

# FINRA DR Portal

## User Guide for Arbitrators and Mediators

## July 2015

#### Disclaimer

These materials are for training and instructional purposes only. No part of this publication may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted in any form by any means—electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording, or otherwise—without prior written permission from FINRA.

## **Table of Contents**

Welcome to the FINRA DR Portal	3
Introduction	3
Portal Access	3
Compatible Browsers	3
Pop-Up Blockers	3
Editing PDF Forms	3
Mobile Devices (coming soon)	4
Registration Process	4
DR Portal Functionality	8
Overview	8
Home	9
Messages	
Details	
Hearings	
Scheduling	
Payments	
Documents	14
Submitting Documents	14
Drafts and Submissions	
Arbitration Cases and Mediation Cases	
Messages	20
Neutral Profile View	21
Viewing Your Disclosure Report	21
Neutral Profile Update	22
Personal Information	23
Contacts and Honorarium	24
Business Background	26
Employment History	26
Educational History	27
Training	
Arbitrator Classifications (action required for arbitrators)	

 $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$  2015 Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. All rights reserved.

Statutory Discrimination Qualifications	28
Securities Disputes Experience	28
Conflicts/Disclosures (action required for all neutrals)	29
Accommodations	29
Review and Submit	30
Log Out of Portal	31
Additional Help	31

## Welcome to the FINRA DR Portal

## Introduction

FINRA Dispute Resolution developed this user guide to help neutrals become familiar with the FINRA Dispute Resolution Portal (DR Portal). The DR Portal is a web-based system that allows neutrals to log into a secure section of our website for self-service access to update their profile and view assigned case information.

The DR Portal has two parts: the **DR Neutral Portal** is for FINRA neutrals (arbitrators and mediators) serving on the Dispute Resolution roster, and the **DR Party Portal** is for arbitration and mediation case participants. This user guide describes the DR Neutral Portal. A separate user guide is available that explains the use of the DR Party Portal for case participants.

If you happen to be both a FINRA neutral and a participant to a case, you can register the same User ID to access both sides of the DR Portal. Registered neutrals who are also case participants may access the party portal by clicking on the link "Go to Party Portal" found near the top of the homepage once you are logged in. Likewise, case participants may access the neutral side of the DR Portal by clicking on the link "Go to Neutral Portal" from the homepage.

## **Portal Access**

Neutrals can access the DR portal from FINRA.org after completing the initial registration step. Neutrals can also create a "favorite" or "bookmark" in their browser for easy access to the DR Portal. We recommend that you create the bookmark **after** you successfully log into the portal. You should use the following URL as the bookmark for the portal: <u>https://drportal.finra.org</u>

Note: you can NOT use your FINRA Firm Gateway account to access the DR Portal. You must create a separate account using the self-registration procedures described below. You only need one account to access all of your cases; you do not need to create a new account for each case.

## **Compatible Browsers**

The DR Portal is compatible with the following browser versions (or higher): Internet Explorer 8, Firefox 22, Google Chrome 27, and Safari 6.

## **Pop-Up Blockers**

Some features of the portal open extra tabs in your browser or pop-up windows. We suggest that you add \*.finra.org to your browser's list of Trusted Sites and to your pop-up blocker's exception list. You may also disable your pop-up blockers.

## **Editing PDF Forms**

A number of PDF forms, such as the Oath of Arbitrator and the Initial Prehearing Conference Scheduling Order can be found on the "Forms and Tools" page of the finra.org website at <u>http://www.finra.org/arbitration-and-mediation/forms-tools</u>. These are **Adobe Acrobat PDF** forms that contain blank fields for you to enter information. In order for these forms to work properly, you MUST use the free Adobe Acrobat Reader program on your computer. This is © 2015 Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. All rights reserved. ESPECIALLY true for Apple Mac computers. Mac computers come with a program called "Preview" that allows you to view and edit PDF forms, but it does not let you save your work consistently and will cause you difficulties. You should download Adobe Acrobat Reader from <a href="https://get.adobe.com/reader/">https://get.adobe.com/reader/</a>

You can disable the optional offers if you do not want them, then click on "Install now" and follow the instructions.



Once installed, you should make sure that your computer defaults to opening PDF documents using Acrobat Reader. You can find more information about making Adobe Reader the default PDF viewing program here: <u>https://helpx.adobe.com/acrobat/kb/cant-open-pdf.html</u>

## Mobile Devices (coming soon)

Neutrals will be able to access the DR Portal on a mobile device—such as a smartphone or tablet (e.g., iPhone, iPad)—using the same URL as you would on your computer: <u>https://DRPortal.finra.org</u>. Although you can view your case and profile information, you will **not** be able to update your profile using these devices. To update your profile, you will need to log into the portal using your desktop or laptop computer.

## **Registration Process**

FINRA sent you an invitation containing a personalized link to your neutral profile. Please follow these steps to create your personal profile and register:

- Click on the link in the email with the subject line "Welcome to the FINRA Dispute Resolution Portal." You will be brought to the "Welcome to Dispute Resolution" login page and have the option to log into or create your FINRA account. If you have already created an account, skip to step 7.
- 2. Click on "Register New User" to create a new account.

