



BrokerCheck Report

MICHAEL SCOTT HUGHES

CRD# 1180772



Dear Investor:

FINRA has generated the following BrokerCheck report for **MICHAEL SCOTT HUGHES**. The information contained within this report has been provided by a FINRA member firm(s) and securities regulators as part of the securities industry's registration and licensing process and represents the most current information reported to the Central Registration Depository (CRD[®]) system.

FINRA regulates the securities markets for the ultimate benefit and protection of the investor. FINRA believes the general public should have access to information that will help them determine whether to conduct, or continue to conduct, business with a FINRA member or any of the member's associated persons. To that end, FINRA has adopted a public disclosure policy to make certain types of information available to you. Examples of information FINRA provides on currently registered individuals and individuals who were registered during the past two years include: actions by regulators, investment-related civil suits, customer disputes that contain allegations of sales practice violations against brokers, all felony charges and convictions, misdemeanor charges and convictions relating to securities violations, and financial events such as bankruptcies, compromises with creditors, judgments, and liens. FINRA also provides certain information on individuals whose registrations terminated more than two years ago.

The information in this report is not the only resource you should consult. FINRA recommends that you learn as much as possible about the individual broker or brokerage firm from other sources, such as professional references, local consumer and investment groups, or friends and family members who already have established investment business relationships.

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This individual is no longer registered with FINRA. The individual's registration with FINRA was terminated prior to August 1999 when the enhanced CRD system was implemented. As a result, since the individual was not required to update their CRD record via the submission of a Form U4 to CRD since August 1999, BrokerCheck contains only limited information about this individual.

Report Summary for this Broker

The report summary provides an overview of the broker's professional background and conduct. The individual broker, a FINRA-registered firm(s), and/or securities regulator(s) have provided the information contained in this report as part of the securities industry's registration and licensing process.

Broker Qualifications

This broker is not currently registered with a FINRA firm.

This broker has passed:

- 0 Principal/Supervisory Exams
- 1 General Industry/Product Exams
- 1 State Securities Law Exams

Registration History

This broker was previously registered with the following FINRA member firms:

ALPINE SECURITIES CORPORATION

CRD# 14952
SALT LAKE CITY UT
08/30/1989 to 12/22/1990

KOBER FINANCIAL CORP.

CRD# 17551
SALT LAKE CITY UT
05/12/1987 to 07/24/1989

FITZGERALD, DEARMAN & ROBERTS, INC.

CRD# 317
SALT LAKE CITY UT
01/02/1987 to 03/11/1987

For additional registration details as reported by the individual broker, refer to the Registration History Section of this report.

Disclosure of Regulatory Events

This section includes details regarding final regulatory events reported by or about this broker to CRD as part of the securities industry registration and licensing process.

Are there events disclosed about this broker? **Yes**

The following type of disclosure was reported:

Regulatory Event



Broker Qualifications

Industry Exams this Broker has Passed

This section includes all principal/supervisory, general product/industry, and/or state securities law exams that the broker has passed. Under certain, limited circumstances, a broker may receive a waiver of an exam requirement based on a combination of previous exams passed and qualifying work experience. Likewise, a new exam requirement may be grandfathered based on a broker's specific qualifying work experience. Information regarding instances of exam waivers or the grandfathering of an exam requirement are not included as part of the BrokerCheck report.

This individual has passed 0 principal/supervisory exams, 1 general industry/product exams, and 1 state securities law exam.

Exam Class	Exam Name	Category	Date
General Industry/Product Exams	General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	12/17/1983
State Securities Law Exams	Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	1/16/1984

Additional information about the securities industry's qualifications and continuing education requirements, as well as the examinations administered by FINRA to brokers and other securities professionals can be found at <http://www.finra.org/Industry/Compliance/Registration/QualificationsExams/index.htm>.



Registration History

Previously Registered with the Following FINRA Firms

FINRA records show this broker previously held FINRA registrations with the following firms:

