

BrokerCheck Report

THOMAS MAY

CRD# 3269143

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About BrokerCheck®

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:
 - 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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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.

**THOMAS MAY**

CRD# 3269143

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

- IA EMPOWER ADVISORY GROUP, LLC**
 Van Buren Twp, MI
 CRD# 112058
 Registered with this firm since: 12/21/2022
- B EMPOWER FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.**
 Fort Wayne, IN
 CRD# 13109
 Registered with this firm since: 04/04/2022

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:**

- 1 Self-Regulatory Organization
- 1 U.S. state or territory

This broker has passed:

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

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

- B PRUDENTIAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES LLC**
 CRD# 18353
 NEWARK, NJ
 01/2022 - 04/2022
- B PRUCO SECURITIES, LLC.**
 CRD# 5685
 TROY, MI
 02/2021 - 01/2022
- IA PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL PLANNING SERVICES**
 CRD# 5685
 NEWARK, NJ
 02/2021 - 01/2022

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
Termination	1
Financial	1



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 individual is currently registered with 1 SRO and is licensed in 1 U.S. state or territory through his or her employer.

Employment 1 of 2

Firm Name: **EMPOWER ADVISORY GROUP, LLC**
 Main Office Address: **8515 EAST ORCHARD RD 4T2
 GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111**
 Firm CRD#: **112058**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
IA	Michigan	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	12/21/2022

Branch Office Locations

8515 EAST ORCHARD RD 4T2
 GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

Van Buren Twp, MI

Employment 2 of 2

Firm Name: **EMPOWER FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.**
 Main Office Address: **8515 E ORCHARD ROAD
 GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111**
 Firm CRD#: **13109**

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	04/04/2022

Broker Qualifications



Employment 2 of 2, continued

U.S. State/ Territory		Category	Status	Date
B	Michigan	Agent	Approved	04/04/2022

Branch Office Locations

EMPOWER FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.
Fort Wayne, IN



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 3 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
B General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	09/20/1999

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B IA Uniform Combined State Law Examination	Series 66	08/20/2010
IA Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	04/23/2001
B Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	09/21/1999

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.



Registration and Employment History

Registration History

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Registration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
B 01/2022 - 04/2022	PRUDENTIAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES LLC	18353	NEWARK, NJ
B 02/2021 - 01/2022	PRUCO SECURITIES, LLC.	5685	TROY, MI
IA 02/2021 - 01/2022	PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL PLANNING SERVICES	5685	TROY, MI
IA 02/2019 - 02/2021	W&S BROKERAGE SERVICES, INC.	8099	LIVONIA, MI
B 07/2017 - 02/2021	W&S BROKERAGE SERVICES, INC.	8099	LIVONIA, MI
IA 06/2016 - 05/2017	ALLSTATE FINANCIAL ADVISORS, LLC	109524	West Bloomfield, MI
B 06/2016 - 05/2017	ALLSTATE FINANCIAL SERVICES, LLC	18272	West Bloomfield, MI
IA 09/2010 - 08/2014	METLIFE SECURITIES INC.	14251	TROY, MI
B 02/2009 - 08/2014	METLIFE SECURITIES INC.	14251	TROY, MI
B 05/2008 - 12/2008	NATCITY INVESTMENTS, INC.	17490	DETROIT, MI
B 07/2007 - 03/2008	FARMERS FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS, LLC	103863	SOUTHFIELD, MI
B 01/2003 - 01/2007	LASALLE FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	20373	SOUTHFIELD, MI
B 03/2001 - 09/2002	AXA ADVISORS, LLC	6627	NEW YORK, NY
B 09/1999 - 03/2001	EDWARD JONES	250	ST. LOUIS, MO

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
04/2022 - Present	GWFS EQUITIES, INC.	Mass Transfer	Y	DALLAS, TX, United States



Registration and Employment History

Employment History, continued

Employment	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	Employer Location
12/2021 - Present	Prudential Investment Management Services, LLC.	Registered Representative	Y	Van Buren Township, MI, United States
02/2021 - Present	The Prudential Insurance Company of America	Financial Professional	Y	Van Buren Township, MI, United States
02/2021 - 12/2021	Pruco Securities, LLC	Registered Representative	Y	Troy, MI, United States
06/2017 - 02/2021	W&S BROKERAGE SERVICES	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Y	CINCINNATI, OH, United States
05/2017 - 02/2021	WESTERN & SOUTHERN LIFE	STAFF MANAGER	N	LIVONIA, MI, United States
07/2016 - 05/2017	Real Estate Appraisal	Limited License Appraiser	N	Novi, MI, United States
06/2016 - 04/2017	Allstate Insurance Co	Agent	N	West Bloomfield, MI, United States
08/2014 - 05/2016	AAA LIFE INSURANCE	LIFE INSURANCE AGENT	N	FARMINGTON HILLS, MI, 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.

Self / Bookkeeper. Complete financial recordkeeping for small businesses. 60 hours per month; 0 hours per month during normal business hours.

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:**
 - 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:**
 - 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.
 - 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
Termination	N/A	1	N/A
Financial	0	1	N/A



Disclosure Event Details

When evaluating this information, please keep in mind that a disclosure 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.

Employment Separation After Allegations

This type of disclosure event involves a situation where the broker voluntarily resigned, was discharged, or was permitted to resign after being accused of (1) violating investment-related statutes, regulations, rules or industry standards of conduct; (2) fraud or the wrongful taking of property; or (3) failure to supervise in connection with investment-related statutes, regulations, rules, or industry standards of conduct.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source:	Broker
Employer Name:	LASALLE FINANCIAL SERVICES
Termination Type:	Permitted to Resign
Termination Date:	01/11/2007
Allegations:	FAILED TO DISCLOSE INSURANCE LICENSE HELD OUTSIDE OF FIRM
Product Type:	Insurance
Other Product Types:	
Broker Statement	OBTAINING P & C LICENSE AS A RESERVE AGENT WITH FARMERS. WAS PERMITTED TO RESIGN FROM LASALLE UPON DISCONTINUE OF P&C LICENSE.



Financial - Final

This type of disclosure event involves a bankruptcy, compromise with one or more creditors, or Securities Investor Protection Corporation liquidation involving the broker or an organization/brokerage firm the broker controlled that occurred within the last 10 years.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source:	Broker
Action Type:	Compromise
Action Date:	06/28/2016
Organization Investment-Related?	
Type of Court:	State Court
Name of Court:	52ND FIRST DISTRICT COURT
Location of Court:	OAKLAND COUNTY, MI
Docket/Case #:	14-C07457-GC
Action Pending?	No
Disposition:	Satisfied/Released
Disposition Date:	05/13/2017
If a compromise with creditor, provide:	
Name of Creditor:	CAPITAL ALLIANCE FINANCIAL, LLC FOR HSBC CARD SERVICES
Original Amount Owed:	\$3,263.55
Terms Reached with Creditor:	PROMISSARY NOTE TO MAKE MONTHLY PAYMENTS. FINAL PAYMENT MADE AS OF 5/13/2017. AWAITING PAYOFF LETTER.
Amount Paid:	\$3,263.55
SIPA (Securities Investor Protection Act) Trustee:	
Currently Open?	No
Date Direct Payment Initiated/Filed or Trustee Appointed:	05/03/2017

End of Report



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