



IAPD Report

ERIC ANTHONY WARD

CRD# 2158290

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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

ERIC ANTHONY WARD (CRD# 2158290)

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 **12/04/2025**.

CURRENT EMPLOYERS

	Firm	CRD#	Registered Since
IA	WORLD INVESTMENT ADVISORS, LLC	CRD# 208512	11/10/2016
B	WORLD INVESTMENTS, LLC	CRD# 20626	10/31/2025

QUALIFICATIONS

This representative is currently registered in **1** 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	PENSIONMARK SECURITIES, LLC	283952	Louisville, KY	09/01/2017 - 10/31/2025
B	CAPFINANCIAL SECURITIES, LLC.	126291	Louisville, KY	11/10/2016 - 09/01/2017
IA	QUANTUM FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS, LLC	154099	LOUISVILLE, KY	07/02/2010 - 03/08/2017

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	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 1 SRO(s) through his or her employer(s).

Employment 1 of 2

Firm Name: **WORLD INVESTMENTS, LLC**
Main Address: 437 NEWMAN SPRINGS ROAD
LINCROFT, NJ 07738
Firm ID#: 20626

	Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
B	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	10/31/2025
B	FINRA	Invest. Co and Variable Contracts	Approved	10/31/2025
B	Indiana	Agent	Approved	10/31/2025
B	Kentucky	Agent	Approved	10/31/2025

Branch Office Locations

WORLD ADVISORY SERVICES
2305 Hurstbourne Village Dr., Suite 700
Louisville, KY 40299

Employment 2 of 2

Firm Name: **WORLD INVESTMENT ADVISORS, LLC**
Main Address: 437 NEWMAN SPRINGS ROAD
LINCROFT, NJ 07738
Firm ID#: 208512

	Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
IA	Kentucky	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	11/28/2016

Branch Office Locations

WORLD INVESTMENT ADVISORS, LLC
2305 Hurstbourn Village Drive
Suite 700



Qualifications

Louisville, KY 40299



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




Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
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No information reported.



General Industry/Product Exams

Exam	Category	Date
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 Securities Industry Essentials Examination (SIE)	SIE	10/01/2018
 General Securities Representative Examination (S7)	Series 7	02/27/1995
 Investment Company Products/Variable Contracts Representative Examination (S6)	Series 6	10/03/1991

State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
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 Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination (S65)	Series 65	06/11/1999
 Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination (S63)	Series 63	10/10/1991

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	09/01/2017 - 10/31/2025	PENSIONMARK SECURITIES, LLC	CRD# 283952	Louisville, KY
B	11/10/2016 - 09/01/2017	CAPFINANCIAL SECURITIES, LLC.	CRD# 126291	Louisville, KY
IA	07/02/2010 - 03/08/2017	QUANTUM FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS, LLC	CRD# 154099	LOUISVILLE, KY
IA	09/10/2014 - 11/08/2016	INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC	CRD# 7717	Louisville, KY
B	09/02/2014 - 11/08/2016	INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC	CRD# 7717	Louisville, KY
IA	08/10/2010 - 08/26/2014	FINANCIAL TELESIS, INC.	CRD# 31012	LOUISVILLE, KY
B	08/09/2010 - 08/26/2014	FINANCIAL TELESIS INC	CRD# 31012	LOUISVILLE, KY
IA	07/28/2009 - 08/09/2010	VSR ADVISORY SERVICES	CRD# 14503	LOUISVILLE, KY
B	07/28/2009 - 08/09/2010	VSR FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	CRD# 14503	LOUISVILLE, KY
IA	02/19/2001 - 08/05/2009	QA3 FINANCIAL LLC	CRD# 104957	LOUISVILLE, KY
B	01/05/2001 - 08/05/2009	QA3 FINANCIAL CORP.	CRD# 14754	LOUISVILLE, KY
IA	06/27/1994 - 12/06/2005	EQUITY RESOURCES, LLC	CRD# 113103	LOUISVILLE, KY
B	02/15/1996 - 01/05/2001	WASHINGTON SQUARE SECURITIES, INC.	CRD# 2882	WINDSOR, CT
B	01/10/1992 - 02/02/1996	JOHN HANCOCK DISTRIBUTORS, INC.	CRD# 468	BOSTON, MA
B	01/10/1992 - 02/02/1996	JOHN HANCOCK MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	CRD# 5181	BOSTON, MA
B	10/04/1991 - 01/09/1992	MONY SECURITIES CORP.	CRD# 4386	NEW YORK, NY



Registration & Employment History

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
10/2025 - Present	WORLD INVESTMENTS, INC.	Mass Transfer	Y	Louisville, KY, United States
09/2017 - Present	PENSIONMARK SECURITIES, LLC	Registered Representative	Y	Louisville, KY, United States
11/2016 - Present	PENSIONMARK FINANCIAL GROUP DBA QUANTUM FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS	Investment Adviser	Y	Santa Barbara, CA, United States
11/2016 - 09/2017	CapFinancial Securities, LLC	Registered Representative	Y	Raleigh, NC, United States
06/2010 - 02/2017	QUANTUM FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS, LLC	MEMBER, INVESTMENT ADVISER REPRESENTATIVE	Y	LOUISVILLE, KY, United States
08/2014 - 11/2016	INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL GROUP LLC	FINANCIAL ADVISOR	Y	LOUISVILLE, KY, 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.

