

## BrokerCheck Report

**MATTHEW TAYLOR**

CRD# 3255250

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## About BrokerCheck®

BrokerCheck offers information on all current-and many former-FINRA-registered securities brokers, and all current and former FINRA-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
- 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.nasaa.org>.

- **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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This broker is not currently registered with FINRA.

**Report Summary for this Broker**

This report summary provides an overview of the broker's professional background and conduct. Additional information can be found in the detailed report.

**Broker Qualifications**

**This broker is not currently registered with FINRA.**

**This broker has passed:**

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

**Registration History**

This broker was previously registered with FINRA at the following brokerage firms:

**MORGAN STANLEY & CO. LLC**

CRD# 8209  
NEW YORK, NY  
03/2008 - 08/2012

**GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO.**

CRD# 361  
NEW YORK, NY  
03/2005 - 01/2008

**MORGAN STANLEY & CO., INCORPORATED**

CRD# 8209  
NEW YORK, NY  
09/2001 - 02/2005

**Disclosure Events**

Disclosure events are certain criminal matters; regulatory actions; civil judicial proceedings; customer complaints, arbitrations, or civil litigations; employment terminations; and financial matters in which the broker has been involved.

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

**The following types of disclosures were reported:**

Regulatory Event

Civil Event

Termination

## Broker Qualifications



### Registrations

This section provides the self-regulatory organizations (SROs) and U.S. states/territories the broker is currently registered and licensed with, the category of each registration, and the date on which the registration became effective. This section also provides, for every brokerage firm with which the broker is currently employed, the address of each branch where the broker works.

This broker is not currently registered with FINRA.



## Broker Qualifications

### Industry Exams this Broker has Passed

This section includes all securities industry exams that the broker has passed. Under limited circumstances, a broker may attain a registration after receiving an exam waiver based on exams the broker has passed and/or qualifying work experience. Any exam waivers that the broker has received are not included below.

**This individual has passed 1 principal/supervisory exam, 3 general industry/product exams, and 1 state securities law exam.**

### Principal/Supervisory Exams

Exam	Category	Date
General Securities Principal Examination	Series 24	05/03/2011

### General Industry/Product Exams

Exam	Category	Date
National Commodity Futures Examination	Series 3	10/12/2001
General Securities Representative Examination	Series 7	09/26/2001
Limited Representative-Equity Trader Exam	Series 55	10/18/2001

### State Securities Law Exams

Exam	Category	Date
Uniform Securities Agent State Law Examination	Series 63	09/28/2001

Additional information about the above exams or other exams FINRA administers to brokers and other securities professionals can be found at [www.finra.org/brokerqualifications/registeredrep/](http://www.finra.org/brokerqualifications/registeredrep/).



## Registration and Employment History

### Registration History

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

Registration Dates	Firm Name	CRD#	Branch Location
03/2008 - 08/2012	MORGAN STANLEY & CO. LLC	8209	NEW YORK, NY
03/2005 - 01/2008	GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO.	361	NEW YORK, NY
09/2001 - 02/2005	MORGAN STANLEY & CO., INCORPORATED	8209	NEW YORK, NY

### Employment History

Below is the broker's employment history for up to the last 10 years.

**Please note that the broker is required to provide this information only while registered with FINRA and the information is not updated after the broker ceases to be registered. Therefore, an employment end date of "Present" may not reflect the broker's current employment status.**

Employment Dates	Employer Name	Employer Location
03/2005 - Present	GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO	NEW YORK, NY
01/2001 - 02/2005	MORGAN STANLEY & CO. INCORPORATED	NEW YORK, NY

### Other Business Activities

This section includes information, if any, as provided by the broker regarding other business activities the broker 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.

No information reported.



## Disclosure Events

### What you should know about reported disclosure events:

1. Disclosure events are certain criminal matters; regulatory actions; civil judicial proceedings; customer complaints, arbitrations, or civil litigations; employment terminations; and financial matters in which the broker has been involved.
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 broker is required to report a particular criminal event.
  - A customer dispute must involve allegations that a broker engaged in activity that violates certain rules or conduct governing the industry and that the activity resulted in damages of at least \$5,000.
3. **Disclosure events in BrokerCheck reports come from different sources:**
  - As mentioned at the beginning of this report, information contained in BrokerCheck comes from brokers, brokerage 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 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:**
  - 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 brokers and brokerage 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 individual broker. Such matters generally involve customer disputes.

