

BrokerCheck Report

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CRD# 4593652

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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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User Guidance

SANDRA Y. CHO

CRD# 4593652

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



16130 Ventura Blvd Suite 670 Encino, CA 91436 CRD# 167995

Registered with this firm since: 06/29/2015

B LPL FINANCIAL LLC
16130 VENTURA BLVD # 670
ENCINO, CA 91436-2503
CRD# 6413
Registered with this firm since: 06/26/2015

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
- 27 U.S. states and territories

This broker has passed:

- 0 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):

LPL FINANCIAL LLC CRD# 6413

FORT MILL, SC 12/2024 - 01/2025

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC CRD# 79

ENCINO, CA 10/2012 - 07/2015

IA J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC

CRD# 79 NEW YORK, NY 10/2012 - 07/2015

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

Employment 1 of 2

Firm Name: GOLDEN STATE WEALTH MANAGEMENT, LLC

Main Office Address: 201 E. SANDPOINTE AVENUE

#460

SOUTH COAST METRO, CA 92707

Firm CRD#: **167995**

| | U.S. State/ Territory | Category | Status | Date |
|----|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|------------|
| IA | California | Investment Adviser Representative | Approved | 06/29/2015 |

Branch Office Locations

201 E. SANDPOINTE AVENUE #460 SOUTH COAST METRO, CA 92707

16130 Ventura Blvd Suite 670 Encino, CA 91436

Employment 2 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 | 06/26/2015 |

Broker Qualifications



Employment 2 of 2, continued

| | U.S. State/ Territory | Category | Status | Date |
|---|-----------------------|----------|----------|------------|
| В | Arizona | Agent | Approved | 06/26/2015 |
| В | California | Agent | Approved | 06/26/2015 |
| B | Colorado | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |
| В | Connecticut | Agent | Approved | 11/19/2015 |
| B | Florida | Agent | Approved | 12/21/2017 |
| B | Georgia | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |
| B | Hawaii | Agent | Approved | 07/19/2019 |
| B | Illinois | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |
| B | Kentucky | Agent | Approved | 01/17/2025 |
| В | Louisiana | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |
| B | Maryland | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |
| B | Massachusetts | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |
| B | Michigan | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |
| B | Mississippi | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |
| B | Nebraska | Agent | Approved | 01/25/2016 |
| B | Nevada | Agent | Approved | 10/18/2017 |
| B | New Jersey | Agent | Approved | 10/18/2017 |
| B | New York | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |
| B | North Carolina | Agent | Approved | 12/05/2024 |
| В | Oklahoma | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |
| B | Oregon | Agent | Approved | 06/26/2015 |
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Broker Qualifications



Employment 2 of 2, continued

| | U.S. State/ Territory | Category | Status | Date |
|---|-----------------------|----------|----------|------------|
| B | Rhode Island | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |
| B | Tennessee | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |
| B | Texas | Agent | Approved | 01/11/2025 |
| B | Utah | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |
| B | Virginia | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |
| B | Washington | Agent | Approved | 12/03/2024 |

Branch Office Locations

LPL FINANCIAL LLC 16130 VENTURA BLVD # 670 ENCINO, CA 91436-2503 www.finra.org/brokercheck

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 2 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 |
| В | General Securities Representative Examination | Series 7 | 11/12/2002 |

State Securities Law Exams

| Exam | Category | Date |
|--|-----------|------------|
| B IA Uniform Combined State Law Examination | Series 66 | 03/26/2003 |
| B Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination | Series 63 | 11/19/2002 |

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 |
|-----|-------------------|--|-------|-----------------|
| IA | 12/2024 - 01/2025 | LPL FINANCIAL LLC | 6413 | SAN DIEGO, CA |
| B | 10/2012 - 07/2015 | J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC | 79 | ENCINO, CA |
| IA | 10/2012 - 07/2015 | J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC | 79 | ENCINO, CA |
| B | 05/2009 - 10/2012 | CHASE INVESTMENT SERVICES CORP. | 25574 | TARZANA, CA |
| IA | 05/2009 - 10/2012 | CHASE INVESTMENT SERVICES CORP. | 25574 | TARZANA, CA |
| IA | 07/2006 - 05/2009 | WAMU INVESTMENTS, INC. | 599 | TARZANA, CA |
| B | 06/2005 - 05/2009 | WAMU INVESTMENTS, INC. | 599 | TARZANA, CA |
| B | 02/2003 - 03/2005 | UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. | 8174 | WEEHAWKEN, NJ |
| В | 11/2002 - 01/2003 | AMERICAN EXPRESS FINANCIAL ADVISORS INC. | 6363 | MINNEAPOLIS, MN |
| В | 11/2002 - 01/2003 | IDS LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY | 6321 | MINNEAPOLIS, MN |

