



IAPD Report

RALPH BRIAN MARRA

CRD# 2128560

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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

RALPH BRIAN MARRA (CRD# 2128560)

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 **04/20/2026**.

CURRENT EMPLOYERS

	Firm	CRD#	Registered Since
IA	CARTER RIDGE STRATEGIC ADVISORS	CRD# 322160	05/12/2023

QUALIFICATIONS

This representative is currently registered in **0** SRO(s) and **2** 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	PEAK BROKERAGE SERVICES, LLC	157045	JUPITER, FL	01/10/2022 - 03/11/2022
B	NATIONAL SECURITIES CORPORATION	7569	CLEARWATER, FL	05/05/2015 - 10/23/2020
IA	NATIONAL ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC.	115927	Clearwater, FL	06/10/2015 - 03/12/2018

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
Regulatory Event	1
Customer Dispute	1
Financial	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 **2** jurisdiction(s) and **0** SRO(s) through his or her employer(s).

Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: **CARTER RIDGE STRATEGIC ADVISORS**
Main Address: LUTZ, FL
Firm ID#: 322160

	Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
	Florida	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	05/12/2023
	Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Restricted Approval	08/22/2023

Branch Office Locations

CARTER RIDGE STRATEGIC ADVISORS
LUTZ, FL



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

Principal/Supervisory Exams

	Exam	Category	Date
	General Securities Principal Examination (S24)	Series 24	02/02/1996

General Industry/Product Exams

	Exam	Category	Date
	Securities Industry Essentials Examination (SIE)	SIE	10/01/2018
	National Commodity Futures Examination (S3)	Series 3	01/12/2006
	General Securities Representative Examination (S7)	Series 7	05/08/1991

State Securities Law Exams

	Exam	Category	Date
	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination (S65)	Series 65	10/25/2022
	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination (S63)	Series 63	06/03/1991

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	01/10/2022 - 03/11/2022	PEAK BROKERAGE SERVICES, LLC	CRD# 157045	JUPITER, FL
B	05/05/2015 - 10/23/2020	NATIONAL SECURITIES CORPORATION	CRD# 7569	CLEARWATER, FL
IA	06/10/2015 - 03/12/2018	NATIONAL ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC.	CRD# 115927	Clearwater, FL
B	01/03/2013 - 05/06/2015	MORGAN STANLEY	CRD# 149777	SHREWSBURY, NJ
IA	01/03/2013 - 05/06/2015	MORGAN STANLEY	CRD# 149777	SHREWSBURY, NJ
B	05/02/2008 - 01/11/2013	UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.	CRD# 8174	RED BANK, NJ
IA	05/02/2008 - 01/11/2013	UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.	CRD# 8174	RED BANK, NJ
B	07/03/2000 - 05/06/2008	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	CRD# 7691	RED BANK, NJ
IA	07/03/2000 - 05/06/2008	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	CRD# 7691	RED BANK, NJ
B	06/08/1999 - 07/05/2000	DEAN WITTER REYNOLDS INC.	CRD# 7556	PURCHASE, NY
B	11/21/1997 - 06/02/1999	PRUDENTIAL SECURITIES INCORPORATED	CRD# 7471	NEW YORK, NY
B	06/02/1993 - 11/26/1997	DONALD & CO. SECURITIES INC.	CRD# 7776	TINTON FALLS, NJ
B	05/10/1991 - 06/24/1993	HIBBARD BROWN & CO., INC.	CRD# 18246	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
04/2026 - Present	Self - Insurance Agent	Independent Insurance Agent	Y	Odessa, FL, United States
05/2022 - Present	Carter Ridge Strategic Advisors	FINANCIAL ADVISOR & CHIEF	Y	Odessa, FL, United States



Registration & Employment History

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Employment Dates	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	Employer Location
01/2022 - 03/2022	Peak Brokerage Services, LLC	COMPLIANCE OFFICER Registered Representative	Y	Jupiter, FL, United States
10/2020 - 01/2022	Unemployed	Unemployed	N	Odessa, FL, United States
05/2015 - 10/2020	NATIONAL SECURITIES CORPORATION	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Y	RED BANK, NJ, 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.

Ralph Marra is an independent insurance agent. This activity is investment related. The address is 6111 Marsh Trail Drive Odessa FL, 33556. This activity began in April 2026. Mr. Marra spends approximately 5 hours per week all during normal business hours.



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:

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Regulatory Event	1
Customer Dispute	1
Financial	1

Regulatory Event

This disclosure event may include a final, formal proceeding initiated by a regulatory authority (e.g., a state securities agency, a federal regulator such as the Securities and Exchange Commission or the Commodities Futures Trading Commission, or a foreign financial regulatory body) for a violation of investment-related rules or regulations. This disclosure event may also include a revocation or suspension of an Investment Adviser Representative's authority to act as an attorney, accountant or federal contractor.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source:	Regulator
Regulatory Action Initiated By:	FINRA
Sanction(s) Sought:	Other: N/A
Date Initiated:	05/11/2017
Docket/Case Number:	2016048746401
Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the regulatory action:	National Securities Corporation
Product Type:	Other: unspecified securities
Allegations:	Without admitting or denying the findings, Marra consented to the sanctions and to the entry of findings that he effected approximately 176 discretionary transactions in the accounts of six customers without obtaining prior written authorization from those customers, and without his member firm having accepted those accounts as discretionary in writing.
Current Status:	Final
Resolution:	Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)



Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct?