FINCA
Welcome to Dispute Resolution
New The Login process has changed. Learn More
User ID Forgot User ID or Password? Register New User
This Privacy Statement relates to the online information collection and use practices of this FINRA Entitlement Program and embedded forms and applications (this "Web site"). This Privacy Statement complements the full FINRA Privacy Policy and may be updated from time to time. Updates to FINRA's privacy policies will be posted here and/or in the full FINRA Privacy Policy, as appropriate.
To enable you to be employed in certain positions or participate in certain matters or opportunities in the securities industry in the United States, FINRA collects certain personal data from you for identity verification and regulatory purposes. Personal information may include your name, address, phone number, fingerprints, employment history and any other information that identifies or can be used to identify the person to whom such information pertains. FINRA may use your personal information submitted via this Web site for any regulatory purpose.
This Web site is operated in the United States. If you are located outside of the United States, please be aware that any information you provide to us will be transferred to the U.S. and subject to U.S. laws. By using our Web site, participating in any of our services and/or providing us with your information, you consent to this transferred data. Additionally, by using our Web site, participating in any of our services and/or providing us with your information, you consent to this transferred to the U.S. and subject to U.S. laws. By providing us with your information, you also consent to the collection, transfer, manipulation, storage, disclosure and other uses of your information as described in this Privacy Statement and the FINRA Privacy Policy, If you do not consent to this Privacy Statement or our FINRA Privacy Policy, please do not use this Web site.
By clicking the button below, I certify that I have read and understand all of the terms of the FINRA Entitlement Program Agreement and Terms of Use and intend to form a binding agreement with FINRA on those terms without modification or amendment thereto. If I am accepting this agreement on behalf of an organization, I certify that I have the authority of that organization to enter into this agreement.
I Agree I Disagree
If you are experiencing any difficulties logging into the system, please contact your Administrator for assistance. If you are a Super Account Administrator, contact the Gateway Call Center at 301-869-6699 for Assistance.
Do NOT bookmark this page or add it to your favorites. If you would like to create a bookmark or add this application to your favorites, please create the bookmark or add it to your favorites after successfully logging in.
Privacy   Legal   Terms & Conditions ©2014 FINRA. All rights reserved. FINRA is a registered trademark of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.

- Enter the registration information. You can make up your own User ID (letters and numbers only; an email address cannot be used as your User ID). You will also need to enter the characters shown in the box before submitting the information. You can click the refresh button if you need a new set of characters.
- 4. The email address that you provide in the "Primary Email" field in this initial registration form will be the email that is reflected as your primary email address in your neutral profile with FINRA. If you need to update your email address with FINRA, you will need to make this change by updating your account information using the "manage my account" quick link menu option on the Homepage of the DR Portal. Please see "Email Address" on page 24. Note that this change cannot be made by FINRA staff. Note that FINRA DR staff does not use the "Secondary Email" address.

## FINCA

Register as a FINRA User
Please complete the following information, and then select "Submit" to register.
Note: (*) indicates required fields.
User Profile
Prefix
(none) ▼ First Name (*)
Middle Name
a clickor
Last Name (*)
with user president
Suffix
(none)  (none)
Title malink t NOI as a t
Choose Your User ID (*)
Primary Email (*)
Secondary Email
Primary Phone
Secondary Phone
FAX
FAX
To prevent unauthorized access to this application, please enter the characters in the exact order as they appear in the box below.
Click this button if you can't read the characters and want another set.

5. You will receive a **"Registration Confirmation"** with your User ID. Be sure to write down your User ID or print this screen. If you leave this screen and cannot remember your user name, please send an email to FINRADRNM@finra.org to request a new invitation.

Registration Confirmation	riendly
You have successfully registere is a EINPA user Your User ID is jsmith30 Write Down Your User ID	
For Security reasons, your pass and has been sent in a separate email. Note that the password you receive is a one-time password - you will be forced to change a password of your choosing upon first login.	e it to
Please remember this User ID. You will use it to access the application.	

6. You will receive an email with a temporary password. Copy the password and click on the words "**this link**" in the email to log into the system so you can change your password.



- 7. On the "Welcome to Dispute Resolution" page, enter your User ID and click "I agree."
- 8. The system will capture your User ID and prompt you to enter your password. Enter your temporary password and click **"continue."**

FINCA	
Welcome to Dispute Re	solution
User ID : jsmith30 Password	Forgot Password?
Do NOT bookmark this page or add it to you Privacy   Legal   Terms & Conditions	anto the system, please contact your Administrator for assistance. If you are a Super Account Administrator, contact the Gateway Call Center at 301-869-6699 for Assistance. In flororites. If you would like to create a bookmark or add this application to your favorites, please create the bookmark or add it to your favorites after successfully logging in registered trademark of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority. Inc.

- 9. You will be prompted to reset your password. Once you reset your password click "Continue."
- 10. Log into the DR Portal by entering your **new password**. The first time you log in, you will be asked to select and answer three security questions. From time to time (especially if you use a computer that you have never used before), the system may ask you one of these questions to confirm your identity.

at are easy to remember. Use one word answers when possible. We may ask you to answer these m an unregistered device. Fields marked with * are required fields.
s or when you login fro

- 11. You will see a new screen with additional challenge questions to answer. You will only need to answer these questions once.
- 12. You will then receive a message "Welcome to the FINRA Dispute Resolution Portal." Click on the link to access the portal.
- 13. You can access the DR Portal from the <u>DR Portal page</u> on www.finra.org after completing the initial registration. Neutrals can also create a "favorite" or "bookmark" in their browser for easy access to the DR Portal. We recommend that you create the bookmark **after** you successfully log into the portal. You should use the following URL as the bookmark to the access the portal: <u>https://www.drportal.finra.org</u>

Note: As a security measure, FINRA passwords automatically expire after a set period of time. When this occurs, you will be asked to change your password when you are logging in. You cannot select a password that you used previously.

<sup>© 2015</sup> Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. All rights reserved.

## **DR Portal Functionality**

## **Overview**

On the FINRA DR Portal Homepage, you will see a menu of options across the top heading bar:

- > Home displays your current and upcoming arbitration and mediation cases;
- > Arbitration Cases displays all arbitration cases you have ever been assigned to;
- > Mediation Cases displays all mediation cases you have ever been assigned to;
- Messages displays all of the messages that have been sent to you regarding activity on your cases being handled through the DR Portal;
- > **Profile** is where you can view and update your profile information.



#### I want to...

view my profile

view my Arbitrator Disclosure Report

view my Mediator Disclosure Report

change my password

manage my account

#### Resources

FINRA Learning Mgmt System

Arbitration Awards Online

Oath of Arbitrator and Checklist

Forms and Tools

There are quick links to view my profile, view my Arbitrator Disclosure Report, view my Mediator Disclosure Report, change my password and manage my account. There are also quick access links to Resources like FINRA Learning Management System and Arbitration Awards Online, the Oath of Arbitrator and Checklist form, and the Forms and Tools page on the www.finra.org website.

 $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$  2015 Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. All rights reserved.

