

BrokerCheck Report

KENNETT RIVERA SANTIAGO

CRD# 4458266

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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.



KENNETT RIVERA SANTIAGO

CRD# 4458266

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

- B** **INSIGNEO SECURITIES, LLC**
 235 Federico Costa St.
 Parque Las Americas, Suite 101
 San Juan, PR 00918
 CRD# 29249
 Registered with this firm since: 12/04/2024

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
- 2 U.S. states and territories

This broker has passed:

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

Registration History

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

- B** **INSIGNEO INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC**
 CRD# 17053
 SAN JUAN, PR
 01/2007 - 12/2024
- B** **POPULAR SECURITIES, INC.**
 CRD# 8096
 SAN JUAN, PR
 02/2005 - 12/2006

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



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

Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: **INSIGNEO SECURITIES, LLC**
Main Office Address: **1221 BRICKELL AVE
27TH FLOOR
MIAMI, FL 33131**
Firm CRD#: **29249**

SRO	Category	Status	Date
<div>B</div> FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	12/04/2024

U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
<div>B</div> Florida	Agent	Approved	12/05/2024
<div>B</div> Puerto Rico	Agent	Approved	12/04/2024

Branch Office Locations

INSIGNEO SECURITIES, LLC
235 Federico Costa St.
Parque Las Americas, Suite 101
San Juan, PR 00918



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 0 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	02/22/2005

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
No information reported.		

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 01/2007 - 12/2024	INSIGNEO INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC	17053	SAN JUAN, PR
B 02/2005 - 12/2006	POPULAR SECURITIES, INC.	8096	SAN JUAN, PR

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
12/2024 - Present	INSIGNEO SECURITIES LLC	INVESTMENT PROFESSIONAL	Y	MIAMI, FL, United States
08/2022 - 12/2024	INSIGNEO INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES	INVESTMENT PROFESSIONAL	Y	San Juan, PR, United States
04/2017 - 07/2022	CITIBANK NA	FINANCIAL EXECUTIVE	N	SAN JUAN, PR, United States
04/2013 - 07/2022	CITI INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC	BROKER	Y	SAN JUAN, PR, 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.

No information reported.

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	2	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 - Award / Judgment

This type of disclosure event involves a final, consumer-initiated, investment-related arbitration or civil suit containing allegations of sales practice violations against the broker that resulted in an arbitration award or civil judgment for the customer.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source:	Regulator
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	POPULAR SECURITIES, INC.
Allegations:	UNSUITABILITY; BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY; GROSS NEGLIGENCE; MISREPRESENTATIONS; AND OMISSION OF FACTS
Product Type:	Debt-Corporate
Alleged Damages:	\$460,000.00
Arbitration Information	
Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.:	FINRA - CASE #10-03760
Date Notice/Process Served:	08/19/2010
Arbitration Pending?	No
Disposition:	Award
Disposition Date:	03/09/2012
Disposition Detail:	RIVERA SANTIAGO WAS A SUBJECT OF THE CUSTOMER'S STATEMENT OF CLAIM FOR THIS ARBITRATION ALLEGING THAT HE WITH HIS MEMBER FIRM CONTRIBUTED TO THE SALES PRACTICE VIOLATIONS. RIVERA SANTIAGO'S MEMBER FIRM WAS FOUND LIABLE ON THE CLAIM FOR UNSUITABLE INVESTMENT AND SHALL PAY TO CLAIMANT COMPENSATORY DAMAGES IN THE SUM OF \$120,000, PRE-JUDGMENT INTEREST



SPECIFICALLY DENIED.

Reporting Source: Firm

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: POPULAR SECURITIES, INC.

Allegations: CUSTOMER CLAIM FOR ALLEGED UNAUTHORIZED TRANSACTIONS FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 2006 TO DECEMBER 2006.DURING THE ARBITRATION HEARING,CLAIMANT WITHDREW HIS CLAIMS FOR UNAUTHORIZED TRADING.

Product Type: Debt-Corporate

Alleged Damages: \$460,000.00

Is this an oral complaint? No

Is this a written complaint? No

Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation? Yes

Arbitration/Reparation forum or court name and location: FINRA

Docket/Case #: 10-03760

Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation: 08/19/2010

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 09/13/2010

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Arbitration Award/Monetary Judgment (for claimants/plaintiffs)

Status Date: 03/09/2012

Settlement Amount: \$120,000.00

Individual Contribution Amount: \$0.00

Reporting Source: Broker



Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: POPULAR SECURITIES INC.

