

BrokerCheck Report

LARRY LEE SMERGLIA

CRD# 426796

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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.



LARRY L. SMERGLIA

CRD# 426796

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

IA UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.
175 MONTROSE WEST AVENUE
AKRON, OH 44321
CRD# 8174
Registered with this firm since: 10/14/2005

B UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.
175 MONTROSE WEST AVENUE
AKRON, OH 44321
CRD# 8174
Registered with this firm since: 10/14/2005

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:

- 10 Self-Regulatory Organizations
- 24 U.S. states and territories

This broker has passed:

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

Registration History

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

- IA MERRILL LYNCH PIERCE FENNER & SMITH INC.**
CRD# 7691
NEW YORK, NY
03/1989 - 10/2005
- B MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED**
CRD# 7691
NEW YORK, NY
09/1978 - 10/2005
- B MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH, INC.**
CRD# 572
11/1972 - 09/1978

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	5



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 10 SROs and is licensed in 24 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

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Firm Name: **UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.**

Main Office Address: **1200 HARBOR BOULEVARD
WEEHAWKEN, NJ 07086**

Firm CRD#: **8174**

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	BOX Exchange LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	05/16/2012
B	Cboe Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/14/2005
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/14/2005
B	NYSE American LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/14/2005
B	NYSE Arca, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/14/2005
B	NYSE Texas, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/20/2022
B	Nasdaq ISE, LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	01/23/2008
B	Nasdaq PHLX LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/14/2005
B	Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/12/2006
B	New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/14/2005

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Alabama	Agent	Approved	02/08/2016
B	Arizona	Agent	Approved	10/14/2005
B	California	Agent	Approved	10/14/2005

Broker Qualifications



Employment 1 of 1, continued

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Colorado	Agent	Approved	07/02/2007
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	10/14/2005
B	Georgia	Agent	Approved	10/14/2005
B	Idaho	Agent	Approved	10/14/2005
B	Illinois	Agent	Approved	06/20/2023
B	Indiana	Agent	Approved	03/27/2014
B	Kansas	Agent	Approved	07/08/2025
B	Kentucky	Agent	Approved	10/14/2005
B	Maryland	Agent	Approved	05/27/2010
B	Massachusetts	Agent	Approved	05/04/2010
B	Michigan	Agent	Approved	10/14/2005
B	New York	Agent	Approved	05/03/2010
B	North Carolina	Agent	Approved	10/14/2005
B	Ohio	Agent	Approved	10/14/2005
IA	Ohio	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	10/18/2005
B	Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	05/03/2010
B	South Carolina	Agent	Approved	10/03/2006
B	South Dakota	Agent	Approved	11/29/2018
B	Tennessee	Agent	Approved	08/26/2010
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	10/14/2005
IA	Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Restricted Approval	10/14/2005



Broker Qualifications

Employment 1 of 1, continued

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Utah	Agent	Approved	03/15/2022
B	Virginia	Agent	Approved	10/14/2005

Branch Office Locations

UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.
175 MONTROSE WEST AVENUE
AKRON, OH 44321

UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.
Mineral city, OH



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, 4 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 General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7TO	01/02/2023
B Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
B AMEX Put and Call Exam	PC	09/08/1977
B Registered Representative Examination	Series 1	11/01/1972

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
IA Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	03/29/1994
B Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	06/22/1981

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
IA 03/1989 - 10/2005	MERRILL LYNCH PIERCE FENNER & SMITH INC.	7691	CANTON, OH
B 09/1978 - 10/2005	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	7691	NEW YORK, NY
B 11/1972 - 09/1978	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH, INC.	572	

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
10/2005 - Present	UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES	SENIOR VP INVESTMENTS	Y	CANTON, OH, 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.

1) 32 DEGREE LEARNING CENTER FOR CHILDREN / TRUSTEE / START DATE 12/14/2005. ///

2) goodwill of greater Cleveland and East Central Ohio / 408 9th Street SW Canton Stark County, ohio 44707 / Charity/ Charity / Treasurer and Chairman of the Finance Committee, Board of Directors / Member of Board of directors / / Oversee the directive of Charitable outreach in the Community, oversee the proper use of funds / Start Date 1/1/2014

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
Customer Dispute	0	5	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.

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.

Disclosure 1 of 3

Reporting Source:	Firm
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH
Allegations:	CUSTOMER ALLEGED UNSUITABLE INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS.
Product Type:	Mutual Fund(s)
Alleged Damages:	\$80,300.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:	11/17/2005
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Settled
Status Date:	05/22/2006
Settlement Amount:	\$90,000.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00
Firm Statement	THIS MATTER WAS SETTLED TO AVOID THE TIME, EXPENSE AND UNCERTAINTY INHERENT IN LITIGATION.

Reporting Source:	Broker
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Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH
Allegations:	CUSTOMER ALLEGED UNSUITABLE INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS.
Product Type:	Mutual Fund(s)
Alleged Damages:	\$80,300.00
Customer Complaint Information	
Date Complaint Received:	11/17/2005
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Settled
Status Date:	05/22/2006
Settlement Amount:	\$90,000.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00
Broker Statement	THIS MATTER WAS SETTLED TO AVOID THE TIME, EXPENSE AND UNCERTAINTY INHERENT IN LITIGATION.

Disclosure 2 of 3

Reporting Source:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	MERRILL LYNCH
Allegations:	CUSTOMER MADE ORAL COMPLAINT ALLEGING THAT FINANCIAL ADVISOR MISREPRESENTED CERTAIN FEATURES OF AN INVESTMENT.
Product Type:	Debt - Corporate
Alleged Damages:	\$0.00
Customer Complaint Information	
Date Complaint Received:	03/05/2003
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Settled
Status Date:	04/07/2003



Settlement Amount:	\$21,845.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00
Broker Statement	IN ORDER TO AVOID THE COSTS AND UNCERTAINTIES OF LITIGATION, MERRILL LYNCH MADE A BUSINESS DECISION TO SETTLE THE MATTER.

