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**Grady C. Cothen, Jr.,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of Thrift Supervision

[AC-13: OTS Nos. 15220 and H-4426]

#### **Beacon Federal, East Syracuse, NY, and Beacon Federal Bancorp., Inc., East Syracuse, NY; Approval of Conversion Application**

Notice is hereby given that on August 10, 2007, the Office of Thrift Supervision approved the application of Beacon Federal, East Syracuse, New

York, to convert to the stock form of organization. Copies of the application are available for inspection by appointment (phone number: 202-906-5922 or e-mail:

*Public.Info@OTS.Treas.gov*) at the Public Reading Room, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, and the OTS Northeast Regional Office, Harborside Financial Center, Plaza Five, Suite 1600, Jersey City, New Jersey 07311.

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By the Office of Thrift Supervision.

**Sandra E. Evans,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of Thrift Supervision

[AC-15: OTS No. H4429]

#### **First Savings Bank of Renton, First Financial Holdings, MHC, First Financial of Renton, Inc., and First Financial Northwest, Inc., Renton, WA; Approval of Conversion Application**

Notice is hereby given that on August 13, 2007, the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) approved the application of First Financial Holdings, MHC and First Savings Bank of Renton, Renton, Washington, to convert to the stock form of organization. Copies of the application are available for inspection by appointment (phone number: 202-906-5922 or e-mail:

*Public.Info@OTS.Treas.gov*) at the Public Reading Room, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, and OTS West Regional Office, Pacific Plaza, 2001 Junipero Serra Blvd., Suite 650, Daly City, CA 94014-1976.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of Thrift Supervision

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#### **North Penn Bank, North Penn Mutual Holding Company, North Penn Bancorp, Inc., and New North Penn Bancorp, Inc., Scranton, PA; Approval of Conversion Application**

Notice is hereby given that on August 10, 2007, the Office of Thrift

Supervision (OTS) approved the application of North Penn Mutual Holding Company and North Penn Bank, Scranton, Pennsylvania, to convert to the stock form of organization. Copies of the application are available for inspection by appointment (phone number: 202-906-5922 or e-mail:

*Public.Info@OTS.Treas.gov*) at the Public Reading Room, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, and OTS Northeast Regional Office, Harborside Financial Center, Plaza Five, Suite 1600, Jersey City, NJ 07311.

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### **Advisory Committee on CARES Business Plan Studies; Notice of Meeting**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the Advisory Committee on CARES Business Plan Studies has scheduled a meeting for September 6, 2007, at the West Los Angeles Campus of the Greater Los Angeles Health Care System, in the Wadsworth Theater, 11301 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. The meeting will convene at 5 p.m. and conclude at 9 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on proposed business plans at those VA facility sites identified in May 2004 as requiring further study by the Capital Asset Realignment for Enhanced Services (CARES) Decision document.

The objective of this meeting is to provide the Secretary with advice regarding the final selection of a capital planning option to modernize the West Los Angeles campus of the Greater Los Angeles Health Care System. An analysis of the capital planning options completed by the VA contractor is to be presented at the meeting prior to their final submission to the VA. The agenda will also accommodate public commentary on the options.

Interested persons may attend and present oral or written statements to the Committee. For additional information regarding the meeting, please contact Mr. Jay Halpern, Designated Federal

Officer, (00 CARES), at 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, by phone at (202) 273-5994, or by e-mail at [jay.halpern@va.gov](mailto:jay.halpern@va.gov).

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By Direction of the Secretary.

**E. Philip Riggan,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

### **National Research Advisory Council; Notice of Meeting**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the National Research Advisory Council will hold a meeting on Monday, September 10, 2007, in room 900 at VA's Office of Research and Development, 1722 Eye Street, NW., Washington, DC, from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Council is to provide external advice and review for VA's research mission. The meeting will feature a review of VA's research portfolio and a summary of current budget allocations. The Council will also provide feedback on the direction and focus of VA's research initiatives.

Any member of the public wishing to attend the meeting or wishing further

information should contact Jay A. Freedman, PhD, Designated Federal Office, at (202) 254-0267. Oral comments from the public will not be accepted at the meeting. Written statements or comments should be transmitted electronically to [jay.freedman@va.gov](mailto:jay.freedman@va.gov) or mailed to Dr. Freedman at Department of Veterans Affairs, Office of Research and Development (12), 810 Vermont Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20420.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

### **Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission; Notice of Meeting**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission has scheduled a meeting for September 5-7, 2007, at the Hamilton Crowne Plaza Hotel, 14th and K Streets, NW., Washington, DC. On Wednesday, September 5, the session will begin at 10 a.m. and end at 5:30 p.m. On Thursday, September 6, the

session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 5:30 p.m. On Friday, September 7, the session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 3 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Commission is to carry out a study of the benefits under the laws of the United States that are provided to compensate and assist veterans and their survivors for disabilities and deaths attributable to military service.

The agenda for this meeting will feature ongoing review, discussions and decisions regarding the Commission's final report. There will be time set aside for public comments. Interested persons may attend and present oral statements to the Commission on September 5. Oral presentations will be limited to five minutes or less. Interested parties may also provide written comments for review by the Commission prior to the meeting or, at any time, by e-mail to [veterans@vetscommission.com](mailto:veterans@vetscommission.com) or by mail to Mr. Ray Wilburn, Executive Director, Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission, 1101 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., 5th Floor, Washington, DC 20004.

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