Allegations: CUSTOMER CLAIM FOR ALLEGED UNAUTHORIZED TRANSACTIONS FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 2006 TO DECEMBER 2006. CUSTOMER CLAIM FOR ALLEGED UNAUTHORIZED TRANSACTIONS FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 2006 TO DECEMBER 2006.DURING THE ARBITRATION HEARING,CLAIMANT WITHDREW HIS CLAIMS FOR UNAUTHORIZED TRADING.

Product Type: Debt-Corporate

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Status Date: 03/09/2012

Settlement Amount: \$120,000.00

Individual Contribution Amount: \$0.00

Broker Statement EACH TRANSACTION EXECUTED UNDER MY REP ID NUMBER WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE CLIENT AND EXECUTED AS REQUESTED BY THE CLIENT. THE CLIENT HAD FULL KNOWLEDGE OF EACH TRANSACTION MADE ON HIS ACCOUNT. I NOT ONLY RECEIVED A VERBAL APPROVAL FROM HIM, BUT HE ALSO RECEIVED A TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION BY MAIL AS REQUIRED BY FINRA AND IN HIS MONTHLY STATEMENTS ALL



TRANSACTIONS WERE REFLECTED. IN ALL TRANSACTIONS EXECUTED IN THE CLIENT ACCOUNT WHERE I ACTED AS HIS REP HE DID NOT HAVE ANY LOSS, BUT INSTEAD HE OBTAINED A TAX-FREE PROFIT. I BELIEVE AND UNDERSTAND THAT THE CLIENT IS SLANDERING MY NAME IN ORDER TO GIVE MORE WEIGHT TO THE CLAIM THAT HE HAS AGAINST POPULAR SECURITIES.



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

Reporting Source:	Firm
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	POPULAR SECURITIES
Allegations:	CLAIMANT HEIRS ALLEGE THAT LOSSES IN THE ACCOUNT WERE THE RESULT OF OVER CONCENTRATION ON THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO. THE UNSUITABLE RECOMMENDATIONS WERE ALLEGEDLY MADE BY RESPONDENT ON OR AROUND DECEMBER 2005.
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)
Alleged Damages:	\$100,000.00
Is this an oral complaint?	No
Is this a written complaint?	No
Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?	Yes
Arbitration/Reparation forum or court name and location:	FINRA
Docket/Case #:	11-04274
Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation:	11/10/2011

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:	12/15/2011
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Settled
Status Date:	11/21/2013
Settlement Amount:	\$26,425.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00



Reporting Source:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	POPULAR SECURITIES
Allegations:	CLAIMANT HEIRS ALLEGE THAT LOSSES IN THE ACCOUNT WERE THE RESULT OF OVER CONCENTRATION ON THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO. THE UNSUITABLE RECOMMENDATIONS WERE ALLEGEDLY MADE BY RESPONDENT ON OR AROUND DECEMBER 2005.
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)
Alleged Damages:	\$100,000.00
Is this an oral complaint?	No
Is this a written complaint?	No
Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?	Yes
Arbitration/Reparation forum or court name and location:	FINRA
Docket/Case #:	11-04274
Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation:	11/10/2011
Customer Complaint Information	
Date Complaint Received:	12/15/2011
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Settled
Status Date:	11/21/2013
Settlement Amount:	\$26,425.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00
Broker Statement	I STRONGLY DENY THESE ALLEGATIONS. I FULLY INVOLVED THE CLIENT IN THE DECISION MAKING PROCESS AND RECEIVED DISCLOSURES REGARDING HER INVESTMENTS AND RISK INVOLVED. THE CLIENT WAS TOTALLY INFORMED IN DETAIL ABOUT THE NATURE AND QUALITY OF THE



INVESTMENTS, INCLUDING THE RISK INVOLVED. THE INVESTMENT WAS MADE WITH FULL AGREEMENT AND UNDERSTANDING BY THE INVESTOR. THE CLIENT SIGNED DOCUMENTS WHERE SHE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT HER INVESTMENTS MAY FLUCTUATE IN VALUE, HAD NO GUARANTEE AND THAT SHE MAY LOSE HER PRINCIPAL INVESTED. THE RECOMMENDATIONS PROPOSED WERE SUITABLE IN LIGHT OF THE INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES DISCUSSED WITH THE CLIENT, RISK TOLERANCE LEVEL.

End of Report



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