## Home

The Home page allows neutrals to view information about their currently assigned cases. The Home page provides a display of open arbitration and mediation cases, as well as a list of the upcoming arbitration hearings and mediation sessions that neutrals are scheduled to attend. It also displays announcements (in the orange banners near the top of the page) regarding the DR Portal or relevant FINRA DR activity.

Clicking on any of the green plus signs will expand the view to show more details. Clicking on it again will hide the details.

וחרמ				Welcome Adam W				Help   Sign Out
ispute	- Resolution Portal					× 7	-	
Home	Arbitration Cases	Mediation Cases	Messages (1 Unread)	Profile				
Disclosi view my Disclosi		implement new freed more       My Current Arbitra       ID     Case Na       13-01754     Patrick S	annou tion Cases	ncements	ET tonight th Status - Open Open	Filed On Da 06/13/2013	ate Role Panelist	DR Staff + L. Lasher
manage Resour	e my account rces	Upcoming Arbitrat	ion Hearings					
FINRA I System	Learning Mgmt	Date 🔺 Time	Туре	Location		ID	Case Name	
	ion Awards Online	03/27/2015 11:00 A	M EST Pre-hearing conference	+ Conference C	Call	13-01754	Patrick James ABC	Ruffino vs.
Oath of Checkli	Arbitrator and st	03/30/2015 09:00 A	M EST Regular Hearing	+ FINRA Dispu	te Resolution	13-01754	Patrick James ABC	Ruffino vs.
Forms a	and Tools	My Current Median						
		Upcoming Mediati						

By clicking on a listed case name on the Home page, Arbitration Case page or Mediation Case page, you can see the Case Abstract along with a row of tabs providing additonal information about the case.

					Go to F	Party Portal	FINRA.org Help	Sign Out
FINCA			🛎 V	Velcome Adam William	Arbitrator (	(A59458)	Public Arbitrat	or, Mediator
Dispute Resolution Portal	- QC							
Home Arbitration Cases	Mediation Cases	Messages (2 Un	nread) I	Profile				
13-00256 Billy S. Parnan	der and Caroline	E. Parnander	v. FullEq	uities, Inc. Expe	dited			
Direct Communication Be	etween Parties and	Arbitrators Allowe	ed	submit doc	Umont			
Arbitration Case Abstract					intents to	FINRA	Submit Do	cuments
Case Status: Open		Milestones			Assigned			
Filed On Date: 01/24/2013		Case Received: 01/2			Lisa Lashe			
Office: Boca Raton		Claim Served on Re	espondents	s: 02/06/2013		pute Resolut	ion	
Hearing Location: Atlanta, GA					Boca Cente	Center Circl	e Suite 200	
	•					n, Florida 334	-,	
60		docupos.					Fax: 301-527-	
1 unreage		documents				@finra.		
mes						Ū	5	
Messages (1) Details Heari	ngs Scheduling	Payments Docum	nents (1)	Drafts & Submissions			o to see detailed mation.	
Arbitrators								
Name	R	ole Type	i -	Status		Assigned (	On Date	
Mr. Robert H. Putnam, Jr.	CI	nair Public	с	Appointed		06/06/2013	}	
Mr. Adam William Arbitrator	Pa	anelist Public	с	Appointed		07/08/2014		
Mr. George Harrison Lemmond	Pa	anelist Public	с	Appointed		06/06/2013	5	
Dr. John C. Yeoman, Jr.	Pa	anelist Public	C	Off Case for Other F	Reason	06/06/2013		
Arbitration Parties								

Claimants CRD # Status Agreement Date Class Represented By Party Туре Charlotte E Fernander Individual Customer Active + Mr. Alan Perry, Jr. Billy W Fernander 01/15/2013 Individual Customer Active + Mr. Alan Perry, Jr.

## **Messages**

The **Messages** tab shows the messages you have received from FINRA regarding this case. The number in blue indicates the number of unread messages. The view defaults to showing all received messages for this case that you have not already archived. Unread messages are displayed in bold type. You can limit the view to just your unread messages by clicking on "View Unread Messages."

To archive messages, click on the checkbox to the left of the message to select them (or click on "Select All" to select all messages), and then click on the **Archive Selected Messages** button.

NKA DI	<u>spute Re</u>	solutior	n Portal					<u>User Guide</u>
Messages (	(1) Details	Hearings	Scheduling	Payments	Documents (1)	Drafts & Submission	S	
Ay Current	t Messages							
All Messag	jes				View L	Inread Messages	View All Messages	Go to Archived Messages
All Messag Select All	Jes Date	Subject			View L	Inread Messages	View All Messages	Go to Archived Messages
-			R requests you	ır schedule a		Inread Messages Arbitration Hearing t	J	
Select All	Date	FINRA DE	• •		vailability for an <i>i</i>	5	for Case ID 13-00256	

To view you archived messages, click on the **Go to Archived Messages** button. You can return archived messages back to your current message page by selecting the archived messages (using the small checkbox to the left of each message) and clicking on **Unarchive Selected Messages** button.

## **Details**

You can view the names of your co-arbitrators and the assigned FINRA staff member. You can also view the names of the parties and their representatives. By clicking on the representatives' names, you can see their contact information.

Messages (1)	Details	Hearings	Scheduling	Payments	Documents (1)	Drafts & Submis	sions		
rbitrators									
Name				Role	Туре	Status		Assigned On Date	
/Ir. Robert H. P	utnam, Jr.			Chair	Public	Appointed		06/06/2013	
/Ir. Adam Willia	m Arbitrator	ſ		Panelist	Public	Appointed		07/08/2014	
Ar. George Harr	ison Lemmo	ond		Panelist	Public	Appointed		06/06/2013	
Claimants	ties								
Claimants	ties	CRD#	f Agree	ement Date	Туре	Class	Status	Represented By	
Claimants Party		CRD #	f Agree	ement Date	Type Individual	Class Customer	Status Active	Represented By + Mr. Alan	
Claimants Party Charlotte E Fer	nander	CRD #	4 Agree 01/15/			Customer Customer	Active		
rbitration Par Claimants Party Charlotte E Fer Billy W Fernand Respondents	nander	CRD			Individual	Customer	Active	<b>+</b> Mr. Alan	
Claimants Party Charlotte E Fer Billy W Fernand	nander	CRD #	01/15/		Individual	Customer Customer	Active	<b>+</b> Mr. Alan	

## **Hearings**

The **"Hearings"** tab shows all of the hearings that are scheduled or have already been held for the case. You can also view the address and phone number for a hearing location.