**For your convenience, below is a matrix of the number and status of disclosure events involving this broker. Further information regarding these disclosure events can be found in the subsequent pages of this report. You also may wish to contact the broker to obtain further information regarding the disclosure events.**



	Pending	Final	On Appeal
Regulatory Event	1	0	0
Civil Event	1	0	0
Termination	N/A	1	N/A





## Disclosure Event Details

When evaluating this information, please keep in mind that a disclosure event may be pending or involve allegations that are contested and have not been resolved or proven. The disclosure event may, in the end, be withdrawn, dismissed, resolved in favor of the broker, or concluded through a negotiated settlement for certain business reasons (e.g., to maintain customer relationships or to limit the litigation costs associated with disputing the allegations) with no admission or finding of wrongdoing.

This report provides the information exactly as it was reported to CRD and therefore some of the specific data fields contained in the report may be blank if the information was not provided to CRD.

### Regulatory - Pending

This type of disclosure event involves a pending formal proceeding initiated by a regulatory authority (e.g., a state securities agency, self-regulatory organization, federal regulatory agency such as the Securities and Exchange Commission, foreign financial regulatory body) for alleged violations of investment-related rules or regulations.

#### Disclosure 1 of 1

<b>Reporting Source:</b>	Firm
<b>Regulatory Action Initiated By:</b>	COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION
<b>Sanction(s) Sought:</b>	Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s) Monetary Penalty other than Fines Other: PRELIMINARY AND PERMANENT INJUNCTIONS (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, TRADING AND REGISTRATION BANS)
<b>Date Initiated:</b>	11/08/2012
<b>Docket/Case Number:</b>	12 CIV 8170
<b>Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the regulatory action:</b>	GOLDMAN SACHS & CO.
<b>Product Type:</b>	Futures-Financial
<b>Allegations:</b>	CFTC ACTION ALLEGES THAT MR. TAYLOR DEFRAUDED HIS EMPLOYER BY INTENTIONALLY CONCEALING FROM IT THE SIZE OF THE S&P 500 E-MINI FUTURES CONTRACT POSITION, RISK, AND PROFITS AND LOSSES IN A FCM FIRM ACCOUNT HE TRADED. THE COMPLAINT ALSO ALLEGES THAT MR. TAYLOR OBSTRUCTED THE DISCOVERY OF THE ALLEGED ACTIVITY BY HIS EMPLOYER AT THE TIME.
<b>Current Status:</b>	Pending





## Civil - Pending

This type of disclosure event involves a pending civil court action that seeks an injunction in connection with any investment-related activity or alleges a violation of any investment-related statute or regulation.

### Disclosure 1 of 1

<b>Reporting Source:</b>	Regulator
<b>Initiated By:</b>	UNITED STATES COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION
<b>Relief Sought:</b>	Civil and Administrative Penalty(ies)/Fine(s) Injunction Other: TRADING AND REGISTRATION BANS
<b>Date Court Action Filed:</b>	11/08/2012
<b>Product Type:</b>	Futures Commodity
<b>Type of Court:</b>	Federal Court
<b>Name of Court:</b>	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
<b>Location of Court:</b>	NEW YORK, NEW YORK
<b>Docket/Case #:</b>	TBA
<b>Employing firm when activity occurred which led to the action:</b>	
<b>Allegations:</b>	<p>CFTC RELEASE PR6409-23, NOVEMBER 8, 2012: THE U.S. COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION (CFTC) FILED AN ENFORCEMENT ACTION CHARGING MATTHEW MARSHALL TAYLOR WITH DEFRAUDING HIS EMPLOYER, A LARGE FUTURES COMMISSION MERCHANT (FCM), BY INTENTIONALLY CONCEALING FROM THE FCM THE TRUE HUGE SIZE, AS WELL AS THE RISK AND POTENTIAL PROFITS OR LOSSES (P&amp;L) ASSOCIATED WITH THE S&amp;P 500 E-MINI FUTURES CONTRACTS (E-MINI FUTURES) POSITION IN A FIRM ACCOUNT TRADED BY TAYLOR. TAYLOR, A FLORIDA RESIDENT, WAS A TRADER AT THE FCM.</p> <p>THE CFTC'S CIVIL COMPLAINT, FILED NOVEMBER 8, 2012, IN THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, ALLEGES THAT FOR SEVERAL MONTHS, INCLUDING AT LEAST NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2007, TAYLOR, WHILE TRADING AN FCM FIRM ACCOUNT, ENTERED FABRICATED E-MINI FUTURES TRADES INTO THE FCM'S MANUAL TRADE ENTRY SYSTEM, THUS CONCEALING AND MISREPRESENTING THE SIZE OF HIS TRUE E-MINI FUTURES POSITION WITHIN HIS EMPLOYER'S INTERNAL SYSTEMS. TAYLOR ENTERED</p>



