



IAPD Report

RAMON VALDEZ JR.

CRD# 2592276

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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

RAMON VALDEZ JR. (CRD# 2592276)

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 **06/22/2026**.

CURRENT EMPLOYERS

	Firm	CRD#	Registered Since
B	CAMBRIDGE INVESTMENT RESEARCH, INC.	CRD# 39543	08/15/2024
IA	CAMBRIDGE INVESTMENT RESEARCH ADVISORS, INC.	CRD# 134139	08/16/2024

QUALIFICATIONS

This representative is currently registered in **1** SRO(s) and **10** 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	J. W. COLE ADVISORS, INC.	112294	Irvine, CA	02/18/2020 - 09/09/2024
B	J.W. COLE FINANCIAL, INC.	124583	Irvine, CA	02/14/2020 - 09/09/2024
IA	RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES ADVISORS, INC	149018	BREA, CA	08/28/2019 - 01/30/2020

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
Judgment/Lien	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 **10** jurisdiction(s) and 1 SRO(s) through his or her employer(s).

Employment 1 of 2

Firm Name: **CAMBRIDGE INVESTMENT RESEARCH, INC.**

Main Address: 1776 PLEASANT PLAIN RD.
FAIRFIELD, IA 52556-8757

Firm ID#: 39543

	Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
	FINRA	General Securities Principal	Approved	08/15/2024
	FINRA	General Securities Representative	Approved	08/15/2024
	Arizona	Agent	Approved	10/18/2024
	California	Agent	Approved	08/15/2024
	Colorado	Agent	Approved	09/26/2024
	Hawaii	Agent	Approved	09/17/2024
	Kentucky	Agent	Approved	08/30/2024
	Nevada	Agent	Approved	09/05/2024
	Texas	Agent	Approved	08/15/2024
	Utah	Agent	Approved	09/06/2024
	Washington	Agent	Approved	08/15/2024
	Wisconsin	Agent	Approved	09/10/2024

Branch Office Locations



Qualifications

CAMBRIDGE INVESTMENT RESERARCH, INC.

7545 Irvine Center Dr.
Ste. 200
Irvine, CA 92618

CAMBRIDGE INVESTMENT RESERARCH, INC.

San Juan Capistrano, CA

CAMBRIDGE INVESTMENT RESERARCH, INC.

730 17th Street, Suite 830
Denver, CO 80202

Employment 2 of 2

Firm Name: **CAMBRIDGE INVESTMENT RESEARCH ADVISORS, INC.**

Main Address: 1776 PLEASANT PLAIN RD.
FAIRFIELD, IA 52556-8757

Firm ID#: 134139

	Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
IA	California	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	08/16/2024
IA	Colorado	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	10/11/2024
IA	Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Restricted Approval	08/16/2024

Branch Office Locations

CAMBRIDGE INVESTMENT RESEARCH ADVISORS, INC.

San Juan Capistrano, CA

CAMBRIDGE INVESTMENT RESEARCH ADVISORS, INC.

7545 Irvine Center Dr.
Ste. 200
Irvine, CA 92618

CAMBRIDGE INVESTMENT RESEARCH ADVISORS, INC.

730 17th St.
Ste. 830
Denver, CO 80202



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
B	General Securities Principal Examination (S24)	Series 24	12/01/2016

General Industry/Product Exams

	Exam	Category	Date
B	Securities Industry Essentials Examination (SIE)	SIE	10/01/2018
B	General Securities Representative Examination (S7)	Series 7	07/06/1995

State Securities Law Exams

	Exam	Category	Date
IA	Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination (S65)	Series 65	07/02/2002
B	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination (S63)	Series 63	03/21/1995



PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS

This section details that the representative has reported **0** professional designation(s).

No information reported.

Only professional designations listed in Question 8 of the Form U4 will appear in this section if the appropriate box is checked and verified by the issuing organization at the time of the filing. Learn more about eligible designations at [IARD](#) and [NASAA](#).



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	02/18/2020 - 09/09/2024	J. W. COLE ADVISORS, INC.	CRD# 112294	Irvine, CA
B	02/14/2020 - 09/09/2024	J.W. COLE FINANCIAL, INC.	CRD# 124583	Irvine, CA
IA	08/28/2019 - 01/30/2020	RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES ADVISORS, INC	CRD# 149018	BREA, CA
B	08/28/2019 - 01/30/2020	RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	CRD# 6694	BREA, CA
B	08/07/2015 - 09/10/2019	WELLS FARGO ADVISORS FINANCIAL NETWORK, LLC	CRD# 11025	BREA, CA
IA	08/07/2015 - 09/10/2019	WELLS FARGO ADVISORS FINANCIAL NETWORK, LLC	CRD# 11025	BREA, CA
B	07/15/2010 - 08/10/2015	UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.	CRD# 8174	BREA, CA
IA	07/15/2010 - 08/10/2015	UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC.	CRD# 8174	BREA, CA
B	10/23/2009 - 07/19/2010	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	CRD# 7691	ONTARIO, CA
IA	10/23/2009 - 07/19/2010	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	CRD# 7691	ONTARIO, CA
B	02/22/2008 - 10/23/2009	BANC OF AMERICA INVESTMENT SERVICES, INC.	CRD# 16361	UPLAND, CA
IA	02/22/2008 - 10/23/2009	BANC OF AMERICA INVESTMENT SERVICES, INC.	CRD# 16361	UPLAND, CA
IA	06/07/2002 - 02/25/2008	WELLS FARGO INVESTMENTS, LLC	CRD# 10582	MONTCLAIR, CA
B	06/05/2002 - 02/25/2008	WELLS FARGO INVESTMENTS, LLC	CRD# 10582	MONTCLAIR, CA
B	01/01/1999 - 06/28/2002	WM FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	CRD# 599	IRVINE, CA
B	02/20/1998 - 01/01/1999	GRIFFIN FINANCIAL SERVICES	CRD# 10823	



