



IAPD Report

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CRD# 7376021

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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

WILLIAM PAUL REX HAMMACK (CRD# 7376021)

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
IA	SOUND INCOME STRATEGIES, LLC	CRD# 173272	08/21/2025

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	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	7691	COLUMBIA, SC	03/22/2023 - 08/27/2025
B	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	7691	COLUMBIA, SC	03/21/2023 - 08/27/2025
IA	WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC	19616	LEXINGTON, SC	11/15/2022 - 02/03/2023

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
Termination	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: **SOUND INCOME STRATEGIES, LLC**
Main Address: 500 W CYPRESS CREEK ROAD
SUITE 290
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33309
Firm ID#: 173272

Regulator	Registration	Status	Date
IA South Carolina	Investment Adviser Representative	Approved	08/21/2025

Branch Office Locations

SOUND INCOME STRATEGIES, LLC
1320 Main Street
Suite 300
Columbia, SC 29201



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 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 (S7TO)	Series 7TO	08/05/2021
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Securities Industry Essentials Examination (SIE)	SIE	06/04/2021
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State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
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Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination (S65)	Series 65	10/06/2022
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Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination (S63)	Series 63	09/07/2021
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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	03/22/2023 - 08/27/2025	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	CRD# 7691	COLUMBIA, SC
B	03/21/2023 - 08/27/2025	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED	CRD# 7691	COLUMBIA, SC
IA	11/15/2022 - 02/03/2023	WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC	CRD# 19616	LEXINGTON, SC
B	08/05/2021 - 02/03/2023	WELLS FARGO CLEARING SERVICES, LLC	CRD# 19616	LEXINGTON, SC

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
08/2025 - Present	Retirement Income Source	Client Acquisition Advisor/Insurance Agent	Y	Columbia, SC, United States
08/2025 - Present	Sound Income Strategies, LLC	Investment Adviser Representative	Y	Fort Lauderdale, FL, United States
03/2023 - 08/2025	Bank of America, N.A.	Financial Advisor - Merrill	Y	Columbia, SC, United States
01/2023 - 08/2025	Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated	Financial Advisor - Merrill	Y	Columbia, SC, United States
05/2021 - 01/2023	Wells Fargo Clearing Services, LLC	Registered Rep	Y	Charlotte, NC, United States
02/2021 - 05/2021	Rehab Builders	Office Manager	N	Columbia, SC, United States
10/2020 - 01/2021	Plumbing Solutions LLC	Construction Manager	N	Lexington, SC, United States
09/2020 - 10/2020	Kelly Services	Data Entry Clerk	N	Columbia, SC, United States
07/2020 - 09/2020	Carolina Trader	Web Developer	N	Lexington, SC, United States
05/2020 - 07/2020	Tresyl Express	Delivery Driver	N	Columbia, NC, United States
12/2019 - 05/2020	Kelly Services, Inc.	Mail Operations Analyst Customer Service Advocate I	N	Columbia, SC, United States



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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Employment Dates	Employer Name	Position	Investment Related	Employer Location
11/2019 - 12/2019	Snelling Staffing Services	Temp Banquet Server	N	Lexington, SC, United States
10/2019 - 10/2019	Landmark Event Staffing Services	Event Staff	N	Fort Collins, CO, United States
10/2019 - 10/2019	Old Elk Distillery	Product Fulfillment	N	Fort Collins, CO, United States
07/2019 - 10/2019	Parkway Products	CNC Operator	N	Fort Collins, CO, United States
05/2019 - 07/2019	Woodward	Plane Actuator Technician	N	Loveland, CO, United States
07/2018 - 05/2019	Illustrated Light	Production Specialist	N	Fort Collins, CO, United States
10/2017 - 07/2018	Otter Products LLC	Warranty Specialist	N	Fort Collins, CO, United States
01/2017 - 10/2017	Unemployed	Unemployed	N	Fort Collins, CO, United States
04/2015 - 12/2016	ADP	Fulfilment Specialist	N	Fort Collins, CO, 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. Retirement Income Source, LLC - Fixed Insurance Sales - 08/2025 - present - Investment related - Sales of fixed annuities, fixed insurance, and life insurance - 1320 Main Street, Suite 300, Columbia, SC 29201. This will encompass approximately 30% of business hours.
2. Retirement Income Source, LLC - Client Acquisition Advisor - 08/2025 - present - Investment Related - Recruiting new clients for investment advisory services - 1320 Main Street, Suite 300, Columbia, SC 29201. This will encompass approximately 70% of business hours.
3. Retirement Income Source, LLC DBA - 08/2025 - present - Investment Related - 417 Hawkeye Court, Columbia, SC 29206. The Retirement Income Source is used to market to prospective clients for Investment Advisory and Fixed Insurance services. This will not encompass any business hours.
4. Mortgage Lending - loan originator - 11/2025 - present - Investment Related - licensed as a loan originator for mortgage lending, but not presently performing any work under this license - 417 Hawkeye Court, Columbia, SC 29206. This will not encompass any business hours.
5. YouTube Creator - 12/2025 - present - Non-Investment Related - creating and uploading non-investment related video content to a YouTube channel - 417 Hawkeye Court, Columbia, SC 29206. This will not encompass any business hours.
6. Door Dash - Driver - 12/2025 - present - Non-Investment Related - performing retail product collection and delivery - 417 Hawkeye Court, Columbia, SC 29206. This will not encompass any business hours.



Registration & Employment History



OTHER BUSINESS ACTIVITIES



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:

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Termination	1

Termination

This disclosure event involves a situation where the Investment Adviser Representative voluntarily resigned, was discharged or was permitted to resign after allegations were made that accused the Investment Adviser Representative of violating investment-related statutes, regulations, rules or industry standards of conduct; fraud or the wrongful taking of property; or failure to supervise in connection with investment-related statutes, regulations, rules or industry standards of conduct.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source:	Firm
Firm Name:	MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED
Termination Type:	Voluntary Resignation
Termination Date:	08/01/2025
Allegations:	Conduct inconsistent with Firm standards related to the Firm's Do Not Call list.
Product Type:	No Product



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