



## IAPD Report

# MARKELLOS NICHOLAS MARCOU

CRD# 2449722

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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

### MARKELLOS NICHOLAS MARCOU (CRD# 2449722)

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 **09/10/2024**.

### CURRENT EMPLOYERS

	Firm	CRD#	Registered Since
<b>B</b>	LPL FINANCIAL LLC	CRD# 6413	05/19/2023
<b>IA</b>	LPL FINANCIAL LLC	CRD# 6413	05/19/2023

### QUALIFICATIONS

This representative is currently registered in **1** SRO(s) and **7** 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>B</b>	SECURITIES AMERICA, INC.	10205	WEST CALDWELL, NJ	10/15/2009 - 05/19/2023
<b>IA</b>	SECURITIES AMERICA ADVISORS, INC.	110518	WEST CALDWELL, NJ	10/08/2009 - 05/19/2023
<b>B</b>	PNC INVESTMENTS	129052	SECAUCUS, NJ	03/08/2007 - 09/22/2009

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
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 7 jurisdiction(s) and 1 SRO(s) through his or her employer(s).

### Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: **LPL FINANCIAL LLC**  
Main Address: 1055 LPL WAY  
FORT MILL, SC 29715  
Firm ID#: 6413

Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
<b>B</b> FINRA	General Securities Principal	Approved	05/19/2023
<b>B</b> FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	05/19/2023
<b>B</b> California	Agent	Approved	05/19/2023
<b>B</b> Delaware	Agent	Approved	05/19/2023
<b>B</b> Florida	Agent	Approved	05/19/2023
<b>B</b> New Jersey	Agent	Approved	05/19/2023
<b>IA</b> New Jersey	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	05/19/2023
<b>B</b> New York	Agent	Approved	05/19/2023
<b>B</b> North Carolina	Agent	Approved	05/22/2023
<b>B</b> Virginia	Agent	Approved	09/11/2024

### Branch Office Locations

**LPL FINANCIAL LLC**  
175 FAIRFIELD AVE. SUITE 5B  
WEST CALDWELL, NJ 07006

**LPL FINANCIAL LLC**  
175 Fairfield Ave. Suite 5B.  
West Caldwell, NJ 07006




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



#### Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
 General Securities Principal Examination (S24)	Series 24	05/08/1997

#### General Industry/Product Exams

Exam	Category	Date
 Securities Industry Essentials Examination (SIE)	SIE	10/01/2018
 General Securities Representative Examination (S7)	Series 7	06/04/1994

#### State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
 Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination (S65)	Series 65	10/12/2002
 Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination (S63)	Series 63	06/09/1994

### 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	10/15/2009 - 05/19/2023	SECURITIES AMERICA, INC.	CRD# 10205	WEST CALDWELL, NJ
IA	10/08/2009 - 05/19/2023	SECURITIES AMERICA ADVISORS, INC.	CRD# 110518	WEST CALDWELL, NJ
B	03/08/2007 - 09/22/2009	PNC INVESTMENTS	CRD# 129052	SECAUCUS, NJ
IA	03/08/2007 - 09/22/2009	PNC INVESTMENTS	CRD# 129052	SECAUCUS, NJ
B	10/04/2006 - 03/02/2007	CHASE INVESTMENT SERVICES CORP.	CRD# 25574	WALLINGTON, NJ
IA	10/04/2006 - 03/02/2007	CHASE INVESTMENT SERVICES CORP.	CRD# 25574	WALLINGTON, NJ
B	09/07/2006 - 10/04/2006	BNY INVESTMENT CENTER INC.	CRD# 47683	WALLINGTON, NJ
IA	09/07/2006 - 10/04/2006	BNY INVESTMENT CENTER INC.	CRD# 47683	WALLINGTON, NJ
B	10/20/2004 - 09/07/2006	BANC OF AMERICA INVESTMENT SERVICES, INC.	CRD# 16361	BELLEVILLE, NJ
IA	10/20/2004 - 09/07/2006	BANC OF AMERICA INVESTMENT SERVICES, INC.	CRD# 16361	BELLEVILLE, NJ
IA	10/16/2002 - 10/20/2004	QUICK & REILLY, INC.	CRD# 11217	BELLEVILLE, NJ
B	03/13/2002 - 10/20/2004	QUICK & REILLY, INC.	CRD# 11217	NEW YORK, NY
B	12/01/1998 - 02/25/2002	M. H. MEYERSON & CO., INC.	CRD# 540	JERSEY CITY, NJ
B	06/02/1995 - 11/02/1998	PATTERSON TRAVIS, INC.	CRD# 16540	ENGLEWOOD, CO
B	01/03/1995 - 05/23/1995	SEABOARD SECURITIES, INC.	CRD# 755	FLORHAM PARK, NJ
B	08/19/1994 - 02/09/1995	THOMAS JAMES ASSOCIATES, INC.	CRD# 15609	ROCHESTER, NY



