

#### **BrokerCheck Report**

MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC.

CRD# 8453

Report #31837-92085, data current as of Tuesday, July 08, 2014.

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#### About BrokerCheck®

BrokerCheck offers information on all current, and many former, registered securities brokers, and all current and former registered securities firms. FINRA strongly encourages investors to use BrokerCheck to check the background of securities brokers and brokerage firms before deciding to conduct, or continue to conduct, business with them.

#### . What is included in a BrokerCheck report?

BrokerCheck reports for individual brokers include information such as employment history, professional qualifications, disciplinary actions, criminal convictions, civil judgments and arbitration awards. BrokerCheck reports for brokerage firms include information on a firm's profile, history, and operations, as well as many of the same disclosure events mentioned above.

Please note that the information contained in a BrokerCheck 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 broker or brokerage firm, or concluded through a negotiated settlement with no admission or finding of wrongdoing.

#### Where did this information come from?

The information contained in BrokerCheck comes from FINRA's Central Registration Depository, or CRD® and is a combination of:

- information FINRA and/or the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) require brokers and brokerage firms to submit as part of the registration and licensing process, and
- o information that regulators report regarding disciplinary actions or allegations against firms or brokers.

#### How current is this information?

Generally, active brokerage firms and brokers are required to update their professional and disciplinary information in CRD within 30 days. Under most circumstances, information reported by brokerage firms, brokers and regulators is available in BrokerCheck the next business day.

#### What if I want to check the background of an investment adviser firm or investment adviser representative?

To check the background of an investment adviser firm or representative, you can search for the firm or individual in BrokerCheck. If your search is successful, click on the link provided to view the available licensing and registration information in the SEC's Investment Adviser Public Disclosure (IAPD) website at http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov. In the alternative, you may search the IAPD website directly or contact your state securities regulator at http://www.finra.org/Investors/ToolsCalculators/BrokerCheck/P455414.

Are there other resources I can use to check the background of investment professionals?
 FINRA recommends that you learn as much as possible about an investment professional before deciding to work with them. Your state securities regulator can help you research brokers and investment adviser representatives doing business in your state.

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#### MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC.

CRD# 8453

SEC# 8-25374

#### **Main Office Location**

CAPITAL CENTER 99 PINE STREET ALBANY, NY 12207-3167

#### **Mailing Address**

CAPITAL CENTER 99 PINE STREET ALBANY, NY 12207-3167

#### **Business Telephone Number**

518 449-5131

This firm is a brokerage firm and an investment adviser firm. For more information about investment adviser firms, visit the SEC's Investment Adviser Public Disclosure website at:

http://www.adviserinfo.sec.gov

#### Report Summary for this Firm



This report summary provides an overview of the brokerage firm. Additional information for this firm can be found in the detailed report.

#### Firm Profile

This firm is classified as a corporation.

This firm was formed in New York on 09/04/1980.

Its fiscal year ends in December.

#### Firm History

Information relating to the brokerage firm's history such as other business names and successions (e.g., mergers, acquisitions) can be found in the detailed report.

#### **Firm Operations**

This brokerage firm is no longer registered with FINRA or a national securities exchange.

#### **Disclosure Events**

Brokerage firms are required to disclose certain criminal matters, regulatory actions, civil judicial proceedings and financial matters in which the firm or one of its control affiliates has been involved.

Are there events disclosed about this firm? Yes

### The following types of disclosures have been reported:

Type	Count
Regulatory Event	18
Civil Event	1
Arbitration	5
Bond	1

#### Firm Profile

This firm is classified as a corporation.

This firm was formed in New York on 09/04/1980.

Its fiscal year ends in December.

#### Firm Names and Locations

This section provides the brokerage firm's full legal name, "Doing Business As" name, business and mailing addresses, telephone number, and any alternate name by which the firm conducts business and where such name is used.

MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC.

Doing business as MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC.

CRD# 8453

SEC# 8-25374

#### **Main Office Location**

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#### **Business Telephone Number**

518 449-5131





#### Firm Profile

This section provides information relating to all direct owners and executive officers of the brokerage firm.



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#### **Direct Owners and Executive Officers**

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):

SMITH, DAVID LEE

427284

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

Position

PRESIDENT, SENIOR REGISTERED OPTION PRINCIPAL, COMPLIANCE

REGISTERED OPTION PRINCIPAL, CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER

**Position Start Date** 

09/1980

Percentage of Ownership

50% but less than 75%

Does this owner direct the management or policies of the firm?

Yes

Is this a public reporting

company?

No

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):

MCGINN, TIMOTHY MICHAEL

813935

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

Position

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

**Position Start Date** 

09/1980

Percentage of Ownership

25% but less than 50%

Does this owner direct the management or policies of

Yes

Is this a public reporting

company?

the firm?

No

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):

LIVINGSTON, THOMAS EDWARD

864264

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

Position

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

#### Firm Profile

**Direct Owners and Executive Officers (continued)** 

**Position Start Date** 

09/1988

Percentage of Ownership

10% but less than 25%

Does this owner direct the management or policies of

No

the firm?

Is this a public reporting

company?

No

Legal Name & CRD# (if any):

SHEA, BRIAN EDWARD

2570872

Is this a domestic or foreign entity or an individual?

Individual

Position

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

**Position Start Date** 

04/2009

Percentage of Ownership

Less than 5%

Does this owner direct the management or policies of

Yes

the firm?

Is this a public reporting

company?

No

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Firm Profile

This section provides information relating to any indirect owners of the brokerage firm.

#### **Indirect Owners**

No information reported.

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Firm History

This section provides information relating to any successions (e.g., mergers, acquisitions) involving the firm.

No information reported.

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#### **Firm Operations**

#### Registrations

This section provides information about the regulators (Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), self-regulatory organizations (SROs), and U.S. states and territories) with which the brokerage firm is currently registered and licensed, the date the license became effective, and certain information about the firm's SEC registration.

This firm is currently registered with the SEC, 0 SROs and 0 U.S. states and territories.

Federal RegulatorStatusDate EffectiveSECApproved10/30/1980

#### **SEC Registration Questions**

This firm is registered with the SEC as:

A broker-dealer: Yes

A broker-dealer and government securities broker or dealer: Yes

A government securities broker or dealer only: No

This firm has ceased activity as a government securities broker or dealer: No

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Registrations (continued)

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#### **Firm Operations**

#### Types of Business

This section provides the types of business, including non-securities business, the brokerage firm is engaged in or expects to be engaged in.

This firm currently conducts 13 types of businesses.

#### Types of Business

Broker or dealer retailing corporate equity securities over-the-counter

Broker or dealer selling corporate debt securities

Underwriter or selling group participant (corporate securities other than mutual funds)

Mutual fund retailer

U S. government securities broker

Municipal securities broker

Broker or dealer selling variable life insurance or annuities

Put and call broker or dealer or option writer

Investment advisory services

Non-exchange member arranging for transactions in listed securities by exchange member

Trading securities for own account

Private placements of securities

Broker or dealer selling interests in mortgages or other receivables

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#### **Clearing Arrangements**

This firm does not hold or maintain funds or securities or provide clearing services for other broker-dealer(s).

