



IAPD Report

BRUCE MARTIN TANIS

CRD# 1180348

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IAPD Information About Representatives

IAPD offers information on all current-and many former representatives. Investors are strongly encouraged to use IAPD to check the background of representatives before deciding to conduct, or continue to conduct, business with them.

What is included in a IAPD report?

IAPD reports for individual representatives include information such as employment history, professional qualifications, disciplinary actions, criminal convictions, civil judgments and arbitration awards.

It is important to note that the information contained in an IAPD 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 representative, or concluded through a negotiated settlement with no admission or finding of wrongdoing.

Where did this information come from?

The information contained in IAPD comes from the Investment Adviser Registration Depository (IARD) and FINRA's Central Registration Depository, or CRD, (see more on CRD below) and is a combination of:

- information the states require representatives and firms to submit as part of the registration and licensing process, and
- information that state regulators report regarding disciplinary actions or allegations against representatives.

How current is this information?

Generally, representatives are required to update their professional and disciplinary information in IARD within 30 days.

Need help interpreting this report?

For help understanding how to read this report, please consult NASAA's IAPD Tips page <http://www.nasaa.org/IAPD/IARReports.cfm>

What if I want to check the background of an Individual Broker or Brokerage Firm?

To check the background of an Individual Broker or Brokerage firm, you can search for the firm or individual in IAPD. If your search is successful, click on the link provided to view the available licensing and registration information in FINRA's BrokerCheck website.

Are there other resources I can use to check the background of investment professionals?

It is recommended that you learn as much as possible about an individual representative or Investment Adviser firm before deciding to work with them. Your state securities regulator can help you research individuals and certain firms doing business in your state. The contact information for state securities regulators can be found on the website of the North American Securities Administrators Association <http://www.nasaa.org>



Report Summary

BRUCE MARTIN TANIS (CRD# 1180348)

The report summary provides an overview of the representative's professional background and conduct. The information contained in this report has been provided by the representative, investment adviser and/or securities firms, and/or securities regulators as part of the states' investment adviser registration and licensing process. The information contained in this report was last updated by the representative, a previous employing firm, or a securities regulator on **11/20/2025**.

CURRENT EMPLOYERS

	Firm	CRD#	Registered Since
B	MORGAN STANLEY	CRD# 149777	06/01/2009
IA	MORGAN STANLEY	CRD# 149777	05/18/2020

QUALIFICATIONS

This representative is currently registered in **4** SRO(s) and **32** jurisdiction(s).

Is this representative currently Inactive or Suspended with any regulator? **No**

Note: Not all jurisdictions require IAR registration or may have an exemption from registration.

Additional information including this individual's qualification examinations and professional designations is available in the Detailed Report.

REGISTRATION HISTORY

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

	FIRM	CRD#	LOCATION	REGISTRATION DATES
B	CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.	7059	NEW YORK, NY	01/16/2007 - 06/01/2009
IA	FAHNESTOCK ASSET MANAGEMENT	249	NEW YORK, NY	10/11/2005 - 01/16/2007
B	OPPENHEIMER & CO. INC.	249	NEW YORK, NY	01/03/2003 - 01/16/2007

For additional registration and employment history details as reported by the individual, refer to the Registration and Employment History section of the Detailed Report.

DISCLOSURE INFORMATION

Disclosure events include certain criminal charges and convictions, formal investigations and disciplinary actions initiated by regulators, customer disputes and arbitrations, and financial disclosures such as bankruptcies and unpaid judgments or liens.

Are there events disclosed about this representative? **Yes**

The following types of events are disclosed about this representative:

Type	Count
Customer Dispute	2
Termination	1



Qualifications

REGISTRATIONS

This section provides the SRO, states and U.S. territories in which the representative is currently registered and licensed, the category of each registration, and the date on which the registration becomes effective. This section also provides, for each firm with which the representative is currently employed, the address of each location where the representative works. This individual is currently registered with **32** jurisdiction(s) and 4 SRO(s) through his or her employer(s).

