



## IAPD Report

# MICHAEL JOHN CASSELLA

CRD# 2506938

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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

### MICHAEL JOHN CASSELLA (CRD# 2506938)

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 **12/16/2025**.

### CURRENT EMPLOYERS

	Firm	CRD#	Registered Since
<b>B</b>	CEROS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	CRD# 37869	07/20/2022
<b>IA</b>	ATCAP PARTNERS, LLC	CRD# 158214	01/22/2024

### QUALIFICATIONS

This representative is currently registered in **2** SRO(s) and **15** 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>	NATIONAL SECURITIES CORPORATION	7569	NEW YORK, NY	03/16/2020 - 07/21/2022
<b>B</b>	MD GLOBAL PARTNERS, LLC	140988	NEW YORK, NY	02/01/2018 - 05/18/2018
<b>B</b>	WORDEN CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC	148366	GARDEN CITY, NY	06/04/2013 - 05/07/2015

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



## 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 15 jurisdiction(s) and 2 SRO(s) through his or her employer(s).

### Employment 1 of 2

Firm Name: **CEROS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.**  
Main Address: 1445 RESEARCH BOULEVARD  
SUITE 530  
ROCKVILLE, MD 20850  
Firm ID#: 37869

Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
<b>B</b> FINRA	General Securities Principal	Approved	07/20/2022
<b>B</b> FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/20/2022
<b>B</b> Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Principal	Approved	07/20/2022
<b>B</b> Nasdaq Stock Market	General Securities Representative	Approved	07/20/2022
<b>B</b> Alabama	Agent	Approved	05/15/2025
<b>B</b> California	Agent	Approved	07/21/2022
<b>B</b> Colorado	Agent	Approved	03/14/2024
<b>B</b> Connecticut	Agent	Approved	07/22/2022
<b>B</b> Florida	Agent	Approved	08/01/2022
<b>B</b> Georgia	Agent	Approved	08/17/2022
<b>B</b> Illinois	Agent	Approved	11/10/2022
<b>B</b> New Jersey	Agent	Approved	08/08/2022
<b>B</b> New York	Agent	Approved	08/06/2022



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Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
<b>B</b> North Carolina	Agent	Approved	01/06/2025
<b>B</b> Ohio	Agent	Approved	07/21/2022
<b>B</b> Pennsylvania	Agent	Approved	07/21/2022
<b>B</b> South Carolina	Agent	Approved	08/22/2024
<b>B</b> Tennessee	Agent	Approved	12/17/2025
<b>B</b> Texas	Agent	Approved	07/22/2022

### Branch Office Locations

#### ATLANTIC PARTNERS

One Seaport Plaza  
199 Water Street, 21st Floor  
New York, NY 10038

### Employment 2 of 2

Firm Name: **ATCAP PARTNERS, LLC**  
Main Address: 1445 RESEARCH BOULEVARD  
#530  
ROCKVILLE, MD 20850  
Firm ID#: 158214

Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
<b>IA</b> New York	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	01/22/2024

### Branch Office Locations

**ATCAP PARTNERS, LLC**  
1445 RESEARCH BOULEVARD  
#530  
ROCKVILLE, MD 20850




## 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	03/25/1997

#### General Industry/Product Exams

	Exam	Category	Date
	Securities Industry Essentials Examination (SIE)	SIE	05/18/2018
	General Securities Representative Examination (S7)	Series 7	06/30/1994

#### State Securities Law Exams

	Exam	Category	Date
	 Uniform Combined State Law Examination (S66)	Series 66	12/05/2023
	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination (S63)	Series 63	05/19/2020

### 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	03/16/2020 - 07/21/2022	NATIONAL SECURITIES CORPORATION	CRD# 7569	NEW YORK, NY
B	02/01/2018 - 05/18/2018	MD GLOBAL PARTNERS, LLC	CRD# 140988	NEW YORK, NY
B	06/04/2013 - 05/07/2015	WORDEN CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC	CRD# 148366	GARDEN CITY, NY
B	11/13/2009 - 06/17/2011	VFINANCE INVESTMENTS, INC	CRD# 44962	NEW YORK, NY
B	07/16/2004 - 06/17/2011	NATIONAL SECURITIES CORPORATION	CRD# 7569	NEW YORK, NY
B	11/12/1997 - 07/13/2004	JOSEPH GUNNAR & CO. LLC	CRD# 24795	UNIONDALE, NY
B	08/29/1994 - 11/10/1997	LEW LIEBERBAUM & CO., INC.	CRD# 17341	GARDEN CITY, NY
B	07/01/1994 - 08/29/1994	SOUTH RICHMOND SECURITIES, INC.	CRD# 14913	

#### 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
07/2022 - Present	CEROS FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Y	ROCKVILLE, MD, United States
03/2020 - 07/2022	NATIONAL SECURITIES	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Y	NEW YORK, NY, United States
05/2018 - 03/2020	SNS INSTALLATIONS	FIELD MANAGER	N	FARMINGDALE, NY, United States
05/2017 - 05/2018	MD Global Partners	Registered Representative	Y	New York, NY, United States
05/2013 - 05/2017	WORDEN CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Y	LAKE SUCCESS, 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.