#### **Introducing Arrangements**

This firm does refer or introduce customers to other brokers and dealers.

Name:

NATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC

CRD#:

13041

**Business Address:** 

200 SEAPORT BOULEVARD

BOSTON, MA 02110

**Effective Date:** 

11/30/2005

Description:

MCGINN, SMITH HAS A CLEARING FIRM ARRANGEMENT WITH NATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES WHEREBY NATIONA WILL ACT AS

CLEARING BROKER, PROVIDE CLIENT PURCHASE AND SALE ADVICES, MONTHLY STATEMENTS AND OTHER REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION.

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#### Industry Arrangements





This firm does have books or records maintained by a third party.

Name:

NATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC

CRD#:

13041

**Business Address:** 

200 SEAPORT BLVD BOSTON, MA 02110

**Effective Date:** 

11/30/2005

Description:

MCGINN, SMITH HAS A CLEARING FIRM ARRANGEMENT WITH NATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES WHEREBY NATIONA WILL ACT AS CLEARING BROKER, PROVIDE CLIENT PURCHASE AND SALE ADVICES, MONTHLY STATEMENTS AND OTHER REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION.

This firm does have accounts, funds, or securities maintained by a third party.

Name:

NATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC

CRD#:

13041

**Business Address:** 

200 SEAPORT BLVD BOSTON, MA 02110

**Effective Date:** 

11/30/2005

Description:

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This firm does have customer accounts, funds, or securities maintained by a third party.

Name:

NATIONAL FINANCIAL SERVICES LLC

CRD #:

13041

**Business Address:** 

200 SEAPORT BLVD BOSTON, MA 02110

**Effective Date:** 

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Description:

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CLEARING BROKER, PROVIDE CLIENT PURCHASE AND SALE ADVICES, MONTHLY STATEMENTS AND OTHER REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION.

Control Persons/Financing

This firm does not have individuals who control its management or policies through agreement.

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**Industry Arrangements (continued)** 

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This firm does not have individuals who wholly or partly finance the firm's business.

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#### **Organization Affiliates**

This section provides information on control relationships the firm has with other firms in the securities, investment advisory, or banking business.

This firm is, directly or indirectly:

- · in control of
- · controlled by
- · or under common control with

the following partnerships, corporations, or other organizations engaged in the securities or investment advisory business.

MCGINN, SMITH HOLDINGS, LLC is under common control with the firm.

**Business Address:** 

99 PINE STREET

ALBANY, NY 12207

**Effective Date:** 

09/17/2009

Foreign Entity:

No

Country:

Securities Activities:

Yes

**Investment Advisory** 

Yes

Activities:

Description:

MCGINN, SMITH HOLDINGS, LLC IS OWNED 50% BY DAVID L. SMITH, 30%

BY TIMOTHY M. MCGINN AND 20% BY THOMAS E. LIVINGSTON.

MCGINN, SMITH ADVISORS is under common control with the firm.

**Business Address:** 

99 PINE STREET ALBANY, NY 12207

Effective Date:

07/01/2003

Foreign Entity:

No

Country:

**Securities Activities:** 

Yes

**Investment Advisory** 

Yes

Activities:

Description:

MCGINN, SMITH ADVISORS IS OWNED 50% BY DAVID L. SMITH, 30% BY

TIMOTHY M. MCGINN AND 20% BY THOMAS E. LIVINGSTON.

MCGINN, SMITH CAPITAL HOLDINGS is under common control with the firm.

**Business Address:** 

99 PINE STREET

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#### Organization Affiliates (continued)

ALBANY, NY 12207

Effective Date:

07/01/1989

Foreign Entity:

No

Country:

Securities Activities:

Yes

**Investment Advisory** 

No

Activities:

Description:

MCGINN, SMITH CAPITAL HOLDINGS IS OWNED 52% BY MCGINN, SMITH

HOLDINGS, LLC, 24% BY DAVID L. SMITH AND 24% BY TIMOTHY M. MCGINN.

M&S PARTNERS is under common control with the firm.

**Business Address:** 

99 PINE STREET

ALBANY, NY 12207

Effective Date:

09/15/1980

Foreign Entity:

No

Country:

Securities Activities:

Yes

Investment Advisory

No

Activities:

Description:

MS PARTNERS IS 50% OWNED BY DAVID L. SMITH AND 50% OWNED BY

TIMOTHY M. MCGINN.

CMS FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. is under common control with the firm.

**Business Address:** 

99 PINE STREET

ALBANY, NY 12207

**Effective Date:** 

12/01/2006

Foreign Entity:

No

Country:

Securities Activities:

No

Investment Advisory

No

Activities:

Description:

APPROXIMATELY 8% OF CMS FINANCIAL SERVICES CORP. IS OWNED BY

MCGINN, SMITH CAPITAL HOLDINGS, WHICH IN TURN IS OWNED 52% BY

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#### **Organization Affiliates (continued)**

MCGINN, SMITH HOLDINGS LLC, 24% BY TIMOTHY M. MCGINN AND 24% BY DAVID L. SMITH.

PINE STREET CAPITAL PARTNERS, LLC is under common control with the firm.

**Business Address:** 

99 PINE STREET

ALBANY, NY 12207

**Effective Date:** 

07/01/2004

Foreign Entity:

No

Country:

Securities Activities:

No

Investment Advisory

Yes

Activities: Description:

PINE STREET CAPITAL PARTNERS, OOC IS 46% OWNED BY DAVID L.

SMITH.

FIRST ADVISORY INCOME NOTES, LLC is under common control with the firm.

**Business Address:** 

99 PINE STREET

ALBANY, NY 12207

Effective Date:

10/01/2005

Foreign Entity:

No

Country:

Securities Activities:

No

Investment Advisory

Yes

Activities:

Description:

100% OWNED BY MS ADVISORS, WHICH IN TURN IS OWNED 50% BY DAVID

L. SMITH, 30% BY TIMOTHY M. MCGINN AND 20% BY THOMAS E.

LIVINGSTON.

THIRD ALBANY INCOME NOTES, LLC is under common control with the firm.

**Business Address:** 

99 PINE STREET

ALBANY, NY 12207

Effective Date:

11/01/2004

Foreign Entity:

No

Country:

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#### **Organization Affiliates (continued)**

Securities Activities:

No

Investment Advisory

Yes

Activities: Description:

100% OWNED BY MS ADVISORS, WHICH IN TURN IS OWNED 50% BY DAVID

L. SMITH, 30% BY TIMOTHY M. MCGINN AND 20% BY THOMAS E.

LIVINGSTON.

