



IAPD Report

RICHARD C WILT III

CRD# 1849007

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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

RICHARD C WILT III (CRD# 1849007)

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 **06/10/2024**.

CURRENT EMPLOYERS

	Firm	CRD#	Registered Since
B	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	CRD# 7691	06/18/2007
IA	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	CRD# 7691	06/19/2007

QUALIFICATIONS

This representative is currently registered in **6** SRO(s) and **53** 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
IA	CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.	7059	MANALAPAN, FL	04/24/2001 - 07/06/2007
B	CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.	7059	MANALAPAN, FL	04/23/2001 - 07/06/2007
B	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	7691	NEW YORK, NY	08/07/1996 - 04/25/2001

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	6



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 **53** jurisdiction(s) and 6 SRO(s) through his or her employer(s).

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Firm Name: **MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED**
Main Address: ONE BRYANT PARK
NEW YORK, NY 10036
Firm ID#: 7691

Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
B Cboe BYX Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	05/06/2014
B Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	05/06/2014
B Cboe Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Representative	Approved	06/18/2007
B Cboe Exchange, Inc.	General Securities Sales Supervisor	Approved	08/16/2014
B FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	06/18/2007
B FINRA	General Securities Sales Supervisor	Approved	08/16/2014
B Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Representative	Approved	06/18/2007
B Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Sales Supervisor	Approved	08/16/2014
B New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Representative	Approved	06/19/2007
B New York Stock Exchange	General Securities Sales Supervisor	Approved	10/01/2018
B Alabama	Agent	Approved	01/27/2015
B Alaska	Agent	Approved	01/20/2015
B Arizona	Agent	Approved	05/13/2011



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Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
B Arkansas	Agent	Approved	01/20/2015
B California	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007
B Colorado	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007
B Connecticut	Agent	Approved	07/12/2007
B Delaware	Agent	Approved	01/28/2015
B District of Columbia	Agent	Approved	03/02/2010
B Florida	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007
IA Florida	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	06/19/2007
B Georgia	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007
B Hawaii	Agent	Approved	03/13/2015
B Idaho	Agent	Approved	01/20/2015
B Illinois	Agent	Approved	01/20/2015
B Indiana	Agent	Approved	01/23/2015
B Iowa	Agent	Approved	01/21/2015
B Kansas	Agent	Approved	01/28/2015
B Kentucky	Agent	Approved	01/28/2015
B Louisiana	Agent	Approved	01/21/2015
B Maine	Agent	Approved	02/17/2010
B Maryland	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007



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Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
B Massachusetts	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007
B Michigan	Agent	Approved	11/12/2008
B Minnesota	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007
B Mississippi	Agent	Approved	04/16/2013
B Missouri	Agent	Approved	01/23/2015
B Montana	Agent	Approved	01/20/2015
B Nebraska	Agent	Approved	01/21/2015
B Nevada	Agent	Approved	01/26/2015
B New Hampshire	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007
B New Jersey	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007
B New Mexico	Agent	Approved	03/05/2013
B New York	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007
B North Carolina	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007
B North Dakota	Agent	Approved	01/22/2015
B Ohio	Agent	Approved	11/01/2007
B Oklahoma	Agent	Approved	01/23/2015
B Oregon	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007
B Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007
B Puerto Rico	Agent	Approved	01/30/2015



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Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
B Rhode Island	Agent	Approved	05/14/2013
B South Carolina	Agent	Approved	04/12/2013
B South Dakota	Agent	Approved	01/21/2015
B Tennessee	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007
B Texas	Agent	Approved	01/20/2015
IA Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Restricted Approval	07/03/2007
B Utah	Agent	Approved	01/20/2015
B Vermont	Agent	Approved	02/24/2010
B Virgin Islands	Agent	Approved	02/03/2015
B Virginia	Agent	Approved	06/18/2007
B Washington	Agent	Approved	01/28/2015
B West Virginia	Agent	Approved	01/27/2015
B Wisconsin	Agent	Approved	01/20/2015
B Wyoming	Agent	Approved	01/20/2015

Branch Office Locations

**MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH
INCORPORATED**
249 ROYAL PALM WAY
PALM BEACH, FL 33480





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, 3 general industry/product exams, and 2 state securities law exams.



Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
 General Securities Sales Supervisor - General Module Examination (S10)	Series 10	08/16/2014
 General Securities Sales Supervisor - Options Module Examination (S9)	Series 9	06/21/2014

General Industry/Product Exams

Exam	Category	Date
 Securities Industry Essentials Examination (SIE)	SIE	10/01/2018
 National Commodity Futures Examination (S3)	Series 3	09/30/2014
 General Securities Representative Examination (S7)	Series 7	08/06/1996

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
 Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination (S65)	Series 65	09/06/1996
 Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination (S63)	Series 63	08/23/1996

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
IA	04/24/2001 - 07/06/2007	CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.	CRD# 7059	MANALAPAN, FL
B	04/23/2001 - 07/06/2007	CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.	CRD# 7059	MANALAPAN, FL
B	08/07/1996 - 04/25/2001	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	CRD# 7691	NEW YORK, NY

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
12/2009 - Present	BANK OF AMERICA, NA	FINANCIAL ADVISOR	Y	WEST PALM BEACH, FL, United States
06/2007 - Present	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	FINANCIAL ADVISOR	Y	WEST PALM BEACH, FL, United States

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.

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Entity Charitable

Name of OBA: Atlantic High School-Academy of Finance-Advisory Committee

Address: Delray Beach, Florida, 33445

Investment Related: No

Position, Title, Association: Board Member

Employee Start Date: 07/01/2024

No Hours: 1

No Hours during trading: 1

Duties: Advisory Board for a High School Finance Curriculum. A National Curriculum is provided by the National Academy of Finance and committee members are a resource for the instructors. I am going to be co-chair. Bank of America is supporter of this High School and Academy of Finance and I have been asked by the Market President, to participate given my son graduated from Atlantic.



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	6

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.

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Reporting Source:	Individual
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED
Allegations:	THE CUSTOMER ALLEGES FAILURE TO FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS FROM APRIL 2013 TO AUGUST 2013.
Product Type:	Mutual Fund
Alleged Damages:	\$0.00
Alleged Damages Amount Explanation (if amount not exact):	DAMAGES ARE NOT SPECIFIED.
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:	08/21/2013
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Denied
Status Date:	10/17/2013
Settlement Amount:	

**Individual Contribution
Amount:****Disclosure 2 of 6**

Reporting Source: Individual

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

Allegations: THE CUSTOMER ALLEGES INAPPROPRIATE SOLICITATION OF A TRADE, UNSUITABLE INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS AND MISREPRESENTATION.

Product Type: Debt-Municipal

Alleged Damages: \$6,327.00

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: 07/18/2011

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

Status Date: 07/19/2011

Settlement Amount:**Individual Contribution
Amount:****Disclosure 3 of 6**

Reporting Source: Individual

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

Allegations: THE CUSTOMER ALLEGES UNSUITABLE INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS.

Product Type: Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Alleged Damages: \$118,737.00

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: 03/27/2009

Complaint Pending? No



Status: Denied
Status Date: 05/27/2009

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Broker Statement

MERRILL AND MR. WILT DENY THE CUSTOMER'S ALLEGATIONS. THE CUSTOMER'S ACCOUNT WAS HANDLED APPROPRIATELY AND PROFESSIONALLY AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CUSTOMER'S INSTRUCTIONS AT ALL TIMES. THE LOSSES THE CUSTOMER INCURRED WERE NOT BECAUSE MR. WILT OR MERRILL LYNCH FAILED TO FOLLOW THE CUSTOMER'S INSTRUCTIONS BUT DUE TO MARKET ACTION. CUSTOMER NEVER RAISED ANY PRIOR CONCERNS WITH THE POSITIONS AT ISSUE OR THE FACT THAT THEY WERE NOT CONSISTENT WITH HER GOALS. CUSTOMER CHOSE TO SELL HER POSITIONS IN DISREGARD OF THE ADVICE OF MR. WILT.

