

**BrokerCheck Report**

**DALE EARL KRUEGER**

CRD# 1100066

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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)

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This broker is not currently registered.

## 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 not currently registered.**

#### This broker has passed:

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

### Registration History

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

**MOLONEY SECURITIES CO., INC.**

CRD# 38535  
MIDLAND, MI  
07/2011 - 12/2015

**HARRISON DOUGLAS, INC.**

CRD# 16515  
AURORA, CO  
03/2011 - 05/2011

**ALTERNATIVE WEALTH STRATEGIES, INC.**

CRD# 130933  
MIDLAND, MI  
03/2009 - 02/2011

### 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
Customer Dispute	8

## 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 broker is not currently registered.



## 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.

**This individual has passed 0 principal/supervisory exams, 1 general industry/product exam, and 2 state securities law exams.**

### Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
No information reported.		

### General Industry/Product Exams

Exam	Category	Date
General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	02/19/1983

### State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	03/15/1983
Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	12/08/1999

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/).



## Registration and Employment History

### Registration History

The broker previously was registered with the following firms:

Registration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
07/2011 - 12/2015	MOLONEY SECURITIES CO., INC.	38535	MIDLAND, MI
03/2011 - 05/2011	HARRISON DOUGLAS, INC.	16515	AURORA, CO
03/2009 - 02/2011	ALTERNATIVE WEALTH STRATEGIES, INC.	130933	MIDLAND, MI
12/2005 - 03/2009	BROAD STREET SECURITIES, INC.	36101	MIDLAND, MI
12/1991 - 12/2005	SIGMA FINANCIAL CORPORATION	14303	ANN ARBOR, MI
06/1991 - 04/1993	THE TRADING DESK, INC.	22908	
03/1983 - 06/1991	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	7691	NEW YORK, NY

### 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 Dates	Employer Name	Employer Location
03/1993 - Present	ASHFORD FINANCIAL	MIDLAND, MI
03/2011 - 05/2011	HARRISON DOUGLAS, INC.	AURORA, CO
03/2009 - 02/2011	ALTERNATIVE WEALTH STRATEGIES, INC	CHERRY HILL, NJ
11/2005 - 02/2009	BROAD STREET SECURITIES INC	BIRMINGHAM, MI

### 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.

COLLECTING AND DEALING IN GOETZ MEDALS, COLLECTIBLE GERMAN ART MEDALLIONS; NOT INVESTMENT-RELATED; 1-5 HOURS/WEEK, NON-BUSINESS HOURS;



## Registration and Employment History

### Other Business Activities, continued

ASHFORD BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, 2901 ROSS CT., MIDLAND, MI 48640; NOT INVESTMENT-RELATED; PART OWNER OF THE LLC; PROVIDE LEADS TO MULTIPLE, NON-FINANCIAL BUSINESS SERVICES; 1-5 HOURS PER WEEK DURING NON-BUSINESS HOURS;  
SOZO, AUSTIN, TEXAS-BASED NETWORK MARKETING PURVEYOR OF ENERGY AND NUTRITIONAL DRINKS; NOT INVESTMENT-RELATED; PRODUCTS ARE AVAILABLE AT HEALTH CLUB OF WHICH I AM PART-OWNER; LESS THAN 1 HOUR PER WORK DURING BUSINESS HOURS;  
SUENG NI FITCLUB, 4420 WILDER RD., BAY CITY, MI 48706, PART OWNER, HEALTH CLUB, NOT INVESTMENT-RELATED, <1 HOUR PER WEEK DURING NON-BUSINESS HOURS

Lusitania Movie, 210 A Division St Traverse City, MI 49684 investment related. funding for a screenplay, 1 hour per week during trading hours.

Jadek LLC 2901 Ross Ct Midland, MI 48640 non-investment related, commercial real estate, 1 hour per week during trading hours.

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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
Customer Dispute	0	8	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.

### Customer Dispute - Settled

This type of disclosure event involves a consumer-initiated, investment-related complaint, arbitration proceeding or civil suit containing allegations of sale practice violations against the broker that resulted in a monetary settlement to the customer.

