

### **BrokerCheck Report**

## **RONALD EDWARD VOGEL**

CRD# 455321

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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
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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.
- 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?
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- Are there other resources I can use to check the background of investment professionals?
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#### **RONALD E. VOGEL**

CRD# 455321

This broker is not currently registered.

### **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 not currently registered.

#### This broker has passed:

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

### **Registration History**

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

- B WEDBUSH SECURITIES INC. CRD# 877 NEWPORT BEACH, CA 12/1977 - 11/2017
- B PAINE, WEBBER, JACKSON & CURTIS INCORPORATED CRD# 640

11/1974 - 07/1977

B SHEARSON, HAMMILL & CO., INCORPORATED

CRD# 766 04/1972 - 11/1974

#### **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:

Туре	Count	
Regulatory Event	1	
Customer Dispute	1	

# 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

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### **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 broker is not currently registered.

### **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 2 principal/supervisory exams, 2 general industry/product exams, and 2 state securities law exams.

### **Principal/Supervisory Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
B	General Securities Principal Examination	Series 24	08/26/1983
B	Registered Options Principal Examination	Series 4	05/05/1983

### **General Industry/Product Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
В	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	11/30/2017
В	Registered Representative Examination	Series 1	08/14/1967

### **State Securities Law Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
IA	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	01/09/2008
В	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	05/19/1987

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**



## **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:

Reg	istration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
B	12/1977 - 11/2017	WEDBUSH SECURITIES INC.	877	NEWPORT BEACH, CA
B	11/1974 - 07/1977	PAINE, WEBBER, JACKSON & CURTIS INCORPORATED	640	
В	04/1972 - 11/1974	SHEARSON, HAMMILL & CO., INCORPORATED	766	
В	08/1967 - 08/1971	E. F. HUTTON & COMPANY INC	235	

### **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.

<b>Employment</b>	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	<b>Employer Location</b>
06/1977 - Present	WEDBUSH MORGAN SECURITIES INC.	OTHER - Representative	Υ	NEWPORT BEACH, 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.

WEST IRVINE MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION, 1 SPECTRUM POINT SUITE 320 LAKE FOREST, CA. 92630, HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, BOARD MEMBER. TIME SPENT IS 2 EVENINGS PER MONTH. DUTIES: ATTEND MONTHLY BOARD MEETING WITH PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMPANY.

#### **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.
- 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.

#### 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
Regulatory Event	0	1	0
Customer Dispute	0	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.

#### Regulatory - Final

This type of disclosure event may involve (1) a final, formal proceeding initiated by a regulatory authority (e.g., a state securities agency, self-regulatory organization, federal regulatory such as the Securities and Exchange Commission, foreign financial regulatory body) for a violation of investment-related rules or regulations; or (2) a revocation or suspension of a broker's authority to act as an attorney, accountant, or federal contractor.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source: Regulator
Regulatory Action Initiated FINRA

Regulatory Action Initiated Bv:

Dy.

Sanction(s) Sought: Other: N/A

**Date Initiated:** 02/02/2011

**Docket/Case Number:** <u>2008012738002</u>

Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the regulatory action:

WEDBUSH SECURITIES, INC.

**Product Type:** Annuity-Variable

**Allegations:** FINRA 2010, NASD RULES 2110, 3010, 3010(C), 3010(D): A MEMBER FIRM

AND ITS PRINCIPALS, INCLUDING VOGEL, KNEW BEFORE THE FIRM HIRED TWO REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVES, WHO WERE ALSO RELATIVES THAT THE REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVES CONCENTRATED THEIR SECURITIES BUSINESS IN THE SALE OF VARIABLE ANNUITY PRODUCTS, A RELATIVELY UNTAPPED LINE OF BUSINESS AT THE FIRM. NEVERTHELESS, UPON HIRING THEM, THE FIRM AND ITS PRINCIPALS FAILED TO REVIEW AND

DETERMINE WHETHER THE FIRM'S SUPERVISORY SYSTEMS AND PROCEDURES WERE REASONABLY DESIGNED TO ACHIEVE COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE SALES OF

VARIABLE ANNUITY PRODUCTS. THE FIRM WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR



SUPERVISING THE REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVES IN A MANNER REASONABLY DESIGNED TO ACHIEVE THE REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVES' COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAWS. RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THEIR SECURITIES BUSINESS. INCLUDING THE SALES OF VARIABLE ANNUITIES. FOR A PERIOD, A PRINCIPAL WAS RESPONSIBLE DIRECTLY FOR THE SUPERVISION OF THE REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVES AND VOGEL. AND ANOTHER PRINCIPAL WAS RESPONSIBLE DIRECTLY FOR THE SUPERVISION OF THAT PRINCIPAL. FROM THE END OF THE PREVIOUS PERIOD UNTIL THE DATES OF THE RESPECTIVE TERMINATIONS OF THE REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVES. A PRINCIPAL WAS RESPONSIBLE DIRECTLY FOR THE SUPERVISION OF THE REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVES AND VOGEL. FROM THE BEGINNING OF THAT FIRST PERIOD UNTIL THE DATES OF THEIR RESPECTIVE TERMINATIONS, VOGEL ALSO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SUPERVISION OF THE BRANCH OFFICE AND REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVES' VARIABLE ANNUITY BUSINESS. THE FIRM. ACTING THROUGH VOGEL AND OTHER PRINCIPALS. KNEW OR. BASED UPON FACTS THAT WERE KNOWN AND UPON REASONABLE INQUIRY SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THAT THE REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVES WERE ENGAGING IN VARIABLE ANNUITY TRANSACTIONS IN VIOLATIONS OF SEC, FINRA AND NASD RULES AND THEIR CONDUCT WAS CAUSING CUSTOMER HARM. THE FIRM, ACTING THROUGH VOGEL AND OTHER PRINCIPALS, FAILED TO SUPERVISE THE REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVES IN A MANNER REASONABLY DESIGNED TO ACHIEVE COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING VARIABLE ANNUITIES. AND THE REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVES' MISCONDUCT. VOGEL AND ANOTHER PRINCIPAL FAILED TO REVIEW TRANSACTIONS THOROUGHLY AND APPROVED TRANSACTIONS THAT WERE UNSUITABLE AND DID NOT COMPLY WITH THE FIRM'S WRITTEN SUPERVISORY AND COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES; AND VOGEL AND/OR OTHER PRINCIPALS FAILED TO INVESTIGATE RED FLAGS ADEQUATELY, VOGEL AND ANOTHER PRINCIPAL FAILED TO IDENTIFY AND PREVENT MANIPULATIVE AND ABUSIVE SALES PRACTICES OR FRAUDULENT AND UNSUITABLE SALES TO CUSTOMERS, INCLUDING OLDER OR ELDERLY CUSTOMERS. VOGEL OTHER PRINCIPALS WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR AND DID CONDUCT PERIODIC OFFICE INSPECTIONS OF THE BRANCH OFFICE; IN ADDITION, THE FIRM COMPLIANCE DEPARTMENT CONDUCTED AN INSPECTION ANNUALLY AND THE FIRM'S OFFICE INSPECTIONS FAILED TO DETECT THAT THE REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVES ROUTINELY ENGAGED IN MISCONDUCT, AND FAILED TO RETAIN AND REVIEW THE RELATED CORRESPONDENCE.

Current Status: Final

**Resolution:** Decision & Order of Offer of Settlement



Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct?

Yes

Resolution Date: 09/10/2012

Sanctions Ordered: Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)

Suspension

If the regulator is the SEC, CFTC, or an SRO, did the action result in a finding of a willful violation or failure to supervise? Yes

(1) willfully violated any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any of such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, or to have been unable to comply with any provision of such Act, rule or regulation?

Nο



(2) willfully aided, abetted, counseled, commanded, induced, or procured the violation by any person of any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the **Securities Exchange Act of** 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the **Investment Company Act of** 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any of such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board? or

Nο

(3) failed reasonably to supervise another person subject to your supervision, with a view to preventing the violation by such person of any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the **Securities Exchange Act of** 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the **Investment Company Act of** 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board?

Yes

Sanction 1 of 1

Sanction Type: Suspension

Capacities Affected: A PRINCIPA CAPACITY

**Duration:** ONE MONTH

**Start Date:** 10/01/2012

**End Date:** 10/31/2012



**Monetary Sanction 1 of 1** 

Monetary Related Sanction: Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)

**Total Amount:** \$5,000.00 **Portion Levied against** \$5,000.00

individual:

Payment Plan:

**Is Payment Plan Current:** 

**Date Paid by individual:** 09/19/2012

Was any portion of penalty

waived?