Messages (1)	Details	Hearings	Scheduling	Payments	Documents (1)	Drafts & Su	Ibmissions		
rbitration H	learings								
Date 🔻	Time	Туре			Location		Sessions	Status	Attendee(s)
04/10/2014	10:00 AM ES	T Regular	Hearing		+ Address		2	Open	FINRA: No Attendee
)4/09/2014	10:00 AM ES	clic	k here to se aring location	'n	+ Address		2	Open	FINRA: No Attendee
)4/08/2014	10:00 AM ES	T Re he	aring los		+ Address		2	Open	FINRA: No Attendee
)4/07/2014	10:00 AM ES	T Regular	Hearing		+ Address		2	Open	FINRA: No Attendee
)7/17/2013	10:30 AM ES	T Initial Pre	e-hearing confe	rence	+ Conference Cal	I	1	Closed-Complete	+ FINRA: Lisa Lasher
7/15/2013	00:00 PM ES	T Discover	y Related Motio	in [	Discovery Related	Motion	1	Closed-Complete	+ FINRA: Lisa Lasher

The Hearings page also provides information about which arbitrators and FINRA staff attended a particular hearing.



## Scheduling

The **"Scheduling"** tab provides a collaborative tool that allows the party representatives and neutrals to find mutually agreeable dates for scheduling (or rescheduling) arbitration hearings or mediation sessions.

Messag	ges (1) Details	Hearings	Scheduling	Payments	Documents (1	) Drafts &	Submissions						
Arbitra	tion Hearing Sche	duling Po	lls										
	Arbitration Hearing Scheduling Polls Please click on the Poll ID to update your schedule for the associated hearing poll.												
Please	click on the Poll ID	to update	your schedule	for the associ	ated hearing	poll.							
	click on the Poll ID Hearing Type		your schedule phonic / In Pers			Due Date 🔺	Time Zone	Number of Days to Schedule	Poll Recipients				

When a hearing or session needs to be scheduled or rescheduled, FINRA will propose a range of dates by creating a "scheduling poll." When FINRA publishes a poll on the DR Portal, each of the required attendees will receive an email notification telling them to log into the DR Portal to complete the poll by providing their availability.

Click on the Poll ID to open the poll.

#### Arbitration Hearing Scheduling Polls

#### Poll ID: 10152

Please provide your availability no later than 9/30/2014 in the scheduling poll below.

to reschedule pre-hearing conference from 9/15/14.

Enter specific details "starting at 1:00pm"		nding text box. For example, if you are available in the afternoon starting
Date (Eastern Time Zone)	Adam Arbitrator (Panelist)	Robert (Chair)
9/30/2014	Available All Day V	select your availability and enter a comment by clicking on the green plus sign.
10/1/2014	Available AM  vuntil 1:00pm	1
10/2/2014	Not Available	
10/3/2014	<b>▼</b>	

For each date, enter your availability. You can also enter a comment in the box for by clicking on the green plus sign, entering your comment, and then clicking on **Done**.

•		
Please enter a Comment		
until 1:00pm	*	
	÷	
68 character(s) left	_	
Done	Cancel	

Once you are finished, click on **Save** at the bottom of the poll. Your entries and comments will be immediately viewable by all other attendees on the case, as well as by FINRA staff.

You can come back to the poll to make changes and update your comments in order to try and reach consensus on acceptable dates, all without having to speak in person. Click on **Save** after you make changes so that other attendees can see your latest updates.

Note that the process is the same for mediation scheduling polls.

#### **Payments**

The **"Payments"** tab shows all payments you have earned for a case as well as check dates and check numbers. If you do not see information in the Payments section for a hearing you

participated in, the system will advise you to allow time to process the payment and to check back.

Messages (1)	Details	Hearings	Scheduling	Payment	Documents	(1)	Drafts & Subn	issions		
Arbitrator Payı	ments									
Earned Date 🤜	Туре			Amount Check Date Check Number			Check Number			
03/30/2015	Initial Pr	re-Hearing Co	uble	\$400.00	Amount of p	ayment				
If you do not se	e your payr	nent, please c	heck back in a f	ew days. Ti	ne payment proces	s ca	n take up to two	veeks.		

## **Documents**

The **"Documents"** tab shows a list of documents contained in the case file that have been made available for viewing through the portal. This would include documents you submitted as well as documents published by FINRA staff to the portal.

If there are multiple documents, you will see a **"+ Multiple"** link, which you can click to open up the list of documents. You MUST disable your pop-up blockers to view the documents.

Note: all documents in the DR Portal are saved as Adobe PDF files. Make sure you have the latest version of Adobe Acrobat Reader installed on your computer to avoid problems opening the files.

Messages (1) Detail	s H	earings	Schedulin	g P	ayments	Documents (1) Drafts & Submissions	
Documents							
Subject		Portal P	osted Date	e ,	Docum	ents (File Date)	Recipients
Arbitrator Case Packe	et 03/30/2015			- Mul	tiple	Adam W Arbitrator	
	cli	ck on doc to ope			Jane C	itor Case Packet.pdf (3/30/2015) sustomer Statement of Claim.pdf (3/30/2015) ent of Answer from BBB Brokerage.pdf (3/30/2015)	

## **Submitting Documents**

You can submit PDF documents through the portal. After selecting the case you are working on, click the **Submit Documents** button in the upper right hand corner to submit documents through the portal rather than faxing or mailing the document. This will open the Submit Documents form in a separate browser tab (although some browsers may behave differently.)

