

BrokerCheck Report

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CRD# 6450665

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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:
 - 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
 - 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 TRADESTATION SECURITIES, INC.
 8050 SW 10TH STREET
 SUITE 2000
 PLANTATION, FL 33324
 CRD# 39473
 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:**

- 11 Self-Regulatory Organizations
- 51 U.S. states and territories

This broker has passed:

- 3 Principal/Supervisory Exams
- 5 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
Criminal	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 11 SROs and is licensed in 51 U.S. states and territories through his or her employer.

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Firm Name: **TRADESTATION SECURITIES, INC.**

Main Office Address: **8050 SW 10TH STREET
SUITE 2000
PLANTATION, FL 33324**

Firm CRD#: **39473**

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
B	Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Principal	Approved	01/22/2016
B	Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc.	Securities Trader	Approved	06/19/2018
B	Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc.	Securities Trader Principal	Approved	03/10/2021
B	Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
B	Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Principal	Approved	01/22/2016
B	Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc.	Registered Options Principal	Approved	06/15/2016
B	Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc.	Securities Trader	Approved	06/19/2018
B	Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc.	Securities Trader Principal	Approved	03/10/2021
B	Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
B	Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Principal	Approved	01/22/2016
B	Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc.	Securities Trader	Approved	06/19/2018
B	Cboe EDGA Exchange, Inc.	Securities Trader Principal	Approved	03/10/2021
B	Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
B	Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Principal	Approved	01/22/2016

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SRO	Category	Status	Date
B Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc.	Registered Options Principal	Approved	06/15/2016
B Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc.	Securities Trader	Approved	06/19/2018
B Cboe EDGX Exchange, Inc.	Securities Trader Principal	Approved	03/10/2021
B FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
B FINRA	General Securities Principal	Approved	01/22/2016
B FINRA	Registered Options Principal	Approved	06/15/2016
B FINRA	Securities Trader	Approved	06/19/2018
B FINRA	Securities Trader Principal	Approved	03/10/2021
B Investors' Exchange LLC	General Securities Principal	Approved	10/25/2017
B Investors' Exchange LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/25/2017
B Investors' Exchange LLC	Securities Trader	Approved	06/19/2018
B Investors' Exchange LLC	Securities Trader Principal	Approved	03/10/2021
B NYSE American LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
B NYSE American LLC	General Securities Principal	Approved	01/22/2016
B NYSE American LLC	Registered Options Principal	Approved	06/15/2016
B NYSE American LLC	Securities Trader	Approved	06/19/2018
B NYSE American LLC	Securities Trader Principal	Approved	03/10/2021
B NYSE Arca, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
B NYSE Arca, Inc.	General Securities Principal	Approved	01/22/2016
B NYSE Arca, Inc.	Registered Options Principal	Approved	06/15/2016
B NYSE Arca, Inc.	Securities Trader	Approved	06/19/2018
B NYSE Arca, Inc.	Securities Trader Principal	Approved	03/10/2021

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SRO	Category	Status	Date
B Nasdaq BX, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
B Nasdaq BX, Inc.	General Securities Principal	Approved	01/22/2016
B Nasdaq BX, Inc.	Registered Options Principal	Approved	06/15/2016
B Nasdaq BX, Inc.	Securities Trader	Approved	06/19/2018
B Nasdaq BX, Inc.	Securities Trader Principal	Approved	03/10/2021
B Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
B Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Principal	Approved	01/22/2016
B Nasdaq Stock Market	Registered Options Principal	Approved	06/15/2016
B Nasdaq Stock Market	Securities Trader	Approved	06/19/2018
B Nasdaq Stock Market	Securities Trader Principal	Approved	03/10/2021
B New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/10/2015
B New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Principal	Approved	01/22/2016
B New York Stock Exchange	Securities Trader	Approved	06/19/2018
B New York Stock Exchange	Securities Trader Principal	Approved	03/10/2021

U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B Alabama	Agent	Approved	08/27/2015
B Alaska	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B Arizona	Agent	Approved	09/03/2015
B Arkansas	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B California	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B Colorado	Agent	Approved	07/27/2015

Broker Qualifications



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	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Connecticut	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B	Delaware	Agent	Approved	08/19/2015
B	District of Columbia	Agent	Approved	07/27/2015
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	07/24/2015
B	Georgia	Agent	Approved	08/14/2015
B	Hawaii	Agent	Approved	08/07/2015
B	Idaho	Agent	Approved	08/07/2015
B	Illinois	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B	Indiana	Agent	Approved	08/07/2015
B	Iowa	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B	Kansas	Agent	Approved	08/20/2015
B	Kentucky	Agent	Approved	08/11/2015
B	Louisiana	Agent	Approved	07/28/2015
B	Maine	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B	Maryland	Agent	Approved	07/27/2015
B	Massachusetts	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B	Michigan	Agent	Approved	08/11/2015
B	Minnesota	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B	Mississippi	Agent	Approved	08/24/2015
B	Missouri	Agent	Approved	08/11/2015
B	Montana	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015

