Office of the Securities

Commissioner

We Are Here To Help

WE REGULATE

The Securities Compliance Branch is responsible for the registration of securities, broker-dealers and their sales agents, investment advisers and their representatives. Call us to check registration (808) 586-2722.

WE PROTECT

The Securities Enforcement Branch receives and investigates complaints about investment fraud and other securities violations. We take legal action against violators of securities laws. Call us to file a complaint **(808) 586-2740.**

WE EDUCATE

The Investor Education Program provides the public with general information on:

- How to make wise choices when investing,
- How to detect and protect investment fraud like Ponzi Schemes and Affinity Fraud,
- Investment products such as mutual funds, variable annuities, stocks, and bonds.

Call us at **(808) 587-7400** for free investor education materials or to schedule a presentation.

Protecting Hawaii Investors



Contact Information

Office Hours: 7:45 AM - 4:30 PM Hawaii Standard Time (HST). The office is open Monday–Friday except on State holidays.

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To report investment fraud, call (808) 587-2267 or Toll Free 1-877-447-2267

INVESTOR EDUCATION: BILL OF RIGHTS





Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

Office of the Securities Commissioner Investor Bill of Rights

When you invest, you have the right to ...

1. Ask >>>

Ask for and receive information from a firm about the work history and background of the person handling your account, as well as information about the firm itself.

2. Receive >>>

Receive complete information about the risks, obligations, and costs of any investment before investing.

3. Receive >>>

Receive recommendations that are consistent with your financial needs and investment objectives.

4. Receive >>>

Receive a copy of all completed account forms and agreements.

5. Receive >>>

Receive account statements that are accurate and understandable.

6. Understand >>>

Understand the terms and conditions of transactions you undertake.

7. Access >>>

Access your funds in a timely manner and receive information about your restrictions or limitations on access.

8. Discuss >>>

Discuss account problems with the branch manager or compliance department of your firm and receive prompt attention to and fair consideration of your concerns.

9. Receive >>>

Receive complete information about commissions, sales charges, maintenance or service charges, transaction or redemption fees and penalties.

10. Contact >>>

Contact the Office of the Securities Commissioner – Compliance Branch at (808) 586-2722 to verify the employment and disciplinary history of a securities agent and the agent's firm, and to find out if the investment is permitted to be soid.



(Source: Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA). For more information visit the website at finra.org.)

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