1 Public Partnership LLC; NON-INVESTMENT RELATED; BABYLON, NY, HOME HEALTH CARE FOR MOTHER; W2 EMPLOYEE FOR HEALTH CARE COMPANY RUN BY STATE; 05/2021; 120 HRS. PER MONTH, ZERO DURING TRADING HRS.

2 The Cassella Collective Corp; non investment related; 33 W Netpune, Ave, Lindenhurst, NY, 11757; Pass through Corp; Officer; start: 09/02/2025; aprox 20 hours per month, 0 during trading hours; Track and record expenses



## 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

### 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

<b>Reporting Source:</b>	Firm
<b>Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:</b>	NATIONAL SECURITIES CORP
<b>Allegations:</b>	NEGLIGENCE, UNSUITABILITY, BREACH OF CONTRACT, BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY, VIOLATION OF THE NEW JERSEY UNIFORM SECURITIES LAW, FRAUD AND MISREPRESENTATION.
<b>Product Type:</b>	Penny Stock
<b>Alleged Damages:</b>	\$300,000.00
<b>Is this an oral complaint?</b>	No
<b>Is this a written complaint?</b>	No
<b>Is this an arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation?</b>	Yes
<b>Arbitration/Reparation forum or court name and location:</b>	FINRA
<b>Docket/Case #:</b>	13-02615
<b>Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation:</b>	09/09/2013

### Customer Complaint Information

<b>Date Complaint Received:</b>	09/12/2013
<b>Complaint Pending?</b>	No



**Status:** Settled  
**Status Date:** 07/21/2015  
**Settlement Amount:** \$122,500.00  
**Individual Contribution Amount:** \$0.00

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**Reporting Source:** Individual  
**Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:** NATIONAL SECURITIES CORP

**Allegations:** NEGLIGENCE, UNSUITABILITY, BREACH OF CONTRACT, BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY, VIOLATION OF THE NEW JERSEY UNIFORM SECURITIES LAW, FRAUD AND MISREPRESENTATION.

**Product Type:** Penny Stock

**Alleged Damages:** \$300,000.00

**Is this an oral complaint?** No

**Is this a written complaint?** No

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

**Arbitration/Reparation forum or court name and location:** FINRA

**Docket/Case #:** 13-02615

**Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation:** 09/09/2013

**Customer Complaint Information**

**Date Complaint Received:** 09/12/2013

**Complaint Pending?** No

**Status:** Settled

**Status Date:** 07/21/2015

**Settlement Amount:** \$122,500.00

**Individual Contribution Amount:** \$0.00

**Broker Statement** Registered Representative denies any wrongdoing in this account. Customer suffered losses in a Firm recommended Initial Public Offering security. The Client never submitted an oral or written complaint. National Securities settled with the client and Brokers contribution to the settlement was \$0.00. No written or oral complaint was received. Registered Representative was not with firm when settled.

**Disclosure 2 of 2**

**Reporting Source:** Individual



**Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:** JOSEPH GUNNAR & CO., LLC

**Allegations:** UNSUITABILTY CLAIMED IN ARBITRATION. THIS WAS NEVER A COMPLAINT.

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

**Other Product Type(s):** OTC SECURITIES

**Alleged Damages:** \$95,000.00

### **Customer Complaint Information**

**Date Complaint Received:** 03/10/2003

**Complaint Pending?** No

**Status:** Arbitration/Reparation

**Status Date:** 03/10/2003

**Settlement Amount:**

**Individual Contribution Amount:**

### **Arbitration Information**

**Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.:** NASD 03-01195

**Date Notice/Process Served:** 03/10/2003

**Arbitration Pending?** No

**Disposition:** Settled

**Disposition Date:** 07/15/2003

**Monetary Compensation Amount:** \$12,000.00

**Individual Contribution Amount:** \$4,999.00

**Broker Statement** RR DENIES ANY WRONG DOING IN THIS ACCOUNT. CUSTOMER SUFFERED PORTFOLIO LOSSES DUE TO MARKET CONDITIONS.UPDATE 07/15/2003- SETTLED SINCE THE COST OF LAWYERS & NASD FEES WOULD EXCEED THE AMOUNT PAID TO SETTLE. CUSTOMER WAS SEEKING \$95000. TOOK \$12000.IN A SETTLEMENT.



## End of Report

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