

## BrokerCheck Report

**ROBERT MICHAEL DIPUPPO**

CRD# 704057

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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:
  - 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](http://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](http://www.finra.org).

**ROBERT M. DIPUPPO**

CRD# 704057

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

- B** **STONEX SECURITIES INC.**  
 100 Arrandale Blvd  
 Suite 102  
 Exton, PA 19341  
 CRD# 18456  
 Registered with this firm since: 02/22/2012

**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
- 2 General Industry/Product Exams
- 1 State Securities Law Exam

**Registration History**

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

- IA** **SYNERGY INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC**  
 CRD# 46035  
 KANNAPOLIS, NC  
 07/2012 - 12/2023
- IA** **DEVON FINANCIAL GROUP, LTD**  
 CRD# 123180  
 KING OF PRUSSIA, PA  
 04/1991 - 07/2012
- B** **SYNERGY INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC**  
 CRD# 46035  
 KING OF PRUSSIA, PA  
 03/2010 - 03/2012

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

### Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: **STONEX SECURITIES INC.**

Main Office Address: **2 PERIMETER PARK SOUTH  
SUITE 500 WEST  
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35243**

Firm CRD#: **18456**

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	02/22/2012

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B	Colorado	Agent	Approved	09/03/2025
B	Delaware	Agent	Approved	06/21/2016
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	11/26/2018
B	Maryland	Agent	Approved	02/22/2012
B	Missouri	Agent	Approved	02/28/2022
B	New Hampshire	Agent	Approved	02/01/2018
B	New Jersey	Agent	Approved	10/23/2015
B	North Carolina	Agent	Approved	06/09/2016
B	Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	02/22/2012
B	South Carolina	Agent	Approved	02/23/2012
B	Texas	Agent	Approved	08/11/2023
B	Utah	Agent	Approved	09/29/2021

Broker Qualifications



Employment 1 of 1, continued

U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
<div>B</div> Virginia	Agent	Approved	08/15/2018

Branch Office Locations

**STONEX SECURITIES INC.**  
100 Arrandale Blvd  
Suite 102  
Exton, PA 19341

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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>B</b> Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
<b>B</b> General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	01/19/1980

### State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
<b>B</b> Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	02/01/1980

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/](http://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
<b>IA</b> 07/2012 - 12/2023	SYNERGY INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC	46035	KANNAPOLIS, NC
<b>IA</b> 04/1991 - 07/2012	DEVON FINANCIAL GROUP, LTD	123180	KING OF PRUSSIA, PA
<b>B</b> 03/2010 - 03/2012	SYNERGY INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC	46035	KING OF PRUSSIA, PA
<b>B</b> 06/2008 - 12/2009	GUNNALLEN FINANCIAL, INC	17609	KING OF PRUSSIA, PA
<b>IA</b> 06/2008 - 06/2008	GUNNALLEN FINANCIAL, INC	17609	KING OF PRUSSIA, PA
<b>B</b> 04/1988 - 05/2008	RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	6694	KING OF PRUSSIA, PA
<b>B</b> 11/1984 - 04/1988	PAINWEBBER INCORPORATED	8174	
<b>B</b> 12/1981 - 11/1984	TUCKER, ANTHONY & R. L. DAY, INC.	837	
<b>B</b> 01/1980 - 12/1981	J.C. BRADFORD & CO.	1287	

### 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
07/2012 - Present	SYNERGY INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC	REPRESENTATIVE	Y	KANNAPOLIS, NC, United States
02/2012 - Present	STONEX SECURITIES INC	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Y	CHARLOTTE, NC, United States
04/1988 - Present	DEVON FINANCIAL GROUP, LTD.	SR. VICE PRESIDENT	Y	KING OF PRUSSIA, PA, 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.