(1) CEN PROPERTIES, LLC; NON INVESTMENT RELATED; 2305 HURSBORNE VILLAGE DRIVE, STE 700, LOUISVILLE, KY 40299; PROPERTY MANAGEMENT; MEMBER; 2/2006; 1 HOUR/MONTH; 0 HOURS/MONTH; MANAGE PROPERTY

(2) ASH BROKERAGE; NON-INVESTMENT RELATED; 888 S. HARRISON ST., SUITE 900, FORT WAYNE, IN 46802; AGENT; 1/2014; 2 HOURS/MONTH; 2 HOURS/MONTH; MARKETING AND SALES OF FIXED INSURANCE BUSINESS

(3) Quantum Financial Consultants, LLC; Investment-Related; 2305 Hurstborne Village Drive, Suite 700, Louisville, KY 40299; LLC formed for tax purposes only; Owner; 2/1/2006; 4 hours per month; 4 hours during trading hours; LLC formed for tax purposes only as it relates to my advisory business and is not being held out to the public.

(4) Non-Variable Insurance; Investment Related; 2305 Hurstborne Village Drive, Suite 700, Louisville, KY 40299; Non-Variable Insurance and Annuities; Insurance Agent; 9/1/2017; 4 hours per month; 4 hours during trading hours; Sales and service of non-variable insurance and annuities.



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	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 1

Reporting Source:	Firm
Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:	QA3 FINANCIAL CORP.
Allegations:	CLIENTS ALLEGE MISREPRESENTATION AND A LACK OF DUE DILIGENCE IN REGARDS TO THEIR INVESTMENTS IN SHALE ROYALTIES, MEDICAL CAPITAL, AND DBSI
Product Type:	Direct Investment-DPP & LP Interests
Alleged Damages:	\$490,000.00
Is this an oral complaint?	No
Is this a written complaint?	Yes
Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?	Yes
Arbitration/Reparation forum or court name and location:	FINRA
Docket/Case #:	10-00174
Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation:	01/12/2010

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:	01/27/2010
Complaint Pending?	Yes



Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

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Reporting Source: Individual

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: QA3 FINANCIAL CORP.

Allegations: CLIENTS ALLEGE MISREPRESENTATION AND LACK OF DUE DILIGENCE IN REGARDS TO THEIR INVESTMENTS.

Product Type: Direct Investment-DPP & LP Interests

Alleged Damages: \$490,000.00

Is this an oral complaint? No

Is this a written complaint? Yes

Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation? Yes

Arbitration/Reparation forum or court name and location: FINRA

Docket/Case #: 10-00174

Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation: 01/12/2010

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 01/27/2010

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Withdrawn

Status Date: 05/24/2011

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Broker Statement

MEMBER IS FILING PURSUANT TO FINRA DISCLOSURE LETTER DATED 02/26/2010 OCCURRENCE ID 1497839. I WAS SUBJECT TO THIS COMPLAINT BUT I WAS NOT NAMED. THE REASON I WAS SUBJECT WAS DUE TO MY AFFILIATION WITH THE BROKER DEALER IN QUESTION. THE CLIENT PURCHASED PRIVATE PLACEMENTS THAT ARE ALL SUBJECT TO EITHER SEC OR STATE INVESTIGATION. THESE CLIENTS ARE ACCREDITED INVESTORS AND VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE IN THE AREA OF PRIVATE PLACEMENTS AND LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS. THE CLIENTS PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS OVER THE CONVENTIONAL EQUITY INVESTMENTS DUE TO THEIR BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE. WHEN THE CREDIT MARKETS COLLAPSED THE INVESTMENTS STARTED EXPERIENCING CASH FLOW PROBLEMS AND STOPPED PAYING DISTRIBUTIONS. AS TIME PASSED, THESE ENTITIES FILED CHAPTER 11 PROCEEDINGS AND OR WERE SUBJECT TO SEC AND STATE INVESTIGATIONS. THE CLIENT FELT THAT THE DUE DILIGENCE PERFORMED ON THESE OFFERINGS SHOULD HAVE BEEN MORE



SCRUTINIZED BEFORE IT WAS OFFERED TO INVESTORS. THE CLIENTS RECEIVED SOLICITATIONS FROM LITIGATION ATTORNEYS ON A CONTINGENCY BASIS.



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