FIRST EXCELSIOR INCOME NOTES, LLC is under common control with the firm.

**Business Address:** 

99 PINE STREET

ALBANY, NY 12207

**Effective Date:** 

01/16/2004

Foreign Entity:

No

Country:

Securities Activities:

No

**Investment Advisory** 

Yes

Activities:

Description:

100% OWNED BY MS ADVISORS, WHICH IN TURN IS OWNED 50% BY DAVID

L. SMITH, 30% BY TIMOTHY M. MCGINN AND 20% BY THOMAS E.

LIVINGSTON.

FIRST INDEPENDENT INCOME NOTES, LLC is under common control with the firm.

**Business Address:** 

99 PINE STREET

ALBANY, NY 12207

Effective Date:

09/15/2003

Foreign Entity:

No

Country:

Securities Activities:

No

Investment Advisory

Yes

Activities:

Description: 100% OWNED BY MS ADVISORS, WHICH IN TURN IS OWNED 50% BY DAVID

L. SMITH, 30% BY TIMOTHY M. MCGINN AND 20% BY THOMAS E.

LIVINGSTON.

This firm is not directly or indirectly, controlled by the following:

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#### Organization Affiliates (continued)

- · bank holding company
- · national bank
- · state member bank of the Federal Reserve System
- · state non-member bank
- · savings bank or association
- · credit union
- · or foreign bank

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#### **Disclosure Events**



All firms registered to sell securities or provide investment advice are required to disclose regulatory actions, criminal or civil judicial proceedings, and certain financial matters in which the firm or one of its control affiliates has been involved. For your convenience, below is a matrix of the number and status of disclosure events involving this brokerage firm or one of its control affiliates. Further information regarding these events can be found in the subsequent pages of this report.

	Pending		On Appeal
Regulatory Event		18	0
Civil Event	1	0	0
Arbitration	N/A	5	N/A
Bond	N/A	1	N/A



#### **Disclosure Event Details**

What you should know about reported disclosure events:

- BrokerCheck provides details for any disclosure event that was reported in CRD. It also includes summary information regarding FINRA arbitration awards in cases where the brokerage firm was named as a respondent.
- 2. Certain thresholds must be met before an event is reported to CRD, for example:
  - A law enforcement agency must file formal charges before a brokerage firm is required to disclose a particular criminal event.
- 3. Disclosure events in BrokerCheck reports come from different sources:
  - Disclosure events for this brokerage firm were reported by the firm and/or regulators. When the firm
    and a regulator report information for the same event, both versions of the event will appear in the
    BrokerCheck report. The different versions will be separated by a solid line with the reporting source
    labeled.
- 4. There are different statuses and dispositions for disclosure events:
  - o A disclosure event may have a status of pending, on appeal, or final.
    - A "pending" event involves allegations that have not been proven or formally adjudicated.
    - An event that is "on appeal" involves allegations that have been adjudicated but are currently being appealed.
    - A "final" event has been concluded and its resolution is not subject to change.
  - o A final 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 involves an agreement by the parties to resolve the matter. Please note that firms may choose to settle customer disputes or regulatory matters for business or other reasons.
    - A "resolved" matter usually involves no payment to the customer and no finding of wrongdoing on the part of the individual broker. Such matters generally involve customer disputes.
- 5. You may wish to contact the brokerage firm to obtain further information regarding any of the disclosure events contained in this BrokerCheck report.

#### Regulatory - Final

This type of disclosure event involves (1) a final, formal proceeding initiated by a regulatory authority (e.g., a state securities agency, self-regulatory organization, federal regulator such as the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, foreign financial regulatory body) for a violation of investment-related rules or regulations; or (2) a revocation or suspension of the authority of a brokerage firm or its control affiliate to act as an attorney, accountant or federal contractor.

Disclosure 1 of 18

Reporting Source:

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final



Allegations:

MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC. FAILED TO FILE ITS MAY 2010 FOCUS REPORT

WITHIN 21 DAYS AFTER SERVICE OF THE NOTICE OF POSSIBLE

SUSPENSION.

Initiated By:

**FINRA** 

Date Initiated:

07/13/2010

Docket/Case Number:

N/A

**Principal Product Type:** 

No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

N/A

Resolution:

Other

**Resolution Date:** 

08/04/2010

Does the order constitute a

final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or

deceptive conduct?

No

Sanctions Ordered:

Suspension

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

PURSUANT TO FINRA RULE 9552, MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC.'S FINRA MEMBERSHIP IS SUSPENDED AS OF THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS AUGUST 4, 2010. IF THE FIRM FAILS TO REQUEST TERMINATION OF SUSPENSION WITHIN THREE MONTHS, IT WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY EXPELLED.

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Reporting Source:

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC. FAILED TO FILE ITS MARCH 2010 FOCUS

REPORT WITHIN 21 DAYS AFTER SERVICE OF THE NOTICE OF POSSIBLE

SUSPENSION.

Initiated By:

**FINRA** 

Date Initiated:

05/13/2010



Docket/Case Number:

N/A

Principal Product Type:

No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

N/A

Resolution:

Other

**Resolution Date:** 

08/13/2010

Does the order constitute a

final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct?

No

Sanctions Ordered:

Revocation/Expulsion/Denial

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC. IS EXPELLED FROM FINRA MEMBERSHIP ON

AUGUST 13, 2010 FOR FAILING TO REQUEST TERMINATION OF SUSPENSION WITHIN THREE MONTHS OF RECEIVING NOTICE OF

SUSPENSION.

**Regulator Statement** 

MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC.'S FINRA MEMBERSHIP WAS SUSPENDED ON JUNE 4, 2010 FOR FAILING TO FILE ITS MARCH 2010 FOCUS REPORT PURSUANT TO FINRA RULE 9552. THE FIRM FAILED TO REQUEST

TERMINATION OF SUSPENSION WITHIN THREE MONTHS; THEREFORE IT IS

AUTOMATICALLY EXPELLED.

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Reporting Source:

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

MCGINN, SMITH & CO, INC. FAILED TO FILE ITS QUARTERLY FOCUS

REPORT WITHIN 21 DAYS AFTER SERVICE OF THE NOTICE OF POSSIBLE

SUSPENSION.

Initiated By:

**FINRA** 

Date Initiated:

06/10/2010

Docket/Case Number:

N/A

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Principal Product Type:

No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

N/A

Resolution:

Other

No

**Resolution Date:** 

07/02/2010

Does the order constitute a

final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct?

Sanctions Ordered:

Suspension

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

PURSUANT TO FINRA RULE 9552, MCGINN, SMITH & CO, INC.'S FINRA MEMBERSHIP IS SUSPENDED AS OF THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS JULY 2, 2010. IF THE FIRM FAILS TO REQUEST TERMINATION OF SUSPENSION WITHIN THREE MONTHS, IT WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY EXPELLED.

