

BrokerCheck Report

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CRD# 801450

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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

Bruce A. Bouta

CRD# 801450

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

IA SB ADVISORY, LLC

6542 Regency Lane Suite 212 Eden Prairie, MN 55344 CRD# 154680 Registered with this firm since: 01/13/2021

B SAN BLAS SECURITIES LLC 233 S WACKER DR SUITE 4400

CHICAGO, IL 60606 CRD# 290605

Registered with this firm since: 05/17/2021

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
- 2 U.S. states and territories

This broker has passed:

- 2 Principal/Supervisory Exams
- 4 General Industry/Product Exams
- 1 State Securities Law Exam

Registration History

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

B CABOT LODGE SECURITIES LLC

CRD# 159712 Eden Prairie, MN 09/2019 - 05/2021

A SB ADVISORY, LLC CRD# 154680 ATLANTA, GA 06/2019 - 12/2020

B IFS SECURITIES CRD# 40375 ATLANTA, GA 06/2019 - 10/2019

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	
Judgment/Lien	3

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

Employment 1 of 2

Firm Name: SAN BLAS SECURITIES LLC

Main Office Address: 233 S WACKER DR

SUITE 4400

CHICAGO, IL 60606

Firm CRD#: **290605**

	SRO	Category	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Principal	Approved	05/17/2021
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	05/17/2021
B	FINRA	Municipal Fund	Approved	05/17/2021
	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
В	U.S. State/ Territory Kansas	Category Agent	Status Approved	Date 02/21/2025

Branch Office Locations

SAN BLAS SECURITIES LLC

233 S WACKER DR SUITE 4400 CHICAGO, IL 60606

Employment 2 of 2

Firm Name: SB ADVISORY, LLC

Main Office Address: 3424 PEACHTREE ROAD NE

SUITE 2200

ATLANTA, GA 30326-1184

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Employment 2 of 2, continued

Firm CRD#: **154680**

	U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
IA	Minnesota	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	01/13/2021

Branch Office Locations

3424 PEACHTREE ROAD NE SUITE 2200 ATLANTA, GA 30326-1184

6542 Regency Lane Suite 212 Eden Prairie, MN 55344

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 2 principal/supervisory exams, 4 general industry/product exams, and 1 state securities law exam.

Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	1	Category	Date
B	Municipal Fund Securities Principal Examination	Series 51	12/11/2009
B	General Securities Principal Examination	Series 24	08/17/1999

General Industry/Product Exams

Exam		Category	Date
В	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7TO	01/02/2023
В	Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
В	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	04/16/1988
В	Registered Representative Examination	Series 1	11/21/1974

State Securities Law Exams

Exam		Category	Date
В	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	04/24/2007

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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Professional Designations

This section details that the representative has reported 1 professional designation(s).

Chartered Financial Consultant

This representative holds or did hold **1** professional designation(s) that may have been used to qualify as an Investment Advisor representative. Please check with the appropriate designation authority for verification that the designation is still in effect. The contact information for these professional designation authorities can be found on the website for the North American Securities Administrators Association at http://www.nasaa.org

Registration and Employment History



Registration History

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Reg	istration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
B	09/2019 - 05/2021	CABOT LODGE SECURITIES LLC	159712	Eden Prairie, MN
IA	06/2019 - 12/2020	SB ADVISORY, LLC	154680	Eden Prairie, MN
B	06/2019 - 10/2019	IFS SECURITIES	40375	ATLANTA, GA
IA	01/2014 - 06/2019	CETERA ADVISOR NETWORKS LLC	13572	EDEN PRAIRIE, MN
В	09/2013 - 06/2019	CETERA ADVISOR NETWORKS LLC	13572	EDEN PRAIRIE, MN
B	01/1996 - 09/2013	WALNUT STREET SECURITIES, INC.	15840	EDEN PRAIRIE, MN
B	09/1990 - 12/1993	WALNUT STREET SECURITIES, INC.	15840	EL SEGUNDO, CA
B	03/1988 - 05/1989	PML SECURITIES COMPANY	4082	
В	04/1982 - 12/1988	LINCOLN NATIONAL PENSION INSURANCE COMPANY	10293	
В	12/1974 - 12/1988	THE LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	2580	
B	12/1974 - 04/1988	LINCOLN FINANCIAL ADVISORS CORPORATION	3978	