### 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	06/06/1994 - 09/15/1994	HIBBARD BROWN & CO., INC.	CRD# 18246	NEW YORK, NY
B	08/05/1994 - 08/19/1994	WESTFIELD FINANCIAL CORPORATION	CRD# 8143	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
05/2023 - Present	LPL FINANCIAL LLC	Registered Representative	Y	West Caldwell, NJ, United States
10/2009 - Present	SECURITIES AMERICA ADVISORS	INVESTMENT ADVISOR	Y	LAVISTA, NE, United States
10/2009 - Present	SECURITIES AMERICA INC	REGISTERED REP	Y	LAVISTA, NE, 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) 5/09/2023- Strategic Advisors Group- DBA for LPL Business (entity for LPL business)- Inv. Related- At reported business location(s) - 160hrs/mth
- 2) 5/09/203- Non-Variable Insurance- Agent selling Life, Health, Disability, Long Term Care, Fixed Annuities - Inv. Related - West Caldwell NJ- start date 5/2023- 15hrs/mth



## 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
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 1

**Reporting Source:** Firm

**Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:** PATTERSON TRAVIS, INC

**Allegations:** CUSTOMER COMPLAINED OF ISSUES OF SUITABILITY, POOR PERFORMANCE OF STOCK,AS WELL AS NOT KNOWING CLIENTS TOLERANCES AND MAKING STATEMENTS REFLECTING GUARANTEES OF PREFORMANCE

**Product Type:** Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock)

**Alleged Damages:** \$16,586.50

### Customer Complaint Information

**Date Complaint Received:** 06/25/1999

**Complaint Pending?** No

**Status:** Settled

**Status Date:** 08/25/2000

**Settlement Amount:** \$8,000.00

**Individual Contribution Amount:** \$4,000.00

### Arbitration Information



**Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.:** CASE WAS FILED UNDER NASD CASE NUMBER 99-02491

**Date Notice/Process Served:**

**Arbitration Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Settled

**Disposition Date:** 08/25/2000

**Monetary Compensation Amount:** \$8,000.00

**Individual Contribution Amount:** \$4,000.00

**Firm Statement** CASE WAS SETTLED FOR \$8000.00, OF WHICH THE COMPANY AND THE AGENT EACH PAID \$4000.00

**Reporting Source:** Individual

**Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:** PATTERSON TRAVIS, INC.

**Allegations:** CLAIMANT ALLEGES MISREPRESENTATION WITH RECOMMENDATION W/ ALLEGED DAMAGES OF \$16,586.50.

**Product Type:** Equity - OTC

**Alleged Damages:** \$16,586.50

**Customer Complaint Information**

**Date Complaint Received:** 06/25/1999

**Complaint Pending?** No

**Status:** Settled

**Status Date:** 08/25/2000

**Settlement Amount:** \$8,000.00

**Individual Contribution Amount:** \$4,000.00

**Arbitration Information**

**Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.:** CASE WAS FILED UNDER NASD CASE #99-02491 (AS FILED THROUGH PATTERSON TRAVIS, INC.)

**Date Notice/Process Served:**

**Arbitration Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Settled

**Disposition Date:** 08/25/2000

**Monetary Compensation Amount:** \$8,000.00

**Individual Contribution Amount:** \$4,000.00



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## 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:** Firm

**Firm Name:** PNC INVESTMENTS

**Termination Type:** Voluntary Resignation

**Termination Date:** 09/11/2009

**Allegations:** THE RESULTS OF THE INTERNAL REVIEW WERE INCONCLUSIVE AND THE MATTER WAS CLOSED WITH NO FURTHER ACTION. MR. MARCOU WAS UNDER INTERNAL REVIEW FOR ACCOUNT DOCUMENTATION IRREGULARITIES AND POSSIBLE DISHONESTY. MR. MARCOU WAS PLACE ON ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE ON 09/11/09 PENDING FURTHER INVESTIGATION.

**Product Type:** Annuity-Fixed

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**Reporting Source:** Individual

**Firm Name:** PNC INVESTMENTS

**Termination Type:** Voluntary Resignation

**Termination Date:** 09/11/2009

**Allegations:** THE RESULTS OF THE INTERNAL REVIEW WERE INCONCLUSIVE AND THE MATTER WAS CLOSED WITH NO FURTHER ACTION.

**Product Type:** Annuity-Variable

**Broker Statement** FOR APPROXIMATELY A MONTH PRIOR TO MY RESIGNATION ON 09/10/2009, I HAD BEEN EXPLORING A POTENTIAL NEW BROKER/DEALER RELATIONSHIP. WHEN AN INTERNAL REVIEW WAS INSTIGATED, THE FIRM INDICATED THEY WERE PLACING ME ON "PAID LEAVE" WHICH WOULD INVOLVE MY BEING OUT OF THE BRANCH AND AWAY FROM MY CLIENT'S RECORDS. "PAID LEAVE" IS MISLEADING SINCE MY EARNINGS ARE BASED 100% ON COMMISSIONS. WITHOUT ACCESS TO MY CLIENTS OR THEIR RECORDS, I WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO EARN INCOME TO SUPPORT MY FAMILY. I RESIGNED FROM THE FIRM OUT OF NECESSITY TO EARN A WAGE. LATER, I LEARNED THAT MY FIRM HAD BEEN AWARE OF MY SEARCH FOR A NEW BROKER/DEALER AT THE TIME WHEN THE INTERNAL REVIEW WAS STARTED. I NOW BELIEVE THE INTERNAL REVIEW WAS RETALIATORY AND INSTIGATED TO PREVENT ME FROM TAKING MY CLIENTS TO A NEW FIRM. THE INTERNAL REVIEW WAS CLOSED WITHOUT ACTION ON THE SAME DAY IT WAS OPENED BECAUSE THERE WAS NO WRONG-DOING ON MY PART.



## End of Report

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