

# **BrokerCheck Report**

# William D Bassman

CRD# 4633444

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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
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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.
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- Are there other resources I can use to check the background of investment professionals?
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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:

- 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):

B TD AMERITRADE, INC. CRD# 7870 OMAHA, NE

02/2018 - 03/2018 SCOTTRADE, INC. CRD# 8206

> ST LOUIS, MO 08/2017 - 02/2018

B FIRST BROKERAGE AMERICA, L.L.C. CRD# 43431 CLAYTON, MO 02/2016 - 08/2016

### **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	
Financial	1	
Judgment/Lien	1	

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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 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
B	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	03/29/2018
B	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	02/16/2016
В	Investment Company Products/Variable Contracts Representative Examination	Series 6	03/05/2003

### **State Securities Law Exams**

Exam		Category	Date
IA	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	04/30/2016
В	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	03/16/2016

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	02/2018 - 03/2018	TD AMERITRADE, INC.	7870	OMAHA, NE
B	08/2017 - 02/2018	SCOTTRADE, INC.	8206	ST LOUIS, MO
B	02/2016 - 08/2016	FIRST BROKERAGE AMERICA, L.L.C.	43431	CLAYTON, MO
B	06/2007 - 10/2009	SIGNATOR INVESTORS, INC.	468	CHESTERFIELD, MO
B	03/2003 - 07/2005	FARMERS FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS, LLC	103863	WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA

# **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>
02/2018 - Present	TD AMERITRADE, INC.	Mass Transfer	Υ	OMAHA, NE, United States
08/2017 - Present	Scottrade, Inc.	Financial Services Representative	Υ	St. Louis, MO, United States
04/2010 - Present	Engage Media LLC	Member	N	O'fallon, MO, United States
12/2015 - 08/2016	FIRST BROKERAGE AMERICA, LLC	FBA ASSOCIATE	Υ	CLAYTON, MO, United States
03/2012 - 08/2016	ENGAGE DENTAL	OWNER	N	O'FALLON, MO, 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.

I technically still have an active LLC in Missouri. It is called Engage Media, LLC. Once per year I update one website for an elder care agency in Florida, spending zero hours on it per week. I formed this LLC on April 30, 2010 after doing the same (website design) for roughly two years prior as a sole-proprietor. The business is not investment-related and is the same as my home address: 340 Pheasant Point Blvd, O'Fallon MO 63368.

# **Registration and Employment History**



Other Business Activities, continued

### **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
Financial	0	1	N/A
Judgment/Lien	1	N/A	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.

### Financial - Final

This type of disclosure event involves a bankruptcy, compromise with one or more creditors, or Securities Investor Protection Corporation liquidation involving the broker or an organization/brokerage firm the broker controlled that occurred within the last 10 years.

#### Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Bankruptcy

Bankruptcy: Chapter 7

**Action Date:** 08/31/2016

**Organization Investment-**

Related?

Type of Court: US Bankruptcy Court

Name of Court: Eastern District of Missouri

Location of Court: Saint Louis, MO

**Docket/Case #:** 16-46269

Action Pending? No

**Disposition:** Discharged

**Disposition Date:** 01/24/2017



### Judgment / Lien

This type of disclosure event involves an unsatisfied and outstanding judgments or liens against the broker.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source: Broker

Judgment/Lien Holder: Missouri Department of Revenue

Judgment/Lien Amount: \$2,628.11

Judgment/Lien Type: Tax

Date Filed with Court: 08/15/2017

**Date Individual Learned:** 10/18/2017

**Type of Court:** Department of Revenue

Name of Court: MIssouri Department of Revenuw

Location of Court: St. Louis, MO

**Docket/Case #:** 1711-MC04172

Judgment/Lien Outstanding? Yes

**Broker Statement** I accept responsibility, please note however, there was a miscommunication here.

I was of the understanding that this was being addressed as an add-on, if you will, to my simultaneous licensing matter. I thought I was not to contact anyone in Jefferson City. Finally, I moved forward and addressed the tax lien promptly. I

sincerely apologize for not following protocol.

# **End of Report**



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