

Title: Citadel Europe, the \$600M loan, and Ken Griffin in UK politics: Clarification and info about what is going on

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Hey Apes, Crux here. You may be familiar with the digging I've previously presented, trying to untangle the web of Ken Griffin's Citadel Empire using public records. See my post history.

I've seen a lot of posts over the last few days about the liquidation of Citadel Europe LLP, how it relates to the \$600M loan Citadel just received, etc.

This post aims to provide some clarification on the Citadel Europe situation and my perspective of what is going on. If someone has already posted about what all these filings mean my apologies, I have missed it.

TLDR

- * Citadel Europe LLP was part of the hedge fund arm of Citadel - Citadel *Advisors* LLC.
- * Citadel Advisors has been restructuring its European organization, and the liquidation of Citadel Europe LLP has been in the works for some time.
- * The \$600M loan Citadel recently received was for Citadel *Securities*, the market maker arm of Citadel.
- * Notifications of Citadel Securities' use of their securities as collateral for this loan have been publicly filed in the UK by the lenders.
- * Ken Griffin *does* have his hand in UK politics - not with the Royal Family or Queen (RIP) - but with the UK Parliament's House of Lords and a connection to former Prime Minister Boris Johnson.

1. Structure of the Citadel hedge fund business Citadel Advisors LLC

Citadel Advisors LLC is the main entity running the Citadel hedge fund / investment advisory services. Under Citadel Advisors LLC are several affiliate companies:

- * Citadel Advisors Europe Limited
- * Citadel Asia Limited
- * Citadel Sweden Ltd.
- * Citadel France SAS
- * Citadel Advisors Singapore Pte. Limited

This is spelled out in their Form ADV Brochure dated as of December 31, 2021 here: [https://files.adviserinfo.sec.gov/IAPD/Content/Common/crd_iapd_Brochure.aspx?BRCHR_VRSN_ID=776245](https://files.adviserinfo.sec.gov/IAPD/Content/Common/crd_iapd_Brochure.aspx?BRCHR_VRSN_ID=776245)

<https://preview.redd.it/npyoik3wgwm91.png?width=655&format;=png&auto;=webp&s;=cdedca3924955f236561f9fa532040324f2ed608>

Together Citadel Advisors LLC and its affiliates provide these advisory services through different funds, which are the names you may have seen like Citadel Wellington, Citadel Kensington, etc.

Notice anything in the list of affiliates above? Citadel Europe LLP, [the entity which just declared insolvency and was liquidated](<https://find-and-update.company-information.service.gov.uk/company/OC340922/filing-history>), is not included. That link to the filing history shows the appointment of a voluntary liquidator on August 8, 2022 and on January 4, 2022, numerous persons with significant control were removed from Citadel Europe LLC.

<https://preview.redd.it/2ahvkgoxgwm91.png?width=979&format;=png&auto;=webp&s;=88118cd2228c71a7a9c2c6e2af493c0505482632>

As the Citadel Advisors LLC filing says, Citadel Advisors Europe Limited is their affiliate. They were previously known as Citadel Management (Europe) Limited and Citadel Hedge Fund Services (Europe) Limited. You can see their filing history here: <https://find-and-update.company-information.service.gov.uk/company/10930267/filing-history>

So the insolvency of Citadel Europe LLP is, IMO, much ado about nothing. It appears prior to December 31, 2021 that Citadel Advisors Europe Limited was now the relevant entity, and that Citadel Europe LLP was on the way out. I speculate that they are doing this to change from an LLP to LLC, but who knows.

2. Citadel Securities \$600M Loan

Citadel Securities is the market making arm of the Citadel Empire. Their structure is a bit more complex, but apes have pointed out the “Registration of charge” filings recently made to a number of UK-registered Citadel entities.

Let's look at Citadel Securities (Europe) Limited. Filing history: <https://find-and-update.company-information.service.gov.uk/company/05462867/filing-history>

The “full accounts” filed September 25, 2021 (as of December 31, 2020) describes some of the structure:

<https://preview.redd.it/vbpejoe0hwm91.png?width=422&format;=png&auto;=webp&s;=8c44e4f1427e0c09f9d690dd4cf66f8beae928a9>

A series of “Registration of charge” filings were made for Citadel Securities (Europe) Limited.

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These are partial ISDA Master Agreements made between Citadel Securities (Europe) Limited and a variety of banks, in this example a Bank of America European entity.

<https://preview.redd.it/qvwd4iq2hwm91.png?width=556&format;=png&auto;=webp&s;=751d5760115f8084e823819af89087d8f9f7958b>

ISDA Master Agreements are standard agreements for use between two parties, with more specific lists of collateral/terms (none of which are attached here).

<https://preview.redd.it/fvxw22o3hwm91.png?width=717&format;=png&auto;=webp&s;=a74ac6a8993c865262fecf2d38883ed80372b0db>

They are very similar to the UCC filings I described in [my post earlier this year which showed Citadel was receiving financing from BNY Mellon and Mizuho Securities](https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/sx93rm/further_evidence_citadel_is_in_trouble_public/).

Other lenders who filed registration of charges include Merrill Lynch (part of BofA), HSBC, Goldman Sachs, Barclays, Citibank, Morgan Stanley, and JP Morgan.

Citadel Securities Finance (UK) Limited is another entity which has received several registration of charges: <https://find-and-update.company-information.service.gov.uk/company/11966286/filing-history>

I have not taken the time to see if new UCC filings were made across the United States related to this loan deal for the domiciled Citadel Securities entities.

I believe Citadel Securities received their \$600M loan from the group of lenders list above, who all filed

these charges so they have a claim on whatever collateral Citadel Securities provided for the loan.

3. Ken Griffin and UK politics

I also wanted to highlight a [prior post of mine related to Ken Griffin's influence on UK politics](https://www.reddit.com/r/Superstonk/comments/s9h488/buying_political_influence_in_the_uk_evidence/). Griffin, through an entity named Dalbini Limited, effectively gave 1 million pounds to a member of the UK's Parliament, the Lord Howard of Rising.

Subsequent to this post more information about one of Griffin and Lord Howard's business associates, Sir Lynton Crosby, has come to light.

First, it was revealed in June that Crosby had been attending Prime Minister Boris Johnson's daily morning meetings: <https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2022/jun/17/election-guru-lynton-crosby-attending-pms-morning-meetings>

Then, Clare Rewcastle-Brown, an investigative reporter who uncovered the 1MDB scandal, found out that Crosby has been working on a plot to "pack the House of Lords" to push through controversial legislation: <https://www.sarawakreport.org/2022/07/project-homer-how-sir-lynton-crosby-crafted-a-plot-for-boris-johnson-to-pack-the-house-of-lords/>

Nothing about Ken Griffin's involvement in UK politics has come to light, but this is the kind of company he keeps (figuratively and literally, see my post on Dalbini Limited).

That's all for now, hopefully you have found this informative.

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