FABRICATED TRADES BY BYPASSING THE FCM'S INTERNAL SYSTEM DESIGNED FOR ENTERING AND ROUTING ELECTRONIC TRADES TO THE CHICAGO MERCANTILE EXCHANGE (CME), AND INSTEAD MANUALLY ENTERED THEM IN A DIFFERENT INTERNAL SYSTEM THAT ROUTED THE FABRICATED TRADES ONLY TO THE FCM'S BOOKS AND RECORDS AND NOT TO THE CME.

ADDITIONALLY, TAYLOR ALLEGEDLY OBSTRUCTED HIS EMPLOYER'S DISCOVERY OF HIS SCHEME BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, PROVIDING FALSE, MISLEADING OR DECEPTIVE INFORMATION AND REPORTS TO THE FCM'S EMPLOYEES ABOUT THE FCM'S E-MINI FUTURES POSITION, RISK, AND P&L.

ON OR ABOUT DECEMBER 13, 2007, TAYLOR'S SCHEME CULMINATED IN HIS CONCEALMENT OF AN APPROXIMATELY \$8.3 BILLION LONG E-MINI FUTURES POSITION, MEASURED BY NOTIONAL VALUE, AS WELL AS THE CORRESPONDING RISK AND P&L ASSOCIATED WITH THAT POSITION, THE COMPLAINT CHARGES. TAYLOR'S E-MINI FUTURES TRADES AND HIS CONCEALMENT RESULTED IN REALIZED LOSSES TO THE FCM OF APPROXIMATELY \$118,440,000 AFTER THE FCM'S OFFSET AND LIQUIDATION OF THE POSITION, ACCORDING TO THE COMPLAINT.

IN ITS CONTINUING LITIGATION, THE CFTC SEEKS CIVIL MONETARY PENALTIES, TRADING AND REGISTRATION BANS, AND A PERMANENT INJUNCTION PROHIBITING FURTHER VIOLATIONS OF THE FEDERAL COMMODITIES LAWS, AS CHARGED.

**Current Status:**

Pending

**Limitations or Restrictions in Effect During Appeal:**

N/A



## Employment Separation After Allegations

This type of disclosure event involves a situation where the broker voluntarily resigned, was discharged or was permitted to resign after allegations were made that accused the broker of (1) violating investment-related statutes, regulations, rules or industry standards of conduct; (2) fraud or the wrongful taking of property; or (3) failure to supervise in connection with investment-related statutes, regulations, rules or industry standards of conduct.

### Disclosure 1 of 1

**Reporting Source:** Firm

**Employer Name:** GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO

**Termination Type:** Discharged

**Termination Date:** 12/21/2007

**Allegations:** ALLEGED CONDUCT RELATED TO INAPPROPRIATELY LARGE PROPRIETARY FUTURES POSITIONS IN A FIRM TRADING ACCOUNT.

**Product Type:** Futures - Financial

**Other Product Types:**

**Reporting Source:** Broker

**Employer Name:** GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO

**Termination Type:** Discharged

**Termination Date:** 12/21/2007

**Allegations:** ON FORM U-5 GOLDMAN SACHS ALLEGED, "ALLEGED CONDUCT RELATED TO INAPPROPRIATELY LARGE PROPRIETARY FUTURES POSITIONS IN A FIRM TRADING ACCOUNT."

**Product Type:** Futures - Financial

**Other Product Types:**

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