OFFICE OF THE SECURITIES COMMISSIONER

WE REGULATE

The Securities Compliance Branch is responsible for the registration of securities, broker-dealers and their sales agents, investment advisers and their representatives.

WE PROTECT

The Securities Enforcement Branch receives and investigates complaints about investment fraud and other securities violations. We take legal actions for violations of state securities law and franchise law.

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 against investment fraud such as Ponzi Schemes and Affinity Fraud; and

Investment products such as mutual funds, variable annuities, stocks, and bonds.

PROTECTING HAWAII INVESTORS

Contact Us



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OF RIGHTS



INVESTOR EDUCATION PROGRAM

Investor Bill of Rights

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

1. Ask

Ask for information from the 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, obligation and costs of any investment before investing.
- Receive recommendations that are consistent with your financial needs and investment objectives.
- Receive a copy of all completed account forms and agreements.

- Receive account statements that are accurate and understandable.
- Receive complete information about commissions, sales charges, maintenance or service charges, transaction or redemption fees and penalties.

3. Understand

Understand the terms and conditions of transactions you undertake.

4. Access

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



5. 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.

6. Contact

Contact the Office of the
Securities Commissioner –
Securities 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
sold.



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