



IAPD Report

JOHN FRANCIS COMBS

CRD# 4590195

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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

JOHN FRANCIS COMBS (CRD# 4590195)

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 **07/14/2025**.

CURRENT EMPLOYERS

| | Firm | CRD# | Registered Since |
|-----------|--|-------------|------------------|
| B | RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. | CRD# 6694 | 08/30/2017 |
| IA | RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES ADVISORS, INC | CRD# 149018 | 10/11/2017 |

QUALIFICATIONS

This representative is currently registered in **1** SRO(s) and **12** 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 | OPPENHEIMER & CO. INC. | 249 | LOS ANGELES, CA | 05/07/2009 - 09/01/2017 |
| IA | OPPENHEIMER & CO. INC. | 249 | LOS ANGELES, CA | 05/07/2009 - 09/01/2017 |
| IA | UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. | 8174 | CENTURY CITY, CA | 11/27/2002 - 05/13/2009 |

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 |



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

Employment 1 of 2

Firm Name: **RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.**

Main Address: 880 CARILLON PARKWAY
ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33716

Firm ID#: 6694

| | Regulator | Registration | Status | Date |
|----------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|------------|
| B | FINRA | General Securities Representative | Approved | 08/30/2017 |
| B | California | Agent | Approved | 08/30/2017 |
| B | District of Columbia | Agent | Approved | 12/23/2024 |
| B | Florida | Agent | Approved | 08/30/2017 |
| B | Maryland | Agent | Approved | 04/30/2020 |
| B | Massachusetts | Agent | Approved | 09/01/2017 |
| B | Nevada | Agent | Approved | 08/30/2017 |
| B | New Jersey | Agent | Approved | 08/30/2017 |
| B | New Mexico | Agent | Approved | 08/30/2017 |
| B | New York | Agent | Approved | 08/30/2017 |
| B | Pennsylvania | Agent | Approved | 11/14/2018 |
| B | Tennessee | Agent | Approved | 08/30/2017 |
| B | Texas | Agent | Approved | 01/23/2023 |



Qualifications

Branch Office Locations

RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES

442 3RD STREET
NEPTUNE BEACH, FL 32266

Employment 2 of 2

Firm Name: **RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES ADVISORS, INC**

Main Address: 880 CARILLON PARKWAY
SAINT PETERSBURG, FL 33716

Firm ID#: 149018

| Regulator | Registration | Status | Date |
|------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| IA Florida | Investment Adviser Representative | Approved | 10/11/2017 |
| IA Texas | Investment Adviser Representative | Restricted Approval | 02/06/2023 |

Branch Office Locations

RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES ADVISORS, INC

422 3RD STREET
NEPTUNE BEACH, FL 32266



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, 2 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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| Securities Industry Essentials Examination (SIE) | SIE | 10/01/2018 |
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| General Securities Representative Examination (S7) | Series 7 | 11/08/2002 |
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State Securities Law Exams

