

BrokerCheck Report

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CRD# 6187260

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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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For additional information about the contents of this report, please refer to the User Guidance or www.finra.org/brokercheck. It provides a glossary of terms and a list of frequently asked questions, as well as additional resources. For more information about FINRA, visit www.finra.org.



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

- B** **NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL INVESTMENT SERVICES, LLC**
 7700 Rivers Edge Dr
 Ste 200
 Columbus, OH 43235
 CRD# 2881
 Registered with this firm since: 01/09/2020

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
- 4 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):

- B** **VALIC FINANCIAL ADVISORS, INC.**
 CRD# 42803
 COLUMBUS, OH
 12/2018 - 10/2019
- B** **W&S BROKERAGE SERVICES, INC.**
 CRD# 8099
 GROVE CITY, OH
 05/2015 - 12/2018
- B** **W&S BROKERAGE SERVICES, INC.**
 CRD# 8099
 ONTARIO, OH
 10/2013 - 07/2014

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? **No**



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

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Firm Name: **NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL INVESTMENT SERVICES, LLC**

Main Office Address: **720 EAST WISCONSIN AVENUE
MILWAUKEE, WI 53202-4797**

Firm CRD#: **2881**

SRO	Category	Status	Date
B FINRA	Invest. Co and Variable Contracts	Approved	01/09/2020

U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B Montana	Agent	Approved	09/08/2025
B Ohio	Agent	Approved	02/12/2020
B Texas	Agent	Approved	08/12/2020
B Virginia	Agent	Approved	07/30/2025

Branch Office Locations

NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL INVESTMENT SERVICES, LLC

7700 Rivers Edge Dr
Ste 200
Columbus, OH 43235



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 Investment Company Products/Variable Contracts Representative Examination	Series 6	10/25/2013

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	02/10/2020

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/.

Broker Qualifications



Professional Designations

This section details that the representative has reported **0** professional designation(s).

No information reported.



Registration and Employment History

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The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Registration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
B 12/2018 - 10/2019	VALIC FINANCIAL ADVISORS, INC.	42803	COLUMBUS, OH
B 05/2015 - 12/2018	W&S BROKERAGE SERVICES, INC.	8099	GROVE CITY, OH
B 10/2013 - 07/2014	W&S BROKERAGE SERVICES, INC.	8099	ONTARIO, OH

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
11/2022 - Present	Northwestern Mutual Wealth Management Company	Representative	Y	Milwaukee, WI, United States
10/2022 - Present	Shawn Phelps	Associate Agent	Y	Columbus, OH, United States
12/2019 - Present	Northwestern Mutual Investment Services LLC	Registered Representative	Y	Columbus, OH, United States
06/2020 - 10/2022	Northwestern Mutual Wealth Management Company	Representative	Y	Milwaukee, WI, United States
12/2019 - 10/2022	Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company	Agent	Y	Milwaukee, WI, United States
11/2019 - 12/2019	Unemployed	Unemployed	N	New Lexington, OH, United States
10/2019 - 11/2019	American Income Life	Financial Advisor	Y	Columbus, OH, United States
12/2018 - 10/2019	VALIC FINANCIAL ADVISORS, INC.	Financial Advisor	Y	COLUMBUS, OH, United States
04/2015 - 12/2018	WESTERN SOUTHERN LIFE	Registered Representative	Y	LANCASTER, OH, United States
05/2015 - 11/2018	W&S BROKERAGE SERVICES	REG REP	Y	CINCINNATI, OH, United States



Registration and Employment History

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.

Nationwide Childrens Hospital, Not Investment-related, 700 Childrens Drive, Columbus, OH, United States(US), 43205,
Member of professional adviser committee, Start Date: 03/01/2018, 1 hrs per week, 5 trading hrs per week, Planned Giving,
Duties: Attending semiannual professional adviser dinners attending semiannual planned giving meetings to discuss
current trending philanthropic events and planned giving strategies for NCH and the industry

LifeCare Alliance Endowment Committee

1699 West Mound Street

Columbus, OH 43223

Start Date: 09/01/2018

Not investment related

less than 1% of time spent on outside business/none during securities trading hours.

Serving as a member of the Professional Advisor Legacy Endowment Council. Consists of consulting with various professionals within the company to discuss planned giving strategies to help donors maximize their legacy gifting.

Ohio Christian University Planned Giving Committee

1476 Lancaster Pike

Circleville, OH 43113

Start date: 08/01/2018

Not investment related

less than 2% of time spent on outside business/none during securities trading hours.

As a member of the planned giving committee I consult with the leadership of the university on strategies and concepts on how to help donors maximize and efficiently plan for their legacy giving to the university.

MAY EARN COMMISSIONS FROM INSURANCE COMPANIES NOT AFFILIATED WITH NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL FOR SALES OF NON-VARIABLE LIFE, HEALTH, ANNUITY AND/OR DISABILITY INCOME INSURANCE PRODUCTS.

BOARD MEMBER, MAYWOOD MISSION, 1029 S BROAD ST, LANCASTER, , OHIO, 43764, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, FIDUCIARY CAPACITY, START DATE: 9/29/2022, HOURS PER MONTH: 0-5, HOURS DURING SECURITIES TRADING HOURS: 0-5, SERVING ON THE BOARD AND THE TOTAL BOARD IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ESTABLISHING A FINANCE COMMITTEE WHO WILL ASSIST IN CHOOSING AN EXTERNAL MONEY MANAGER FOR THE NON-PROFIT'S UNRESTRICTED ASSETS. NO TRADING WILL BE DONE BY ANY BOARD MEMEBERS, BUT ONLY IN DETERMING A FIDUCIARY DILIGENT MONEY MANAGER / ADVISOR.

End of Report



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