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
09/2019 - Present	Cabot Lodge Securities	Registered Representative	Υ	Eden Prarie, MN, United States
06/2019 - Present	SB Advisory. LLC	Investment Advisor Representative	Υ	Atlanta, GA, United States

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Employment History, continued

Employment	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	Employer Location
03/1989 - Present	GREAT LAKES ADVISORY NETWORK	OTHER - GENERAL AGENT INSURANCE SALES	N	MINNEAPOLIS, MN, United States
02/1989 - Present	GREAT LAKES ADVISORY NETWORK	OTHER - CEO	N	BLOOMINGTON, MN, United States
10/1986 - Present	Bruce A. Bouta Attorney and Consultant	owner / attorney	N	Eden Prairie, MN, United States
06/2019 - 08/2019	IFS Securities (CRD# 40375)	REGISTERED ASSOCIATE	Υ	Atlanta, GA, United States
09/2013 - 06/2019	CETERA ADVISOR NETWORKS LLC	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE/IA R	Υ	EL SEGUNDO, CA, 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.

- 1.Bruce A. Bouta, attorney and Consultant, not investment related, Eden Prairie, MN, S-Corp., Owner/Attorney; 10/1986, 10 hours per month, 2 hours per week during trading hours, business continuation planning, estate planning, probate and drafting related documents.
- 2.Brokers Choice, investment related, Eden Prairie, MN, C-Corp owned 100% by S-Corp., Owner, 12/1999, 40 hours per month, 6 hours per week during trading hours, from 199-2016 Brokers Choice operated as a brokerage general agency for fixed insurance products, since 2017 I no longer deal with independent insurance brokers and only use this entity for personal sales of fixed life insurance, disability, long term care and annuity business, as a independent producer with several insurance carriers.
- 3.Great Lake Pension Consultants, DBA of an S-Corp., investment related, Eden Prairie, MN, President, 2/1988, 30 hours per month, 3 hours per week during trading hours, advise retirement plan sponsors on compliance matters, investment screening and selection and overall plan design.
- 4. SB Advisory, LLC, formerly known as IFS Advisory, LLC, Investment Related, Atlanta, GA, IAR, 6/2019, 60 hours per month, 50 hours during trading hours, review and monitor accounts, maintain regular ongoing contact with clients, review and update suitability profile as appropriate, recommend changes in account positions and allocations as appropriate.

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
Judgment/Lien	3	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.

Judgment / Lien

This type of disclosure event involves an unsatisfied and outstanding judgments or liens against the broker.

Disclosure 1 of 3

Reporting Source: Broker

Judgment/Lien Holder: IRS

Judgment/Lien Amount: \$40,316.66

Judgment/Lien Type: Tax

Date Filed with Court: 01/20/2017

Date Individual Learned: 01/10/2019

Type of Court: State Court

Name of Court: HENNEPIN COUNTY DISTRICT COURT

Location of Court: MINNEAPOLIS, MN

Docket/Case #: 10403521

Judgment/Lien Outstanding? Yes

Broker Statement NEGOTIATING REPAYMENT PLAN WITH IRS

Disclosure 2 of 3

Reporting Source: Broker

Judgment/Lien Holder: IRS

Judgment/Lien Amount: \$48,337.33

Judgment/Lien Type: Tax

Date Filed with Court: 12/19/2016



Date Individual Learned: 01/10/2019

Type of Court: State Court

Name of Court: HENNEPIN COUNTY DISTRICT COURT

Location of Court: MINNEAPOLIS, MN

Docket/Case #: 10392234

Judgment/Lien Outstanding? Yes

Broker Statement NEGOTIATING REPAYMENT PLAN WITH IRS

Disclosure 3 of 3

Reporting Source: Broker

Judgment/Lien Holder: IRS

Judgment/Lien Amount: \$118,806.97

Judgment/Lien Type: Tax

Date Filed with Court: 03/01/2014

Date Individual Learned: 03/01/2014

Type of Court: IRS

Name of Court: NA

Location of Court: HENNEPIN, MN

Docket/Case #: 10057244

Judgment/Lien Outstanding? Yes

Broker Statement CURRENTLY MAKING PAYMENTS AS AGREED

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