#### Disclosure 1 of 7

<b>Reporting Source:</b>	Firm
<b>Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:</b>	SIGMA FINANCIAL CORPORATION
<b>Allegations:</b>	CLAIMANT ALLEGES THAT IN 2002, HE PURCHASED MULTIPLE INVESTMENTS THAT WERE MISREPRESENTED AND UNSUITABLE FOR HIS INVESTMENT STRATEGY. CLAIMANT FURTHER ALLEGES THAT THE BD FAILED TO CONDUCT A REASONABLE DUE DILIGENCE ON THESE INVESTMENTS PROGRAM.
<b>Product Type:</b>	Direct Investment-DPP & LP Interests Equity-OTC Oil & Gas Real Estate Security
<b>Alleged Damages:</b>	\$325,000.00
<b>Arbitration Information</b>	
<b>Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA, CFTC, etc.):</b>	FINRA
<b>Docket/Case #:</b>	12-00147
<b>Date Notice/Process Served:</b>	03/01/2012
<b>Arbitration Pending?</b>	No



**Disposition:** Settled  
**Disposition Date:** 01/17/2014  
**Monetary Compensation Amount:** \$60,000.00  
**Individual Contribution Amount:** \$10,000.00

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**Reporting Source:** Broker  
**Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:** SIGMA FINANCIAL CORP.

**Allegations:** CLAIMANT ALLEGES IN 2002, HE PURCHASED MULTIPLE INVESTMENTS THAT WERE MISREPRESENTED AND UNSUITABLE FOR HIS INVESTMENT STRATEGY. CLAIMANT ALSO ALLEGES THAT THE BD FAILED TO CONDUCT A REASONABLE DUE DILIGENCE ON THESE INVESTMENTS PROGRAMS.

**Product Type:** Direct Investment-DPP & LP Interests  
 Equity-OTC  
 Oil & Gas  
 Real Estate Security

**Alleged Damages:** \$325,000.00

### Arbitration Information

**Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA, CFTC, etc.):** FINRA

**Docket/Case #:** 12-00147  
**Date Notice/Process Served:** 03/01/2012  
**Arbitration Pending?** No  
**Disposition:** Settled  
**Disposition Date:** 01/17/2014  
**Monetary Compensation Amount:** \$60,000.00  
**Individual Contribution Amount:** \$10,000.00

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### Disclosure 2 of 7

<b>Reporting Source:</b>	Broker
<b>Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:</b>	BROAD STREET SECURITIES
<b>Allegations:</b>	DISPUTE REGARDING MARGIN INTEREST CHARGED TO ACCOUNT
<b>Product Type:</b>	Equity - OTC
<b>Alleged Damages:</b>	\$17,500.00

### Customer Complaint Information

<b>Date Complaint Received:</b>	03/08/2007
<b>Complaint Pending?</b>	No
<b>Status:</b>	Settled
<b>Status Date:</b>	07/27/2007
<b>Settlement Amount:</b>	\$17,500.00
<b>Individual Contribution Amount:</b>	\$17,500.00
<b>Broker Statement</b>	REP PAID \$8750.00 TO EACH TTEE

### Disclosure 3 of 7

<b>Reporting Source:</b>	Broker
<b>Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:</b>	SFC
<b>Allegations:</b>	BETWEEN DEC 99- OCT 01, CLAIMANT PURCHASED NUMEROUS INVESTMENTS FROM RR'S- LP'S, VARIABLE ANNUITIES & REITS. CLIENT ALLEGES RECOMMENDATION WERE UNSUITABLE AND MISREPRESENTATION OF INVESTMENTS.
<b>Product Type:</b>	Direct Investment(s) - DPP & LP Interest(s)
<b>Other Product Type(s):</b>	VARIABLE ANNUITIES & REITS
<b>Alleged Damages:</b>	\$1,000,000.00

### Customer Complaint Information

**Date Complaint Received:**



### Complaint Pending?

**Status:** Arbitration/Reparation

**Status Date:** 03/10/2004

**Settlement Amount:**

**Individual Contribution Amount:**

### Arbitration Information

**Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.:** NASD 04-00017

**Date Notice/Process Served:** 03/10/2004

**Arbitration Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Settled

**Disposition Date:** 07/19/2005

**Monetary Compensation Amount:** \$332,500.00

**Individual Contribution Amount:** \$200,000.00

**Broker Statement** MR. [CUSTOMER]SHALL ASSIGN TO MR. KRUEGER ANY AND ALL RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST IN ANY AND ALL RIDGEWOOD INVESTMENTS PURCHASED THROUGH RESPONDENTS.

