

Title: You are letting impatience expose you to too much risk by trying to "be the catalyst" - Computershare is not the way.

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I guess I didn't try hard enough with the last one; I pissed a lot of people off, but still no bans. I've never been one to give up easily, though, so this time I'm going to give it all that I've got.

Coming for you, SuperStonk

Today I'm going to be talking about the latest addition to the emperor's wardrobe- Computershare. As you have probably guessed by now, I am not a fan, and I'm here to (hopefully) help all of you realize how you've been *duped.*

We are all familiar with the rhetoric being spit around endlessly- "Directly registered in your name!" "Removed from the DTC!" ...etc.... We've all heard it, and many of us have stopped even opening reddit because all we see is people saying the same things about how "DRS is the way" over, and over, and over. But how many of you have critically evaluated not only the risk vs reward, but also *where these ideas are coming from?*

That's OK- we all want to learn. Contrary to what some may claim, just like how any scientific pursuit is endless and never settled, the DD is *never* done. It's just not making it past all those damn purple circles.

This post will be broken down into several different parts:

First, I will provide some background in breaking down why the DRS push is suspicious, purely from the "social sentiment analysis" perspective. Then, I will clear up some inaccuracies that have affected nearly all of your pro-DRS opinions. Lastly, I will explain some of the risks that you are unknowingly opening yourself up to, and how I believe that DRS is not a MOASS catalyst, but instead could possibly be a MOASS KILLER.

But before all of that, ^((insert not financial advice disclaimer)). Also, my goal is not to convince you to do one thing or the other with your shares. I am here to help all of you make informed decisions, and I do not think ill of anyone who makes a different decision than my own- as long as you are *educated* in that decision.

PART ONE: SUSPICIOUS SENTIMENT

This topic has already been largely covered by others, but many of you have either decided to look the other way or just screamed FUD in their faces. To spare myself the mental energy, this section will largely be referencing this evaluation <https://shadowmarketing.info/computershare-master-verdict/>, which covers all of this and more. I will be pulling out some key points, but I highly recommend reading the entire article.

The author of this article lays out a six-point profile their association has developed for identifying suspicious narratives. On top of instilling **Fear** (if you don't DRS your broker will fuck you,) **Uncertainty** (by making you wonder if you're doing the "right thing" with your shares,) and **Doubt** (in

your BUY+HOLD strategy-which suddenly needs an extra step added to the end... in any ape who disagrees... and possibly in your own reasoning if things don't seem "right" to you) the social push for DRS also fits every point outlined in this profile.

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****1. Content/sentiment spreads at an unnaturally fast speed**** – I really don't even think I need to say it. We all saw it happen seemingly overnight. Don't be blind. Here's a chart to help.

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****2. Subject matter is intense and polarizing**** – Again, do I need to say it? I've already got my popcorn ready. The more blind hate I get, the more I'm proven right. Don't be dumb.

****3. Content is effective against a large population**** – Really guys, if you're so far gone that you need to be convinced that some of these are applicable, there's nothing I can say that will mean anything to you, and at this point you're just rage-scrolling.

****4. Suspicious characters push speculative narratives**** – Finally, something we can talk about! Aside from a weird affinity for hawks, basketball, and pardoned felons, I can't think of a better way to describe things like this (and this was just in the past week)

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https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/rcbw7b/wanna_hear_a_scary_story/?utm_medium=android_app&utm_source=share

****5. Content implies urgency and aggregates FOMO**** – In addition to the above story, we have constantly seen the push to "DRS Now!"- especially after the most recent incident with Fidelity and shares available to short.

****6. Notable items of false or unverified content**** – The link provided above uses the example of the false belief that "Computershare removes your shares from the DRS and are not regulated by the DTC". You can read more about that from them if you feel inclined, as it's not necessarily an aspect I have dug into enough myself to feel comfortable trying to explain it. If you want more examples of false or unverified content, there's a whole lot more of that coming.

Now that I have that background out of the way, we can move on to the juicy bits.

GETTING ON WITH IT

Before going any further, there are a couple things most of you are misinformed about that I need to clear up.

Suspensions have previously been aroused around Computershare being a custodian for Citadel's assets, and it was brought up again recently in this post

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https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/rfrbqm/i_present_the_entire_list_of_citadels_prime/

The suspensions were quelled, though, by the reassurance that "it's a different Computershare".