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Firm Name: **MORGAN STANLEY**
Main Address: 2000 WESTCHESTER AVENUE
PURCHASE, NY 10577-2530
Firm ID#: 149777

	Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	06/01/2009
B	NYSE American LLC	General Securities Representative	Approved	06/17/2011
B	Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Representative	Approved	06/01/2009
B	New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Representative	Approved	06/01/2009
B	Alabama	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B	Arizona	Agent	Approved	06/07/2024
B	California	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B	Colorado	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B	Connecticut	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B	Delaware	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B	District of Columbia	Agent	Approved	02/11/2022
B	Florida	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
IA	Florida	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	02/23/2024



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	Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
B	Georgia	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B	Hawaii	Agent	Approved	01/10/2011
B	Illinois	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B	Indiana	Agent	Approved	01/21/2016
B	Louisiana	Agent	Approved	06/30/2020
B	Maine	Agent	Approved	01/16/2025
B	Maryland	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B	Massachusetts	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B	Michigan	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B	Minnesota	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B	New Jersey	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
IA	New Jersey	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	01/22/2024
B	New Mexico	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B	New York	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
IA	New York	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	06/16/2021
B	North Carolina	Agent	Approved	12/14/2011
B	Ohio	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B	Oregon	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B	Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009



Qualifications

Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
B Puerto Rico	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B South Carolina	Agent	Approved	03/06/2014
B Tennessee	Agent	Approved	06/06/2017
B Texas	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
IA Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Restricted Approval	05/18/2020
B Virginia	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B Washington	Agent	Approved	06/01/2009
B Wisconsin	Agent	Approved	06/07/2017

Branch Office Locations

MORGAN STANLEY
777 South Flagler Drive
Suite 700E
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

MORGAN STANLEY
55 East 52nd Street
7th Floor
New York, NY 10055





Qualifications

PASSED INDUSTRY EXAMS



This section includes all industry exams that the representative has passed. Under limited circumstances, a representative may attain registration after receiving an exam waiver based on a combination of exams the representative has passed and qualifying work experience. Likewise a new exam requirement may be grandfathered based on a representative's specific qualifying work experience. Exam waivers and grandfathering are not included below.

This individual has passed 2 principal/supervisory exams, 2 general industry/product exams, and 3 state securities law exams.





Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
 General Securities Principal Examination (S24)	Series 24	01/13/1995
 General Securities Sales Supervisor Examination (Options Module & General Module) (S8)	Series 8	11/12/1994

General Industry/Product Exams

Exam	Category	Date
 Securities Industry Essentials Examination (SIE)	SIE	10/01/2018
 General Securities Representative Examination (S7)	Series 7	09/17/1983

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
  Uniform Combined State Law Examination (S66)	Series 66	02/15/2024
 Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination (S65)	Series 65	09/21/2005
 Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination (S63)	Series 63	11/19/1986

PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS

This section details that the representative has reported **0** professional designation(s).

No information reported.



Registration & Employment History

PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED WITH THE FOLLOWING FIRMS

This representative held registrations with the following firms:

	Registration Dates	Firm Name	ID#	Branch Location
B	01/16/2007 - 06/01/2009	CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.	CRD# 7059	NEW YORK, NY
IA	10/11/2005 - 01/16/2007	FAHNESTOCK ASSET MANAGEMENT	CRD# 249	NEW YORK, NY
B	01/03/2003 - 01/16/2007	OPPENHEIMER & CO. INC.	CRD# 249	NEW YORK, NY
B	02/26/1998 - 01/03/2003	CIBC WORLD MARKETS CORP.	CRD# 630	NEW YORK, NY
B	01/31/1992 - 03/09/1998	OLDE DISCOUNT CORPORATION	CRD# 5979	DETROIT, MI
B	09/24/1990 - 04/29/1991	HYM FINANCIAL, INC.	CRD# 16983	CLIFTON, NJ
B	06/06/1990 - 10/17/1990	VANTAGE FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	CRD# 19611	
B	05/19/1988 - 04/30/1990	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	CRD# 7691	NEW YORK, NY
B	08/19/1985 - 05/28/1988	PAINWEBBER INCORPORATED	CRD# 8174	
B	01/21/1985 - 08/07/1985	DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS INC.	CRD# 7556	
B	09/21/1983 - 09/25/1984	GIBRALTAR SECURITIES CO.	CRD# 7093	

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Below is the representative's employment history for up to the last 10 years.

Employment Dates	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	Employer Location
02/2024 - Present	MORGAN STANLEY SMITH BARNEY LLC	FINANCIAL ADVISOR	Y	WEST PALM BEACH, FL, United States
01/2015 - Present	MORGAN STANLEY PRIVATE BANK, N.A.	FINANCIAL ADVISOR	Y	NEW YORK, NY, United States
06/2009 - Present	MORGAN STANLEY SMITH BARNEY LLC	FINANCIAL ADVISOR	Y	NEW YORK, NY, United States



Registration & Employment History



OTHER BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

This section includes information, if any, as provided by the representative regarding other business activities the representative 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.

No information reported.