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**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC. FAILED TO FILE ITS 2009 ANNUAL AUDIT

REPORT WITHIN 21 DAYS AFTER SERVICE OF THE NOTICE OF

SUSPENSION DATED MAY 13, 2010.

Initiated By:

**FINRA** 

Date Initiated:

05/13/2010

Docket/Case Number:

N/A

**Principal Product Type:** 

No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Other

Sought:



Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

N/A

Resolution:

Other

Resolution Date:

08/13/2010

Does the order constitute a

final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct? No

Sanctions Ordered:

Revocation/Expulsion/Denial

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

PURSUANT TO FINRA RULE 9552, MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC. IS EXPELLED

FROM FINRA MEMBERSHIP ON AUGUST 13, 2010.

Regulator Statement

MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC.'S FINRA MEMBERSHIP WAS SUSPENDED ON JUNE 4, 2010 FOR FAILING TO FILE ITS ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT. THE FIRM FAILED TO REQUEST TERMINATION OF SUSPENSION WITHIN THREE

MONTHS; THEREFORE IT IS AUTOMATICALLY EXPELLED.

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Reporting Source:

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

SECTION 5 OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, SECTION 10(B) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 AND RULE 10B-5 THEREUNDER,

FINRA RULES 2010, 8210, NASD RULES 2110, 2120, 2330, 3010,

INTERPRETATIVE MATERIAL 2310-2: MCGINN, SMITH & CO, INC., ACTING THROUGH AN INDIVIDUAL, SOLD INCOME NOTES THROUGH PRIVATE OFFERINGS. THE NOTES WERE ISSUED BY LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES MANAGED AND CONTROLLED BY THE INDIVIDUAL. IN OFFERING THE NOTES, THE FIRM OSTENSIBLY RELIED UPON THE EXEMPTION PROVIDED

BY REGULATION D. AT NO TIME WAS THERE A REGISTRATION

STATEMENT IN EFFECT FOR THE INCOME NOTES. FURTHERMORE, THESE NOTES WERE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION. ALL OF THE NOTE OFFERINGS HAD THE SAME STRUCTURE AND WERE SOLD PURSUANT TO A CONFIDENTIAL PRIVATE PLACEMENT MEMORANDUM (PPM) THAT CONTAINED VIRTUALLY IDENTICAL DISCLOSURES, TERMS AND INFORMATION. THE PPMS THAT THE FIRM DISTRIBUTED TO

PURCHASERS OF THE NOTES PROMISED INVESTORS THAT THEIR FUNDS WOULD BE EARMARKED FOR A BROAD ARRAY OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE

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INVESTMENTS. INSTEAD. AN INDIVIDUAL, ACTING ON BEHALF OF AN INVESTMENT ADVISOR, MISUSED THE MAJORITY OF OFFERING PROCEEDS FOR HIS OWN NEEDS AND TO BENEFIT RELATED ENTITIES. THE FIRM RECEIVED FINANCIAL BENEFITS FROM THE TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THE RELATED ENTITIES. THE FIRM FAILED TO DISCLOSE MATERIAL FACTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE INCOME NOTE OFFERINGS. THE FIRM, ACTING THROUGH AN INDIVIDUAL, KNEW, OR WAS RECKLESS IN NOT KNOWING, THAT THE PPMS AND SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENTS CONTAINED MISREPRESENTATIONS. NEVERTHELESS, THE FIRM SOLD THE INCOME NOTES WITHOUT CORRECTIVE DISCLOSURE TO POTENTIAL INVESTORS. THE FIRM, ACTING THROUGH AN INDIVIDUAL, FAILED TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A SUPERVISORY SYSTEM AND FAILED TO ESTABLISH, MAINTAIN AND ENFORCE WRITTEN SUPERVISORY PROCEDURES, THAT WERE REASONABLY DESIGNED TO ACHIEVE COMPLIANCE WITH THE APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAWS AND REGULATIONS AND FINRA RULES APPLICABLE TO PRIVATE SECURITIES OFFERINGS AND RELATED SUITABILITY, DISCLOSURE, VERIFICATION OF INVESTOR ACCREDITATION STATUS AND OTHER SALES PRACTICE-RELATED ISSUES WITH RESPECT TO THE NOTE OFFERINGS. THE FIRM SUBMITTED FALSE DOCUMENTS TO FINRA. THE FIRM, ACTING THROUGH INDIVIDUALS, PROVIDED PROMISSORY NOTES TO FINRA STAFF KNOWING THAT THE DATES REFLECTED THEREON WERE FALSE. NEVERTHELESS, THE FIRM DID NOT ADVISE FINRA STAFF THAT THE COPIES OF PROMISSORY NOTES PROVIDED HAD BEEN BACKDATED.

Initiated By:

**FINRA** 

Date Initiated:

04/06/2010

Docket/Case Number:

2009017984501

**Principal Product Type:** 

Other

Other Product Type(s):

INCOME NOTES

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

N/A

Resolution:

Dismissed

Resolution Date:

11/25/2011



Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or deceptive conduct? No

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

Sanctions Ordered:

ON NOVEMBER 25, 2011, THE OFFICE OF HEARING OFFICERS GRANTED

THE DEPARTMENT OF ENFORCEMENT'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO WITHDRAW THE COMPLAINT AGAINST THE FIRM. THE FIRM WAS

EXPELLED FROM FINRA MEMBERSHIP IN AUGUST 2010 FOR FAILING TO PAY FEES. ACCORDINGLY, THE PROCEEDING IS DISMISSED WITHOUT

PREJUDICE.

Disclosure 6 of 18

Reporting Source:

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC. FAILED TO PAY ARBITRATION FEES THAT

WERE ASSESSED IN FINRA ARBITRATION CASE 09-06026.

Initiated By:

**FINRA** 

Date Initiated:

03/01/2010

Docket/Case Number:

09-06026

Principal Product Type:

No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution:

Other

Resolution Date:

03/22/2010

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Does the order constitute a

final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or No

deceptive conduct?
Sanctions Ordered:

Suspension

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

PURSUANT TO FINRA RULE 9553, MCGINN, SMITH & CO.'S MEMBERSHIP WITH FINRA IS SUSPENDED AS OF MARCH 22, 2010 FOR FAILURE TO PAY ARBITRATION FEES.

Disclosure 7 of 18

Reporting Source:

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC. FAILED TO PAY ARBITRATION FEES ASSESSED

IN FINRA ARBITRATION CASE 09-00008.

Initiated By:

**FINRA** 

Date Initiated:

03/01/2010

Docket/Case Number:

09-00008

Principal Product Type:

No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution:

Other

Resolution Date:

03/22/2010

Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or No

deceptive conduct?

Sanctions Ordered:

Suspension



Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details: PURSUANT TO FINRA RULE 9553, MCGINN, SMITH & CO.'S MEMBERSHIP

WITH FINRA IS SUSPENDED AS OF MARCH 22, 2010 FOR FAILURE TO PAY

ARBITRATION FEES.

