

## **BrokerCheck Report**

## **CYNTHIA MARIE SELLERS**

CRD# 4822844

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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
  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
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  representatives doing business in your state.

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### **CYNTHIA M. SELLERS**

CRD# 4822844

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

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED

75 PORT CITY LNDG MOUNT PLEASANT, SC 29464 CRD# 7691

Registered with this firm since: 10/26/2006

B MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED

75 PORT CITY LNDG MOUNT PLEASANT, SC 29464 CRD# 7691

Registered with this firm since: 08/30/2006

## **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:

- 6 Self-Regulatory Organizations
- 39 U.S. states and territories

#### This broker has passed:

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

### **Registration History**

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

No information reported.

#### **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
Judgment/Lien	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 6 SROs and is licensed in 39 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

### **Employment 1 of 1**

Firm Name: MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED

Main Office Address: ONE BRYANT PARK

**NEW YORK, NY 10036** 

Firm CRD#: 7691

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	05/16/2014
B	Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	05/16/2014
B	Cboe Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	08/30/2006
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	08/30/2006
B	Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/14/2006
B	New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Representative	Approved	08/30/2006
	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
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B	Alabama	Agent	Approved	02/08/2021
B B	•		Approved Approved	02/08/2021 10/22/2018
	Alabama	Agent	• •	
В	Alabama Arizona	Agent Agent	Approved	10/22/2018
B B	Alabama Arizona Arkansas	Agent Agent Agent	Approved  Approved	10/22/2018 06/07/2022
B B	Alabama Arizona Arkansas California	Agent Agent Agent Agent	Approved Approved	10/22/2018 06/07/2022 03/17/2016
B B B	Alabama Arizona Arkansas California Colorado	Agent Agent Agent Agent Agent Agent	Approved Approved Approved	10/22/2018 06/07/2022 03/17/2016 05/04/2020

## **Broker Qualifications**



# **Employment 1 of 1, continued**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	District of Columbia	Agent	Approved	01/21/2021
IA	Florida	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	10/26/2006
В	Florida	Agent	Approved	02/19/2016
В	Georgia	Agent	Approved	01/04/2016
B	Hawaii	Agent	Approved	02/01/2023
В	Idaho	Agent	Approved	01/19/2021
B	Illinois	Agent	Approved	02/05/2021
В	Indiana	Agent	Approved	01/22/2021
В	Kentucky	Agent	Approved	02/08/2021
B	Maine	Agent	Approved	02/05/2018
IA	Maryland	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	11/28/2011
B	Maryland	Agent	Approved	01/04/2016
B	Massachusetts	Agent	Approved	03/17/2017
B	Michigan	Agent	Approved	04/28/2020
B	Minnesota	Agent	Approved	01/08/2019
B	Missouri	Agent	Approved	05/02/2024
B	Nevada	Agent	Approved	02/11/2021
B	New Jersey	Agent	Approved	04/18/2016
В	New York	Agent	Approved	02/26/2016
B	North Carolina	Agent	Approved	01/05/2016
B	Ohio	Agent	Approved	06/28/2016

## **Broker Qualifications**



## **Employment 1 of 1, continued**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Oklahoma	Agent	Approved	03/17/2021
B	Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	01/19/2021
B	Rhode Island	Agent	Approved	10/03/2023
B	South Carolina	Agent	Approved	03/05/2010
IA	South Carolina	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	08/26/2015
B	Tennessee	Agent	Approved	01/19/2021
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	01/10/2020
IA	Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Restricted Approval	03/27/2009
B	Utah	Agent	Approved	01/21/2021
B	Vermont	Agent	Approved	01/14/2025
B	Virginia	Agent	Approved	04/18/2016
IA	Washington	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	12/16/2010
B	Washington	Agent	Approved	01/04/2016
B	West Virginia	Agent	Approved	02/02/2021
B	Wisconsin	Agent	Approved	11/22/2022
B	Wyoming	Agent	Approved	05/02/2022

## **Branch Office Locations**

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED 75 PORT CITY LNDG MOUNT PLEASANT, SC 29464

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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. 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 1 state securities law exam.

## **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	08/29/2006

## **State Securities Law Exams**

Exam	Category	Date
B IA Uniform Combined State Law Examination	Series 66	10/24/2006

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:

Registration Dates Firm Name CRD# Branch Location

No information reported.

### **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>	Emplo	yer Name	Position	Investment Related	<b>Employer Location</b>
10/2015 - Pre	sent BANK	OF AMERICA, N.A.	FINANCIAL ADVISOR TRAINEE	Υ	CHARLESTON, SC, United States
01/2004 - Pre		LL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & INCORPORATED	FINANCIAL ADVISOR TRAINEE	Υ	CHARLESTON, SC, 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:

- 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
Judgment/Lien	2	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.

### Judgment / Lien

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

Disclosure 1 of 2

Reporting Source: Broker

Judgment/Lien Holder: Internal Revenue Service

Judgment/Lien Amount: \$64,408.03

Judgment/Lien Type: Tax

Date Filed with Court: 07/18/2017

Date Individual Learned: 07/18/2017

Type of Court: State Court

Name of Court: Register of Deeds

Location of Court: Charleston, SC

**Docket/Case #:** 269132217

Judgment/Lien Outstanding? Yes

**Broker Statement** Payment plan of \$50 per month until paid in full.

Disclosure 2 of 2

**Reporting Source:** Broker

Judgment/Lien Holder: Internal Revenue Service

Judgment/Lien Amount: \$6,532.95

Judgment/Lien Type: Tax

Date Filed with Court: 07/30/2010

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**Date Individual Learned:** 11/02/2015

Type of Court: State Court

Name of Court: County Courthouse Collier County

Location of Court: Naples, FL

Judgment/Lien Outstanding? Yes

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