Disclosure 3 of 3

Reporting Source:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	MERRILL LYNCH
Allegations:	CLIENT ALLEGES F.C MISREPRESENTED THE RISK AND UNDERLYING ASSETS OF A CORPORATE HIGH YIELD FUND III.
Product Type:	Mutual Fund(s)
Alleged Damages:	\$0.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:	11/22/1999
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Settled
Status Date:	06/19/2000
Settlement Amount:	\$6,000.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00



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: Firm

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED

Allegations: THE CUSTOMER ALLEGES UNSUITABLE INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS AND MISREPRESENTATION. COMPENSATORY DAMAGES ARE NOT SPECIFIED.

Product Type: Insurance

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

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: 05/31/2011

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

Status Date: 11/15/2011

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Firm Statement MERRILL LYNCH'S REVIEW OF THE CLIENT'S COMPLAINT LED US TO CONCLUDE THAT THE ALLEGATIONS ARE WITHOUT MERIT.

Reporting Source: Broker



Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED

Allegations: THE CUSTOMER ALLEGES UNSUITABLE INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS AND MISREPRESENTATION. COMPENSATORY DAMAGES ARE NOT SPECIFIED.

Product Type: Insurance

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

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: 05/31/2011

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

Status Date: 11/15/2011

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Broker Statement I DENY THESE ALLEGATIONS AND DO NOT REMEMBER EVER SPEAKING TO THE CLIENT. THIS ACCOUNT WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE CLIENT'S GRANDFATHER, WHO WISHED TO SET UP EDUCATION ACCOUNTS FOR ALL OF HIS GRANDCHILDREN. IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE, THE CLIENT'S MOTHER WAS MADE CUSTODIAN UNTIL THE CLIENT REACHED AGE OF MAJORITY. THE ACCOUNT WAS ESTABLISHED IN A MERRILL LYNCH NEW INSURANCE PROGRAM CALLED THE PRIME PLUS. WORKING WITH THE INSURANCE COORDIATER, WHO PRESENTED AND EXPLAINED ALL THE FEATURES AVAILABLE, THE PLUS PLAN WAS PRESENTED TO BOTH THE GRANDFATHER AND THE CUSTODIAN WHO FELT THAT THIS INVESTMENT WAS RIGHT FOR THE CHILDREN. THE PRIME PLAN WAS SET UP SOMETIME IN 1987 OR 1988. IN MUCH THE SAME WAY THAT 529 PLANS WORK TODAY, ALLOWING WITHDRAWALS FOR TUITION, BOOKS, ROOM AND BOARD, ETC, THE PRIME PLUS PLAN ALLOWED ALLOWED MONIES TO BE WITHDRAWN THROUGH A LOAN ACCESS WINDOW WHICH ADDRESSED CERTAIN TAX RESTRICTIONS. THE CLIENT, WHILE AS A BENEFICIARY AND ONCE SHE



REACHED MAJORITY, BORROWED MONEY OUT OF THE ACCOUNT FOR EDUCATION AND OTHER PURPOSES. ONCE ALL THE MONEY HAD BEEN BORROWED, THE ACCOUNT WAS CLOSED. HOWEVER, I BELIEVE THAT A LETTER WAS SENT TO THE CLIENT ADVISING HER THAT UNLESS SHE REPAID BACK THE MONIES BORROWED, THE ACCOUNT WOULD BE CLOSED PER THE LOAN ACCESS AGREEMENTS CONTAINED IN THE PRIME PLUS PLAN. AT NO TIME DID I EVER ADVISE THE BENEFICIARY/CLIENT THAT SHE WOULD NOT NEED TO REPAY THE LOANS TO KEEP THE ACCOUNT OPEN. THAT GOES AGAINST ALL COMMON SENSE REGARDING THE DEFINITION OF A "LOAN" AND AS A PROFESSIONAL IN THE FINANCIAL INDUSTRY FOR MANY YEARS WOULD NEVER MAKE SUCH A STATEMENT. THE LOAN FEATURE WOULD HAVE BEEN EXPLAINED BY THE INSURANCE COORDINATOR AT THE TIME THE PRIME PLUS PLAN WAS SETUP ALONG WITH ALL OTHER FEATURES OF THIS PLAN. THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS FREE MONEY.

Disclosure 2 of 2

Reporting Source:	Firm
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	MERRILL LYNCH
Allegations:	CUSTOMER ALLEGED THAT ON DECEMBER 11, 2001, MR. SMERGLIA SOLD HIM AN UNSUITABLE NYSE LISTED PREFERRED STOCK. DAMAGES UNSPECIFIED.
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)
Alleged Damages:	\$0.00
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:	01/06/2003
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Denied
Status Date:	02/13/2003
Settlement Amount:	

**Individual Contribution
Amount:****Reporting Source:** Broker**Employing firm when
activities occurred which led
to the complaint:** MERRILL LYNCH**Allegations:** CUSTOMER ALLEGED THAT ON DECEMBER 11, 2001, MR. SMERGLIA SOLD HIM AN UNSUITABLE NYSE LISTED PREFERRED STOCK. DAMAGES UNSPECIFIED.**Product Type:** Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)**Alleged Damages:** \$0.00**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:** 01/06/2003**Complaint Pending?** No**Status:** Denied**Status Date:** 02/13/2003**Settlement Amount:****Individual Contribution
Amount:**

End of Report



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