/1/2022, 1 HOUR PER MONTH, ZERO 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
Criminal	0	1	0
Customer Dispute	0	3	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.

### **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.

Disclosure 1 of 1	
Reporting Source:	Broker
Court Details:	LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL COURT #91W06558
Charge Date:	08/14/1991
Charge Details:	COUNT 1: 484(A) THEFT OF PROPERTY-MISDEMEANOR COUNT 2: 594 MALICIOUS MISCHIEF-MISDEMEANOR COUNT 3: 602.5 ENTER NON-COMMERICAL BUILDING-MISDEMEANOR THESE COUNTS ARE MISDEMEANORS AS INDICATED BY DOCKET #91W06558
Felony?	No
Current Status:	Final
Status Date:	12/26/1991
Disposition Details:	DISPOSITION: ALL CHARGES DISMISSED!!
Broker Statement	AS PER THE ENCLOSED COPY OF THE DOCKET #91W06558 DATED 11/16/98, DEFENDANT PLEAD NOT GUILTY TO ALL CHARGES AND ALL COUNTS WERE DROPPED AND THE CASE DISMISSED ON 12/26/91.



### 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:	WELLS FARGO ADVISORS, LLC
Allegations:	CLIENT ACKNOWLEDGED THAT HE DISCUSSED HIS DESIRE TO SELL SOME MUNICIPAL BONDS, BUT HE ALLEGED THAT THAT THE BONDS WERE SOLD WITHOUT A CALL FROM THE BROKER CONFIRMING WHAT THE SALE PRICE OF THE BONDS WOULD BE. CLIENT WAS UPSET THAT THE BROKER DIDN'T CONFIRM THE PRICE PRIOR TO EXECUTION. (06/15/2012)
Product Type:	Debt-Municipal
Alleged Damages:	\$21,608.00
Is this an oral complaint?	Yes
Is this a written complaint?	No
Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?	No
Customer Complaint Infor	rmation
Date Complaint Received:	06/19/2012
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Settled
Status Date:	07/09/2012
Settlement Amount:	\$21,607.78
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$21,607.78
Disclosure 2 of 2	

Reporting Source: Employing firm when

to the complaint:

activities occurred which led

WELL FARGO INVESTMENTS, LLC.

Broker



Allegations:	THE COMPLAINT AROSE OUT OF THE SALE OF AN AUCTION RATE SECURITY (ARS) THAT WAS MADE PRIOR TO THE WIDESPREAD ILLIQUIDITY IN THE ARS MARKET THAT OCCURRED IN FEBRUARY 2008. ACTIVITY DATE(S): 6/25/2004-7/28/2009
Product Type:	Other: AUCTION RATE SECURITIES
Alleged Damages:	\$0.00
Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not exact):	GOOD FAITH DETERMINATION THAT COMPENSATORY DAMAGES WERE LESS THAN \$5,000.
Is this an oral complaint?	Yes
Is this a written complaint?	No
Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?	No
Customer Complaint Info	mation
Date Complaint Received:	07/28/2009
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Settled
Status Date:	02/25/2010
Settlement Amount:	\$500,000.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00
Broker Statement	THE FIRM REPURCHASED THE ARS SECURITIES AT ISSUE FROM THE CLIENT PURSUANT TO A GLOBAL REPURCHASE AGREEMENT IT ENTERED WITH SEVERAL REGULATORY BODIES. THIS WAS NOT A TRADITIONAL SETTLEMENT OF A DISPUTE BETWEEN THE CLIENT AND THE REPRESENTATIVE. THE NAMED REPRESENTATIVE: WAS NOT A PARTY TO, AND DID NOT AGREE TO OR PARTICIPATE IN, THE REPURCHASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE FIRM AND REGULATORS; THE NAMED REPRESENTATIVE DID NOT MAKE ANY PAYMENTS TO THE CLIENT; AND THE NAMED REPRESENTATIVE WAS NOT ASKED TO AND DID NOT CONTRIBUTE TO THE REPURCHASE AMOUNT. THIS MATTER IS BEING REPORTED AS A SETTLEMENT PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF FINRA REGULATORY NOTICE 09-12.



### 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 1	
Reporting Source:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	WELLS FARGO INVESTMENTS, LLC.
Allegations:	UNSUITABLE INVESTMENTS MADE IN ACCOUNT AND REQUEST FOR RETURN OF FEES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,448.97.
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)
Alleged Damages:	\$7,448.97
Customer Complaint Infor	mation
Date Complaint Received:	11/16/2005
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Denied
Status Date:	12/12/2005
Settlement Amount:	
Individual Contribution Amount:	
Broker Statement	I DENY THE ALLEGATIONS AND FURTHER ATTEST THAT THE INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS WERE DISCUSSED IN DETAIL IN THREE MEETINGS PRIOR TO IMPLEMENTATION. IN ADDITION, SEVERAL ATTEMPTS WERE MADE VIA PHONE/EMAIL TO SCHEDULE ROUTINE ACCOUNT REVIEWS. THE CLIENT NEVER RESPONDED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS ANY CONCERNS.



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