

BrokerCheck Report

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CRD# 5705390

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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
 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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CRD# 5705390

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

LPL FINANCIAL LLC
1024 UNION ROAD
WEST SENECA, NY 14224
CRD# 6413
Registered with this firm since: 06/09/2021

B LPL FINANCIAL LLC
1024 UNION ROAD
WEST SENECA, NY 14224
CRD# 6413
Registered with this firm since: 06/09/2021

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
- 13 U.S. states and territories

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):

M&T SECURITIES, INC. CRD# 17358 BUFFALO, NY

04/2021 - 06/2021 **M&T SECURITIES, INC.** CRD# 17358 AMHERST, NY

03/2021 - 06/2021

TD AMERITRADE, INC.

CRD# 7870

OMAHA, NE

02/2018 - 01/2021

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	14
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 1 SRO and is licensed in 13 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

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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	06/09/2021
	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Arizona	Agent	Approved	08/28/2024
B	California	Agent	Approved	11/08/2021
B	Connecticut	Agent	Approved	07/06/2022
B	District of Columbia	Agent	Approved	06/30/2021
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	06/23/2021
B	Georgia	Agent	Approved	07/06/2022
B	Nevada	Agent	Approved	06/26/2023
B	New York	Agent	Approved	06/09/2021
IA	New York	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	06/09/2021
B	North Carolina	Agent	Approved	01/08/2024
B	Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	11/09/2021
B	South Carolina	Agent	Approved	01/11/2024

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	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	07/01/2021
B	Virginia	Agent	Approved	06/30/2021

Branch Office Locations

LPL FINANCIAL LLC 1024 UNION ROAD WEST SENECA, NY 14224

LPL FINANCIAL LLC 490 DORRANCE AVE. BUFFALO, NY 14218

LPL FINANCIAL LLC 2199 SENECA ST. BUFFALO, NY 14210

LPL FINANCIAL LLC TONAWANDA, NY

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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
General Securities Pennscentative Examination Series 7	B	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
General Securities (representative Examination)	B	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	12/22/2012
Investment Company Products/Variable Contracts Representative Series 6 12/03/2009 Examination 12/03/2009	B	·	Series 6	12/03/2009

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B IA Uniform Combined State Law Examination	Series 66	05/28/2014
B Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	03/17/2010

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	04/2021 - 06/2021	M&T SECURITIES, INC.	17358	AMHERST, NY
B	03/2021 - 06/2021	M&T SECURITIES, INC.	17358	AMHERST, NY
IA	02/2018 - 01/2021	TD AMERITRADE, INC.	7870	Amherst, NY
B	02/2018 - 01/2021	TD AMERITRADE, INC.	7870	Amherst, NY
IA	02/2018 - 12/2020	TD AMERITRADE INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, LLC	111514	WILLIAMSVILLE, NY
IA	01/2017 - 02/2018	SCOTTRADE INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT	169988	SAINT LOUIS, MO
B	06/2016 - 02/2018	SCOTTRADE, INC.	8206	WILLIAMSVILLE, NY
IA	05/2014 - 12/2015	HSBC SECURITIES (USA) INC.	19585	DEPEW, NY
B	12/2009 - 12/2015	HSBC SECURITIES (USA) INC.	19585	DEPEW, NY

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
06/2021 - Present	LPL FINANCIAL LLC	FINANCIAL CONSULTANT	Υ	BUFFALO, NY, United States
02/2021 - 06/2021	M and T Securities	Financial Advisor	Υ	Buffalo, NY, United States
02/2018 - 01/2021	TD AMERITRADE INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, LLC	Mass Transfer	Υ	OMAHA, NE, United States
02/2018 - 01/2021	TD AMERITRADE, INC.	Mass Transfer	Υ	WILLIAMSVILLE, NY, United States
05/2016 - 02/2018	Scottrade	Investment Consultant	Υ	Williamsville, NY, United States

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Registration and Employment History



Employment History, continued

Employment	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	Employer Location
11/2015 - 05/2016	Unemployed	Unemployed	N	Tonawanda, NY, United States
08/2009 - 11/2015	HSBC BANK USA, N.A.	INTERNATIONAL SALES OFFICER	Υ	BUFFALO, NY, 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.

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	14	N/A
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.

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 14

Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 05/15/2024

Organization Investment-

Related?

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 05/15/2024

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: Upstart

Original Amount Owed: \$14,987.05

Terms Reached with Creditor: ORIGINAL AMOUNT OWED WAS \$14,987.05 WAS SETTLED FOR \$8,242.88

Disclosure 2 of 14

Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 04/25/2024



Organization Investment-Related?