Disclosure Summary

Disclosure Information

What you should know about reported disclosure events:

(1) Certain thresholds must be met before an event is reported to IARD, for example:

- A law enforcement agency must file formal charges before an Investment Adviser Representative is required to report a particular criminal event.;
- A customer dispute must involve allegations that an Investment Adviser Representative engaged in activity that violates certain rules or conduct governing the industry and that the activity resulted in damages of at least \$5,000.

(2) Disclosure events in IAPD reports come from different sources:

As mentioned in the "About IAPD" section on page 1 of this report, information contained in IAPD comes from Investment Adviser Representatives, 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 IAPD report. The different versions will be separated by a solid line with the reporting source labeled.

(3) There are different statuses and dispositions for disclosure events:

- A disclosure event may have a status of *pending*, *on appeal*, or *final*.
 - A "pending" disclosure event involves allegations that have not been proven or formally adjudicated.
 - A disclosure event that is "on appeal" involves allegations that have been adjudicated but are currently being appealed.
 - A "final" disclosure event has been concluded and its resolution is not subject to change.
- A final disclosure 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 represents a disposition wherein the parties involved in a dispute reach an agreement to resolve the matter. Please note that Investment Adviser Representatives and firms may choose to settle customer disputes or regulatory matters for business or other reasons.
 - A "resolved" matter usually includes a disposition wherein no payment is made to the customer or there is no finding of wrongdoing on the part of the Investment Adviser Representative. Such matters generally involve customer disputes.

(4) You may wish to contact the Investment Adviser Representatives to obtain further information regarding any of the disclosure events contained in this IAPD report.



DISCLOSURE EVENT DETAILS

When evaluating this information, please keep in mind that some items may involve pending actions or allegations that may be contested and have not been resolved or proven. The event may, in the end, be withdrawn, dismissed, resolved in favor of the Investment Adviser Representative, or concluded through a negotiated settlement with no admission or finding of wrongdoing.

This report provides the information exactly as it was reported to the Investment Adviser Registration Depository. Some of the specific data fields contained in the report may be blank if the information was not provided.

The following types of events are disclosed about this representative:

Type	Count
Customer Dispute	2
Termination	1

Customer Dispute

This section provides information regarding a customer dispute that was reported to the Investment Adviser Registration Depository (IARD) by the Investment Adviser Representative (IAR), an investment adviser and/or securities firm, and/or a securities regulator. The event may include a consumer-initiated, investment-related complaint, arbitration proceeding or civil suit that contains allegations of sales practice violations against the individual.

The customer dispute may be pending or may have resulted in a civil judgment, arbitration award, monetary settlement, closure without action, withdrawal, dismissal, denial, or other outcome.

Disclosure 1 of 2

Reporting Source: Firm

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: CIBC WORLD MARKETS CORP.

Allegations: THE CUSTOMER COMPLAINT ALLEGES THAT MR. TANIS MADE UNAUTHORIZED TRADES AND FAILED TO FOLLOW HER INSTRUCTIONS. CLAIMANT SEEKS DAMAGES IN EXCESS OF \$50,000.

Product Type: Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Alleged Damages: \$50,000.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 07/12/2002

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

Status Date: 06/19/2003

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Reporting Source: Individual



Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: CIBC WORLD MARKETS INC.

Allegations: THE CUSTOMER COMPLAINT ALLEGES THAT MR. TANIS MADE UNAUTHORIZED TRADES AND FAILED TO FOLLOW HER INSTRUCTIONS. CLAIMANT SEEKS DAMAGES IN EXCESS OF \$50,000.

Product Type: Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Alleged Damages: \$50,000.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 07/12/2002

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

Status Date: 06/19/2003

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Disclosure 2 of 2

Reporting Source: Regulator

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: OLDE DISCOUNT CORPORATION

Allegations: CLAIMANTS, PUBLIC CUSTOMERS, ALLEGE FRAUD, NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY, BREACH OF CONTRACT, UNAUTHORIZED TRADING, MISREPRESENTATION, UNSUITABILITY, CHURNING, FAILURE TO SUPERVISE, FAILURE TO DISCLOSE MATERIAL INFORMATION, VIOLATIONS OF FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS AND VIOLATION OF NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE RULES AND REGULATIONS AGAINST RESPONDENTS, A MEMBER FIRM AND REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE. CLAIMANTS SEEK DAMAGES, PUNITIVE DAMAGES AND ATTORNEY'S FEES.

