

Title: WTF....Trader at MS Place on Leave For Helping Hedgies with Large Block Trades (Shorts) How the F&\$@k is this legal....Isn't this INSIDER Trading...."Gray Area" My ARSE.

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>Company founders and other major stakeholders hire bankers to help them discreetly unload large blocks of stock without sending the price into a tailspin. The banks, in turn, often work with hedge funds willing to take the risk of acquiring a slug of equities on short notice. Conversations for those deals can stray into legal gray areas, and if sellers see prices slip just before deals are done, they're known to raise questions about potential information leaks.

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>[Morgan Stanley](<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2022-08-26/another-morgan-stanley-banker-handling-block-trades-put-on-leave>) faces potential civil liability from allegations that it caused stock prices to drop before completing a block trade, the bank disclosed in a regulatory [filing](<https://www.morganstanley.com/content/dam/msdotcom/en/about-us-ir/shareholder/10q0322.pdf>) in May.

Between Jan. 12 and Jan. 14, 2021, [four GME insiders](<https://washingtonservice.com/blog/posts/2021/january/gamestop-insiders-sell-20-million-in-contrast-with-individual-investors/>) disposed of a total of 899,619 shares for an aggregate of \$20 million. Their combined disposition is the largest monthly selling total at the company since September 2013. Shares of GME rose to a new high at the time of publication.

Is there a link??