| Exam | Category | Date |
|------|----------|------|
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| Uniform Combined State Law Examination (S66) | Series 66 | 11/26/2002 |
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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 |
|----|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| B | 05/07/2009 - 09/01/2017 | OPPENHEIMER & CO. INC. | CRD# 249 | LOS ANGELES, CA |
| IA | 05/07/2009 - 09/01/2017 | OPPENHEIMER & CO. INC. | CRD# 249 | LOS ANGELES, CA |
| IA | 11/27/2002 - 05/13/2009 | UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. | CRD# 8174 | CENTURY CITY, CA |
| B | 11/11/2002 - 05/13/2009 | UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. | CRD# 8174 | CENTURY CITY, 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 |
|-------------------|--|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| 10/2017 - Present | RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES ADVISORS INC. | INVESTMENT ADVISER REP | Y | NEPTUNE BEACH, FL, United States |
| 08/2017 - Present | RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. | FINANCIAL ADVISOR | Y | JACKSONVILLE, FL, United States |
| 05/2009 - 08/2017 | OPPENHEIMER & CO. INC. | DIRECTOR INVESTMENTS | Y | LOS ANGELES, CA, 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) Name of Business: Combs Capital Management LLC Address: 442 3rd Street, Neptune Beach, FL, 32266, United States Activity Type: Support Company - Owner Position/Title: Other Investment Related: No Start Date: 03/26/2019 Hours per month devoted to this business: 2-10 Hours per month devoted to this business during trading hours: 0-1 Description of duties: I am owner/managing member of a newly established LLC through which I will receive income earned/conduct business through RJFS by providing advisory and brokerage services. Heretofore, these activities were conducted on a sole proprietorship basis
- (2) Name of Business: International Wine & Food Society, Jacksonville Chapter Address: 13613 Bromley Point Drive, Jacksonville, FL, 32225, United States Activity Type: Non profit Position/Title: Officer - Treasurer, Board Member Investment Related: Yes Start Date: 06/01/2021 Hours per month devoted to this business: 2-10 Hours per month devoted to this business during trading hours: 0-1 Description of duties: Treasurer is also a Chapter Board member and prepares and presents Chapter's financial reports to the Board and maintains Chapter financial records and signs checks.
- (3) Name of Business: WMM Group LLC Address: 442 3rd Street, Neptune Beach, FL, 32266, United States Activity Type: Support Company - Non Owner Position/Title: Independent Contractor Investment Related: Yes Start Date: 09/01/2017 Hours per month devoted to this business: 2-10 Hours per month devoted to this business during trading hours: 0-1 Description of duties: Receive RJ fees and commissions in form of 1099 income from WMM Group LLC, 720 Rugby St, Suite 200 Orlando FL 32804 Att: Paul Wood



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

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| Reporting Source: | Regulator |
| Employing firm when activities occurred which led to the complaint: | UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. |
| Allegations: | BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY; MISREPRESENTATIONS; OMISSIONS; BREACH OF CONTRACT; NEGLIGENCE; FAILURE TO EXECUTE |
| Product Type: | Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock) |
| Alleged Damages: | \$110,000.00 |

Arbitration Information

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|---|--|
| Arbitration/Reparation Claim filed with and Docket/Case No.: | FINRA - CASE #10-01085 |
| Date Notice/Process Served: | 03/04/2010 |
| Arbitration Pending? | No |
| Disposition: | Award |
| Disposition Date: | 04/26/2011 |
| Disposition Detail: | JOHN COMBS WAS A SUBJECT OF THE CLAIMANT'S STATEMENT OF CLAIM FOR THE ARBITRATION ALLEGING THAT HE ALONG WITH HIS MEMBER FIRM CAUSED THE SALE PRACTICE VIOLATIONS. COMBS' MEMBER FIRM IS LIABLE FOR COMPENSATORY DAMAGES OF \$13,000.00. |

Reporting Source: Firm



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

Allegations: TIME FRAME: 2007/11/21 TO 2008/01/23
CLAIMANT ALLEGES BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY AND MISREPRESENTATION

Product Type: Other: COMMON STOCK

Alleged Damages: \$110,000.00

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 #: 10-01085

Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation: 03/26/2010

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 03/26/2010

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Evolved into Arbitration/CFTC reparation (the individual is a named party)

Status Date: 03/26/2010

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Arbitration Information

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

Docket/Case #: [10-01085](#)

Date Notice/Process Served: 03/26/2010

Arbitration Pending? No

Disposition: Award to Customer

Disposition Date: 04/26/2011

Monetary Compensation Amount: \$13,000.00

Individual Contribution Amount: \$0.00

Firm Statement I DENY ALL ALLEGATIONS IN THIS COMPLAINT. IN LATE-NOVEMBER 2007 HE WAS A WALK-IN AFTER BEING ADVISED BY OTHER US BROKER-DEALERS THAT THEY COULD NOT SELL HIS THINLY-TRADED SECURITY (HELD IN CERTIFICATE FORM) BECAUSE IT TRADED ONLY IN INDIA ON THE BOMBAY