Home	Arbitrat	ion Cases	Mediation Cases	Messa	ges (2 Unread)	Profile	
Dire	ct Commu	nication Be	and Carolin tween Parties and			Inc. Exp	Declited Submit Documents
Filed Or Office: E	Arbitration Case Abstract Case Status: Open Filed On Date: 01/24/2013 Office: Boca Raton Hearing Location: Atlanta, GA				s eived: 01/24/2013 ved on Responde	nts: 02/06/2013	Assigned Staff Lisa Lasher FINRA Dispute Resolution Boca Center Tower 1 5200 Town Center Circle, Suite 200 Boca Raton, Florida 33486 Phone: 561-416-   Fax: 301-527- E-mail: FL-Main@finra.org
Message	s (1) Det	ails Hearir	ngs Scheduling	Payments	Documents (1)	Drafts & Submissions	

Clicking on the **Submit Documents** button should open a separate tab in your browser. You can choose the PDF(s) to submit by selecting the **Add Document** button.

FINCA	Dispute Resolution Porta	1	
FINRA Dispute	Resolution Submit Documents Fo	orm	
	lectronically file case-related documents v e, use the Update Neutral Profile form or		Only use this form to submit documents for THIS CASE. To submit changes to ${\scriptstyle 1}$ .
All questions mar	ked as * are mandatory.		
Case ID	13-00		
Case Name	HM / F. Photophile and Familian F. Phot	weigen Traffigation (in-	
Name of Person C Adam William Arbitr			
Attachments			
Document For 🔺	Attachment Type	File	Description
Add Document		0	Row(s)
Click on "Add Doo	cument" to submit a document to FINRA D	R. Only documents formatted in	Adobe PDF are acceptable.
Click a row to edit it.			
Save	t Preview Submit		

Select the "Attachment Type" from the dropdown menu that describes the document you are submitting.

Document For *	
Attachment Type *	
Award Information Sheet	
Award Signature Page	
Oath of Arbitrator	
Order	
Subpoena	
Disclosure - Case Related	
Expense Report	
Other	

Click the **Browse** button to choose the PDF document from your computer. Enter a brief description of the file in the Description field.

After you select your document, click the **Add Document** button.

ttachments	×
Document For * Arbitration	
Attachment Type *	
Order	*
Attach File - Adobe PDF Only * Limit: 1 file(s). Browse	
Description	
(	Add Document Cancel

Note: you can add more than one document to this form by repeating this process.

After you attach the PDFs to submit to FINRA, you will see them listed under "Attachments." To finalize your submission, you must click the **Submit** button. If you are not yet ready to submit your documents, you can click on the **Save** button. That will save an in-progress draft of this form in your "Drafts & Submissions" tab that you can return to later.

FINCA	Dispute Resoluti	on Portal			
FINRA Dispute	Resolution Submit Do	cuments Form			
	lectronically file case-related e, use the Update Neutral Pr			n to submit documents for THIS CA	SE. To submit changes to
All questions man	ked as * are mandatory.				
Case ID	12-99999				
Case Name	Claimant v. Acme Broker	age			
Name of Person C John Smith	ompleting Form				
Attachments					
Document For		Attachment Type	File	Description	
Arbitration		Order	Portal TEST.pdf		Delete
Add Document			1 Row(s)		
Click on "Add Doo	cument" to submit a docume	nt to FINRA DR. Only docu	ments formatted in Adobe PDF are	acceptable.	
Click a row to edit it.					
Save	t Preview Submit	>			

After you click on **Submit**, you should receive a confirmation on your screen that your form was submitted successfully. Once you are done, you can close this tab in your browser.

✓ Your form was submitted to FINRA successfully. Please print this form now if you wish to retain a copy for your records.
illing ID: 1480939 (Please retain this number for facther inquiries regarding this form) Submitted By Submitted Date: Mon Mar 30 16:55:42 EDT 2015
FINRA Dispute Resolution Submit Documents Form
Use this form to electronically file case-related documents with FINRA Dispute Resolution. Only use this form to submit documents for THIS CASE. To submit changes to your neutral profile, use the Update Neutral Profile form or e-mail PanelUpdate@FINRA.org.
Name of Person Completing Form Adam William Arbitrator (A59458)
Click on "Add Document" to submit a document to FINRA DR. Only documents formatted in Adobe PDF are acceptable.
Click a row to edit it.
1. Attachments
Document For * Arbitration Attachment Type * Oath of Arbitrator Attach File - Adobe PDF Only * OathChecklist.pdf 442790 bytes
Description

## **Drafts and Submissions**

The "Drafts & Submissions" tab shows forms (with attached documents) that you save as a draft before submitting to FINRA. A draft is created the moment you click on the "Submit Documents" button. You can continue working on your draft by clicking on the "Attachment" link in the first column. A draft can be deleted by clicking on the "Delete" link in the last column.

This tab also shows forms that you successfully submitted to FINRA. You can view your submission by clicking on the "Attachment" link in the first column.

Messages (1)	Details	Hearings	Scheduling	Paym	nents	Documents (	1)	Drafts & Submissions		
Drafts & Submis	cione									
		urn off the Sa	fari pop-up bloc	ker to v	iew the	content and the	attac	hments to these forms		
FORM TYPE		TRACKING N	UMBER	FORM	STATUS	S	FORM	I STATUS DATE		
Attachment		1480939			Submit	ted	04:5	3 PM 03/30/2015		
Attachment		1480936		C	Draft		04:4	1 PM 03/30/2015	<u>Delete</u>	
Attachment		1269738		0	Draft		10:5	4 AM 10/16/2014	Delete	

## **Arbitration Cases and Mediation Cases**

These home page menus take you to a page that lists all of your cases.

					Go to Party Portal	FINRA.org	Help   Sign C
V.				🌲 Welcome Adam William Arbit	trator (A )	Public A	Arbitrator , Media
Resolution Portal							
Arbitration Cases	Mediation Cases	Messages (2	2 Unread)	) Profile			to view
tration Cases						click her	d cas
tive Cases (2)				View Open/Inactive Cases	View Closed Cases	s View	All Cases
tive Cases (2) Case Name			Status	View Open/Inactive Cases Current Milestone	View Closed Cases	s View Role	All Cases DR Staff
Case Name	vs. ABC Capital Marke	ts, LLC	Status Open				
	Arbitration Cases	Arbitration Cases Mediation Cases	Arbitration Cases Mediation Cases Messages (	Arbitration Cases Mediation Cases Messages (2 Unread	Welcome Adam William Arbit Resolution Portal Arbitration Cases Mediation Cases Messages (2 Unread) Profile	Welcome Adam William Arbitrator (A )	Resolution Portal Arbitration Cases Mediation Cases Messages (2 Unread) Profile

These pages default to show only open cases. You can click on "View Closed Cases" or "View All Cases" to change what is displayed in the list. You can also click on the column headings to change the sort order of the list.