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	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Nebraska	Agent	Approved	08/07/2015
B	Nevada	Agent	Approved	08/17/2015
B	New Jersey	Agent	Approved	07/30/2015
B	New Mexico	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B	New York	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B	North Carolina	Agent	Approved	08/11/2015
B	North Dakota	Agent	Approved	08/18/2015
B	Ohio	Agent	Approved	07/23/2015
B	Oklahoma	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B	Oregon	Agent	Approved	08/07/2015
B	Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B	Puerto Rico	Agent	Approved	05/04/2022
B	Rhode Island	Agent	Approved	08/11/2015
B	South Carolina	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B	South Dakota	Agent	Approved	08/12/2015
B	Tennessee	Agent	Approved	08/18/2015
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	08/13/2015
B	Utah	Agent	Approved	08/10/2015
B	Vermont	Agent	Approved	07/28/2015
B	Virginia	Agent	Approved	08/11/2015
B	Washington	Agent	Approved	08/12/2015



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	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	West Virginia	Agent	Approved	08/18/2015
B	Wisconsin	Agent	Approved	08/11/2015
B	Wyoming	Agent	Approved	08/13/2015

Branch Office Locations

TRADESTATION SECURITIES, INC.
8050 SW 10TH STREET
SUITE 2000
PLANTATION, FL 33324

TRADESTATION SECURITIES, INC.
Hollywood, FL



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 3 principal/supervisory exams, 5 general industry/product exams, and 1 state securities law exam.

Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B NFA Branch Manager Examination	Series 30	12/02/2016
B Registered Options Principal Examination	Series 4	06/15/2016
B General Securities Principal Examination	Series 24	01/22/2016

General Industry/Product Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
B Securities Trader Exam	Series 57	06/19/2018
B Retail Off-Exchange FOREX Examination	Series 34	10/16/2015
B National Commodity Futures Examination	Series 3	09/18/2015
B General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	07/10/2015

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	08/07/2015

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

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
11/2024 - Present	TradeStation Securities, Inc.	Vice President, Outside Sales & Client Strategy	Y	Plantation, FL, United States
05/2023 - 11/2024	TradeStation Securities, Inc.	Vice President, Client Experience	Y	Plantation, FL, United States
05/2020 - 04/2023	TradeStation Securities, Inc.	Senior Director, Trading and Business Development	Y	Plantation, FL, United States
12/2019 - 04/2020	TradeStation Securities, Inc.	Director, Trading and Business Development	Y	Plantation, FL, United States
04/2019 - 11/2019	TradeStation Securities, Inc.	Director, Client Services	Y	Plantation, FL, United States
04/2018 - 03/2019	TradeStation Securities, Inc.	Senior Manager, Client Services	Y	Plantation, FL, United States
11/2016 - 03/2018	TradeStation Securities, Inc.	Manager, Client Services	Y	Plantation, FL, United States
10/2015 - 10/2016	TradeStation Securities, Inc.	Client Services Team Lead	Y	Plantation, FL, 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.

Registration and Employment History



Other Business Activities, continued

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:**
 - 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:**
 - 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.
 - 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
Criminal	0	1	0



Disclosure Event Details

When evaluating this information, please keep in mind that a disclosure 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.

Criminal - Final Disposition

This type of disclosure event involves a criminal charge against the broker that has resulted in a conviction, acquittal, dismissal, or plea. The criminal matter may pertain to any felony or certain misdemeanor offenses, including bribery, perjury, forgery, counterfeiting, extortion, fraud, and wrongful taking of property.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source:	Broker
Formal Charges were brought in:	State Court
Name of Court:	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT; SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA; WEST PALM BEACH DIVISION
Location of Court:	WEST PALM BEACH, FL
Docket/Case #:	07-60227-CR-DTKH/AEV
Charge Date:	09/21/2007
Charge(s) 1 of 1	
Formal Charge(s)/Description:	PROHIBITED ACTS - ENDANGERED SPECIES
No of Counts:	1
Felony or Misdemeanor:	Misdemeanor
Plea for each charge:	N/A
Disposition of charge:	Amended
Date of Amended Charge:	09/27/2007
Charge was Amended or reduced to:	UNLAWFUL TAKE OF A PROTECTED SPECIES
Amended No of Counts:	1



Amended Charge:	Misdemeanor
Amended Plea:	GUILTY
Disposition of Amended Charge:	Pled guilty
Current Status:	Final
Status Date:	01/18/2008
Disposition Date:	01/18/2008
Sentence/Penalty:	IMPRISONMENT:30DAYS; SUPERVISED RELEASE:1 YR WITH SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF 30 DAYS HOME CONFINEMENT WITH ELECTRONIC MONITORING. 100 HOURS COMMUNITY SERVICE; PAY SPECIAL ASSESSMENT OF \$25

End of Report



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