

# **BrokerCheck Report**

# John Erik Zahner

CRD# 3126857

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- BrokerCheck reports for individual brokers include information such as employment history, professional
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  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?
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- Are there other resources I can use to check the background of investment professionals?
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#### John E. Zahner

CRD# 3126857

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

(A) EDWARD JONES
263 OAKLAND ROAD
SOUTH WINDSOR, CT 06074
CRD# 250
Registered with this firm since: 02/06/2007

B EDWARD JONES
263 OAKLAND ROAD
SOUTH WINDSOR, CT 06074
CRD# 250
Registered with this firm since: 11/05/1998

# **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
- 35 U.S. states and territories

#### This broker has passed:

- 1 Principal/Supervisory Exam
- 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 1



### 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 4 SROs and is licensed in 35 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

### Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: **EDWARD JONES** 

Main Office Address: 12555 MANCHESTER ROAD

ST. LOUIS, MO 63131-3710

Firm CRD#: **250** 

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	11/05/1998
B	FINRA	General Securities Principal	Approved	01/28/1999
B	NYSE American LLC	General Securities Principal	Approved	09/13/2011
B	NYSE American LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	09/14/2011
B	Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Principal	Approved	07/12/2006
B	Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/12/2006
B	New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Representative	Approved	01/01/1999
B	New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Principal	Approved	06/26/2010
B	New York Stock Exchange  U.S. State/ Territory	General Securities Principal  Category	Approved Status	06/26/2010  Date
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	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
В	U.S. State/ Territory  Alabama	Category	Status Approved	<b>Date</b> 01/14/2025
B	U.S. State/ Territory  Alabama  Alaska	Category Agent Agent	Status  Approved  Approved	<b>Date</b> 01/14/2025 06/28/2019



# **Employment 1 of 1, continued**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Colorado	Agent	Approved	10/22/2008
B	Connecticut	Agent	Approved	01/01/1999
IA	Connecticut	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	02/06/2007
B	Delaware	Agent	Approved	06/08/2021
B	District of Columbia	Agent	Approved	05/30/2001
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	05/31/2000
B	Georgia	Agent	Approved	03/15/2006
B	Illinois	Agent	Approved	07/08/2016
B	Kentucky	Agent	Approved	07/27/2017
B	Maine	Agent	Approved	09/13/2006
B	Maryland	Agent	Approved	04/01/2008
B	Massachusetts	Agent	Approved	01/26/1999
B	Michigan	Agent	Approved	02/12/2001
B	Minnesota	Agent	Approved	03/24/2020
B	Mississippi	Agent	Approved	01/19/2012
B	Nebraska	Agent	Approved	06/04/2012
B	Nevada	Agent	Approved	09/20/2012
B	New Hampshire	Agent	Approved	01/03/2006
B	New Jersey	Agent	Approved	09/03/2021
B	New York	Agent	Approved	02/12/2001
B	North Carolina	Agent	Approved	07/16/2001



# **Employment 1 of 1, continued**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Ohio	Agent	Approved	08/27/2012
B	Oklahoma	Agent	Approved	10/27/2008
B	Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	02/12/2001
B	Rhode Island	Agent	Approved	01/28/2008
B	South Carolina	Agent	Approved	07/10/2014
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	09/24/2012
IA	Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Restricted Approval	01/17/2019
B	Vermont	Agent	Approved	01/14/2014
B	Virginia	Agent	Approved	03/21/2007
B	Washington	Agent	Approved	08/26/2019
B	Wisconsin	Agent	Approved	05/11/2023

### **Branch Office Locations**

**EDWARD JONES**263 OAKLAND ROAD
SOUTH WINDSOR, CT 06074



#### **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 1 principal/supervisory exam, 2 general industry/product exams, and 2 state securities law exams.

### **Principal/Supervisory Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
В	General Securities Principal Examination	Series 24	11/17/1998

# **General Industry/Product Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
B	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
B	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	11/04/1998

# **State Securities Law Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
BIA	Uniform Combined State Law Examination	Series 66	01/26/2007
В	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	11/06/1998

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.

# **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.

<b>Employment</b>	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	Employer Location
08/1998 - Present	EDWARD D. JONES & CO., L.P.	NOT PROVIDED	Υ	SOUTH WINDSOR, CT, 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.

Ellington Ridge Country Club

Type of business: 1 share (private) in a county club

Ellington, CT

Start date: 1/1/1997

LPT

Hours per week: 0 Hours during trading: 0

BRIEF\_DESCRIPTION: Boyne Ranch LLC Springbrook Farms DBA

Type of business: Event Venue

Boyne Falls, MI Start date: 6/1/2020 Venue Coordinator Hours per week: 5 Hours during trading: 0

website management, booking events, assisting on site during weekend events

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# Other Business Activities, continued

South Windsor Volunteer Fire Department South Windsor, CT Start date: 12/1/2010 Board of Fire Commissioner Hours per week: 0 Hours during trading: 0 board position

#### **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 - Award / Judgment**

This type of disclosure event involves a final, consumer-initiated, investment-related arbitration or civil suit containing allegations of sales practice violations against the broker that resulted in an arbitration award or civil judgment for the customer.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source: Regulator