Disclosure 8 of 18

Reporting Source:

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

RESPONDENT MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC. FAILED TO PAY ARBITRATION

FEES ASSESSED IN FINRA ARBITRATION CASE NO. 09-04224.

Initiated By:

**FINRA** 

Date Initiated:

03/22/2010

Docket/Case Number:

09-04224

**Principal Product Type:** 

No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution:

Other

Resolution Date:

03/22/2010

Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or No

deceptive conduct?

Sanctions Ordered:

Suspension

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

PURSUANT TO FINRA RULE 9553, MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC.'S

MEMBERSHIP WITH FINRA IS SUSPENDED AS OF MARCH 22, 2010 FOR

FAILURE TO PAY ARBITRATION FEES.

Disclosure 9 of 18



**Reporting Source:** 

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

RESPONDENT MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC. FAILED TO PAY ARBITRATION

FEES ASSESSED IN FINRA ARBITRATION CASE NO. 09-04227.

Initiated By:

**FINRA** 

Date Initiated:

03/22/2010

Docket/Case Number:

09-04227

**Principal Product Type:** 

No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution:

Other

No

Resolution Date:

03/22/2010

Does the order constitute a

final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or

deceptive conduct?

Sanctions Ordered:

Suspension

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

PURSUANT TO FINRA RULE 9553, MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC.'S

MEMBERSHIP WITH FINRA IS SUSPENDED AS OF MARCH 22, 2010 FOR

FAILURE TO PAY ARBITRATION FEES.

Disclosure 10 of 18

**Reporting Source:** 

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC. FAILED TO PAY ARBITRATION FEES ASSESSED

IN FINRA ARBITRATION CASE 09-05765.

Initiated By:

**FINRA** 

**Date Initiated:** 

03/01/2010

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Docket/Case Number:

09-05765

Principal Product Type:

No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution:

Order

**Resolution Date:** 

03/01/2010

Does the order constitute a final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or No

deceptive conduct?

**Sanctions Ordered:** 

Suspension

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

PURSUANT TO FINRA RULE 9553, MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC.'S

MEMBERSHIP WITH FINRA IS SUSPENDED AS OF MARCH 22, 2010 FOR

FAILURE TO PAY ABITRATION FEES.

Disclosure 11 of 18

**Reporting Source:** 

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC. FAILED TO PAY ARBITRATION FEES ASSESSED

IN FINRA ARBITRATION CASE 09-03284.

Initiated By:

**FINRA** 

Date Initiated:

03/01/2010

**Docket/Case Number:** 

09-03284

Principal Product Type:

No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:



Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution:

Other

Resolution Date:

03/01/2010

Does the order constitute a

final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or No

deceptive conduct?

Sanctions Ordered:

Suspension

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

PURSUANT TO FINRA RULE 9553, MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC.'S MEMBERSHIP WITH FINRA IS SUSPENDED AS OF MARCH 22, 2010 FOR

FAILURE TO PAY ARBITRATION FEES.

Disclosure 12 of 18

**Reporting Source:** 

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC. FAILED TO PAY ARBITRATION FEES ASSESSED

IN FINRA ARBITRATION CASE 09-06051.

Initiated By:

FINRA

Date Initiated:

03/01/2010

Docket/Case Number:

09-06051

Principal Product Type:

No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution:

Other

**Resolution Date:** 

03/01/2010



Does the order constitute a

final order based on violations of any laws or regulations that prohibit fraudulent, manipulative, or

deceptive conduct?

Sanctions Ordered:

Suspension

No

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

PURSUANT TO FINRA RULE 9553, MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC.'S

MEMBERSHIP WITH FINRA IS SUSPENDED AS OF MARCH 22, 2010 FOR

FAILURE TO PAY ARBITRATION FEES.

Disclosure 13 of 18

Reporting Source:

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

ACTING AS UNLICENSED BROKER-DEALER

Initiated By:

UTAH DIVISION OF SECURITIES

Date Initiated:

11/04/2004

Docket/Case Number:

SD-04-0036

**Principal Product Type:** 

Other

Other Product Type(s):

**RULE 506 OFFERING** 

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

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Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

CEASE & DESIST, RESCISSION OFFERING, FINE

Resolution:

Stipulation and Consent

**Resolution Date:** 

06/08/2005

Sanctions Ordered:

Monetary/Fine \$5,000.00

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

\$5000.00 FINE

Regulator Statement

SOLD SECURITIES TO TWO UTAH INVESTORS WHILE NOT LICENSED AS A

BROKER-DEALER. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT THE

DIVISION'S WEB SITE AT:

HTTP://WWW.SECURITIES.UTAH.GOV/ACTIONSDETAIL.PHP?ID=SD-04-0036



Reporting Source:

Firm

Current Status:

Final

Allegations:

IT WAS DETERMINED THAT MCGINN, SMITH WAS NOT LICENSED TO SELL SECURITIES IN UTAH. COUNSEL HAD ADVISED MCGINN SMITH THAT REGISTRATION WAS NOT NECESSARY FOR THIS TRANSACTION AS THE

BUYERS WERE INSIDERS OF THE COMPANY AND ALREADY

SHAREHOLDERS. RATHER THAN INSISTING UPON A FULL HEARING MCGINN SMITH AGREED TO SIGN THE STIPULATION AND CONSENT

ORDER AND PAY A FINE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000.

Initiated By:

DIVISION OF SECURITIES - UTAH DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Date Initiated:

11/08/2004

Docket/Case Number:

DOCKET # SD-04-0036

Principal Product Type:

Debt - Corporate

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Civil and Administrative Penalt(ies) /Fine(s)

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution:

Consent

Resolution Date:

06/08/2005

Sanctions Ordered:

Monetary/Fine \$5,000.00

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

FINE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000 CONSENTED TO AND PAID.

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Reporting Source:

Firm

**Current Status:** 

Final

Appealed To and Date Appeal

NOT APPLICABLE

Filed:

Allegations:

VIOLATED RULE 15B3-1(B) BY NOT FILING SCHEDULE E OF FORM BD,

REVEALING THE EXISTENCE OF A FULLY-DISCLOSED CLEARING

ARRANGEMENT WITH A.G. BECKER INC.

VIOLATED RULE 17A-3(A)(11): INCORRECT COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL



ON 3/31/83. A CONCENTRATION HAIRCUT WAS NOT APPROPRIATE ON THE

FIRMS INVENTORY POSITION, PURSUANT TO RULE 15C3-1.

Initiated By: UNITED

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**Date Initiated:** 07/25/1983

Principal Product Type: No Product

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

NONE Other

NONE

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Docket/Case Number:

Sought:

NO SANCTIONS WERE PLACED AGAINST THE APPLICANT OR CONTROL

AFFILIATES.

