

**BrokerCheck Report**

**NICHOLAS JAMES SCHIANO**

CRD# 4429212

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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:

- 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 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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[brokercheck.finra.org](http://brokercheck.finra.org)



For additional information about the contents of this report, please refer to the User Guidance or [www.finra.org/brokercheck](http://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.](http://www.finra.org)

**Thank you for using FINRA BrokerCheck.**

**NICHOLAS J. SCHIANO**

CRD# 4429212

**Currently employed by and registered with the following Firm(s):****SPARTAN CAPITAL SECURITIES, LLC**

45 BROADWAY  
19TH FLOOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10006  
CRD# 146251

Registered with this firm since: 08/15/2017

**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
- 51 U.S. states and territories

**This broker has passed:**

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

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

CRD# 148366  
New York, NY  
11/2016 - 09/2017

**LEGEND SECURITIES, INC.**

CRD# 44952  
NEW YORK, NY  
08/2013 - 11/2016

**JOSEPH GUNNAR & CO. LLC**

CRD# 24795  
STATEN ISLAND, NY  
06/2012 - 08/2013

**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	2

**Investment Adviser Representative Information**

The information below represents the individual's record as a broker. For details on this individual's record as an investment adviser representative, visit the SEC's Investment Adviser Public Disclosure website at

<https://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov>



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

### Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: **SPARTAN CAPITAL SECURITIES, LLC**

Main Office Address: **45 BROADWAY  
19TH FLOOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10006**

Firm CRD#: **146251**

SRO	Category	Status	Date
FINRA	General Securities Representative	APPROVED	08/15/2017

U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
Alabama	Agent	APPROVED	09/15/2017	Idaho	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Alaska	Agent	APPROVED	09/06/2017	Illinois	Agent	APPROVED	08/24/2017
Arizona	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017	Indiana	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Arkansas	Agent	APPROVED	09/11/2017	Iowa	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
California	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017	Kansas	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Colorado	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017	Kentucky	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Connecticut	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017	Louisiana	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Delaware	Agent	APPROVED	09/05/2017	Maine	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
District of Columbia	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017	Maryland	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Florida	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017	Massachusetts	Agent	APPROVED	08/18/2017
Georgia	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017	Michigan	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Hawaii	Agent	APPROVED	09/05/2017	Minnesota	Agent	APPROVED	09/10/2017
				Mississippi	Agent	APPROVED	09/06/2017



## Broker Qualifications

### Employment 1 of 1, continued

U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
Missouri	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Montana	Agent	APPROVED	09/15/2017
Nebraska	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Nevada	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
New Hampshire	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
New Jersey	Agent	APPROVED	08/29/2017
New Mexico	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
New York	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
North Carolina	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
North Dakota	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Ohio	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Oklahoma	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Oregon	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Pennsylvania	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Rhode Island	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
South Carolina	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
South Dakota	Agent	APPROVED	09/08/2017
Tennessee	Agent	APPROVED	08/24/2017
Texas	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Utah	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Vermont	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Virginia	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Washington	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
West Virginia	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017
Wisconsin	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017

U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
Wyoming	Agent	APPROVED	08/15/2017

## Broker Qualifications



### Employment 1 of 1, continued

#### Branch Office Locations

**SPARTAN CAPITAL SECURITIES, LLC**  
45 BROADWAY  
19TH FLOOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10006

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## 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.

**This individual has passed 0 principal/supervisory exams, 3 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
Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	06/13/2003
NYSE Trading Assistant Examination	Series 25	12/11/2001

### State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	03/29/2010
Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	05/16/2005

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/](http://www.finra.org/brokerqualifications/registeredrep/).