Product Type:

Alleged Damages: \$25,000.00

Arbitration Information

Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.: [NYSE - CASE #1993-003628](#)

Date Notice/Process Served: 12/16/1993

Arbitration Pending? No

Disposition: Other

Disposition Date: 09/12/1994

Disposition Detail: AWARD AGAINST PARTY
THE UNDERSIGNED ARBITRATORS HAVE DECIDED AND DETERMINED IN FULL AND FINAL SETTLEMENT OF ALL CLAIMS BETWEEN THE PARTIES THAT: RESPONDENTS OLDE DISCOUNT CORP. AN BRUCE TANIS ARE JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY LIABLE TO CLAIMANT



EDWARD BURGER AND GUADELUPE CHAVEZ FOR THE SUM OF \$9,500.00. EACH PARTY SHALL BEAR ITS OWN COSTS AND ATTORNEY'S FEES. THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE FORUM FEES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500.00, INCLUDING THREE HEARING SESSIONS AND ONE PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE, ARE ASSESSED AGAINST RESPONDENT OLDE DISCOUNT CORP

Reporting Source: Individual

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: OLDE DISCOUNT CORPORATION

Allegations: CLAIMANTS ALLEGE FRAUD, UNSUITABILITY, BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY AND CHURNING. CLAIMANTS ALLEGED DAMAGES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,000.00 PLUS INTEREST, COST AND ATTORNEYS FEES.

Product Type:

Alleged Damages: \$25,000.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Arbitration/Reparation

Status Date:

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Arbitration Information

Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.: [New York Stock Exchange; 1993-003628](#)

Date Notice/Process Served: 12/16/1993

Arbitration Pending? No

Disposition: Award to Customer

Disposition Date: 09/12/1994

Monetary Compensation Amount: \$9,500.00

Individual Contribution Amount:

Broker Statement

THIS RESULTED IN AN AWARD TO CLAIMANTS OF 9,500.00. CLAIMANTS ENTERED ALL ORDER ON AN UNSOLICITED BASIS AND FAILED TO ACCEPTS ANY ADVICE FROM ME. WHEN THEIR INVESTMENT STRATEGY FAILED, THEY DECIDED TO TRY ARBITRATION AS A FORM OF INVESTMENT INSURANCE. THE ARBITRATION PANEL WAS COMPLETELY BIASED TOWARD THE CLAIMANTS AND SEEMED TO HAVE POOR



UNDERSTANDING OF THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN SOLICITED AND UNSOLICITED ORDERS. DECISIONS IN ARBITRATION CASES CANNOT BE APPEALED AND NEED NOT BE BASED UPON THE EVIDENCE PRESENTED-- IN A COURT OF LAW, NO SUCH VERDICT WOULD HAVE BEEN RENDERED IN MY OPINION. IT SHOULD ALSO BE NOTED THAT ONONE OF THE CLAIMANT'S ALLEGATIONS WERE UPHELD BY THE PANEL, THEY MERELY AWARDED CLAIMANTS AN ARBITRARY SUM.



Termination

This disclosure event involves a situation where the Investment Adviser Representative voluntarily resigned, was discharged or was permitted to resign after allegations were made that accused the Investment Adviser Representative of violating investment-related statutes, regulations, rules or industry standards of conduct; fraud or the wrongful taking of property; or failure to supervise in connection with investment-related statutes, regulations, rules or industry standards of conduct.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source: Individual
Firm Name: PAINE WEBBER
Termination Type: Permitted to Resign
Termination Date: 05/13/1988
Allegations: Not Provided
Not Provided

Product Type:

Other Product Types:

Broker Statement

Not Provided
PAINE WEBBER IS CLAIMING THAT I WAS PERMITTED TO RESIGN WITH CAUSE, WHEN IN FACT I RESIGNED VOLUNTARILY OVER A DISPUTE WITH MY MANAGER. SINCE MY RESIGNATION WAS VOLUNTARY, I CANNOT ANSWER "YES" TO ITEM 22N1 ON FORM U4. ON 10-31-88, I SUBMITTED A TWO-PAGE EXPLANATION OF THIS TO MR. EDWARD M. HEWITT, DIRECTOR OF ENFORCEMENT, NYSE. I HAVE ATTACHED A COPY FOR YOUR PERUSAL. THE SO-CALLED "TRADE IN QUESTION" WHICH PAINE WEBBER APPARENTLY HAS NOW DEEMED INAPPROPRIATE REFERS TO THE PURCHASE OF A BOND MUTUAL FUND IN MY FATHER'S IRA. NOT ONLY WAS THE PURCHASE SUITABLE, BUT SUFFICIENT FUNDS WERE AVAILABLE.



End of Report

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