You can see every case on which you have served, regardless of whether the case resulted in an award. Clicking on any of these listed cases—open or closed—will display the same detailed case view and allow you to access the **"Messages"**, **"Details," "Hearings," "Scheduling," "Payments," "Documents" and "Drafts and Submissions"** information.

## **Messages**

This menu option takes you to a page showing all of the messages that have been sent to the participant regarding activity on their cases being handled through the DR Portal. The participant also receives these messages as email alerts. The number in orange indicates the number of unread messages. The view defaults to showing all received messages that you have not already archived. Unread messages are displayed in bold type. You can limit the view to just your unread messages by clicking on "View Unread Messages." You can also filter the messages to show just those relating to documents that have been published to you on the Portal or scheduling requests. Select "Documents" or "Scheduling" in the Message Type Filter drop-down menu.

To archive messages, click on the checkbox to the left of the message to select them (or click on "Select All" to select all messages), and then click on the **Archive Selected Messages** button. To view your archived messages, click on the **Go to Archived Messages** button.

In addition, any announcements that you deleted from the Home page (by clicking on the **X** next to the announcement) can be found on the Archived Messages page.

Dispute Resolution Portal									
Home	Arbitration Ca	ases Mediation Cases Messages	(2 Unread)						
My Curr	ent Message	s			Go to Ar	chived Messages			
lessage	Type Filter All	🔻 🖲 View All Messages 🔍 🕚	/iew Unread Messages 🔍 View Read	d Messages					
Select All		uments eduling	Case Name	Case ID	Case Type				
	02/26/2015	FINRA DR requests your schedule availability for an Arbitration Hearing for Case ID 13-03055	Cal Customer v. Brokerage Corp.	13-03055	Arbitration	Go to Scheduling			
	12/12/2014	FINRA has posted a new document for Arbitration Case ID 13-03055 on the DR Portal	Cal Customer v. Brokerage Corp.	13-03055	Arbitration	Go to Documents			
	12/04/2014	FINRA has posted a new document for Mediation Case ID 13-03048 on the DR Portal	Walter Williams v. Brokers, Inc.	13-03048	Mediation	Go to Documents			
	11/21/2014	FINRA has posted a new document for Arbitration Case ID 13-02918 on the DR Portal	John Customer v. ZCorp Inc.	13-02918	Arbitration	Go to Documents			
	11/05/2014	FINRA DR requests your schedule availability for an Arbitration Hearing for Case ID 13-03055	Cal Customer v. Brokerage Corp.	13-03055	Arbitration	Go to Scheduling			

Archive Selected Messages

## **Neutral Profile View**

Neutrals will be able to view their profile information in the portal. To view your profile:

Click on **"Profile"** in the heading bar. The **Profile** page will open on the **Personal Information** tab. Click on any of the headings in the left-hand menu to view the specific information in your profile.

ispute	Resolution Portal				
Home	Arbitration Cases	Mediation Cases	Messages (2 Unread)	Profile	click here to view profile
View I	Profile	be reflected immedia	tely on your Profile or your Ar	bitration and/or Mediation (	and will be processed in a timely manner. Changes will not Disclosure Reports. While your update request is being
Persor	nal Information	days.	your Profile is not currently av		he DR Portal for at least the following two business
Addres	ses & Contacts	The ability to update	your rionie is not currently at		or ablets.
Honora	arium Information				Update
Busine	ss Background		Title	of Courtesy: Mr.	Suffix 1:
Employ	/ment History	click here to vie profile see		Name: Adam William Arbi	trator Suffix 2:
Educat	ional History	promo co.			
Trainin	g				
Arbitrat	tor Classifications	E-mail	nunic	ation with FINRA?	
Securit Experie	ies Disputes ence	DR Portal Login Na jschrode	ime:		
Conflic	ts/Disclosures	Arbitrator Informa	tion		
l want	: to				
update	my profile	If you meet the req as a chairperson?	uirements to serve as a cl	nairperson in the Code	of Arbitration Procedure, are you willing to serve
	y Arbitrator sure Report	Yes			
	y Mediator	Mediator Informa	tion		
Disclos	sure Report	Please select your Combined	mediation style:		
		<b>Are you available</b> t Yes	o mediate by phone?		
		Please indicate the	number of rooms availab	le to you to conduct m	ediation sessions.
		Dioseo provido any	undates to your modiate	r rato	

## **Viewing Your Disclosure Report**

If you would like to see your current disclosure report before making updates, click on "view my Arbitrator Disclosure Report" or "view my Mediator Disclosure Report" found on the left-hand menu. You will see a PDF version of your current disclosure report. You can also choose to print the report by selecting print from your browser menu.



## **Neutral Profile Update**

Neutrals can make updates to their disclosure reports through the Portal.

Note: If you currently have a pending update that has not yet been processed, you must wait at least two business days before trying to submit your update through the DR Portal. If you need to submit your update sooner, you can send it by email to <u>panelupdate@finra.org</u>.

To update your profile, do the following:

1. Click on the red **Update** button, or the "update my profile" link on the left-hand menu.

View Profile		is requests to FINRA Neutral Management a Profile or your Arbitration and/or Mediation D		
Personal Information	days.	e to submit additional updates through th is not currently available on mobile devices o		ollowing two business
Addresses & Contacts	The ability to update your Prome	is not currently available on mobile devices of	or tablets.	
Honorarium Information	Personal Information		k here to submit an date to your profile.	Update
Business Background				
Employment History	Neutral ID: A59458 CRD Number:	Title of Courtesy: Mr. Full Name: Adam William Arbit	Suffix 1: trator Suffix 2:	
Educational History				
Training	Are you an attorney? Yes			
Arbitrator Classifications	What is your preferred methor E-mail	d of communication with FINRA?		
Securities Disputes Experience	DR Portal Login Name: jschroder20			
Conflicts/Disclosures				
I want to	Arbitrator Information			
update my profile	or click here	to serve as a chairperson in the Code o	of Arbitration Procedure, and	e you willing to serve
view my Arbitrator	Yes			
Disclosure Report				
view my Mediator	Mediator Information			
Disclosure Report	Please select your mediation Combined	style:		

This opens the DR Neutral Profile Update Form in a new tab in your browser. You must disable any pop-up blockers in your browser for this to work.