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	12/09/1996 - 03/09/1998	FIMCO SECURITIES GROUP, INC.	CRD# 30343	PORT WASHINGTON, WA
B	07/26/1996 - 12/10/1996	SUNAMERICA SECURITIES, INC.	CRD# 20068	PHOENIX, AZ
B	04/08/1996 - 07/03/1996	ASB FINANCIAL SERVICES	CRD# 24280	IRVINE, CA
B	09/06/1995 - 04/17/1996	GREAT WESTERN FINANCIAL SECURITIES CORPORATION	CRD# 14229	NORTHRIDGE, CA
B	07/07/1995 - 08/25/1995	BARABAN SECURITIES, INC.	CRD# 7659	LOS ANGELES, CA

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
08/2024 - Present	Cambridge Investment Research Advisors, Inc.	Investment Advisor Representative	Y	Fairfield, IA, United States
08/2024 - Present	Cambridge Investment Research, Inc.	Registered Representative	Y	Fairfield, IA, United States
02/2020 - 08/2024	J.W. COLE ADVISORS, INC.	INVESTMENT ADVISOR REPRESENTATIVE	Y	TAMPA, FL, United States
02/2020 - 08/2024	J.W. COLE FINANCIAL, INC.	REGISTERED REPRESENTATIVE	Y	TAMPA, FL, United States
08/2019 - 01/2020	RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES ADVISORS, INC.	INVESTMENT ADVISOR REP.	Y	BREA, CA, United States
08/2019 - 01/2020	RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	FINANCIAL ADVISOR	Y	BREA, CA, United States
08/2015 - 08/2019	WELLS FARGO ADVISORS FINANCIAL NETWORK, LLC	FINANCIAL ADVISOR	Y	BREA, CA, 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. PROPERTY MANAGER FOR DAD, 6904 E Gage Ave, Bell Gardens CA 90201, United States, 08/15/2024, Property Manager, NIR, 3 HR/MO - 0 HR/MO TRADING
2. DIRECT FIXED ANNUITY, 7545 Irvine Center Dr., Ste 200, Irvine CA 92618, 09/01/2024, Investment Advisor Representative, Insurance/Benefits/Human Resources, NIR, 2 HR/MO, 2 HR/MO TRADING.
3. CIRA, 1776 PLEASANT PLAIN RD, FAIRFIELD, IA, AS ADVISORY REP OF AN RIA, INV REL, 160 HR/MO, 120 HR/MO TRADING, 08/16/2024
4. AXIOM WEALTH ALLIANCE, 730 17th St., Suite 830, Denver CO 80202, United States, 12/01/2022, IAR, DBA Name, NIR, 160 HR/MO, 160 HR/MO TRADING



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
Judgment/Lien	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:	WM FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.
Allegations:	CLIENT ALLEGES THE FINANCIAL CONSULTANT OFFERED A BONUS ASSOCIATED WITH HER JULY 31, 2001 INVESTMENT PURCHASE.
Product Type:	Annuity(ies) - Variable
Alleged Damages:	\$7,846.71

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received:	08/27/2002
Complaint Pending?	No
Status:	Denied
Status Date:	09/23/2002

Settlement Amount:**Individual Contribution Amount:**

Firm Statement	BASED UPON AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE CLIENT'S ALLEGATIONS IT APPEARS THE FINANCIAL CONSULTANT PROVIDED FULL AND FAIR DISCLOSURE.
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Reporting Source: Individual

Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: WM FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

Allegations: I AM ALWAYS VERY DILIGENT IN EXPLAINING PRODUCTS TO CLIENTS. I UNDERSTAND IT MAY BE A LOT TO ABSORB IN A MEETING BUT THAT IS WHY I RECOMMEND A CLIENT READ THE INFO I PROVIDE THEM. I ALSO FIND IT INTERESTING THAT IT TOOK OVER A YEAR OF STATEMENTS, A MARKET DOWNTURN AND ANOTHER REPRESENTATIVE FOR THIS COMPLAINT TO BE FILED.

Product Type: Annuity(ies) - Variable

Alleged Damages: \$7,846.71

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 08/27/2002

Complaint Pending? Yes

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Broker Statement NOWHERE IN HER POLICY (AS SHE STATES) DOES IT SAY THAT SHE MAY DRAW HER PRINCIPAL AND NOT INTEREST TO AVOID TAX. SECONDLY, I DID ADVISE HER OF THE BONUS BUT EXPLAINED HOW THE DCA BONUS WORKS IN DETAIL.



Judgment/Lien

This disclosure event involves an unsatisfied and outstanding judgment or lien against the Investment Adviser Representative.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source:	Individual
Judgment/Lien Holder:	State of California
Judgment/Lien Amount:	\$170,763.83
Judgment/Lien Type:	Tax
Date Filed with Court:	05/12/2026
Date Individual Learned:	06/11/2026
Type of Court:	State Court
Name of Court:	State of California
Location of Court:	Orange, California
Docket/Case #:	2026000136591
Judgment/Lien Outstanding?	Yes



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