



## IAPD Report

# NICHOLAS Joiseph DESTEFANO

CRD# 2933489

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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

### NICHOLAS Joiseph DESTEFANO (CRD# 2933489)

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 **10/26/2023**.

### CURRENT EMPLOYERS

	Firm	CRD#	Registered Since
IA	TRENDCAST FINANCIAL LLC	CRD# 166470	11/16/2020

### QUALIFICATIONS

This representative is currently registered in **0** SRO(s) and **3** 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	D'ARCY WEALTH MANAGEMENT, INC. - A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION	284975	Godley, TX	09/05/2019 - 10/07/2019
IA	FORWARD FINANCIAL	293764	FOLSOM, CA	04/05/2018 - 06/21/2019
IA	KINGSVIEW ASSET MANAGEMENT, LLC	148107	Folsom, CA	04/29/2016 - 02/02/2017

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

#### Employment 1 of 1

Firm Name: **TRENDSCAST FINANCIAL LLC**  
Main Address: 1056 ROUTE 519  
EIGHTY FOUR, PA 15330  
Firm ID#: 166470

	Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
	California	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	02/09/2021
	Tennessee	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	08/25/2021
	Texas	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	11/16/2020

#### Branch Office Locations

**TRENDSCAST FINANCIAL LLC**  
GEORGETOWN, CA



## 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, 0 general industry/product exams, and 1 state securities law exam.**

#### Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
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No information reported.

#### General Industry/Product Exams

Exam	Category	Date
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No information reported.

#### State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
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<b>IA</b> Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination (S65)	Series 65	06/08/1998
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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	09/05/2019 - 10/07/2019	D'ARCY WEALTH MANAGEMENT, INC. - A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION	CRD# 284975	Godley, TX
IA	04/05/2018 - 06/21/2019	FORWARD FINANCIAL	CRD# 293764	FOLSOM, CA
IA	04/29/2016 - 02/02/2017	KINGSVIEW ASSET MANAGEMENT, LLC	CRD# 148107	Folsom, CA
IA	02/27/2014 - 04/05/2016	INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC	CRD# 7717	Folsom, CA
IA	04/12/2013 - 02/25/2014	WFG ADVISORS, LP	CRD# 125073	AUBURN, CA
IA	09/09/2011 - 04/01/2013	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	CRD# 7691	EL DORADO HILLS, CA
IA	04/27/2010 - 12/31/2010	WRP INVESTMENTS, INC.	CRD# 7365	FOLSOM, CA
IA	01/23/2009 - 04/30/2010	SECURITIES AMERICA ADVISORS, INC.	CRD# 110518	LAVISTA, NE
IA	10/11/2006 - 01/23/2009	BRECEK & YOUNG ADVISORS, INC.	CRD# 40395	FOLSOM, CA
IA	02/24/2003 - 10/12/2006	MONEY CONCEPTS CAPITAL CORP	CRD# 12963	FOLSOM, 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
09/2020 - Present	TRENDSCAST FINANCIAL LLC	INVESTMENT ADVISOR REPRESENTATIVE	Y	EIGHTY FOUR, PA, United States
04/2016 - Present	FORWARD FINANCIAL	INSURANCE AGENT	Y	Georgetown, CA, United States
09/2019 - 10/2019	D'Arcy Wealth Management, Inc	Investment Advisor Representative	Y	Corona, CA, United States
04/2018 - 06/2019	FORWARD FINANCIAL	INVESTMENT ADVISOR REPRESENTATIVE	Y	FOLSOM, CA, United States



## Registration & Employment History

### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Employment Dates	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	Employer Location
04/2016 - 02/2017	Kingsview Asset Management, LLC	Investment Advisor Representative	Y	Chicago, IL, 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.