#### User Guide

2. The Profile Update form will begin with **Personal Information,** however, you may skip to a specific section either by clicking **"Next"** at the bottom of the page, or by clicking on the section name that you want to jump to in the left-hand menu.

You do not need to complete each section or go in sequential order. However, you **must** review and affirm your responses in the Arbitrator Classifications (if you are an arbitrator) and Conflicts/Disclosures sections **each** time you submit an update form.



Some of the profile information is view only and cannot be updated. The system will identify what information you can and cannot modify.

Please read the specific update instructions on the top of each page. All questions with a red asterisk (\*) are required.

3. Once you have made your changes, go to the "Review and Submit" section at the end of the form and press the "Submit" button.

4. After you have submitted your updates, you can close the DR Neutral Profile Update Form tab in your browser.

## **Personal Information**

The following information is part of your personal information section. You may update some of this information. Any sections that are view only are indicated below.

- Neutral ID (view only)
- Title
- First Name
- CRD Number (view only; you must call FINRA if there is a change to your CRD number)
- Are you an attorney?
- Preferred method of communication
- Login name to DR Portal (view only)
- Arbitration specific question: willing to serve as chairperson
- Mediator specific questions: style, mediation by phone, etc.

Personal information can be updated by entering text in the free text fields and using the dropdown options.

#### Personal Information



#### **Contacts and Honorarium**

You can update your address and change which address should be the preferred address.

#### **Addresses**

Click anywhere on the address line to edit it.

You can also delete any outdated addresses by using the "delete" button.

To add a new address, click the "Add New" button and enter the required fields. Be sure to designate at least one address as your preferred address.

	irm/Company	Street	Apt/Sui	City	State	Postal Code	Country	
Y		888 John Street	***	New York	NY	10006	USA	Delete

You can make similar changes to your **telephone and fax numbers**.

#### User Guide

#### **Email Address**

Please note that you cannot change your email address by submitting a change directly on the Profile Update form. Your email address is tied to your DR Portal login. Therefore, you can only change your email address by updating your account information.

 On the DR Portal Homepage, you can select the "manage my account" quick link menu option to change your email address.

I want		
view my	profile	
view my	Arbitrator Disclosur	е
Report		
view my	Mediator Disclosur	e
Report		
change r	my password	
manago	my account	

2. You may also use the **Account Information** link on the Contacts and Honorarium section of the update form.



3. Enter your new Primary Email address and click "Save."

Note: After saving your changes to your email address, you must navigate back to the "Dispute Resolution Portal" using the link under "My applications." Your email address will not be updated in your profile if you do not complete this important step.

My Account	My Account	t: Account Information
My Account Change Password Applications & Administrators Logout	-	he following form, then click "Save".
My applications My Applications	Prefix: First Name (*):	(none) 🔻
	Middle Name:	
	Last Name (*):	Smith
	Suffix:	(none) 🔻
	Title:	(unknown) Enter your new email
	Primary Email (*):	address
	Secondary Email:	
	Primary Phone (*):	
	Secondary Phone:	
	FAX:	
	Security Challenge (*):	: Mother's maiden name 🔹
	Security Response (*):	: Jones
	Save	

#### Honorarium/Mediator Payment

You may change where you would like your honorarium to be sent. You may also choose to waive the honorarium at any time. Be sure to answer the required questions about honorarium.

#### **Business Background**

You may edit your business background by typing in new text and deleting outdated information. You can make changes directly into your existing business background. You should not leave this section blank.

You will not be able to attach documents. However, you will be able to cut and paste a document into the business background section. We ask that you do not delete any notations entered by FINRA staff in this section.

You should review your new business background for any typos and spelling errors. Once you submit your new business background, FINRA staff will review and—barring obvious mistakes— will process the new background directly into your profile.

#### **Business Background**

All questions marked as \* are mandatory.

#### Arbitrator Business Background

Please update the narrative summary of your business background. Please note that this narrative will appear as you have entered it on your Arbitrator Disclosure Report to parties. If you have made changes to other sections of your profile, please make corresponding changes in your business background statement. You may view sample business background statements

#### 占 here .

Note: This information will be made available to parties



#### **Employment History**

You will only be able to add new employment information and edit existing entries. You will not be able to delete any previous employment information.

FINRA will continue to use the same rules when it comes to employment information. You cannot have an unexplained gap of more than 30 days in between employment. The system will not automatically flag your entry if it contains an unexplained gap of more than 30 days, so you must carefully review it to ensure that there are no gaps.

## **Continuing Benefits**

You must enter information about continuing benefits from a previous employer. For example, if you are no longer employed by a firm but continue to receive benefits such as health insurance, pension, office space, use of company email and letterhead, administrative services, etc., you should indicate that you continue to receive benefits.

## **Retired or Unemployed**

If you are retired or unemployed, please indicate this by entering an end date for your last employment and adding a new entry for your time of retirement or unemployment.

Please update your employment information if anything has changed.

- Do not submit an update with an unexplained employment gap of more than 30 days. You should record that time as unemployed.
- If you are currently unemployed or retired, indicate that fact by entering the end date of your previous employment. Add a new
  record with "Unemployed" or "Retired" in the firm field, and enter the start date of the period of unemployment or retirement.
- If you are retired from the listed business activity, indicate whether you are or will be receiving benefits from your former employer(s).
  - Benefits may include, but are not limited to pension, health care/insurance, office space, clerical assistance, letterhead, etc.
- If you have ever worked in the securities industry, confirm that the information that you enter here matches the information in your CRD record.
- If your employment at a company has concluded, please enter an end date. Do not delete or overwrite previous employment with new employer information. FINRA is required to maintain the complete employment history of all active neutrals.

