

BrokerCheck Tool

<u>BrokerCheck</u> is a free tool to research the background and experience of financial brokers, advisers and firms.

https://brokercheck.finra.org/

Use BrokerCheck to:

- Help you make informed choices about brokers and brokerage firms-and provides easy access to investment adviser information.
- Find out if a person or firm is registered, as required by law, to sell securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds and more), offer investment advice or both.
- Get you a snapshot of a broker's employment history, regulatory actions, and investment-related licensing information, arbitrations and complaints.

Want more information?

- Browse the list of brokers barred by FINRA.
- Check out the new <u>SEC Action Lookup</u> tool for formal actions that the SEC has brought against individuals, including those who are not brokers.
- Go to your state securities regulator to do additional research on brokers and investment advisers.
- BrokerCheck does not have information regarding civil litigation not involving investments, civil protective orders, criminal matters unless they are felonies, or misdemeanors that are investment-related or involve theft or a "breach of trust." Consider doing an internet search to check for that type of information.

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