

BrokerCheck Report

BENITA CREACY

CRD# 4376335

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 qualifications, disciplinary actions, criminal convictions, civil judgments and arbitration awards. BrokerCheck
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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.
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 - 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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CRD# 4376335

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

IA LPL FINANCIAL LLC

5251 DTC PARKWAY, STE 1045 GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111 CRD# 6413

Registered with this firm since: 05/18/2020

WESTERN WEALTH MANAGEMENT

5251 DTC Parkway Suite 1045 Greenwood Village, CO 80111 CRD# 283545 Registered with this firm since: 06/22/2016

B LPL FINANCIAL LLC
5251 DTC PARKWAY, STE 1045
GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111
CRD# 6413
Registered with this firm since: 04/22/2016

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
- 15 U.S. states and territories

This broker has passed:

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

Registration History

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

- MESTERN WEALTH MANAGEMENT LLC CRD# 167344 GOLDEN, CO 04/2016 - 06/2016
- CETERA ADVISOR NETWORKS LLC
 CRD# 13572
 EL SEGUNDO, CA
 02/2011 04/2016
- B CETERA ADVISOR NETWORKS LLC CRD# 13572 GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 02/2011 - 04/2016

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? No

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 15 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

Employment 1 of 2

Firm Name: LPL FINANCIAL LLC

Main Office Address: 1055 LPL WAY

FORT MILL, SC 29715

Firm CRD#: **6413**

| | SRO | Category | Status | Date |
|----|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|------------|
| B | FINRA | General Securities Representative | Approved | 04/22/2016 |
| | U.S. State/ Territory | Category | Status | Date |
| B | California | Agent | Approved | 04/22/2016 |
| B | Colorado | Agent | Approved | 04/22/2016 |
| IA | Colorado | Investment Adviser Representative | Approved | 05/18/2020 |
| В | Florida | Agent | Approved | 04/22/2016 |
| В | Georgia | Agent | Approved | 04/22/2016 |
| B | Kansas | Agent | Approved | 04/22/2016 |
| В | Michigan | Agent | Approved | 08/06/2019 |
| B | Missouri | Agent | Approved | 04/22/2016 |
| В | Montana | Agent | Approved | 11/10/2020 |
| В | New York | Agent | Approved | 01/23/2024 |
| B | Oklahoma | Agent | Approved | 04/22/2016 |
| В | Oregon | Agent | Approved | 10/02/2020 |

Broker Qualifications



Employment 1 of 2, continued

| | U.S. State/ Territory | Category | Status | Date |
|---|-----------------------|----------|----------|------------|
| B | Tennessee | Agent | Approved | 04/22/2016 |
| B | Texas | Agent | Approved | 04/22/2016 |
| B | Virginia | Agent | Approved | 04/22/2016 |
| В | Washington | Agent | Approved | 04/22/2016 |

Branch Office Locations

LPL FINANCIAL LLC

5251 DTC PARKWAY, STE 1045 GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

Employment 2 of 2

Firm Name: WESTERN WEALTH MANAGEMENT LLC

Main Office Address: 14143 DENVER PKWY.,

STE 450

GOLDEN, CO 80401

Firm CRD#: **283545**

| | U.S. State/ Territory | Category | Status | Date |
|----|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|------------|
| IA | Colorado | Investment Adviser Representative | Approved | 06/22/2016 |

Branch Office Locations

5251 DTC Parkway Suite 1045 Greenwood Village, CO 80111

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 1 state securities law exam.

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 | 03/21/2002 |

State Securities Law Exams

| Exam | Category | Date |
|---|-----------|------------|
| B IA Uniform Combined State Law Examination | Series 66 | 09/17/2003 |

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 1 professional designation(s).

Certified Financial Planner

This representative holds or did hold **1** professional designation(s) that may have been used to qualify as an Investment Advisor representative. Please check with the appropriate designation authority for verification that the designation is still in effect. The contact information for these professional designation authorities can be found on the website for the North American Securities Administrators Association at http://www.nasaa.org

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Registration History

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

| Reg | istration Dates | Firm Name | CRD# | Branch Location |
|-----|-------------------|--|--------|-----------------------|
| IA | 04/2016 - 06/2016 | WESTERN WEALTH MANAGEMENT LLC | 167344 | Greenwood Village, CO |
| B | 02/2011 - 04/2016 | CETERA ADVISOR NETWORKS LLC | 13572 | GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO |
| IA | 02/2011 - 04/2016 | CETERA ADVISOR NETWORKS LLC | 13572 | GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO |
| B | 11/2005 - 02/2011 | QA3 FINANCIAL CORP. | 14754 | GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO |
| IA | 11/2005 - 02/2011 | QA3 FINANCIAL LLC | 104957 | GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO |
| B | 01/2004 - 11/2005 | INTERVEST INTERNATIONAL EQUITIES CORPORATION | 20289 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO |
| IA | 01/2004 - 11/2005 | INTERVEST INTERNATIONAL, INC. | 111516 | ENGLEWOOD, CO |
| IA | 01/2004 - 09/2004 | RATTINER ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC. | 116424 | CENTENNIAL, CO |
| В | 03/2002 - 01/2004 | SUNAMERICA SECURITIES, INC. | 20068 | PHOENIX, AZ |