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Reporting Source: Individual

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.

Allegations: CLIENT ALLEGED FAILURE TO FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO TRANSFER OF ACCOUNTS - 08/15/06-09/05/06. DAMAGES UNSPECIFIED.

Product Type: Mutual Fund(s)

Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 09/07/2006

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Denied

Status Date: 09/21/2006

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Broker Statement CLAIM DENIED.

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Reporting Source: Individual

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: MERRILL LYNCH

Allegations: CUSTOMER ALLEGES THAT MR. WILT ADVISED HIS MOTHER TO BUY A MUNIHOLDINGS INSURED FUND AND FAILED TO INFORM HER OF THE RISK INVOLVED. HE ALSO ALLEGES THAT SHE THOUGHT SHE WAS BUYING A BOND. THE SON WAS NOT A BENFICIAL OWNER OF THE ACCOUNT AT THE



TIME OF THE TRADE IN QUESTION. CUSTOMER DID NOT SPECIFY THE AMOUNT OF ALLEGED DAMAGES.

Product Type: Other
Other Product Type(s): CLOSED-END FUND
Alleged Damages: \$0.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 12/17/1999
Complaint Pending? No
Status: Closed/No Action
Status Date: 03/01/2001

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Broker Statement

MR. WILT DENIES THE ALLEGATIONS. MR. WILT ASSERTS THAT HE DID IN FACT ADVISE THE CUSTOMER AS TO THE FUNDS CORRELATION TO INTEREST RATES AND PROVIDED HER WITH INFORMATIONAL MATERIAL TO REVIEW PRIOR TO HER MAKING THE DECISION TO PURCHASE THE INVESTMENT. THE FUND WAS RECOMMENDED AS A RESULT OF THE CUSTOMER'S REQUEST FOR GREATER INCOME AND WAS CONSISTENT WITH HER RISK TOLERANCE AND INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES. ADDITIONALLY, THE CUSTOMER HAD PREVIOUSLY PURCHASED BONDS AND RECEIVED A PROSPECTUS REGARDING THIS FUND AND REVIEWED IT WITH HER CHILDREN BEFORE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE, THEREFORE SHE WAS IN FACT AWARE THAT THIS WAS NOT AN INDIVIDUAL BOND. MERRILL LYNCH DENIED THIS CLAIM AND HAS CLOSED ITS FILE ON THIS MATTER.

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Reporting Source: Individual
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED

Allegations: CUSTOMER ALLEGED THAT SHE NEVER APPROVED THE SALE OF A SPECIFIC NUMBER OF SHARES OF MERRILL LYNCH STOCK AND MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL FUND IN APRIL 1997. IN ADDITION, CUSTOMER CLAIMST THAT SHE NEVER AGREED TOP INVEST INTO THE MERRILL LYNCH RETIREMENT PLUS ANNUITY. CUSTOMER 'CLAIMED DAMAGES OF \$16,412 IN TAXES AND REQUESTED THAT MERRILL LYNCH WAIVE THE PENALTY ON THE ANNUITY.

Product Type:
Alleged Damages: \$16,412.00

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 06/18/1998
Complaint Pending? No
Status: Settled
Status Date:



Settlement Amount: \$4,500.00

Individual Contribution Amount:

Broker Statement

TO AVOID THE COSTS AND UNCERTAINTIES OF LITIGATION, MERRILL LYNCH MADE A BUSINESS DECISION TO SETTLE THIS MATTER FOR \$4,500. MERRILL LYNCH BELIEVES THAT CUSTOMER AUTHORIZED AND RATIFIED THE SALES OF MERRILL LYNCH STOCK AND THE MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL FUND AND THE PURCHASE OF THE MERRILL LYNCH RETIREMENT PLUS ANNUITY. MERRILL LYNCH ALSO BELIEVES CUSTOMERS CLAIMS APPROXIMATELY 15 MONTHS AFTER THE TRADES IN QUESTION ARE BASED ON HINDSIGHT.



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