Resolution:

Settled

NONE

**Resolution Date:** 

08/03/1983

Sanctions Ordered:

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details: NOT APPLICABLE

Firm Statement TO CORRECT THE VIOLATION OF RULE 15B3-1(B, SCHEDULE E OF FORM

BD WAS FILED WITH THE SEC & NASD INDICATING THE CLEARING AGREEMENT WITH A.G.BECKER, COPY OF AGREEMENT WAS ENCLOSED. RULE 17A-3(A)(11): EACH OF THE TWO PRINCIPALS, DAVID L. SMITH & TIMOTHY M. MCCINN, MILL, SEPARATELY CALCULATE THE HAIROUTE.

TIMOTHY M. MCGINN, WILL SEPARATELY CALCULATE THE HAIRCUTS WHILE COMPUTING THE APPLICANT'S NET CAPITAL POSITION. THE

LETTER WAS SENT 8/3/83.

Disclosure 15 of 18

Reporting Source: Regulator

Current Status: Final

Allegations:

Initiated By: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITIES DEALERS, INC.

**Date Initiated:** 12/09/1996

Docket/Case Number: C11960043

**Principal Product Type:** 

Other Product Type(s):

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Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution:

Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)

Resolution Date:

12/09/1996

Sanctions Ordered:

Censure

Monetary/Fine \$7,500.00

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

**Regulator Statement** 

ON DECEMBER 9, 1996, DISTRICT NO. 11 NOTIFIED MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC. AND DAVID L. SMITH THAT THE LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE, WAIVER AND CONSENT NO. C11960043 WAS ACCEPTED; THEREFORE,

THEY

ARE CENSURED AND FINED \$7,500, JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY - (NASD RULE 2110 - RESPONDENT MEMBER, ACTING THROUGH RESPONDENT

SMITH,

IN CONNECTION WITH THREE PRIVATE SECURITIES OFFERINGS WHICH WERE REPRESENTED AS ALL-OR-NONE OR MINIMUM/MAXIMUM, CAUSED FUNDS TO BE RELEASED TO THE ISSUERS WHEN REQUIRED AMOUNTS

HAD

NOT BEEN RECEIVED BY THE DATES STATED IN THE RESPECTIVE OFFERING CIRCULARS IN CONTRAVENTION OF SEC RULE 10b-9).

\*\*\*\$7,500.00 PAID J&S ON 1/3/97, INVOICE #96-11-927\*\*\*

Reporting Source:

Firm

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

IN CONNECTION WITH 3 PRIVATE PLACEMENT OFFERINGS REPRESENTED AS MINIMUM/MAXIMUM, CAUSED FUNDS TO BE RELEASED TO ISSUER WHEN REQUIRED AMOUNTS WERE NOT RECEIVED BY DATES STATED IN OFFERING MEMORANDUM, AGAINST SEC RULE 10B-9 AND NASD

CONDUCT RULE 2110.

Initiated By:

NASD REGULATION, INC.

Date Initiated:

08/14/1996

Docket/Case Number:

C11960043

**Principal Product Type:** 

Other



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Other Product Type(s):

PRIVATE PLACEMENT OFFERING(S)

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Civil and Administrative Penalt(ies) /Fine(s)

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

CENSURE

Resolution:

Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)

**Resolution Date:** 

12/27/1996

Sanctions Ordered:

Censure

Monetary/Fine \$7,500.00

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

CENSURED; FINED \$7500 JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY; PAID ON 01/03/1997,

NOTHING WAIVERED.

Firm Statement

VIOLATIONS OF SEC RULE 10B-9 AND NASD RULE 2110; CENSURED AND

FINED \$7500.

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Reporting Source:

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

Initiated By: Date Initiated: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITIES DEALERS, INC.

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12/05/1994

Docket/Case Number:

C11940056

Principal Product Type:

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution:

Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)

Resolution Date:

12/05/1994

Sanctions Ordered:

Censure

Monetary/Fine \$3,000.00

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Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

**Regulator Statement** 

ON DECEMBER 5, 1994, DISTRICT NO. 11 NOTIFIED MCGINN SMITH & CO., INC., TIMOTHY M. MCGINN AND DAVID L. SMITH THAT THE LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE, WAIVER AND CONSENT NO. C11940056 WAS ACCEPTED; THEREFORE, THEY ARE CENSURED AND FINED \$3,000, JOINTLY AND

SEVERALLY - (ARTICLE III, SECTION 1 OF THE RULES OF FAIR

PRACTICE - RESPONDENT MEMBER, ACTING THROUGH RESPONDENT

MCGINN,

FAILED TO COMPLY WITH SEC RULE 15C3-3 IN THAT WHILE PURPORTING TO OPERATE WITHIN AN EXEMPTIVE PROVISION OF THE RULE AND NOT OTHERWISE COMPLYING WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE RULE, RECEIVED AND HELD CUSTOMER FUNDS AND SECURITIES; AND, IN CONTRAVENTION

OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS FREE-RIDING AND WITHHOLDING INTERPRETATION, RESPONDENT MEMBER, ACTING THROUGH

RESPONDENT

SMITH, SOLD SHARES OF A NEW ISSUE WHICH TRADED AT A PREMIUM IN

THE IMMEDIATE AFTERMARKET TO A RESTRICTED PERSON).

\*\*\$3,000 J&S PAID 1/9/95 INVOICE #94-11-816\*\*

Reporting Source:

Firm

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH SEC RULE 15C3-3 WHILE PURPORTING TO OPERATE WITHIN AN EXEMPTION PROVISION, NOT COMPLYING WITH THE

PROVISIONS; RECEIVED & HELD CUSTOMER FUNDS & SECURITIES. SOLD SHARES OF NEW ISSUE WHICH TRADED AT PREMIUM IN AFTER-MARKET, TO A RESTRICTED PERSON. ARTICLE III SECTION 1

RULES OF FAIR PRACTICE.

Initiated By:

NASD REGULATION, INC.

Date Initiated:

05/20/1994

**Docket/Case Number:** 

C11940056

**Principal Product Type:** 

Direct Investment(s) - DPP & LP Interest(s)

Other Product Type(s):

**EQUITY** 

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Censure

Sought:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

MONETARY PENALTY/FINE

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Resolution:

Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)

Resolution Date:

12/05/1994

Sanctions Ordered:

Monetary/Fine \$3,000.00

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

\$3000.00 FINE JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY, PAID 01/09/95 BY SINGLE

PAYMENT, NOTHING WAIVED.

Firm Statement

\$3000 FINE PAID 01/09/95, AWC ACCEPTED BY NASD, CASE CLOSED.

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Reporting Source:

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

FAILURE TO MAINTAIN A CONTINUOUS SURETY BOND

IN VIOLATION OF 9 VSA 4216.