Registration Dates	Firm Name	CRD #	Branch Location
08/30/1989 to 12/22/1990	ALPINE SECURITIES CORPORATION	14952	SALT LAKE CITY UT
05/12/1987 to 07/24/1989	KOBER FINANCIAL CORP.	17551	SALT LAKE CITY UT
01/02/1987 to 03/11/1987	FITZGERALD, DEARMAN & ROBERTS, INC.	317	SALT LAKE CITY UT
05/09/1985 to 01/02/1987	EQUITY-ONE CORPORATION	15126	SALT LAKE CITY UT
02/05/1985 to 09/11/1985	BENTLEY INVESTMENTS, INC.	6672	SALT LAKE CITY UT
10/09/1984 to 12/27/1984	RICHEY, FRANKEL & COMPANY	8548	DENVER CO
05/21/1984 to 09/24/1984	PENN WEST SECURITIES & COMPANY	10729	PARK CITY UT
04/09/1984 to 05/14/1984	FIRST INTERWEST SECURITIES CORPORATION	13492	DENVER CO
01/11/1984 to 04/23/1984	R.L. SMITH & ASSOCIATES, INC.	10262	SALT LAKE CITY UT



Disclosure of Regulatory Events

Disclosures in BrokerCheck reports come from different sources:

- **Self-disclosure:** Brokers are required to answer a series of questions on their application requesting securities industry registration (Form U4). For example, brokers are asked whether they have been involved in certain regulatory matters.
- **Regulator/Employer postings:** In addition, regulators and firms that have employed a broker also may contribute relevant information about such matters. All of this information is maintained in CRD.

Certain Thresholds must be met before an event is reported to CRD; for example:

- **A regulatory agency** must meet established standards before initiating a regulatory action and/or issuing sanctions. These standards typically include a reasonable basis for initiating the action after engaging in a fact-finding process.

Disclosure Event Details

This report provides the information as it was reported to CRD by the individual broker, a member firm(s), and/or by securities industry regulators. Some of the specific data fields contained in the report may be blank if the information was not provided to CRD.



Possible multiple reporting sources
– please note:

Disclosure event details may be reported by more than one source (i.e., regulator or firm). When this occurs, all versions of the reported event will appear in the firm's BrokerCheck report.

Regulatory - Final

This section provides information regarding a final, regulatory action that was reported to CRD by the individual broker, a member firm and/or a securities regulator. The event may include a final, formal proceeding initiated by a regulatory authority (e.g., a state securities agency, a self-regulatory organization, a federal regulator such as the SEC or the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC), or a foreign financial regulatory body) for a violation of investment-related rules or regulations.

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Reporting Source: Regulator

Details:

COMPLAINT NO. C3A910066 (NASD DISTRICT NO. 3) FILED JUNE 10, 1991 AGAINST RESPONDENTS MICHAEL S. HUGHES AND ROBERT LOPEZ ALLEGING VIOLATIONS OF ARTICLE III, SECTIONS 1, 18, 19(a), 27, AND 35 (b) AND (d) OF THE RULES OF FAIR PRACTICE IN THAT RESPONDENT HUGHES ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF SOLICITING OR EFFECTING SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS FOR THE ACCOUNTS OF OTHERS AND FOR HIS OWN ACCOUNT WHILE HE WAS NOT REGISTERED AS A SECURITIES BROKER OR DEALER WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR THE NASD; MADE IMPROPER USE OF CUSTOMER FUNDS AND SECURITIES BY CAUSING \$7,800 TO BE WITHDRAWN FROM A CUSTOMER'S BANK ACCOUNT AND DEPOSITING THE FUNDS INTO HIS OWN ACCOUNT WITHOUT THE CUSTOMER'S AUTHORIZATION, BY DIRECTING CUSTOMERS TO WIRE \$11,000 TO A COMPANY BANK ACCOUNT ALLEGEDLY FOR THE PURCHASE OF STOCK IN THIS COMPANY WHILE FAILING TO SUBMIT TO THESE CUSTOMERS DOCUMENTATION EVIDENCING SUCH PURCHASE AND FAILING TO REFUND THEIR MONEY, AND, BY OBTAINING SHARES OF STOCK FROM INITIAL SHAREHOLDERS BY REPRESENTING TO THESE SHAREHOLDERS THAT THEIR SECURITIES WERE NEEDED IN ORDER TO COMPLETE A MERGER, AND INSTEAD, HUGHES DEPOSITED THE STOCK INTO A CUSTOMER ACCOUNT AT HIS MEMBER FIRM AND SOLD THE STOCK TO OTHER CUSTOMERS; CAUSED MISLEADING SALES LITERATURE RECOMMENDING THE PURCHASE OF STOCK TO BE DISSEMINATED TO THE PUBLIC WHICH WAS NOT APPROVED BY HIS MEMBER FIRM; AND, FAILED TO RESPOND TO NASD REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION MADE PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV, SECTION 5 OF THE RULES OF FAIR PRACTICE; RESPONDENT LOPEZ FAILED TO SUPERVISE THE ACTIVITIES OF RESPONDENT HUGHES ADEQUATELY.

