

BrokerCheck Report

GEORGE HODGES JAMES

CRD# 2668465

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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. 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)



GEORGE H. JAMES

CRD# 2668465

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

B **EQUITABLE ADVISORS, LLC**
6720 N. SCOTTSDALE RD
SUITE 390
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85253
CRD# 6627
Registered with this firm since: 10/30/1995

IA **EQUITABLE ADVISORS, LLC**
6720 N. SCOTTSDALE RD
SUITE 390
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85253
CRD# 6627
Registered with this firm since: 10/11/2004

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
- 18 U.S. states and territories

This broker has passed:

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

Registration History

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

B **THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES**
CRD# 4039
NEW YORK, NY
10/1995 - 01/2000

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	1
Financial	2



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

Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: **EQUITABLE ADVISORS, LLC**
 Main Office Address: **1290 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS
 NEW YORK, NY 10104**
 Firm CRD#: **6627**

SRO	Category	Status	Date
B FINRA	Invest. Co and Variable Contracts	APPROVED	10/30/1995
B FINRA	General Securities Representative	APPROVED	08/24/1999
B FINRA	General Securities Principal	APPROVED	04/26/2006

U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B Arizona	Agent	APPROVED	11/03/1995
IA Arizona	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	03/03/2005
B California	Agent	APPROVED	09/23/2004
IA California	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	10/20/2014
B Colorado	Agent	APPROVED	06/27/2005
IA Colorado	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	05/03/2010
B Florida	Agent	APPROVED	06/05/2019
IA Florida	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	06/13/2019
B Illinois	Agent	APPROVED	01/12/1996
IA Illinois	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	05/08/2014



Broker Qualifications

Employment 1 of 1, continued

U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B Indiana	Agent	APPROVED	08/17/2009
IA Indiana	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	08/21/2009
B Kentucky	Agent	APPROVED	05/22/2020
IA Kentucky	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	05/28/2020
B Montana	Agent	APPROVED	06/22/2021
IA Montana	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	07/02/2021
B Nevada	Agent	APPROVED	05/31/2001
IA Nevada	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	02/29/2012
B New Jersey	Agent	APPROVED	09/25/2020
IA New Jersey	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	10/16/2020
B New Mexico	Agent	APPROVED	08/12/2008
B North Carolina	Agent	APPROVED	09/08/2011
IA North Carolina	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	09/27/2017
B Ohio	Agent	APPROVED	03/25/2008
IA Ohio	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	06/03/2021
B Oklahoma	Agent	APPROVED	01/16/2020
IA Oklahoma	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	01/27/2020
B Oregon	Agent	APPROVED	03/07/2016
B Tennessee	Agent	APPROVED	01/14/2022
B Texas	Agent	APPROVED	04/26/2017
IA Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	05/12/2017



Broker Qualifications

Employment 1 of 1, continued

U.S. State/ Territory	Category	Status	Date
B Wisconsin	Agent	APPROVED	05/31/2019
IA Wisconsin	Investment Adviser Representative	APPROVED	06/10/2019

Branch Office Locations

EQUITABLE ADVISORS, LLC
6720 N. SCOTTSDALE RD
SUITE 390
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85253



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 1 principal/supervisory exam, 3 general industry/product exams, and 2 state securities law exams.

Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B General Securities Principal Examination	Series 24	04/25/2006

General Industry/Product Exams

Exam	Category	Date
B Securities Industry Essentials Examination	SIE	10/01/2018
B General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	08/23/1999
B Investment Company Products/Variable Contracts Representative Examination	Series 6	10/27/1995

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
IA Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination	Series 65	09/10/1999
B Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	11/02/1995

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
B 10/1995 - 01/2000	THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES	4039	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	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	Employer Location
09/1999 - Present	EQUITABLE ADVISORS, LLC	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Y	NEW YORK, NY, United States
09/1999 - 06/2020	AXA ADVISORS, LLC	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Y	NEW YORK, NY, 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) VARIOUS INSURANCE & HEALTH COMPANIES; 2) EVERY KID COUNTS, CHILDREN'S CHARITY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, IN AZ SINCE 12/2009; 3) SCOTTSDALE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION, NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, PARTICIPANT SINCE 05/2012; 4) DBA SOUTHWEST WEALTH STRATEGIES, LLC; 5) MUTUAL OF OMAHA, LONG-TERM CARE APPOINTMENT SINCE 1/2020.



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	1	0	N/A
Financial	0	2	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 - Pending

This type of disclosure event involves (1) a pending consumer-initiated, investment-related arbitration or civil suit that contains allegations of sales practice violations against the broker; or (2) a pending, 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.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source:	Broker
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	EQUITABLE ADVISORS, LLC
Allegations:	Client alleges RR sold them an unsuitable investment in 2019.
Product Type:	Other: Structured Product
Alleged Damages:	\$0.00
Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not exact):	The client did not specify an amount.
Is this an oral complaint?	No
Is this a written complaint?	Yes
Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?	No

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:	03/18/2022
Complaint Pending?	Yes
Settlement Amount:	



**Individual Contribution
Amount:**



Financial - Final

This type of disclosure event involves a bankruptcy, compromise with one or more creditors, or Securities Investor Protection Corporation liquidation involving the broker or an organization/brokerage firm the broker controlled that occurred within the last 10 years.

Disclosure 1 of 2

Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 10/25/2012

Organization Investment-Related?

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 10/25/2012

If a compromise with creditor, provide:

Name of Creditor: JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.

Original Amount Owed: \$341,000.00

Terms Reached with Creditor: SETTLED FOR LESS THAN FULL AMOUNT OWED, PAYOFF OF FIRST MORTGAGE LOAN TO CHASE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$239388.19.

Amount Paid:

SIPA (Securities Investor Protection Act)Trustee:

Currently Open? No

Date Direct Payment Initiated/Filed or Trustee Appointed:

Disclosure 2 of 2

Reporting Source: Broker

Action Type: Compromise

Action Date: 10/25/2012



Organization Investment-Related?

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Satisfied/Released

Disposition Date: 10/26/2012

If a compromise with creditor, provide:

Name of Creditor: MUTUAL OF OMAHA BANK

Original Amount Owed: \$35,000.00

Terms Reached with Creditor: SETTLED FOR LESS THAN FULL AMOUNT OWED, PAYOFF OF SECOND MORTGAGE LOAN TO MUTUAL OF OMAHA BANK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5000.00.

Amount Paid:

SIPA (Securities Investor Protection Act)Trustee:

Currently Open? No

Date Direct Payment Initiated/Filed or Trustee Appointed:

End of Report



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