Initiated By:

VERMONT SECURITIES DIVISION

Date Initiated:

05/24/1993

Docket/Case Number:

93-012-S

**Principal Product Type:** 

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution:

Consent

Resolution Date:

05/24/1993

Sanctions Ordered:

Monetary/Fine \$1,250.00

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

ON MAY 24, 1993, MCGINN, SMITH & CO., ENTERED

INTO A CONSENT ORDER WITH THE VERMONT SECURITIES DIVISION WHEREIN RESPONDENT NEITHER ADMITTED OR DENIED THE DIVISION'S ALLEGATIONS THAT IT FAILED TO MAINTAIN A CONTINUOUS SURETY

BOND

IN VIOLATION OF THE VERMONT SECURITIES ACT. A \$1250 FINE AND \$250 IN INVESTIGATION COSTS WERE PAID IN SETTLEMENT OF THIS



MATTER.

**Regulator Statement** 

Not Provided

Reporting Source:

Firm

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:

FAILURE TO MAINTAIN A SURETY BOND AS REQUIRED BY VERMONT

SECURITIES ACT 9 V.S.A. 4216

Initiated By:

STATE OF VERMONT

DEPARTMENT OF BANKING & INSURANCE

**SECURITIES** 

Date Initiated:

08/25/1992

Docket/Case Number:

93-012-S

**Principal Product Type:** 

Debt - Corporate

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Civil and Administrative Penalt(ies) /Fine(s)

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution:

Settled

Resolution Date:

05/24/1993

Sanctions Ordered:

Other Sanctions Ordered:

NONE

Sanction Details:

FINE OF \$1250., ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF \$250. PAID TO VERMONT

5/17/93. NOTHING WAIVED.

Firm Statement

A CONSENT ORDER WAS SIGNED BY DAVID L. SMITH AS PRESIDENT; FINE OF \$1250 AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF \$250 PAID; ON 5/24/93, UPON RECEIPT BY THE VERMONT TREASURER OF THE CHECKS.THE CASE WAS

SETTLED.

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Reporting Source:

Regulator

**Current Status:** 

Final

Allegations:



Initiated By: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECURITIES DEALERS, INC.

Date Initiated: 05/07/1982

Docket/Case Number: BOS-481-AWC

**Principal Product Type:** Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

Resolution: Decision

**Resolution Date:** 05/07/1982

Sanctions Ordered: Censure

Monetary/Fine \$500.00

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

**Regulator Statement** COMPLAINT #BOS-481-AWC FILED 05/07/82

DIST. #13

DECISION 05/07/82: CAF \$500

Reporting Source: Firm

**Current Status:** Final

VIOLATIONS OF ARTICLE III, SECTIONS 1 AND 15(B) OF THE RULES OF FAIR Allegations:

PRACTICE. ALLEGED LOSSES \$3350.

10/22/1981

Initiated By: NASD REGULATION, INC.

Docket/Case Number: BOS-481-AWC

Equity Listed (Common & Preferred Stock) **Principal Product Type:** 

Other Product Type(s):

Principal Sanction(s)/Relief Censure

Sought:

Date Initiated:

Other Sanction(s)/Relief

Sought:

RESTITUTION

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Resolution:

Acceptance, Waiver & Consent(AWC)

**Resolution Date:** 

05/07/1982

Sanctions Ordered:

Monetary/Fine \$500.00

Disgorgement/Restitution

Other Sanctions Ordered:

Sanction Details:

RESTITUTION TO CLAIMANTS OF \$3350. BY APPLICANT ON 04/26/1982.

PAID NASD A FINE OF \$500. CLOSED 05/07/1982.

Firm Statement

VIOLATION OF RULES OF FAIR PRACTICE, ARTICLE III SECTIONS 1 & 15(B).

RESTITUTION AND FINES PAID, CLOSED 5/7/1982.



#### Civil - Pending

This type of disclosure event involves a pending civil court action that with seek an injunction to cease certain investment-related activity or alleges a violation of any investment-related statute or regulation.

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Reporting Source: Current Status: Regulator Pending

unent Status.

Allegations:

SEC PRESS RELEASE 2010-62, APRIL 20, 2010: THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION ("COMMISSION") FILED AN EMERGENCY

ENFORCEMENT ACTION AGAINST MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC. ("MS & CO.")

TO HALT A FRAUDULENT SCHEME BEING ORCHESTRATED BY TWO CO-OWNERS WHO MISUSED INVESTOR MONEY TO FUND THEIR STRUGGLING BUSINESS OPERATIONS AND MEET EVER-INCREASING LIQUIDITY NEEDS. THE COMMISSION ALLEGED THAT MS & CO. VIOLATED

SECTIONS 5(A), 5(C) AND 17(A) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 ("SECURITIES ACT"), SECTIONS 10(B) AND 15(C)(1) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 ("EXCHANGE ACT") AND RULES 10B-3 AND 10B-5

THEREUNDER, AND SECTIONS 206(1), 206(2) AND 206(4) OF THE

INVESTMENT ADVISERS ACT OF 1940 ("ADVISERS ACT") AND RULE 206(4)-8

THEREUNDER.

THE COMMISSION ALLEGED THAT MS & CO., ITS PRINCIPALS AND AFFILIATED ENTITIES RAISED APPROXIMATELY \$120 MILLION FROM INVESTORS IN MORE THAN 25 DEBT OFFERINGS THAT WERE NOT REGISTERED WITH THE COMMISSION UNDER THE SECURITIES LAWS. THEY MISREPRESENTED THAT THE INVESTMENTS WOULD GENERATE SUFFICIENT INCOME TO SUPPORT THE PROMOTED INTEREST RATES AND THE RETURN OF PRINCIPAL AT THE END OF THE NOTES' TERMS.

THE COMMISSION ALLEGED THAT MS & CO.'S PRINCIPALS KNEW THAT IT WOULD NEVER BE POSSIBLE TO REPAY INVESTORS THEIR PRINCIPAL, LET ALONE THE QUARTERLY INTEREST PAYMENTS PROMISED. THE COMMISSION FURTHER ALLEGED THAT MS & CO.'S PRINCIPALS INSTEAD MISUSED OFFERING PROCEEDS TO SUPPORT THEIR FINANCIALLY TROUBLED OR BANKRUPT ENTITIES, TO MAKE PAYROLL FOR MS & CO., AND EVEN FOR THEIR OWN PERSONAL ACTIVITIES SUCH AS PROCURING STRIPPERS FOR A "SEXUALLY THEMED" CRUISE. ALTHOUGH THE FULL EXTENT OF THE FRAUD IS NOT YET KNOWN, IT APPEARS THAT INVESTORS ARE CURRENTLY OWED AT LEAST \$80 MILLION.