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 |
|-------------------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| 06/2016 - Present | WESTERN WEALTH MANAGEMENT LLC | Investment Adviser Representative | Υ | GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO, United States |
| 04/2016 - Present | LPL Financial, LLC | Registered Representative | Υ | Greenwood Village, CO, United States |
| 02/2009 - Present | COLLEGE FOR FINANCIAL PLANNING | ADJUNCT PROFESSOR | N | GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO, United States |
| 04/2004 - Present | DC & ASSOCIATES, INC ADVANCED FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS | PRESIDENT | Υ | GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO, United States |

Registration and Employment History



Employment History, continued

| Employment | Employer Name | Position | Investment Related | Employer Location |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| 04/2016 - 06/2016 | WESTERN WEALTH MANAGEMENT LLC | Investment Adviser Representative | Υ | Golden, CO, United States |
| 01/2013 - 04/2016 | CETERA ADVISOR NETWORKS LLC | REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE | Υ | EL SEGUNDO, 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.

- (1) 04/22/2016: DC & Associates DBA for LPL Business (entity for LPL business) Investment Related 7995 E Prentice Ave Ste 110 Greenwood Village CO 80111 Start 2004 160 Hr/Mo; 8 Hour(s) During Securities Trading
- (2) 04/22/2016: Creacy Financial Group Business Entity For Tax/Investment Purposes Only Investment Related 7995 E Prentice Ave Ste 110 Greenwood Village CO 80111 Start 01/2004 3 Hr/Mo; 1% Time Spent
- (3) 04/22/2016: Benita Creacy Non-Variable Insurance Trails Only Investment Related 7995 E Prentice Ave Ste 110 Greenwood Village, CO 80111 Start 2004
- (4) 04/22/2016: No Business Name Notary Investment Related 7995 E Prentice Ave Ste 110 Greenwood Village CO 80111 Start 2001 1 Hr/Mo; 1% Time Spent
- (5) 04/22/2016: Planning for Education Speaker/Seminar Investment Related 7995 E Prentice Ave Ste 110 Greenwood Village CO 80111 Start 2005
- (6) 04/29/2016: Western Wealth Management, LLC Registered Investment Advisor Hybrid Investment Related 14143 Denver West Parkway suite 510 Golden, CO 80401 Start 40 Hr/Mo; 8 Hour(s) During Securities Trading; 90% Time Spent
- (7) 05/02/2016: Western Wealth Management, LLC Registered Investment Advisor DBA DBA: DC & Associates, Inc Investment Related At Reported Business Location(s) Start 04/18/2016 80% Time Spent
- (8) 06/20/2016: No Business Name Non-Variable Insurance Investment Related 7995 E Prentice Ave Ste 110 Greenwood Village CO 80111 Start 05/11/2016 1 Hr/Mo; 0 Hour(s) During Securities Trading
- (9) 11/03/2016: Western Wealth Management, LLC Registered Investment Advisor DBA DBA: Advanced Divorce Solutions LLC Investment Related 7995 E Prentice Ave Ste 110 Greenwood Village CO 80111 Start 11/03/2014 10 Hr/Mo; 10 Hour(s) During Securities Trading I provide investment advisory services through Western Wealth Management, LLC, an independent investment advisor firm. I started this business activity in November 2016. I expect to spend approximately 10 hours per month on this activity. Please see the advisory firm about its address, the nature of its business, its owners, and its services at http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov/IAPD. The firm is

Registration and Employment History



Other Business Activities, continued

separate from and independent of LPL Financial.

(10) 2/7/2023 - Western Wealth Management, LLC - DBA: Advanced Financial Solutions - Investment Related - At Reported Business Location(s) - Registered Investment Advisor DBA - IAR - Start Date - 02/15/2016 - 30 Hours Per Month/20 Hours During Securities Trading - Time Spent 20% - I provide investment advisory services thru Western Wealth Management, LLC an independent investment advisor firm and its DBA Advanced Financial Solutions. I started this business activity in 2/2023. I expect to spend 30 hours per month on this activity. Please see the advisory firm's Form ADV for more information about its address, nature of its business and its services at http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov/IAPD. This firm is separate and independent of LPL Financial.

End of Report



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