All questions marked as \* are mandatory.

Receiving Benefits		End Date	Firm Name	Position/Title	Full/Part- time
	0 <mark>4/2002</mark>		Smith & Associates	Attorney	Full-Time
	01/1996	03/2002	ABC Securities	Associate General	. Full-Time
	08/1990	12/1995	Securities and Exchange Commission	Counsel	Full-Time
	05/1988	07/1990	Large Law Firm, LLP	Associate	Full-Time

#### **Educational History**

You will only be able to add new education information and edit existing entries. You will not be able to delete any previous education information.

#### Training

You will only be able to add new training information and edit existing entries. You will not be able to delete any previous training information.

You will have the option to classify training as either arbitration training, mediation training, or other training.

You should enter the name of the course under the "Details" field.

## Arbitrator Classifications (action required for arbitrators)

To ensure that arbitrators are properly classified as "public" or "non-public," FINRA will ask you to affirm your classification. On your first visit to the update section of the portal, you will be required to answer a series of questions related to your classification.

On subsequent visits, you will be required to affirm your previous answers to these classification questions—if further modification is not necessary. However, you will not need to re-answer the same questions each time you make an update to your profile.

If you provide responses that raise a question about your classification, you will receive a message to contact FINRA.

## **Statutory Discrimination Qualifications**

In order to serve as the chairperson on statutory discrimination cases, you must qualify under <u>Rule 13802</u> of the Code of Arbitration Procedure. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, you may answer the questions in this section of the update form. You must also provide a summary of your qualifications in this area of law.

Staff will review your responses to make sure that you qualify under the Code of Arbitration Procedure before making this update to your profile.

#### **Securities Disputes Experience**

You may add new securities disputes expertise to your profile. These skills are listed on your disclosure report that parties review during the arbitrator selection process. For example, if you have a particular expertise in breach of contract disputes or auction rate securities, you can add this information.

You will also need to provide a written explanation justifying your expertise. The form will require you to enter text, explaining your expertise. Staff will review this information before adding it to your profile. In some cases, staff may contact you for additional information.

## Conflicts/Disclosures (action required for all neutrals)

This section captures information that you provided in the Legal/Regulatory and Conflicts/Disclosures sections of the arbitrator application. For example, you may update or add information about your brokerage accounts, litigation (including non-securities related lawsuits), publications (including publications that appear only online), professional licenses, service as an expert witness, service on boards of directors, disclosures related to your spouse or <u>immediate</u> <u>family member</u> (definition for immediate family member is part of the definition for "public arbitrator,"), etc. This section captures any and all disclosures that may not fit neatly into another section of your disclosure profile. As an arbitrator you are under a continuing duty to update information initially provided in the application and provide new disclosures as they arise. **When in doubt, disclose**. Failure to disclose may result in vacated awards which undermine the efficiency and finality of our process. Failure to disclose may also result in removal from the roster.

You will **not** be able to delete any previous entries to this section. The only edits you may make to a previous conflict/disclosure is to designate that it is no longer active. You may provide a written explanation to describe any changes that you submit.

You must check the box affirming that the answers you provided in this section are accurate each time you submit an update form.



#### Accommodations

Please let us know if you have any special accommodations when serving as a neutral.

#### **Review and Submit**

#### **Check for Errors Button**

Before you submit your update form, click on the **Check for Errors** button to see if you have any unresolved entries in your form.

Review and Submit	
All questions marked as * are mandatory.	
I affirm that the information I provided is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I a FINRA of any changes to my profile information, and I understand that failure to do so may of approved arbitrators.	
Update information is subject to review prior to acceptance by Neutral Management staff. F questions.	FINRA may contact you with additional
Neutral profile updates are sent as requests to FINRA and will be manually processed reflected immediately on your Profile or your Arbitration and/or Mediation Disclosure I processed, you will not be able to submit additional updates through the DR Portal for	Reports. While your update request is being
Previous Check for Errors Print Preview	Submit
Validation Errors	×
-Arbitrator Classifications: You need to click the checkbox to agree that the answers provided in this section are accurate. -Conflicts/Disclosures: You need to click the checkbox to agree that the answ provided in this section are accurate.	vers
Print Close	

#### Error Message

If you have any errors in your submission, the system will show you a message with the sections in which you have errors. The sections with errors will appear immediately before the colon; they will correlate with the sections that appear in the left hand navigation menu of the form. You must correct the errors before the system accepts your update form.

To help remember what errors need to be fixed, you can select the "Print" button to print out the error message.

#### Submit

When you submit the form successfully, you will receive a confirmation email with a tracking number to reference in case you have questions about your submission. You should also print out a copy of the form you submitted.

## When Will the Updates Appear in Your Profile?

If you are currently serving on a case, FINRA will endeavor to make the update to your profile within one business day. If you are not currently serving on a case, FINRA will try to make the update within three to five business days. Therefore, you will not immediately see the updates in the DR Portal.

If you recently submitted an update through the Portal and we have not processed the form yet, you will not be able to submit a new update through the Portal. If it is urgent, you can send it by email to <u>panelupdate@finra.org</u> or fax at (301) 527-4910.

## Log Out of Portal

When you are done with your session in the DR Portal, be sure to log out by clicking on the **Sign Out** link in the top right corner.

FINC				Welcome	Go to Party Portal Adam William Arbitrator (A )	FINRA.org   Help   Sign Out
Dispute	Resolution Portal					
Home	Arbitration Cases	Mediation Cases	Messages (2 Unread)	Profile		

Once you click the Sign Out link you will receive confirmation that your Logout was successful.



## **Additional Help**

If you have any questions about the DR Portal, please contact Neutral Management Staff toll free at (855) 209-1620 or in New York at (212) 858-3999. If you are having a techncial problem or your account is locked and need immediate assistance, please call (800) 700-7065.

If you would like to provide feedback regarding the DR Portal or make any suggestions for possible future enhancements, please send an email to <u>drportalfeedback@finra.org</u>. We appreciate your thoughtful comments and suggestions.