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THIS IS STRATEGIC WORD-FU THAT IS BOTH FACTUALLY ACCURATE, AND INHERENTLY FALSE

Computershare operates through a network of many different "Computershare" companies working under the "Computershare Organization." Don't believe me? They tell you themselves. Pay attention to the highlighted section of this press release regarding their recent acquisition of Wells Fargo Corporate Trust Services

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<https://www.computershare.com/us/news/computershare-acquires-wells-fargo-corporate-trust>

There are actually a bunch of these "standalone business within the overall Computershare organization." Take a look .

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This is a fairly common practice done both to comply with various regulatory requirements that may differ depending on circumstances, and also to ***MINIMIZE RISK FROM ONE STANDALONE COMPANY BLEEDING OVER INTO THE ENTIRE ORGANIZATION.*** Keep this in mind- this will be important later, and *we will come back to it*.

The other justification given for Computershare acting as custodian for Citadel was that it “proves just how important DRS is”

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This is outright conjecture, it proves nothing, and it demonstrates a lack of understanding of what a custodian is.

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<http://www.quantsportal.com/asset-custodians/>

If you're following so far, you should understand that yes, if you are DRS'd, you are also using Computershare as your custodian.

From this understanding alone, you should also understand that, since there is no indication as to what specific (or even type of) securities Citadel uses Computershare as custodian for, it is just as likely that Computershare is acting as custodian for whatever weird financial instruments Citadel is using to hide short positions as it is for them to be custodian for directly registered shares.

If you think a little further about this, you may remember that an overwhelming majority of Citadel's investments are derivatives- *not* shares. I don't have the exact numbers, and don't feel like looking it up. If someone wants to provide them, (or if I'm misremembering) I'll gladly edit that in.

Keeping the derivatives in mind, however, makes the likelihood of Citadel using Computershare for DRS services decrease dramatically, while the likelihood that Computershare is holding custody of ***BOTH SIDES of MOASS*** increases more and more.

[GOOD THING THEY'RE NOT RUNNING SOME SYSTEM WHERE ONE PERSON CAN JUST SELL PEOPLE'S SHIT ON A WHIM](<https://www.justice.gov/civil/page/file/1255411/download>) (link downloads pdf)

“BUT NONE OF THAT MATTERS, I HAVE MY RECORD OF SHARES, GAMESTOP HAS MY RECORD

OF SHARES, AND ONCE THE FLOAT IS REGISTERED, WE GO TO THE MOON!"

Cool story bro. Let's take a moment to **really** analyze what's going to happen if/when the entire float is registered.

While it does follow logical reasoning that registering every available share would force **something** to happen, I see nothing but assumptions regarding what that **something** would be. I'm here to offer you something solid.

What better place to start than SEC regulations?

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<https://www.sec.gov/divisions/marketreg/mrtransfer.shtml>

OK, that's kind of weird, but whatever. Let's find the rules. Scroll down a bit, and we see this.

[that one looks juicy](<https://preview.redd.it/410w8051hq581.png?width=645&format;=png&auto;=webp&s;=2a8fd71ee4eed0de851f8dab90dacdc89ee06770>)

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[They do not make that easy to share](<https://preview.redd.it/9zwx9u5hq581.png?width=342&format;=png&auto;=webp&s;=f17ff5218d2c3868c7660316642c67a4b8946549>)

If you're having trouble reading that, its saying that in the event of record inaccuracies that result in a physical over issuance of securities, it is the responsibility of the ****transfer agent**** to "buy-in." Keep that in mind for a moment.

At this point, we have two possible scenarios. As of now, there are 76 million shares that ^((are supposed to)) exist. 5.2 million are directly registered, meaning 70.8 million are being held in street name. As more shares are directly registered, these numbers will change, with one side getting proportionally smaller than the other.

^(I know 76 million isn't exact, but its close enough for you to get the point. deal with it.)

Aside from this, we have separate tracking's of both insider holdings, and institutional holdings. These are tracked completely independently from the direct registry systems, and, contrary to what I have seen **many** claim, insiders can decide how they want to hold their shares. See below, from SEDI guidance on ownership types and registered holders information.

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Now, as the DRS number goes up, eventually it will reach a point where the *independently tracked insider and institutional holdings, added to the directly registered holdings*, comes out to *exactly* 76 million.

At this point, one of two things can happen.