FORWARD FINANCIAL; INVESTMENT RELATED; OWNER AND INSURANCE AGENT; START 04/2016; GEORGETOWN, CA; 80 HOURS PER MONTH; 60 HOURS DURING SECURITIES 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

### 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:** MONEY CONCEPTS CAPITAL CORPORATION

**Allegations:** CLAIMANTS ARE ALLEGING THE SALE OF THE BEHRINGER HARVARD OPPORTUNITY REIT I, BEHRINGER HARVARD STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITY FUND I, LP AND DIVIDEND CAPITAL TOTAL REALTY TRUST INC., WERE AN UNSUITABLE INVESTMENT. CLAIMANTS ALLEGES BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY, UNSUITABLE INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS, FAILURE TO SUPERVISE, BREACH OF CONTRACT, NEGLIGENCE, RESPONDENT SUPERIOR AND VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA ELDER FINANCIAL ABUSE STATUTE.

**Product Type:** Other: REIT

**Alleged Damages:** \$950,000.00

**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 #:** 14-00805

**Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation:** 03/27/2014

**Customer Complaint Information**

**Date Complaint Received:** 04/07/2014  
**Complaint Pending?** No  
**Status:** Evolved into Arbitration/CFTC reparation (the individual is a named party)  
**Status Date:** 04/07/2014  
**Settlement Amount:**  
**Individual Contribution Amount:**

**Arbitration Information**

**Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA, CFTC, etc.):** FINRA  
**Docket/Case #:** 14-00805  
**Date Notice/Process Served:** 04/07/2014  
**Arbitration Pending?** No  
**Disposition:** Settled  
**Disposition Date:** 07/20/2015  
**Monetary Compensation Amount:** \$190,000.00  
**Individual Contribution Amount:** \$0.00  
**Firm Statement** 8/18/2015 "FIRM SETTLED DIRECTLY WITH CLAIMANT. REP WAS NOT PART OF THE SETTLEMENT."

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**Reporting Source:** Individual  
**Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint:** MONEY CONCEPTS CAPITAL CORP  
**Allegations:** CLAIMANT ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT, FAILURE TO SUPERVISE, BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY, UNSTUIABLE RECOMMENDATIONS, AND VIOLATION OF CALIF LAWS IN CONNECTION WITH DPPS PURCHASED IN 2004-2008. CLAIMANT FURTHER ALLEGED THAT THE FIRM MISLED HER BY PROVIDING INACCURATE VALUATIONS OF THE SECURITIES SUBSEQUENT TO PURCHASE.  
**Product Type:** Other: NON TRADED REITS  
**Alleged Damages:** \$950,000.00  
**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



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**Status Date:** 03/27/2014  
**Settlement Amount:**

**Individual Contribution Amount:**

### Arbitration Information

**Arbitration/CFTC reparation claim filed with (FINRA, AAA, CFTC, etc.):** FINRA

**Docket/Case #:** 14-00805  
**Date Notice/Process Served:** 04/07/2014  
**Arbitration Pending?** No  
**Disposition:** Settled  
**Disposition Date:** 06/17/2014  
**Monetary Compensation Amount:** \$10,000.00  
**Individual Contribution Amount:** \$10,000.00

### Broker Statement

\*ITEMS 7-10 WERE COMPLETED IN ERROR AND SHOULD BE DELETED. RR IS A NAMED PARTY IN THE ARBITRATION. SHORTLY AFTER BEING SERVED WITH THE CLAIM, I SETTLED WITH CLAIMANT FOR \$10,000 TO AVOID THE EXPENSES AND UNCERTAINTIES OF ARBITRATION WITH NO ADMISSION OF ANY WRONGDOING. THE CLAIM AGAINST ME WAS DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE. IN MAKING THE INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS AT ISSUE, I RELIED ON THE FIRM'S DUE DILIGENCE OF THE PRODUCTS AND ITS ONGOING PRICING OF THOSE PRODUCTS ON THE CLIENT'S STATEMENTS. I ALSO RELIED ON THE FIRM'S TRAINING OF ME REGARDING: (A) SELLING REITS, AND (B) THE INVESTMENT CHARACTERISTICS OF REITS. PRIOR TO ASSOCIATING WITH MONEY CONCEPTS, I HAD NEVER SOLD REITS.



## End of Report

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