### Disclosure 4 of 7

**Reporting Source:** Firm

**Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:**

**Allegations:** ALLEGED FRAUD AND BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY IN CONNECTION WITH THE PURCHASE OF FOUR LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS, AND CLAIMED AN UNSPECIFIED LOSS IN EXCESS OF \$100,000

**Product Type:**

**Alleged Damages:**



## Customer Complaint Information

### Date Complaint Received:

**Complaint Pending?** No

**Status:** Litigation

**Status Date:**

**Settlement Amount:**

**Individual Contribution Amount:**

## Civil Litigation Information

**Court Details:** 94-11985-CK

**Date Notice/Process Served:** 05/03/1994

**Litigation Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Settled

**Disposition Date:** 05/06/1996

**Monetary Compensation Amount:** \$60,000.00

**Individual Contribution Amount:**

**Firm Statement** PLAINTIFFS WERE PAID \$60,000 AND IN RETURN, TRANSFERRED TO MERRILL LYNCH LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS WITH A VALUE OF APPROXIMATELY \$50,000  
Not Provided

**Reporting Source:** Broker

**Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:**

**Allegations:** ALLEGED FRAUD AND BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY IN CONNECTION WITH THE PURCHASE OF FOUR LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS AND CLAIMED AN UNSPECIFIED LOSS IN EXCESS OF \$100,000.

**Product Type:**

**Alleged Damages:****Customer Complaint Information****Date Complaint Received:****Complaint Pending?** No**Status:** Litigation**Status Date:****Settlement Amount:****Individual Contribution Amount:****Civil Litigation Information****Court Details:** 94-11985-CK**Date Notice/Process Served:** 05/03/1994**Litigation Pending?** No**Disposition:** Settled**Disposition Date:** 05/06/1996**Monetary Compensation Amount:** \$60,000.00**Individual Contribution Amount:**

**Broker Statement** PLAINTIFFS WERE PAID \$60,000 AND IN RETURN TRANSFERRED TO MERRILL LYNCH LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS WITH A VALUE OF APPROXIMATELY \$50,000.  
Not Provided

**Disclosure 5 of 7****Reporting Source:** Firm**Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:** MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH, INC.**Allegations:** CUSTOMERS ALLEGE THAT MISREPRESENTATIONS WERE MADE TO THEM REGARDING THE FUTURE PERFORMANCE OF A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP INVESTMENT THEY MADE. DAMAGES UNSPECIFIED.**Product Type:**

**Alleged Damages:****Customer Complaint Information****Date Complaint Received:** 08/02/1993**Complaint Pending?** No**Status:** Settled**Status Date:****Settlement Amount:** \$18,000.00**Individual Contribution Amount:****Firm Statement**

SETTLED FOR \$18,000.00. WHILE MERRILL LYNCH DENIES ANY WRONGDOING ON THE PART OF MERRILL LYNCH OR ANY OF ITS EMPLOYEES, ETC., A BUSINESS DECISION WAS MADE TO SETTLE THIS MATTER IN ORDER TO AVOID THE COST OF LITIGATION OR ARBITRATION

THE INVESTMENT INVOLVED IS A LONG TERM ILLIQUID INVESTMENT WHOSE TERM IS NOT YET OVER AND WHOSE PERFORMANCE HAS BEEN AFFECTED BY CONDITIONS RELATED TO THE ECONOMIC RECESSION.

**Reporting Source:** Broker**Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:** MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH, INC.**Allegations:** \$10,000-CLIENT CLAIMED RETURN WAS MUCH LESS THAN WHAT THEY REMEMBERED BEING REPRESENTED.**Product Type:****Alleged Damages:****Customer Complaint Information****Date Complaint Received:** 08/02/1993**Complaint Pending?** No**Status:** Settled**Status Date:**





