

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM**Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies**

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 *et seq.*) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The application also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center Web site at <http://www.ffiec.gov/nic/>.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than April 1, 2004.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia (Michael E. Collins, Senior Vice President) 100 North 6th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19105-1521:

1. *CB Financial Corp.*, Rehoboth Beach, Delaware; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of County Bank, Rehoboth Beach, Delaware.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Sue Costello, Vice President) 1000 Peachtree Street, NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30303:

1. *Synovus Financial Corp.*, Columbus, Georgia; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Synovus Bank of Jacksonville, Jacksonville, Florida (in organization).

C. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63166-2034:

1. *The Templar Fund, Inc.*, St. Louis, Missouri; to acquire an additional 7.5 percent, for a total ownership of 42 percent, of Truman Bancorp, Inc., St. Louis, Missouri, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Truman Bank, St. Louis, Missouri.

D. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas (W. Arthur Tribble, Vice President) 2200 North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-2272:

1. *Summit Bancshares, Inc.*, Fort Worth, Texas; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of ANB Financial Corporation, Arlington, Texas, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of ANB Delaware Financial Corporation, Wilmington, Delaware, and Arlington National Bank, Arlington, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 2, 2004.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM**Notice of Proposals to Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or to Acquire Companies that are Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities**

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHC Act) and Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225) to engage *de novo*, or to acquire or control voting securities or assets of a company, including the companies listed below, that engages either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity that is listed in § 225.28 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.28) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Each notice is available for inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notice also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the question whether the proposal complies with the standards of section 4 of the BHC Act. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center Web site at <http://www.ffiec.gov/nic/>.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated

or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than March 22, 2004.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond (A. Linwood Gill, III, Vice President) 701 East Byrd Street, Richmond, Virginia 23261-4528:

1. *Columbia Bancorp*, Columbia, Maryland; to acquire through its subsidiary, 20 percent of the voting shares of Delmarva Bank Data Processing Center, Inc., Easton, Maryland, and thereby engage in data processing activities, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(14)(i) of Regulation Y.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (Jacqueline G. Nicholas, Community Affairs Officer) 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *Watford City Bancshares, Inc.*, Watford City, North Dakota, to engage *de novo* through its subsidiary, First International Community Development Fund, Inc., Watford City, North Dakota, in community development activities, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(12) of Regulation Y.

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FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD**Sunshine Act Notice**

TIME AND DATE: 9 a.m. (e.s.t.), March 15, 2004.

PLACE: 4th Floor, Conference Room, 1250 H Street, NW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Parts will be open to the public and parts closed to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**Parts Open to the Public**

1. Approval of the minutes of the February 17, 2004, Board member meeting.

2. Thrift Savings Plan activity report by the Executive Director.

Parts Closed to the Public

3. Personnel matters.

4. Procurement issues.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Thomas J. Trabucco, Director, Office of External Affairs, (202) 942-1640.

Dated: March 3, 2004.

Elizabeth S. Woodruff,

Secretary to the Board, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.

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