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 | Golden State Wealth Management, LLC | Investment Adviser Representative | Υ | ENCINO, CA, United States |
| 06/2015 - Present | LPL FINANCIAL LLC | REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE | Υ | ENCINO, CA, United States |
| 11/2012 - Present | SAN FERNANDO VALLEY RESSCUE MISSION | VOLUNTEER | N | NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA, United States |
| 06/2015 - 06/2016 | GOLDEN STATE WEALTH MANAGEMENT, LLC | WEALTH MANAGER | Υ | IRVINE, CA, United States |

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Registration and Employment History



Employment History, continued

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. 6/26/2015 GOLDEN STATE WEALTH MANAGEMENT, LLC Investment Related At Reported Business Location(s) DBA FOR LPL BUSINESS (ENTITY FOR LPL BUSINESS) STARTED 6/23/15 TIME SPENT 100%.
- 2. 7/28/2015 GOLDEN STATE WEALTH MANAGEMENT, LLC Investment Related At Reported Business Location(s) REGISTERED INVESTMENT ADVISOR HYBRID IAR STARTWS 6/23/15 TIME SPENT 100%.
- 3. 8/26/2015 POINTWEALTH CAPITAL MANAGEMENT Investment Related At Reported Business Location(s) DBA FOR LPL BUSINESS (ENTITY FOR LPL BUSINESS) STARTED 08/20/2015 40 Hours Per Month During Securities Trading.
- 4. 2/25/2016 Golden State Wealth Management, LLC DBA: Pointwealth Capital Management Investment Related At Reported Business Location(s) Registered Investment Advisor DBA STARTED 01/01/2016 40 Hours Per Month/30 Hours During Securities Trading.
- 5. 4/13/2016 Pointwealth Capital Management Investment Related At Reported Business Location(s) Other-Notary STARTED 01/21/2016 1 Hour Per Month/0 Hours During Securities Trading.
- 6. 4/25/2017 Kaiser Permenente Investment Related At Reported Business Location(s) Non-Variable Insurance Started 02/01/2017 1 Hour Per Month/0 Hours During Securities Trading.
- 7. 1/26/2022 Golden State Asset Management, LLC 'DE Investment Related At Reported Business Location(s) Registered Investment Advisor DBA Started 12/21/2021 Time Spent 2% I provide investment advisory services through Golden State Asset Management, LLC `DE, an independent investment advisor firm. I started this business activity in 1/2022. I expect to spend approximately 0 hours per month on this activity. Please see the advisory firm's Form ADV for more information about its address, the nature of its business, its owners, and its services at http://www.advisorinfo.sec.gov/IAPD. This firm is separate from and independent of LPL Financial.
- 8. 12/27/2022 No Business Name Investment Related At Reported Business Location(s) Non-Variable Insurance life insurance agent. Start Date 12/05/2022 1 Hours Per Month/0 Hours During Securities Trading

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.

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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:

- 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 | 0 | 2 | 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.

Customer Dispute - Closed-No Action / Withdrawn / Dismissed / Denied

This type of disclosure event involves (1) a consumer-initiated, investment-related arbitration or civil suit containing allegations of sales practice violations against the individual broker that was dismissed, withdrawn, or denied; or (2) a 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, which was closed without action, withdrawn, or denied.

Disclosure 1 of 2

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

Allegations:

exact):

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC

CLIENT ALLEGES MISREPRESENTATION REGARDING MANAGED ACCOUNT

INVESTMENT. ACTIVITY DATES 12/09/2011-01/08/2015.

Product Type: Other: MANAGED ACCOUNT

Alleged Damages: \$5,000.00

Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not

FIRM HAS MADE A GOOD FAITH DETERMINATION THAT ALLEGED DAMAGES

ARE GREATER THAN \$5,000.00.

Is this an oral complaint? No

Is this a written complaint? Yes

Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?

No

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 01/08/2015

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied



Status Date: 04/27/2015

Settlement Amount: \$0.00 **Individual Contribution**

Amount:

\$0.00

Disclosure 2 of 2

Reporting Source: Broker

Employing firm when activities occurred which led

to the complaint:

J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC

Allegations: CLIENT ALLEGES MISREPRESENTATION REGARDING MANAGED ACCOUNT

INVESTMENT. ACTIVITY DATES 01/17/2013-01/17/2013.

Product Type: Other: MANAGED ACCOUNT

Alleged Damages: \$140,000.00

Is this an oral complaint? No

Is this a written complaint? Yes Is this an arbitration/CFTC

reparation or civil litigation?

No

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 12/19/2013

Complaint Pending? Nο

Status: Withdrawn Status Date: 04/30/2014

Settlement Amount: \$0.00 **Individual Contribution**

Amount:

\$0.00

Broker Statement THE CLIENT COMPLAINED THAT A BRANCH MANAGER TOLD HIM HE WAS

> TO BE REFUNDED ALL MANAGEMENT FEES ON HIS MANAGED ACCOUNT. THE CLIENT WAS MISTAKEN AND WITHDREW THE COMPLAINT AFTER HE REALIZED HIS MISTAKE. THE CLIENT'S COMPLAINT ABOUT A REFUND OF HIS FEES WAS NOT DIRECTED AT SANDRA CHO. THE INDIVIDUAL IS STILL

MS. CHO'S CLIENT.

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