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 04/25/2024

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: Selip and Stilliano (Venmo)

Original Amount Owed: \$9,750.00

Terms Reached with Creditor: ORIGINAL AMOUNT OWED WAS \$9,750 WAS SETTLED FOR \$6,200

Disclosure 3 of 14

Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 04/30/2024

Organization Investment-

Related?

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 04/30/2024

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: Kirschbauer Phillips

Original Amount Owed: \$10,249.75

Terms Reached with Creditor: ORIGINAL AMOUNT OWED \$10,249.75 WAS SETTLED FOR \$6,000

Disclosure 4 of 14



Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 04/29/2024

Organization Investment-

Related?

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 04/29/2024

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: Rubin and Rothman

Original Amount Owed: \$4,672.80

Terms Reached with Creditor: ORIGINAL AMOUNT OWED WAS \$4,672.80 WAS SETTLED FOR \$4,015

Disclosure 5 of 14

Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 05/02/2024

Organization Investment-

Related?

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 05/02/2024

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: American Express

Original Amount Owed: \$2,658.60



Terms Reached with Creditor: ORIGINAL AMOUNT OWED WAS \$2,658.60 WAS SETTLED FOR \$1,332

Disclosure 6 of 14

Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 04/25/2024

Organization Investment-

Related?

Type of Court:

Name of Court: 25000.00

Location of Court:

Docket/Case #:

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 04/25/2024

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: LVLN Funding (Credit One)

Original Amount Owed: \$1,400.00

Terms Reached with Creditor: ORIGINAL AMOUNT OWED WAS \$1,400 WAS SETTLED FOR \$1,012.75

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Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 06/28/2024

Organization Investment-

Related?

Action Pending? No



Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 06/28/2024

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: Goldman Sachs

Original Amount Owed: \$6,891.00

Terms Reached with Creditor: ORIGINAL AMOUNT OWED WAS \$6,891 WAS SETTLED FOR \$3,445

Disclosure 8 of 14

Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise
Action Date: 04/25/2024

Organization Investment-

Related?

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 04/25/2024

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: Oliphant USA (Lending Club)

Original Amount Owed: \$25,000.00

Terms Reached with Creditor: ORIGINAL AMOUNT OWED WAS \$25,000 WAS SETTLED FOR \$12,929.86

Disclosure 9 of 14

Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 05/15/2024



Organization Investment-

Related?

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 05/15/2024

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: Credit One

Original Amount Owed: \$1,026.96

Terms Reached with Creditor: ORIGINAL AMOUNT OWED WAS \$1,026.96 WAS SETTLED FOR \$667.35

Disclosure 10 of 14

Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 12/21/2020

Organization Investment-

Related?

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 12/21/2020

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: portfolio recovery associates llc

Original Amount Owed: \$604.27

Terms Reached with Creditor: 332.35 payment for deletion offreport

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Reporting Source: Broker



Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 12/21/2020

Organization Investment-

Related?

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 12/21/2020

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: portfolio recovery associates llc

Original Amount Owed: \$473.61

Terms Reached with Creditor: 260.49 payment for deletion off report

Disclosure 12 of 14

Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 01/04/2021

Organization Investment-

Related?

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 01/04/2021

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: cavalry spv

Original Amount Owed: \$419.67

Terms Reached with Creditor: 180.74 payment to satisfied outstanding debt



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Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 12/21/2020

Organization Investment-

Related?

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 12/21/2020

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: portfolio recovery associates llc

Original Amount Owed: \$884.19

Terms Reached with Creditor: 486.30 payment for deletion off report

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Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 12/21/2020

Organization Investment-

Related?

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 12/21/2020

If a compromise with creditor,

provide:

Name of Creditor: portfolio recovery associates llc



Original Amount Owed: \$465.38

Terms Reached with Creditor: 255.96 payment for deletion off report



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: Discover Bank

Judgment/Lien Amount: \$8,416.75

Judgment/Lien Type: Civil

Date Filed with Court: 02/08/2024

Date Individual Learned: 02/08/2024

Type of Court: State Court

Name of Court: City of Tonawanda

Location of Court: ERIE, NY

Docket/Case #: 2024022732

Judgment/Lien Outstanding? Yes

Disclosure 2 of 2

Reporting Source: Broker

Judgment/Lien Holder: 4,672.80

Judgment/Lien Amount: \$4,672.80

Judgment/Lien Type: Tax

Date Filed with Court: 04/29/2024

Date Individual Learned: 04/29/2024

Type of Court: State Court

Name of Court: City of Tonawanda

Location of Court: ERIE, NY

Docket/Case #: 2024068733

Judgment/Lien Outstanding? Yes

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