STOCK EXCHANGE. I TOLD HIM I WOULD DETERMINE IF ANY UBS NON-U.S. AFFILIATE COULD ARRANGE A SALE. I CONTACTED NUMEROUS UBS NON-U.S. AFFILIATES OVER 7 WEEKS. AFTER DETERMINING PER THESE CONTACTS THAT NO SALE COULD BE ARRANGED, I RETURNED HIS CERTIFICATE IN LATE JANUARY 2008. HE DID NOT COMPLAIN AT THAT TIME (OR BEFORE JANUARY 2010). I RECEIVED NO COMPENSATION FOR MY EFFORTS. CLAIMANT NEVER HELD ANY OTHER ASSETS AT UBS. HE APPARENTLY NEVER FOUND A US BROKER-DEALER TO ARRANGE A SALE AND ENTERED INTO A PRIVATE SALE OF HIS SHARES IN THE DEPTH OF THE FINANCIAL CRISIS ALMOST A YEAR LATER (IN DECEMBER 2008). PANEL'S AWARD SPECIFICALLY NOTES THAT HE PRESENTED NO EVIDENCE OF DAMAGES OR EVIDENCE HE COULD HAVE SOLD HIS SHARES DURING THE TIME UBS HELD HIS CERTIFICATE. THERE IS NO FINDING AGAINST ME IN THE AWARD. COMBS' MEMBER FIRM IS LIABLE FOR COMPENSATORY DAMAGES OF \$13,000.00.

Reporting Source: Individual

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

Allegations: TIME FRAME - 2007/11/21 - 2008/01/23 CLAIMANT ALLEGES BREACH OF FIDUCIARY DUTY AND MISREPRESENTATION.

Product Type: Other: COMMON STOCK

Alleged Damages: \$110,000.00

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 #: 10-01085

Filing date of arbitration/CFTC reparation or civil litigation: 03/26/2010

Customer Complaint Information

Date Complaint Received: 03/26/2010

Complaint Pending? No

Status: Evolved into Arbitration/CFTC reparation (the individual is a named party)

Status Date: 03/26/2010

Settlement Amount:

Individual Contribution Amount:

Arbitration Information



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

Docket/Case #: [10-01085](#)

Date Notice/Process Served: 03/26/2010

Arbitration Pending? No

Disposition: Award to Customer

Disposition Date: 04/26/2011

Monetary Compensation Amount: \$13,000.00

Individual Contribution Amount: \$0.00

Broker Statement

I DENY ALL ALLEGATIONS IN THIS COMPLAINT. IN LATE-NOVEMBER 2007 HE WAS A WALK-IN AFTER BEING ADVISED BY OTHER US BROKER-DEALERS THAT THEY COULD NOT SELL HIS THINLY-TRADED SECURITY (HELD IN CERTIFICATE FORM) BECAUSE IT TRADED ONLY IN INDIA ON THE BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE. I TOLD HIM I WOULD DETERMINE IF ANY UBS NON-U.S. AFFILIATE COULD ARRANGE A SALE. I CONTACTED NUMEROUS UBS NON-U.S. AFFILIATES OVER 7 WEEKS. AFTER DETERMINING PER THESE CONTACTS THAT NO SALE COULD BE ARRANGED, I RETURNED HIS CERTIFICATE IN LATE JANUARY 2008. HE DID NOT COMPLAIN AT THAT TIME (OR BEFORE JANUARY 2010). I RECEIVED NO COMPENSATION FOR MY EFFORTS. CLAIMANT NEVER HELD ANY OTHER ASSETS AT UBS. HE APPARENTLY NEVER FOUND A US BROKER-DEALER TO ARRANGE A SALE AND ENTERED INTO A PRIVATE SALE OF HIS SHARES IN THE DEPTH OF THE FINANCIAL CRISIS ALMOST A YEAR LATER (IN DECEMBER 2008). PANEL'S AWARD SPECIFICALLY NOTES THAT HE PRESENTED NO EVIDENCE OF DAMAGES OR EVIDENCE HE COULD HAVE SOLD HIS SHARES DURING THE TIME UBS HELD HIS CERTIFICATE. THERE IS NO FINDING AGAINST ME IN THE AWARD.



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