**Settlement Amount:** \$18,000.00

**Individual Contribution Amount:**

**Broker Statement**

PARTNERSHIP UNITS WERE BOUGHT BACK BY MERRILL LYNCH BASED UPON INFORMATION AND BELIEF THE PARTNERSHIP UNIT(S) WERE BOUGHT BACK. ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS I INFORMALLY REQUESTED THE SETTLEMENT INFORMATION I.E. HOW MUCH WAS PAID. I WAS DENIED THE INFORMATION. I HIRED COUNSEL TO OBTAIN THE SETTLEMENT INFORMATION. AFTER AT LEAST 3 FORMAL REQUESTS (INCLUDING A THREAT OF LITIGATION)MERRILL LYNCH THROUGH COUNSEL ON AT LEAST TWO OCCASIONS STATED THE INFORMATION WAS CONFIDENTIALAND IT WOULD NOT BE PROVIDE, AD THAT IT COULD BE OBTAINED FROM THE NASD. I DID NOT CONTRIBUTE ANY MONEY TO THE SETTLEMENT OF THE CLAIM. THE CONCLUSION DRAWN FROM THEFACT THAT MERRILL LYNCH DID NOT INFORM ME OF THE SETTLEMENT AND DID NOT ASK ME TO CONTRIBUTE THE SETTLEMENT IS THAT I HAD ABSOLUTELY NO LIABILITY FOR THE CLAIM. MERRILL LYNCH ACTED AS MY LAWYER AND H AD TO ACT IN MY BEST INTEREST AND THEREFORE I ASSUME MERRILL LYNCH STRUCTURED THE SETTLEMENT IN A MANNER NOT TO CREATE ANY INFERENCE OF WRONGDOING ON MY PART.

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**Reporting Source:** Regulator

**Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:** MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH, INC.

**Allegations:** CHURNING

**Product Type:**

**Alleged Damages:** \$100,001.00

#### Arbitration Information

**Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.:** UNKNOWN - CASE #94-00629

**Date Notice/Process Served:** 04/01/1992



**Arbitration Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Settled

**Disposition Date:** 02/24/1995

**Disposition Detail:** CASE CLOSED,SETTLED/OTHER  
ACTUAL/COMPENSATORY DAMAGES, RELIEF  
REQUEST IS WITHDRAWN/SETTLED/ETC, AWARD AMOUNT JOINTLY AND  
SEVERALLY; OTHER MONETARY RELIEF, RELIEF REQUEST IS  
WITHDRAWN/SETTLED/ETC, AWARD AMOUNT JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY

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**Reporting Source:** Firm

**Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:** MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH, INC.

**Allegations:** BREACH CONTRACT AND NEGLIGENCE CLAIMS ARE  
ASSERTED IN CONNECTION WITH ALLEGATIONS OF THE PURCHASE OF  
UNSUITABLE INVESTMENTS. CUSTOMER SOUGHT OVER \$185,000 IN  
DAMAGES

**Product Type:**

**Alleged Damages:** \$100,001.00

**Customer Complaint Information**

**Date Complaint Received:**

**Complaint Pending?** No

**Status:** Arbitration/Reparation  
Litigation

**Status Date:**

**Settlement Amount:**

**Individual Contribution  
Amount:**

**Arbitration Information**

**Arbitration/Reparation Claim  
filed with and Docket/Case  
No.:** National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.; 94-00629

**Date Notice/Process Served:** 04/01/1992



**Arbitration Pending?** No  
**Disposition:** Settled  
**Disposition Date:** 02/24/1995  
**Monetary Compensation Amount:** \$140,000.00  
**Individual Contribution Amount:**

### Civil Litigation Information

**Court Details:** CIRCUIT; 92-011829-NZ  
**Date Notice/Process Served:** 07/01/1992  
**Litigation Pending?** No  
**Disposition:** Dismissed  
**Disposition Date:** 01/05/1993

**Firm Statement** CASE SETTLED FOR \$140,000 IN EXCHANGE FOR THE RETURN OF THE PARTNERSHIPS UNITS WHICH HAVE SUBSTANTIAL VALUE. CASE SETTLED TO AVOID THE EXPENSES AND UNCERTAINTIES OF A LENGTHY ARBITRATION.

**Reporting Source:** Broker  
**Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:** MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH, INC.