DEVON FINANCIAL GROUP, LTD: INVESTMENT RELATED, 150 S. WARNER ROAD #256, KING OF PRUSSIA PA. 19406, SR. VICE PRESIDENT, START DATE OF RELATIONSHIP, 07/16/2012, HOURS DEVOTED TO BUSINESS-ALL, HOURS DEVOTED DURING SECURITIES TRADING HOURS-ALL, DUTIES- PROVIDE FINANCAL PLANNING SERVICES TO CLIENTS.

SYNERGY INSURANCE GROUP, INC. ; YES, INVESTMENT RELATED; 2622 DALE EARNHARDT BLVD KANNAPOLIS, NC 28083; INSURANCE; INSURANCE AGENT; 3/15/2010; 10 HOURS PER MONTH; 10 HOURS DURING SEC TRADING HOURS; SALE OF INSURANCE PRODUCTS.

SYNERGY INVESTMENT GROUP, LLC.; YES, INVESTMENT RELATED; 2622 DALE EARNHARDT BLVD. KANNAPOLIS, N.C. 28083; RIA; INVESTMENT ADVISORY REPRESENTATIVE; 03/15/2010; 5 HOURS PER MONTH AND DURING SEC TRADING HOURS; ASSIST CLIENTS WITH THEIR INVESTMENTS.

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## 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
Regulatory Event	0	1	0
Termination	N/A	1	N/A



## 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.

### 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, self-regulatory 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

<b>Reporting Source:</b>	Regulator
<b>Regulatory Action Initiated By:</b>	FINRA
<b>Sanction(s) Sought:</b>	Other: N/A
<b>Date Initiated:</b>	12/17/2009
<b>Docket/Case Number:</b>	<a href="#">2008013742101</a>
<b>Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the regulatory action:</b>	RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. AND GUNNALLEN FINANCIAL, INC
<b>Product Type:</b>	Annuity-Variable
<b>Allegations:</b>	NASD 2110, 3110: DIPUPPO MEMBER FIRM HAD IN PLACE A SUPERVISORY SYSTEM FOR THE FIRM'S VARIABLE ANNUITY TRANSACTIONS SPECIFYING THAT VARIABLE ANNUITY TRANSACTIONS THAT EXCEEDED 50% OF THE LOWER END OF THE CUSTOMER'S NET WORTH BRACKET REQUIRED ADDITIONAL SUPERVISORY REVIEW, WHICH REPORT FOCUSED ON POTENTIAL LIQUIDITY ISSUES. DIPUPPO DISAGREED WITH THE FIRM'S POLICY AND TO CIRCUMVENT THE SYSTEM, HE ALTERED THE NET WORTH OF CUSTOMERS TO A HIGHER BRACKET ALLOWING THESE CUSTOMERS' TRANSACTIONS TO AVOID THE 50% THRESHOLD THAT WOULD HAVE FLAGGED THEM ON THE REPORT GENERATED IN THE FIRM'S HOME OFFICE AND REQUIRED ADDITIONAL REVIEW. DIPUPPO CAUSED THE



FIRM'S BOOKS AND RECORDS TO BE FALSE BY ALTERING CUSTOMER NET WORTH INFORMATION.

<b>Current Status:</b>	Final
<b>Resolution:</b>	Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)
<b>Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct?</b>	No
<b>Resolution Date:</b>	12/17/2009
<b>Sanctions Ordered:</b>	Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s) Suspension
<b>If the regulator is the SEC, CFTC, or an SRO, did the action result in a finding of a willful violation or failure to supervise?</b>	No
<b>(1) willfully violated any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any of such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, or to have been unable to comply with any provision of such Act, rule or regulation?</b>	



**(2) willfully aided, abetted, counseled, commanded, induced, or procured the violation by any person of any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any of such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board? or**

**(3) failed reasonably to supervise another person subject to your supervision, with a view to preventing the violation by such person of any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board?**

**Sanction 1 of 1**

<b>Sanction Type:</b>	Suspension
<b>Capacities Affected:</b>	ALL CAPACITIES
<b>Duration:</b>	30 DAYS
<b>Start Date:</b>	01/04/2010
<b>End Date:</b>	02/02/2010