No

Resolution Date:

05/11/2017

Sanctions Ordered:

Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)
Suspension

If the regulator is the SEC, CFTC, or an SRO, did the action result in a finding of a willful violation or failure to supervise?

No

(1) willfully violated any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any of such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, or to have been unable to comply with any provision of such Act, rule or regulation?

(2) willfully aided, abetted, counseled, commanded, induced, or procured the violation by any person of any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any of such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board? or



(3) failed reasonably to supervise another person subject to your supervision, with a view to preventing the violation by such person of any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Commodity Exchange Act, or any rule or regulation under any such Acts, or any of the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board?

Sanction 1 of 1

Sanction Type: Suspension
Capacities Affected: any and all capacities
Duration: 20 business days
Start Date: 06/05/2017
End Date: 06/30/2017

Monetary Sanction 1 of 1

Monetary Related Sanction: Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)
Total Amount: \$5,000.00
Portion Levied against individual: \$5,000.00
Payment Plan:
Is Payment Plan Current:
Date Paid by individual: 06/28/2017
Was any portion of penalty waived? No

Amount Waived:

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Reporting Source: Individual
Regulatory Action Initiated By: FINRA
Sanction(s) Sought: Other: N/A
Date Initiated: 05/11/2017
Docket/Case Number: [2016048746401](#)
Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the regulatory action: NATIONAL SECURITIES CORP



Product Type:	Other: Unspecified securities
Allegations:	Without admitting or denying the findings, Marra consented to the sanctions and to the entry of findings that he effected approximately 176 discretionary transactions in the accounts of six customers without obtaining prior written authorization from those customers, and without his member firm having accepted those accounts as discretionary in writing.
Current Status:	Final
Resolution:	Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)
Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct?	No
Resolution Date:	05/11/2017
Sanctions Ordered:	Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s) Suspension
Sanction 1 of 1	
Sanction Type:	Suspension
Capacities Affected:	ALL CAPACITIES
Duration:	20 BUSINESS DAYS
Start Date:	06/05/2017
End Date:	06/30/2017
Monetary Sanction 1 of 1	
Monetary Related Sanction:	Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)
Total Amount:	\$5,000.00
Portion Levied against individual:	\$5,000.00
Payment Plan:	
Is Payment Plan Current:	
Date Paid by individual:	
Was any portion of penalty waived?	No
Amount Waived:	



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 1

Reporting Source:	Firm
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	MSSB
Allegations:	Claimant alleges unsuitability with respect to investments from April 2013 to May 2015.
Product Type:	Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock) Other: Closed End Funds
Alleged Damages:	\$200,000.00
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:	05/11/2016
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Evolved into Arbitration/CFTC reparation (the individual is a named party)
Status Date:	11/17/2016
Settlement Amount:	
Individual Contribution Amount:	

Arbitration Information

Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA, CFTC, etc.):	FINRA
Docket/Case #:	16-03285
Date Notice/Process Served:	11/17/2016
Arbitration Pending?	No
Disposition:	Settled
Disposition Date:	02/15/2018
Monetary Compensation Amount:	\$55,000.00
Individual Contribution Amount:	\$0.00



Reporting Source: Individual

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

Allegations: SUITABILITY, UNAUTHORIZED TRADING, MISREPRESENTATION, BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY.

Product Type: Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

Alleged Damages: \$200,000.00

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: 04/27/2016

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Evolved into Arbitration/CFTC reparation (the individual is a named party)

Status Date: 11/21/2016

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Arbitration Information

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

Docket/Case #: 16-03285

Date Notice/Process Served: 11/21/2016

Arbitration Pending? No

Disposition: Settled

Disposition Date: 02/15/2018

Monetary Compensation Amount: \$55,000.00

Individual Contribution Amount: \$0.00



Financial

This disclosure event involves a final bankruptcy, compromise with one or more creditors, or Securities Investor Protection Corporation liquidation that occurred within the last 10 years and that involved the Investment Adviser Representative or an organization/investment adviser that the Investment Adviser Representative controlled that occurred within the last 10 years.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source: Individual

Action Type: Bankruptcy

Bankruptcy: Chapter 7

Action Date: 03/19/2019

Organization Investment-Related?

Type of Court: Federal Court

Name of Court: UNITED STATES FEDERAL BANKRUPTCY COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

Location of Court: TAMPA, FL

Docket/Case #: 8:19-BK-02370

Action Pending? No

Disposition: Discharged

Disposition Date: 11/08/2021



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