No

**Amount Waived:** 

Regulator Statement WITHOUT ADMITTING OR DENYING THE ALLEGATIONS, VOGEL

CONSENTED TO THE DESCRIBED SANCTIONS AND TO THE ENTRY OF FINDINGS; THEREFORE HE IS FINED \$5,000, JOINT AND SEVERAL WITH HIS FIRM, AND SUSPENDED FROM ASSOCIATION WITH ANY FINRA MEMBER IN A PRINCIPAL CAPACITY FOR ONE MONTH. THE SUSPENSION IS IN EFFECT FROM OCTOBER 1, 2012, THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2012. FINE PAID IN FULL

ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2012.

Reporting Source:

**Regulatory Action Initiated** 

By:

Broker FINRA

Sanction(s) Sought: Other: N/A

Date Initiated: 02/02/2011

**Docket/Case Number:** <u>2008012738002</u>

Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the regulatory action:

WEDBUSH SECURITIES INC

**Product Type:** Annuity-Variable

Allegations: FAILURE TO ADEQUATELY ENFORCE WRITTEN SUPERVISORY

PROCEDURES FINRA RULE 2010 AND NASD RULES 2110, 3010

Current Status: Final



Resolution: Decision & Order of Offer of Settlement No

Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct?

**Resolution Date:** 09/10/2012

**Sanctions Ordered:** Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)

Suspension

Sanction 1 of 1

**Sanction Type:** Suspension

**Capacities Affected:** A PRINCIPAL CAPACITY

**Duration:** ONE MONTH

Start Date: 10/01/2012 **End Date:** 10/31/2012

**Monetary Sanction 1 of 1** 

**Monetary Related Sanction:** Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)

**Total Amount:** \$5,000.00

**Portion Levied against** 

individual:

\$5,000.00

**Payment Plan:** 

**Is Payment Plan Current:** 

Date Paid by individual: 09/14/2012

Was any portion of penalty

waived?

No

**Amount Waived:** 

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#### **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:** Regulator

**Employing firm when** 

activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

Allegations:

WEDBUSH MORGAN SECURITIES, INC.

COMMON LAW FRAUD; BREACH OF CONTRACT; BREACH OF FIDUCIARY

DUTY; MISREPRESENTATION/OMISSION OF FACTS; NEGLIGENCE;

NEGLIGENT HIRING; FAILURE TO SUPERVISE

**Product Type:** Other: UNSPECIFIED SECURITIES

**Alleged Damages:** 

**Arbitration Information** 

**Arbitration/Reparation Claim** 

filed with and Docket/Case No.:

**Date Notice/Process Served:** 

02/17/2009

**Arbitration Pending?** Nο

Disposition: Settled

**Disposition Date:** 01/04/2010

**Disposition Detail:** AT THE JANURY 4, 2010 HEARING, THE PARTIES NOTIFIED THE PANEL THEY

HAD SETTLED THE MATTER.

FINRA - CASE #09-00866

**Reporting Source:** Broker

**Employing firm when** activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

WEDBUSH MORGAN SECURITIES

CLAIMANT ALLEGES FRAUD, NEGLIGENCE, AND OTHER WRONGDOING IN Allegations:

CONNECTION WITH THE OFFER AND SALE OF 3 VARIABLE ANNUITIES IN

DECEMBER 2005 AND FEBRUARY 2006.

**Product Type:** Annuity-Variable

**Alleged Damages:** \$565,600.00



Is this an oral complaint? No

Is this a written complaint? Yes

Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?

Yes

Arbitration/Reparation forum or court name and location:

FINRA DISPUTE RESOLUTION

**Docket/Case #:** 09-00866 **Filing date of** 02/17/2009

arbitration/CFTC reparation

or civil litigation:

### **Customer Complaint Information**

Date Complaint Received: 02/26/2009

**Complaint Pending?** No

Status: Settled

**Status Date:** 01/04/2010

Settlement Amount: \$120,000.00

**Individual Contribution** 

Amount:

\$0.00

#### **Arbitration Information**

Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA, CFTC, etc.):

FINRA DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Docket/Case #: <u>09-00866</u>

Date Notice/Process Served: 02/17/2009

**Arbitration Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Settled

**Disposition Date:** 01/04/2010

**Monetary Compensation** 

\$120,000.00

Amount:

**Individual Contribution** \$0.00

Amount:

Broker Statement I BELIEVE I HAVE BEEN NAMED IN THIS CASE IN ERROR, IT APPEARS THE

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CLAIMANTS ATTORNEY BELIEVED I HAD LINE RESPONSIBILITY OVER DEBBIE M. SALEH, THE REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE NAMED IN THIS CASE. I HAD NO LINE OF RESPONSIBILITY IN THIS MATTER AND WAS DISMISSED.

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# **End of Report**



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