Either Computershare stops directly registering, contacts GME and the SEC to let them know what's happening, and then let them handle it-

****OR****

If Computershare continues to register past that point, ***it will eventually fall on them to "close out" these naked shares.***

If the latter happens, that will mean a bankrupt Computershare. All those shares held without insurance? Better hope the courts don't end up saying it was Computershare's "record inaccuracy," as opposed to big daddy DTC's- and that's if the records even still exist at that point.

BUT THIS MAKES NO SENSE, WHY WOULD COMPUTERSHARE DO THIS KNOWING IT WOULD BANKRUPT THEM?

I'm sorry, did we forget that infiltrating companies in schemes to bankrupt them is SHF's entire strategy?

Did we forget that they have nearly unlimited funds to "buy off" a sacrificial lamb?

Did we forget that Computershare's *entire organization* is designed so that if one piece falls, it will be isolated to that specific *"standalone business within the Computershare Organization"*? (Told you we would come back to that.)

BUT I HAVE MY RECORD OF SHARES!

No, you have a record of your share transaction. If there is a dispute, or Computershare ceases to exist, you have no record that you *still own* the shares, and anyone that has one of those pieces of paper, even if they sold everything right after receiving their *record of transaction*, has just as good a claim as you. Read the fine print.

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****MOVING ON****

LET'S TALK ABOUT RYAN COHEN FOR A BIT

Evaluating these two possibilities, and weighing the likelihood of each one, is what makes it so significant to see that Ryan Cohen has not directly registered his shares.

Sorry u/crind, hate to call you out like this, but I'm confused why you would spread this information as fact, using it to promote an agenda, when at the time it was an assumption. Are you planning on issuing a correction of any sort, or possibly rethinking your opinion to account for new information?

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https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/prpum9/computershare_and_drs_is_the_way_it_ignites_the/

Anyway, Computershare was appointed as the designated transfer agent for GameStop *when the board was compromised.*

Jeffries LLC was used to facilitate the ATM offering in June. Why would RC decide to change from utilizing their already established relationships? I do not have an answer for that question aside from conjecture, so you can think about it and come to your own conclusions.

When Ryan Cohen bought in, he had the choice to purchase his shares however he desired. We covered this earlier, but just to refresh your memory-

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RC made the conscious decision to not only forgo direct registration, but also to use an LLC to purchase and hold his shares (which also happens to be the only thing held by said LLC)

Now, GameStop did not have to tell us any direct registration numbers, but they know that we are a community that will dig through everything (or at least, we were, until questioning Computershare became taboo.)

The only satisfactory conclusion that I can find, is that they are making sure we know that ****the man we are trusting to turn the entire company around, who trust is at the center of the entire current investment thesis behind GME, does not believe that Direct Registration is the way****.

One other thing real quick, because I've seen this come up a couple times...

*****IF YOU SINCERELY THINK RYAN COHEN IS SUPPORTING/ BENEFITTING FROM SHORTS, YOU NEED TO RETHINK SOME THINGS.*****

If you believe that RC has forgone direct registration because he is benefitting from shorts, then that means you must also believe that he was lying through his teeth in the *only communication we have ever received from him.* (Shareholders meeting)

You can either believe that RC wants to maximize shareholder value, or you can believe that he is secretly supporting and/or benefitting from short positions. **Yes, these two things are mutually exclusive.**

If you believe that RC was lying when he expressed his priority of maximizing shareholder value, then I do not understand why you would even be invested here in the first place, and I kindly ask you to run along.

WRAPPING THINGS UP

Damn, this has been a ride. I hope you've been able to keep up; we're almost done.

[how did this get here?](<https://preview.redd.it/h8a9728cjg581.jpg?width=474&format=jpg&auto=webp&s=b89aed479e090de4fc5a883d17dbf0d67b9f44ba>)

Yeah, I just dropped that, and all y'all need to take a step back and think about it some more.

We've been patiently waiting and hodling, knowing that MOASS is inevitable, and knowing that we trust what RC is doing.

Then one day, a little ball of floof came along, and floofed into our ears:

"Stop waiting around and do it yourself! Send your shares here! YOU can be the catalyst!"

And so many of you did it, because your impatience got the better of you, and you decided that you trust Computershare and the anonymous internet strangers pushing it, more than you trust the man responsible for the entire GameStop turnaround, and your entire original investment thesis.

The only person I truly trust, is myself.

WHAT ABOUT YOU?

**edited because links are hard