**Employing firm when** EDWARD JONES INVESTMENTS

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

Allegations:

MISREPRESENTATION; UNSUITABILITY; OMISSION OF FACT; BREACH OF

FIDUCIARY DUTY

Product Type: Other

Other Product Type(s): ANNUITIES

Alleged Damages: \$38,104.28

**Arbitration Information** 

**Arbitration/Reparation Claim** 

filed with and Docket/Case

No.:

NASD - CASE #03-02618

**Date Notice/Process Served:** 04/04/2003

**Arbitration Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Award

**Disposition Date:** 02/03/2004

**Disposition Detail:** RESPONDENT IS JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY LIABLE AND SHALL PAY TO

CLAIMANT \$38,104.28, PLUS INTEREST, IN COMPENSATORY DAMAGES.



Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:

**EDWARD JONES** 

Allegations:

THE CLIENT ALLEGED THAT THE IR MISREPRESENTED THE RETURN THAT SHE WOULD RECEIVE ON THE HARTFORD VARIABLE ANNUITY THAT SHE EXCHANGED INTO SEVERAL YEARS AGO FROM A FIXED CONTRACT WITH THE AIDE ASSOCIATION FOR LUTHERANS. THE CLIENT WAS LED TO BELIEVE THAT SHE WOULD EARN 9% ON THE HARTFORD CONTRACT VERSUS THE 5% THAT SHE WAS EARNING ON THE FIXED CONTRACT. THE VALUE OF HER ACCOUNT HAS DECLINDE BY APPROXIMATELY \$

25.000.00.\*

ARBITRATION CASE DESCRITION: ALLEGATIONS OF MISREPRESENTATION, OMISSION OF FACT, UNSUITABLE

RECOMMENDATIONS AND BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY IN ADVISING THE CLAIMANT, AN 82 YEAR OLD WOMAN, TO MOVE \$131,000 FROM A FIXED ANNUITY PAYING 5% INTO A VARIABLE ANNUITY INVESTED 65% IN STOCKS AND 35% IN BONDS. (AMOUNT CLAIMED: \$24,292 IN LOSS OF VALUE, PLUS \$13,812, LOSS OF 5% INTEREST ON \$131,387 FROM 9/6/01 THRU 9/6/03)

**Product Type:** Annuity(ies) - Variable

Alleged Damages: \$25,000.00

**Customer Complaint Information** 

Date Complaint Received: 08/30/2002

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Arbitration/Reparation

Denied

**Status Date:** 10/28/2002

**Settlement Amount:** 

**Individual Contribution** 

**Amount:** 

**Arbitration Information** 

Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case

NASD CASE NO: 03-02618

No.:

Date Notice/Process Served: 04/21/2003

**Arbitration Pending?** No



**Disposition:** Award to Customer

**Disposition Date:** 02/03/2004

**Monetary Compensation** 

Amount:

\$38,104.25

**Individual Contribution** 

Amount:

\$0.00

**Broker Statement** 

MR. ZAHNER ADVISED THAT THE CLIENT WAS NOT HAPPY WITH THE 5% RETURN THAT SHE WAS RECEIVING ON HER AID ASSOCIATION TO LUTHERANS FIXED ANNUITY CONTRACT. MR. ZAHNER INDICATED THAT HE NEVER GUARANTEED HER A 9% RETURN, BUT DID INDICATE THAT OVER TIME, HE FELT THAT THE HARTFORD VARIABLE CONTRACT WOULD MOST LIKELY PERFORM BETTER. THE CLIENT SIGNED THE 1035 EXCHANGE DOCUMENT AND THE DIRECT ACCESS ANNUITY DOCUMENT, WHICH SHOWED THE SUB ACCOUNTS FOR THE ANNUITY. THE CLIENT HAS RECEIVED STATEMENTS FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS SHOWING HOW THESE FUNDS WERE INVESTED AND THE MARKET VALUE OF THE ACCOUNT. AT ONE POINT IN JULY, THE CLIENT TRANSFERRED THE ANNUITY ACCOUNT OUT TO BANKER'S LIFE, BUT IN DOING SO,

CANCELLED THE GUARANTEED DEATH BENEFIT ASSOCIATED WITH THIS ACCOUNT. SHE ELECTED TO "FREE LOOK" THE BANKER'S LIFE CONTRACT AND INQUIRED OF MR. ZAHNER, IF SHE COULD BE REINSTATED BACK INTO THE HARTFORD CONTRACT. HARTFORD INDICATED THAT THE CONTRACT COULD BE REINSTATED AND THE FUNDS CAME BACK INTO HER ACCOUNT WITH EDWARD JONES AND THE HARTFORD, WHERE THEY REMAIN. SINCE I FEEL THAT THE CLIENT WAS APPRISED OF THE SUB ACCOUNTS AND SIGNED THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND RECEIVED

ARBITRATION RESOLUTION: AWARD OF \$38,104.28 PLUS INTEREST OF 9%

FROM JANUARY 16, 2004 THROUGH DATE OF PAYMENT

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# **End of Report**



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