THE COMMISSION ALLEGED THAT THE DEBT OFFERINGS HAVE BEEN SOLD TO HUNDREDS OF INVESTORS THROUGH FOUR FUNDS AND AT LEAST 18 TRUSTS CREATED BY MS & CO. AFFILIATES. THEY MADE A HOST OF REPRESENTATIONS ABOUT THE EXTENT OF DUE DILIGENCE



THEY HAD PERFORMED, AMONG OTHER THINGS. CONTRARY TO THEIR REPRESENTATIONS TO INVESTORS, MS & CO.'S PRINCIPALS USED MUCH OF THE MONEY RAISED IN THESE OFFERINGS TO MAKE PROHIBITED INVESTMENTS IN THEIR OTHER BUSINESSES OR MAKE UNSECURED LOANS TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT THEM. THEY ALSO MISUSED INVESTOR FUNDS TO PAY EXORBITANT COMMISSION AND TRANSACTION FEES TO THEIR AFFILIATED ENTITIES AND MAKE INTEREST PAYMENTS TO

INVESTORS IN THE OTHER ENTITIES.

Initiated By: UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Court Details: UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW

YORK; ALBANY, NY; 1:10-CV-457

Date Court Action Filed: 04/20/2010

Principal Product Type: Other

Other Product Types: UNSPECIFIED DEBT OFFERINGS

Relief Sought: Injunction

Other Relief Sought: RESTRAINING ORDER, ASSET FREEZE, APPOINTMENT OF A RECEIVER,

ACCOUNTING, DOCUMENT FREEZE, DISGORGEMENT, PREJUDGMENT

INTEREST, CIVIL PENALTY

Regulator Statement THE COMMISSION OBTAINED A COURT ORDER FREEZING MS & CO.'S

ASSETS.



### Arbitration Award - Award/Judgment

Brokerage firms are not required to report arbitration claims filed against them by customers; however, BrokerCheck provides summary information regarding FINRA arbitration awards involving securities and commodities disputes between public customers and registered securities firms in this section of the report.

The full text of arbitration awards issued by FINRA is available at www.finra.org/awardsonline.

Disclosure 1 of 5

Reporting Source:

Regulator

Type of Event:

**ARBITRATION** 

Allegations:

ACCOUNT RELATED-BREACH OF CONTRACT; ACCOUNT

RELATED-FAILURE TO SUPERVISE; ACCOUNT RELATED-NEGLIGENCE;

FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY-BRCH OF FIDUCIARY DT

Arbitration Forum:

NASD

Case Initiated:

02/22/2002

Case Number:

02-00354

**Disputed Product Type:** 

COMMON STOCK

Sum of All Relief Requested:

\$227,834.32

Disposition:

AWARD AGAINST PARTY

Disposition Date:

08/21/2003

Sum of All Relief Awarded:

\$322,077.05

There may be a non-monetary award associated with this arbitration. Please select the Case Number above to view more detailed information.

Disclosure 2 of 5

Reporting Source:

Regulator

Type of Event:

**ARBITRATION** 

Allegations:

ACCOUNT RELATED-NEGLIGENCE; FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY-CHURNING;

FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY-MISREPRESENTATION; FRAUDULENT

**ACTIVITY-OMISSION OF FACTS** 

**Arbitration Forum:** 

NASD

Case Initiated:

10/01/2003

Case Number:

03-06918



Disputed Product Type:

UNKNOWN TYPE OF SECURITIES

Sum of All Relief Requested:

\$2,903,125.00

Disposition:

AWARD AGAINST PARTY

Disposition Date:

02/15/2007

Sum of All Relief Awarded:

\$158,400.00

There may be a non-monetary award associated with this arbitration. Please select the Case Number above to view more detailed information.

Disclosure 3 of 5

Reporting Source:

Regulator

Type of Event:

**ARBITRATION** 

Allegations:

ACCOUNT RELATED-FAILURE TO SUPERVISE; ACCOUNT

RELATED-NEGLIGENCE: FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY-BRCH OF FIDUCIARY DT:

FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY-UNSUITABILITY

**Arbitration Forum:** 

**FINRA** 

Case Initiated:

11/18/2008

Case Number:

08-04216

Disputed Product Type:

**CORPORATE BONDS** 

Sum of All Relief Requested:

\$400,000.00

Disposition:

AWARD AGAINST PARTY

**Disposition Date:** 

02/01/2010

Sum of All Relief Awarded:

\$455,000.00

There may be a non-monetary award associated with this arbitration. Please select the Case Number above to view more detailed information.

Disclosure 4 of 5

Reporting Source:

Regulator

Type of Event:

**ARBITRATION** 

Allegations:

ACCOUNT RELATED-BREACH OF CONTRACT; ACCOUNT

RELATED-FAILURE TO SUPERVISE; ACCOUNT RELATED-NEGLIGENCE;

FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY-BRCH OF FIDUCIARY DT

**Arbitration Forum:** 

**FINRA** 

User Guidance

Case Initiated:

12/10/2008

Case Number:

08-04631

Disputed Product Type:

CORPORATE BONDS; OTHER TYPES OF SECURITIES

Sum of All Relief Requested:

\$8,002,010.12

Disposition:

AWARD AGAINST PARTY

Disposition Date:

04/06/2010

Sum of All Relief Awarded:

\$1,923,668.01

There may be a non-monetary award associated with this arbitration. Please select the Case Number above to view more detailed information.

Disclosure 5 of 5

Reporting Source:

Regulator

Type of Event:

**ARBITRATION** 

Allegations:

ACCOUNT RELATED-BREACH OF CONTRACT; FRAUDULENT

ACTIVITY-BRCH OF FIDUCIARY DT; FRAUDULENT

ACTIVITY-MISREPRESENTATION; FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY-OMISSION OF

**FACTS** 

**Arbitration Forum:** 

**FINRA** 

Case Initiated:

12/31/2008

Case Number:

08-04924

Disputed Product Type:

ANNUITIES; COMMON STOCK; MUTUAL FUNDS; OTHER TYPES OF

SECURITIES

Sum of All Relief Requested:

\$2,577,000.00

Disposition:

AWARD AGAINST PARTY

**Disposition Date:** 

12/31/2009

Sum of All Relief Awarded:

\$805,110.01

There may be a non-monetary award associated with this arbitration. Please select the Case Number above to view more detailed information.

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#### Civil Bond

This type of disclosure event involves a civil bond for the brokerage firm that has been denied, paid, or revoked by a bonding company.

Disclosure 1 of 1

Reporting Source:

Firm

Policy Holder:

MCGINN, SMITH & CO., INC.

**Bonding Company Name:** 

UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY CO.

Disposition:

Payout

**Disposition Date:** 

07/21/1988

Payout Details:

\$11,531.60 11/21/1988

Firm Statement

OPERATIONS MGR EMBEZZLED \$23,713 FROM PARENTS' ACCT.

DISCOVERED BY INTERNAL AUDIT. ALL MONIES PAID BACK TO CLIENT. CLEARING BROKER REIMBURSED FIRM \$6,000, WITHOUT ADMITTING

LIABILITY.

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