## Registration and Employment History

### Registration History

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Registration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
11/2016 - 09/2017	WORDEN CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC	148366	New York, NY
08/2013 - 11/2016	LEGEND SECURITIES, INC.	44952	NEW YORK, NY
06/2012 - 08/2013	JOSEPH GUNNAR & CO. LLC	24795	STATEN ISLAND, NY
03/2011 - 06/2012	BROOKSTONE SECURITIES, INC.	13366	STATEN ISLAND, NY
06/2010 - 03/2011	CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.	7059	STATEN ISLAND, NY
03/2008 - 06/2010	CHASE INVESTMENT SERVICES CORP.	25574	BROOKLYN, NY
05/2007 - 04/2008	E*TRADE SECURITIES LLC	29106	JERSEY CITY, NJ
08/2006 - 04/2007	J.P. TURNER & COMPANY, L.L.C.	43177	STATEN ISLAND, NY
05/2005 - 08/2006	GUNNALLEN FINANCIAL, INC	17609	STATEN ISLAND, NY
05/2004 - 05/2005	G&L PARTNERS, INC.	129605	SEA CLIFF, NY
07/2001 - 06/2004	G&L PARTNERS, LLC	38719	NEW YORK, 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 Dates	Employer Name	Employer Location
08/2017 - Present	Spartan Capital Securities, LLC	NEW YORK, NY
11/2016 - 08/2017	WORDEN CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC	NEW YORK, NY
08/2013 - 11/2016	LEGEND SECURITIES, INC.	NEW YORK, NY
06/2012 - 08/2013	JOSEPH GUNNAR & CO., LLC	STATEN ISLAND, NY
03/2011 - 06/2012	BROOKSTONE SECURITIES, INC.	STATEN ISLAND, NY
06/2010 - 03/2011	CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC	STATEN ISLAND, NY
03/2008 - 06/2010	CHASE INVESTMENT SERVICES CORP	BROOKLYN, NY



## Registration and Employment History



### Employment History, continued

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#### 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.

NICHOLAS SCHIANO INC. AT 145 LINCOLN AVE, STATEN ISLAND, NY 10306. PRESIDENT. SINCE 10/2011. BOOKKEEPING AND MAINTAINING RECORDS. 1 HOUR PER WEEK DURING NON SECURITIES TRADING HOURS. NON INVESTMENT RELATED BUSINESS.

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## 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.
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3. **Disclosure events in BrokerCheck reports come from different sources:**
  - o 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
Customer Dispute	1	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.

### 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 1

<b>Reporting Source:</b>	Broker
<b>Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:</b>	Legend Securities, Inc.
<b>Allegations:</b>	Unsuitable Transactions
<b>Product Type:</b>	Equity-OTC Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)
<b>Alleged Damages:</b>	\$128,541.00

#### Arbitration Information

<b>Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA, CFTC, etc.):</b>	FINRA
<b>Docket/Case #:</b>	17-02149
<b>Date Notice/Process Served:</b>	08/28/2017
<b>Arbitration Pending?</b>	No
<b>Disposition:</b>	Settled
<b>Disposition Date:</b>	01/03/2019
<b>Monetary Compensation Amount:</b>	\$35,000.00



**Individual Contribution Amount:**

\$35,000.00

**Broker Statement**

Rep strongly denies these allegations. Customer was an active and knowledgeable participant in the Trust's investments, and he authorized each and every transaction. He is attempting to recover market losses through litigation. In an effort to avoid the stress and cost to proceed with the defense of litigation the claim was settled.



## Customer Dispute - Pending

This type of disclosure event involves (1) a pending consumer-initiated, investment-related arbitration or civil suit that contains allegations of sales practice violations against the broker; or (2) a pending, 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.

### Disclosure 1 of 1

<b>Reporting Source:</b>	Broker
<b>Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:</b>	Legend Securities, Inc.
<b>Allegations:</b>	Allegations of misrepresentation, negligence, breach of fiduciary duty.
<b>Product Type:</b>	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)
<b>Alleged Damages:</b>	\$208,000.00
<b>Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not exact):</b>	Estimated damages
<b>Arbitration Information</b>	
<b>Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA, CFTC, etc.):</b>	FINRA
<b>Docket/Case #:</b>	19-00916
<b>Date Notice/Process Served:</b>	04/12/2019
<b>Arbitration Pending?</b>	Yes
<b>Broker Statement</b>	Rep denies any wrongdoing with regard to this customer. His claim alleges nothing more than the disappointing performance of his investments. The customer clearly stated his investment objectives and financial profile and is now just seeking an improper recovery of market losses. Moreover, the claims are filed by a "representative" of cold spring advisory. Cold Spring Advisory is owned and operated by individuals of whom are barred from the securities industry. These individuals are profiting by misleading the public into believing there was wrong doing if losses occurred and attempting to extort money from broker-dealers. Cold spring is soliciting claims against the brokerage industry with no regard for the validity of the claim.

## End of Report



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