



IAPD Report

MICHAEL JAMES ORZEL

CRD# 2918793

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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 JAMES ORZEL (CRD# 2918793)

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 **03/16/2025**.

CURRENT EMPLOYERS

	Firm	CRD#	Registered Since
IA	FARTHER	CRD# 302050	12/19/2024

QUALIFICATIONS

This representative is currently registered in **0** SRO(s) and **1** 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	SIGNALPOINT ASSET MANAGEMENT LLC	147578	Fernandina Beach, FL	09/30/2008 - 03/16/2025
IA	SIGNALPOINT CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC	164818	SPRINGFIELD, MO	02/19/2014 - 09/13/2016
B	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	7691	SAN DIEGO, CA	09/09/1997 - 08/12/2008

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



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 **1** jurisdiction(s) and **0** SRO(s) through his or her employer(s).

Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: **FARTHER**
Main Address: 345 CALIFORNIA STREET
SUITE 600
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94104
Firm ID#: 302050

Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
IA Florida	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	12/19/2024

Branch Office Locations

FARTHER
Fernandina Beach, 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 0 principal/supervisory exams, 1 general industry/product exam, 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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 General Securities Representative Examination (S7)	Series 7	09/08/1997
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State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
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 Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination (S65)	Series 65	12/01/2015
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  Uniform Combined State Law Examination (S66)	Series 66	09/23/1997
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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
IA	09/30/2008 - 03/16/2025	SIGNALPOINT ASSET MANAGEMENT LLC	CRD# 147578	Fernandina Beach, FL
IA	02/19/2014 - 09/13/2016	SIGNALPOINT CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC	CRD# 164818	SPRINGFIELD, MO
B	09/09/1997 - 08/12/2008	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	CRD# 7691	SAN DIEGO, CA
IA	07/08/1997 - 08/12/2008	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	CRD# 7691	SAN DIEGO, 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
11/2024 - Present	Farther Finance Advisors	Principal, Wealth Advisor	Y	Springfield, MO, United States
09/2008 - Present	SignalPoint Asset Management, LLC	Chief Operations Officer	Y	Springfield, MO, 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.

No information reported.



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
Regulatory Event	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:	UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Sanction(s) Sought:	Cease and Desist Censure Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)
Date Initiated:	07/02/2014
Docket/Case Number:	3-15955
Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the regulatory action:	SIGNALPOINT CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC; SIGNALPOINT ASSET MANAGEMENT LLC
Product Type:	Other: UNSPECIFIED SECURITES
Allegations:	SEC ADMINISTRATIVE RELEASE 34-72515; IA RELEASE 40-3868, JULY 2, 2014: THE SEC DEEMS IT APPROPRIATE AND IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST THAT PUBLIC ADMINISTRATIVE AND CEASE-AND-DESIST PROCEEDINGS BE, AND HEREBY ARE, INSTITUTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(B) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 AND SECTIONS 203(E), 203(F) AND 203(K) OF THE INVESTMENT ADVISERS ACT OF 1940 AGAINST A FIRM, ITS CCO MICHAEL J. ORZEL, AND THREE OF THE FIRM'S PRINCIPALS. IN ANTICIPATION OF THE INSTITUTION OF THESE PROCEEDINGS, RESPONDENTS HAVE SUBMITTED OFFERS OF SETTLEMENT WHICH THE COMMISSION HAS DETERMINED TO ACCEPT. SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF THESE PROCEEDINGS AND ANY OTHER PROCEEDINGS BROUGHT BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION, OR TO WHICH THE COMMISSION IS A PARTY, AND WITHOUT ADMITTING OR DENYING THE FINDINGS HEREIN, EXCEPT AS TO THE COMMISSION'S JURISDICTION OVER THEM AND THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THESE PROCEEDINGS, WHICH ARE ADMITTED,



RESPONDENTS CONSENT TO THE ENTRY OF THIS ORDER INSTITUTING ADMINISTRATIVE AND CEASE-AND-DESIST PROCEEDINGS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(B) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 AND SECTIONS 203(E), 203(F) AND 203(K) OF THE INVESTMENT ADVISERS ACT OF 1940, MAKING FINDINGS, AND IMPOSING REMEDIAL SANCTIONS AND A CEASE-AND-DESIST ORDER. THE COMMISSION FOUND THAT IN EACH OF ORZEL'S FIRM BROCHURES FILED WITH IT DURING THE RELEVANT PERIOD, THE FIRM'S RESPONSE TO ITEM 10 DISCLOSED THAT "(THE FIRM) RECEIVES PERIODIC NON-INVESTMENT RELATED BUSINESS CONSULTING FROM THE PRINCIPALS" HOWEVER, THIS DISCLOSURE WAS FALSE AND MISLEADING BECAUSE IT DID NOT ACCURATELY DISCLOSE THE EXTENT OF THE PRINCIPALS' ABILITY TO DIRECT THE FIRM'S MANAGEMENT AND POLICIES AND MISREPRESENTED THAT THE PRINCIPALS PROVIDED NON-INVESTMENT RELATED CONSULTING WHEN, IN FACT, ONE OF THE PRINCIPALS PROVIDED INVESTMENT-RELATED ADVICE THROUGH HIS PARTICIPATION ON THE FIRM'S INVESTMENT COMMITTEE. AS A RESULT OF THIS CONDUCT, THE FIRM AND ORZEL WILLFULLY VIOLATED SECTION 207 OF THE ADVISERS ACT.

Current Status:

Final

Resolution:

Order

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:

07/02/2014

Sanctions Ordered:

Cease and Desist
Censure
Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)
Other: IT IS ORDERED THAT THE FIRM AND ORZEL CEASE AND DESIST FROM COMMITTING OR CAUSING ANY VIOLATIONS AND ANY FUTURE VIOLATIONS OF SECTION 207 OF THE ADVISERS ACT.

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?

Yes



(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?

Yes

(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

No

(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?

No

Monetary Sanction 1 of 1

Monetary Related Sanction: Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)

Total Amount: \$35,000.00



Portion Levied against individual: \$35,000.00

Payment Plan:

Is Payment Plan Current:

Date Paid by individual:

Was any portion of penalty waived? No

Amount Waived:

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Reporting Source: Individual

Regulatory Action Initiated By: UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sanction(s) Sought: Cease and Desist
Censure
Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)

Date Initiated: 07/02/2014

Docket/Case Number: 3-15955

Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the regulatory action: SIGNALPOINT ASSET MANAGEMENT, LLC

Product Type: No Product

Allegations: AS CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER OF SIGNALPOINT ASSET MANAGEMENT, LLC ("ADVISER"), MR. ORZEL FAILED TO DISCLOSE CERTAIN PRINCIPALS' CONTROL OF, AND PARTICIPATION IN THE MANAGEMENT OF ADVISER.

Current Status: Final

Resolution: Order

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: 07/02/2014

Sanctions Ordered: Cease and Desist
Censure
Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)

Monetary Sanction 1 of 1

Monetary Related Sanction: Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s)

Total Amount: \$35,000.00

Portion Levied against individual: \$35,000.00

Payment Plan: YES; All amounts under the payment plan have been Paid.



Is Payment Plan Current: Yes

Date Paid by individual: 07/03/2014

Was any portion of penalty waived? No

Amount Waived:

Broker Statement MR. ORZEL HAS NOT BEEN THE SUBJECT OF ANY OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION DURING HIS 27 YEAR CAREER IN THE SECURITIES INDUSTRY. THE SEC CONSENT ORDER DOES NOT CONTAIN ANY FINDINGS OF CUSTOMER LOSSES OR COMPLAINTS.



End of Report

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