

BrokerCheck Report

THOMAS MELVIN BRYANT

CRD# 6435033

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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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User Guidance

THOMAS M. BRYANT

CRD# 6435033

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

MELLS FARGO ADVISORS

100 2ND AVE S STE 400N ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33701 CRD# 19616

Registered with this firm since: 02/18/2016

B WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES,

100 2ND AVE S STE 400N ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33701 CRD# 19616 Registered with this firm since: 07/10/2015

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:

- 6 Self-Regulatory Organizations
- 20 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:

Type Count
Regulatory Event 1

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

Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC

Main Office Address: ONE NORTH JEFFERSON AVENUE

MAIL CODE: H0004-05E ST. LOUIS, MO 63103

Firm CRD#: 19616

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	Cboe Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	12/02/2021
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
B	NYSE American LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
B	Nasdaq PHLX LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
B	Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
B	New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
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	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Alabama	Agent	Approved	02/12/2020
B B				
	Alabama	Agent	Approved	02/12/2020
В	Alabama California	Agent Agent	Approved Approved	02/12/2020 03/01/2016
B B	Alabama California Colorado	Agent Agent Agent	Approved Approved	02/12/2020 03/01/2016 09/29/2022
B B	Alabama California Colorado Connecticut	Agent Agent Agent Agent	Approved Approved Approved Approved	02/12/2020 03/01/2016 09/29/2022 03/16/2017

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Employment 1 of 1, continued

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
IA	Florida	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	10/26/2022
В	Georgia	Agent	Approved	09/21/2017
B	Illinois	Agent	Approved	03/21/2023
B	Maryland	Agent	Approved	07/10/2015
IA	Maryland	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	02/18/2016
B	Michigan	Agent	Approved	11/06/2020
B	Nevada	Agent	Approved	09/29/2017
B	New Jersey	Agent	Approved	03/01/2016
B	New York	Agent	Approved	03/01/2016
B	North Carolina	Agent	Approved	04/07/2017
B	Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	03/01/2016
B	Rhode Island	Agent	Approved	09/25/2017
B	South Carolina	Agent	Approved	03/06/2023
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	04/04/2019
IA	Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Restricted Approval	04/04/2019
B	Virginia	Agent	Approved	02/19/2016

Branch Office Locations

WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC 100 2ND AVE S STE 400N ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33701

WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC

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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, 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	07/10/2015

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B IA Uniform Combined State Law Examination	Series 66	02/18/2016

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:

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.

Employment	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	Employer Location
11/2016 - Present	WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC	REGISTERED REP	Υ	BALTIMORE, MD, United States
03/2015 - 11/2016	WELLS FARGO ADVISORS, LLC	REGISTERED REP	Υ	BALTIMORE, MD, 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
Regulatory Event	0	1	0



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.

Regulatory - Final

This type of disclosure event may involve (1) a final, formal proceeding initiated by a regulatory authority (e.g., a state securities agency, selfregulatory organization, federal regulatory such as the Securities and Exchange Commission, foreign financial regulatory body) for a violation of investment-related rules or regulations; or (2) a revocation or suspension of a broker's authority to act as an attorney, accountant, or federal contractor.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Regulator **Reporting Source:**

Regulatory Action Initiated Bv:

Florida Office of Financial Regulation

Sanction(s) Sought:

Cease and Desist

Monetary Penalty other than Fines

Date Initiated: 10/26/2022

Docket/Case Number: 111708-SR

URL for Regulatory Action:

Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the regulatory action:

Wells Fargo Clearing Services, LLC

Product Type: No Product

Allegations: Rendered investment advice, from a location within Florida, without being

registered by the Office.

Current Status: Final

Resolution: Order



Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct?

Nο

Resolution Date: 10/26/2022

Sanctions Ordered: Cease and Desist

Monetary Penalty other than Fines

Monetary Sanction 1 of 1

Monetary Related Sanction: Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)

Total Amount: \$7,500.00

Portion Levied against

individual:

\$7,500.00

Payment Plan:

Is Payment Plan Current: No

Date Paid by individual: 10/26/2022

Was any portion of penalty

waived?

No

Amount Waived:

Regulator Statement On October 26, 2022, the Office of Financial Regulation (Office) entered a Final

Order adopting the Stipulation and Consent Agreement in the matter of Thomas Melvin Bryant (Bryant). Bryant neither admitted nor denied the allegations but consented to the entry of findings by the Office. The Office found that Bryant violated Section 517.12(4), Florida Statutes, by rendering investment advice, from a location within Florida, without being registered by the Office. Bryant agreed to Cease and Desist from violations of Chapter 517, Florida Statutes, and the Administrative Rules adopted thereto, and to pay an administrative fine in the amount of \$7,500. The Office agreed to approve Bryant's application as an associated person (RA) with Wells Fargo Clearing Services, LLC effective October

26, 2022.

Reporting Source: Broker

Regulatory Action Initiated

Florida Office of Financial Regulation

By:



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Monetary Sanction 1 of 1

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Portion Levied against

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Is Payment Plan Current: No

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