

## **BrokerCheck Report**

# **RONNIE D SPENCE**

CRD# 4407242

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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:
  - 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?
- 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
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  representatives doing business in your state.

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#### **RONNIE D. SPENCE**

CRD# 4407242

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

OSAIC WEALTH, INC. 140 ADAMS LANE

SUITE 200 PIKEVILLE, KY 41501 CRD# 23131

Registered with this firm since: 10/07/2013

B OSAIC WEALTH, INC. 140 ADAMS LANE SUITE 200 PIKEVILLE, KY 41501 CRD# 23131

Registered with this firm since: 09/24/2013

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

#### This broker has passed:

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

#### **Registration History**

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

B COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL NETWORK CRD# 8032 PIKEVILLE, KY

12/2012 - 09/2013
COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL NETWORK
CRD# 8032

WALTHAM, MA 12/2012 - 09/2013

LPL FINANCIAL LLC CRD# 6413 FORT MILL, SC 06/2009 - 12/2012

#### **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

## **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 13 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

## **Employment 1 of 1**

Firm Name: **OSAIC WEALTH, INC.** 

Main Office Address: 18700 N. HAYDEN ROAD

**SUITE 255** 

SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255

Firm CRD#: 23131

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	09/24/2013
	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	California	Agent	Approved	11/22/2022
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	02/16/2015
IA	Florida	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	02/25/2015
В	Kentucky	Agent	Approved	10/02/2013
IA	Kentucky	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	10/07/2013
B	Louisiana	Agent	Approved	09/24/2013
IA	Louisiana	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	01/08/2014
B	Michigan	Agent	Approved	01/15/2020
IA	Michigan	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	01/15/2020
B	North Carolina	Agent	Approved	05/23/2022
B	Ohio	Agent	Approved	04/11/2023
B	South Carolina	Agent	Approved	01/21/2020

## **Broker Qualifications**



## **Employment 1 of 1, continued**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Tennessee	Agent	Approved	12/03/2021
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	07/13/2022
IA	Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Restricted Approval	07/28/2023
В	Virginia	Agent	Approved	12/07/2018
B	Washington	Agent	Approved	02/07/2025
В	West Virginia	Agent	Approved	09/24/2013

## **Branch Office Locations**

OSAIC WEALTH, INC. 140 ADAMS LANE SUITE 200 PIKEVILLE, KY 41501

## **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, 3 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
В	Futures Managed Funds Examination	Series 31	08/09/2001
B	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	07/30/2001

## **State Securities Law Exams**

Exam	Category	Date
B IA Uniform Combined State Law Examination	Series 66	10/15/2001

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**

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## **Professional Designations**

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

No information reported.

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## **Registration History**

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Reg	istration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
B	12/2012 - 09/2013	COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL NETWORK	8032	PIKEVILLE, KY
IA	12/2012 - 09/2013	COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL NETWORK	8032	PIKEVILLE, KY
B	06/2009 - 12/2012	LPL FINANCIAL LLC	6413	PIKEVILLE, KY
IA	06/2009 - 12/2012	LPL FINANCIAL LLC	6413	PIKEVILLE, KY
B	01/2008 - 06/2009	WELLS FARGO ADVISORS, LLC	19616	PIKEVILLE, KY
IA	01/2008 - 06/2009	WELLS FARGO ADVISORS, LLC	19616	PIKEVILLE, KY
B	12/2005 - 01/2008	A. G. EDWARDS & SONS, INC.	4	PIKEVILLE, KY
IA	12/2005 - 01/2008	A. G. EDWARDS & SONS, INC.	4	PIKEVILLE, KY
IA	01/2002 - 12/2005	MORGAN STANLEY	7556	PIKEVILLE, KY
B	08/2001 - 12/2005	MORGAN STANLEY DW INC.	7556	PURCHASE, NY

## **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	<b>Employer Location</b>
09/2013 - Present	OSAIC WEALTH, INC.	REGISTERED REP	Υ	PIKEVILLE, KY, 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. RONNIE SPENCE

## **Registration and Employment History**



#### Other Business Activities, continued

POSITION: AGENT NATURE: FIXED INSURANCE & FIXED ANNUITY SALES INVESTMENT RELATED: YES NUMBER OF HOURS: 15

INVESTMENT RELATED HOURS: 1 START DATE: 06/01/2009 ADDRESS: 140 ADAMS LANE SUITE 200, PIKEVILLE KY 41501

DESCRIPTION: MARKETING & SALES OF FIXED INSURANCE AND FIXED ANNUITY PRODUCTS.

#### 2. RONNIE SPENCE

POSITION: Consultant NATURE: TreadstoneInvestment Group, LLC has undergone a name change to Blackbriar Investments, LLC and an address change. INVESTMENT RELATED: No NUMBER OF HOURS: 10 SECURITIES TRADING HOURS: 2 START DATE: 02/01/2016 ADDRESS: 61 Ridgewood Drive, Prestonsburg KY 41653, United States

DESCRIPTION: I provide consulting services to companies in the coal mining and coal mining services industry on a fee basis regarding the economic outlook for that sector.

#### 3. EVERGREEN ACCOUNTING AND TAX SERVICES, LLCA - PURCHASED THROUGH BLACKBRIAR INVESTMENT, LLC

POSITION: Member NATURE: Limited Liability Company INVESTMENT RELATED: No NUMBER OF HOURS: 20 SECURITIES TRADING

HOURS: 5 START DATE: 10/17/2022

ADDRESS: US Route 119 Hannah Center, Delbarton WV 25670, United States

DESCRIPTION: I am purchasing a 50% ownership in a retiring CPA's practice. The new business will be Abacus Tax, CPA, purchased through Blackbriar Investments, a separate LLC that is not connected to my investment business. My partner will be a CPA who will work with the existing staff in regard to tax preparation, etc. for clients. I am a passive investor. My responsibilities will be to review the financial performance of the business. The CPA and staff will have cards and stationary. I will not be marketing for the effort, therefore, I will have neither cards nor stationary as referenced in question 16. I will not be involved in tax preparation, therefore will not carry E&O insurance as discussed in question 24.

#### **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.
- o 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.

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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
Termination	N/A	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.

#### **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: Firm

Employer Name: COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL NETWORK

Termination Type: Discharged

**Termination Date:** 09/12/2013

Allegations: ADVISOR USED EMAIL ACCOUNT FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES THAT WAS

NOT APPROVED BY FIRM IN VIOLATION OF FIRM POLICIES AND

APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Product Type: No Product

Reporting Source: Broker

Employer Name: COMMONWEALTH

**Termination Type:** Discharged **Termination Date:** 09/12/2013

Allegations: USED PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS TO COMMUNICATE WITH A CLIENT,

EMAIL ADDRESS WAS NOT FIRM APPROVED

Product Type: No Product

Broker Statement AFTER AN AUDIT IN AUGUST, IT WAS NOTED THAT A CLIENT EMAILED ME

TO MY PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS. FROM THAT POINT ON I USED MY FIRM APPROVED EMAIL ADDRESS BUT WAS TERMINATED A MONTH LATER FOR



## A VIOLATION OF FIRM POLICY.

# **End of Report**



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