**Allegations:** BREACH OF CONTRACT & NEGLIGENCE CLAIMS ARE ASSERTED IN CONNECTION WITH ALLEGATIONS OF THE PURCHASE OF UNSUITABLE INVESTMENTS. CUSTOMER SOUGHT OVER \$185,000 IN DAMAGES

**Product Type:**  
**Alleged Damages:** \$100,001.00

### Customer Complaint Information

**Date Complaint Received:**  
**Complaint Pending?** No  
**Status:** Arbitration/Reparation  
 Litigation



**Status Date:**

**Settlement Amount:**

**Individual Contribution Amount:**

### Arbitration Information

**Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.:** National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.; 94-00629

**Date Notice/Process Served:** 04/01/1992

**Arbitration Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Settled

**Disposition Date:** 02/24/1995

**Monetary Compensation Amount:** \$140,000.00

**Individual Contribution Amount:**

### Civil Litigation Information

**Court Details:** CIRCUIT; 92-011829-NZ

**Date Notice/Process Served:** 07/01/1992

**Litigation Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Dismissed

**Disposition Date:** 01/05/1993

**Broker Statement** CASE SETTLED FOR \$140,000 IN EXCHANGE FOR THE RETURN OF THE PARTNERSHIP UNITS WHICH WERE SUBSTANTIAL. CASE SETTLED TO AVOID THE EXPENSES AND UNCERTAINTIES OF A LENGHTY ARBITRATION

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**Reporting Source:** Broker

**Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:** MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH, INC.



**Allegations:** UNSUITABILITY OF INVESTMENTS BETWEEN 1985-1989. CUSTOMER SOUGHT \$120,198.24 THE REPURCHASE OF LP UNITS FOR \$18,160 AND EXPENSES.

**Product Type:**

**Alleged Damages:** \$120,198.24

**Customer Complaint Information**

**Date Complaint Received:** 08/24/1989

**Complaint Pending?** No

**Status:** Settled

**Status Date:**

**Settlement Amount:** \$89,752.81

**Individual Contribution Amount:** \$0.00

**Broker Statement** CLAIM SETTLED FOR \$89,752.81 PLUS AN AGREEMENT TO SELL THE LP UNITED IN 1/91 NEXT TRADING DATED FOR \$18,160 OR TENDER AN ADDITIONAL \$10,000.  
Not Provided



## Customer Dispute - Closed-No Action / Withdrawn / Dismissed / Denied

This type of disclosure event involves (1) a consumer-initiated, investment-related arbitration or civil suit containing allegations of sales practice violations against the individual broker that was dismissed, withdrawn, or denied; or (2) a consumer-initiated, investment-related written complaint containing allegations that the broker engaged in sales practice violations resulting in compensatory damages of at least \$5,000, forgery, theft, or misappropriation, or conversion of funds or securities, which was closed without action, withdrawn, or denied.

### Disclosure 1 of 1

<b>Reporting Source:</b>	Firm
<b>Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:</b>	SIGMA FINANCIAL CORPORATION
<b>Allegations:</b>	CLIENT BOUGHT LIMITED PARTNERSHIP CERTS IN 10/2000. ISSUING COMPANY LATER FAILED AND DISTRIBUTIONS STOPPED. CLIENT ALLEGES INVESTMENT WAS UNSUITABLE AND MISREPRESENTED.
<b>Product Type:</b>	Direct Investment-DPP & LP Interests
<b>Alleged Damages:</b>	\$30,000.00
<b>Is this an oral complaint?</b>	No
<b>Is this a written complaint?</b>	Yes
<b>Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?</b>	No

### Customer Complaint Information

<b>Date Complaint Received:</b>	02/13/2004
<b>Complaint Pending?</b>	No
<b>Status:</b>	Closed/No Action
<b>Status Date:</b>	11/04/2010
<b>Settlement Amount:</b>	
<b>Individual Contribution Amount:</b>	

<b>Reporting Source:</b>	Broker
<b>Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:</b>	SIGMA FINANCIAL CORPORATION



**Allegations:** CLIENT BOUGHT LIMITED PARTNERSHIP CERTS IN 10/2000. ISSUING COMPANY LATER FAILED AND DISTRIBUTIONS STOPPED. CLIENT ALLEGES INVESTMENT WAS UNSUITABLE AND MISREPRESENTED.

**Product Type:** Direct Investment(s) - DPP & LP Interest(s)

**Alleged Damages:** \$30,000.00

**Customer Complaint Information**

**Date Complaint Received:** 02/13/2004

**Complaint Pending?** Yes

**Settlement Amount:**

**Individual Contribution Amount:**

## End of Report



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