AMENDED COMPLAINT NO. C3A910066 FILED OCTOBER 29, 1991 IN ORDER TO ADD THE ALLEGATION THAT RESPONDENT HUGHES DIRECTED A PUBLIC CUSTOMER TO WIRE \$30,000 TO A BANK ACCOUNT ALLEGEDLY BELONGING TO THE RESPONDENT'S MEMBER FIRM FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSUMMATING THE MERGER OF THE CUSTOMER'S STOCK. HOWEVER, THIS MONEY WAS ACTUALLY DEPOSITED INTO A BANK ACCOUNT BELONGING TO RESPONDENT HUGHES WITHOUT THE CUSTOMER'S KNOWLEDGE AND CONSENT AND WAS NOT USED FOR THE INTENDED PURPOSES NOR WAS THE CUSTOMER REFUNDED HIS MONEY.

DECISION RENDERED APRIL 9, 1992, WHEREIN RESPONDENT HUGHES IS CENSURED, FINED \$47,000, BARRED FROM ASSOCIATION WITH ANY MEMBER OF THE NASD IN ANY CAPACITY, AND ASSESSED COSTS OF \$1,299.75; AND, RESPONDENT LOPEZ IS CENSURED, FINED \$25,000, SUSPENDED FROM ASSOCIATION WITH ANY MEMBER OF THE NASD IN ANY CAPACITY FOR 30 DAYS AND ORDERED TO REQUALIFY BY EXAMINATION AS A GENERAL SECURITIES PRINCIPAL. IF NO FURTHER ACTION, DECISION IS FINAL MAY 27, 1992.

MAY 12, 1992 - CALLED FOR REVIEW BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS AS TO RESPONDENT HUGHES.

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MAY 27, 1992 - DECISION IS FINAL AS TO RESPONDENT LOPEZ.

FEBRUARY 12, 1993 - CALL FOR REVIEW BY THE NASD NATIONAL BUSINESS CONDUCT COMMITTEE WITHDRAWN; THEREFORE, THE NASD DISTRICT BUSINESS CONDUCT COMMITTEE DECISION CONSTITUTES FINAL ACTION. DECISION IS FINAL AS TO RESPONDENT HUGHES MAY 27, 1992.



About this BrokerCheck Report

BrokerCheck reports are part of a FINRA initiative to disclose information about FINRA-registered firms and individual brokers to help investors determine whether to conduct, or continue to conduct, business with these firms and brokers. The information contained within these reports is collected through the securities industry's registration and licensing process.

Who provides the information in BrokerCheck?

Information made available through BrokerCheck is obtained from CRD as reported through the industry registration and licensing process.

The forms used by brokerage firms, to report information as part of the firms registration and licensing process, Forms BD and BDW, are established by the SEC and adopted by all state securities regulators and SROs. FINRA and the North American Securities Administrators Association (NASAA) establish the Forms U4 and U5, the forms that are used for the registration and licensing process for individual brokers. These forms are approved by the SEC. Regulators report disciplinary information for firms and individual brokers via Form U6.

How current is the information contained in BrokerCheck?

Brokerage firms and brokers are required to keep this information accurate and up-to-date (typically not later than 30 days after learning of the event). BrokerCheck data is updated when a firm, broker, or regulator submits new or revised information to CRD. Generally, updated information is available on BrokerCheck Monday through Friday.

What information is NOT disclosed through BrokerCheck?

Information that has not been reported to CRD or that is not required to be reported is not disclosed through BrokerCheck, such as vacated regulatory actions.

Additional information not disclosed through BrokerCheck includes Social Security Numbers, residential history information, and physical descriptive information. On a case-by-case basis, FINRA reserves the right to exclude information that contains confidential customer information, offensive and potentially defamatory language or information that raises significant identity theft or privacy concerns that are not outweighed by investor protection concerns. FINRA Rule 8312 describes in detail what information is and is not disclosed through BrokerCheck.

Under FINRA's current public disclosure policy, in certain limited circumstances, most often pursuant to a court order, information is expunged from CRD. Further information about expungement from CRD is available in FINRA Notices 99-09, 99-54, 01-65, and 04-16 at www.finra.org.

For further information regarding FINRA's BrokerCheck program, please visit FINRA's Web Site at www.finra.org/brokercheck or call the FINRA BrokerCheck Hotline at (800) 289-9999. The hotline is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Eastern Time (ET).

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