**Monetary Sanction 1 of 1**

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

**Total Amount:** \$10,000.00

**Portion Levied against individual:** \$10,000.00

**Payment Plan:**

**Is Payment Plan Current:** No

**Date Paid by individual:** 01/14/2010

**Was any portion of penalty waived?** No

**Amount Waived:**

**Regulator Statement** WITHOUT ADMITTING OR DENYING THE FINDINGS, DIPUPPO CONSENTED TO THE DESCRIBED SANCTIONS AND TO THE ENTRY OF FINDINGS, THEREFORE HE IS FINED \$10,000 AND SUSPENDED FROM ASSOCIATION WITH ANY FINRA MEMBER IN ANY CAPACITY FOR 30 DAYS. THE SUSPENSION IS IN EFFECT FROM JANUARY 4, 2010, THROUGH FEBRUARY 2, 2010.

**Reporting Source:** Broker

**Regulatory Action Initiated By:** FINRA

**Sanction(s) Sought:** Suspension  
Other: FINE

**Date Initiated:** 01/04/2010

**Docket/Case Number:** [2008013742101](#)

**Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the regulatory action:** RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

**Product Type:** Annuity-Variable

**Allegations:** FINANCIAL ADVISOR PROVIDED FALSE CLIENT PROFILE INFORMATION TO TRANSACT VA BUSINESS.

**Current Status:** Final



<b>Resolution:</b>	Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)
<b>Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct?</b>	Yes
<b>Resolution Date:</b>	12/18/2009
<b>Sanctions Ordered:</b>	Suspension Other: FINE
<b>Sanction 1 of 1</b>	
<b>Sanction Type:</b>	Suspension
<b>Capacities Affected:</b>	SECURITIES RELATED CAPACITY
<b>Duration:</b>	ONE MONTH
<b>Start Date:</b>	01/04/2010
<b>End Date:</b>	02/02/2010
<b>Monetary Sanction 1 of 1</b>	
<b>Monetary Related Sanction:</b>	Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)
<b>Total Amount:</b>	\$10,000.00
<b>Portion Levied against individual:</b>	\$10,000.00
<b>Payment Plan:</b>	CREDIT CARD PAYMENT IN FULL
<b>Is Payment Plan Current:</b>	Yes
<b>Date Paid by individual:</b>	01/12/2010
<b>Was any portion of penalty waived?</b>	No
<b>Amount Waived:</b>	
<b>Broker Statement</b>	AN INTERNAL REVIEW BY RAYMOND JAMES REVEALED THAT A HANDFUL OF CLIENT ACCOUNT FORMS HAD BEEN IMPROPERLY COMPLETED.



## Employment Separation After Allegations

This type of disclosure event involves a situation where the broker voluntarily resigned, was discharged, or was permitted to resign after being accused of (1) violating investment-related statutes, regulations, rules or industry standards of conduct; (2) fraud or the wrongful taking of property; or (3) failure to supervise in connection with investment-related statutes, regulations, rules, or industry standards of conduct.

### Disclosure 1 of 1

**Reporting Source:** Firm  
**Employer Name:** RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC  
**Termination Type:** Discharged  
**Termination Date:** 05/27/2008  
**Allegations:** FINANCIAL ADVISOR PROVIDED FALSE CLIENT PROFILE INFORMATION TO TRANSACT VA BUSINESS.  
**Product Type:** Other  
**Other Product Types:** VA

**Reporting Source:** Broker  
**Employer Name:** RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.  
**Termination Type:** Discharged  
**Termination Date:** 05/27/2008  
**Allegations:** FINANCIAL ADVISOR PROVIDED FALSE CLIENT PROFILE INFORMATION TO TRANSACT VA BUSIENSS  
**Product Type:** Annuity-Variable  
**Broker Statement** AN INTERNAL REVIEW BY RAYMOND JAMES REVEALED THAT A HANDFUL OF CLIENT ACCOUNT FORMS HAD BEEN IMPROPERLY COMPLETED.



## End of Report



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