

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Written Agreement by and among

SOUTHERN COMMUNITY BANCSHARES,
INC.
Fayetteville, Georgia

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA
Atlanta, Georgia

and

BANKING COMMISSIONER OF THE
STATE OF GEORGIA
Atlanta, Georgia

Docket No. 08-039-WA/RB-HC

WHEREAS, in recognition of their common goal to maintain the financial soundness of Southern Community Bancshares, Inc., Fayetteville, Georgia (“Bancshares”), a registered bank holding company that owns and controls Southern Community Bank, Fayetteville, Georgia (the “Bank”), a state chartered nonmember bank, and various nonbank subsidiaries, the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (the “Reserve Bank”), and the Banking Commissioner of the State of Georgia (the “Commissioner”) have mutually agreed to enter into this Written Agreement (the “Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, on October 28, 2008, the board of directors of Bancshares, at a duly constituted meeting, adopted a resolution authorizing and directing David R. Coxon to enter into this Agreement on behalf of Bancshares, and consenting to compliance with each and every provision of this Agreement by Bancshares and its institution-affiliated parties, as defined

in sections 3(u) and 8(b)(3) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, as amended (the “FDI Act”) (12 U.S.C. §§ 1813(u) and 1818(b)(3)).

NOW, THEREFORE, Bancshares, the Reserve Bank, and the Commissioner agree as follows:

Dividends

1. (a) Bancshares shall not declare or pay any dividends without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank, the Director of the Division of Banking Supervision and Regulation (the “Director”) of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the “Board of Governors”), and the Commissioner.

(b) Bancshares shall not directly or indirectly take dividends or any other form of payment representing a reduction in capital from the Bank without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank and the Commissioner.

(c) Bancshares and its nonbank subsidiaries shall not make any distributions of interest, principal, or other sums on subordinated debentures or trust preferred securities without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank, the Director, and the Commissioner.

(d) All requests for prior approval shall be received by the Reserve Bank and the Commissioner at least 30 days prior to the proposed dividend declaration date, proposed distribution on subordinated debentures, and required notice of deferral on trust preferred securities. All requests shall contain, at a minimum, current and projected information on Bancshares’ capital, earnings, and cash flow; the Bank’s capital, asset quality, earnings, and allowance for loan and lease losses; and identification of the sources of funds for the proposed payment or distribution. For requests to declare or pay dividends, Bancshares must also

demonstrate that the requested declaration or payment of dividends is consistent with the Board of Governors' Policy Statement on the Payment of Cash Dividends by State Member Banks and Bank Holding Companies, dated November 14, 1985 (Federal Reserve Regulatory Service, 4-877 at page 4-323) and the Georgia Department of Banking and Finance Statement of Policies.

Debt and Stock Redemption

2. (a) Bancshares shall not, directly or indirectly, incur, increase, or guarantee any debt without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank and the Commissioner. All requests for prior written approval shall contain, but not be limited to, a statement regarding the purpose of the debt, the terms of the debt, and the planned source(s) for debt repayment, and an analysis of the cash flow resources available to meet such debt repayment.

(b) Bancshares shall not, directly or indirectly, purchase or redeem any shares of its stock without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank and the Commissioner.

Appointment of New Officers and Directors, and Severance and Indemnification Payments

3. In appointing any new director or senior executive officer, or changing the responsibilities of any senior executive officer so that the officer would assume a different senior executive officer position, Bancshares shall comply with the notice provisions of section 32 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1831i) and Subpart H of Regulation Y of the Board of Governors (12 C.F.R. §§ 225.71 *et seq.*).

4. Bancshares shall comply with the restrictions on indemnification and severance payments of section 18(k) of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1828(k)) and Part 359 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's regulations (12 C.F.R. Part 359).

Progress Reports

5. (a) Within 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter following the date of this Agreement, the board of directors shall submit to the Reserve Bank and the Commissioner written progress reports detailing the form and manner of all actions taken to secure Bancshares' compliance with this Agreement and the results thereof.

Communications

6. All communications regarding this Agreement shall be sent to:

- (a) Mr. Robert D. Hawkins
Assistant Vice President
Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta
1000 Peachtree Street, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309-4470

- (b) Mr. Robert M. Braswell
Commissioner
Department of Banking and Finance
2990 Brandywine Road
Atlanta, Georgia 30341

- (c) Mr. David R. Coxon
President & CEO
Southern Community Bancshares, Inc.
P.O Box 142069
525 North Jeff Drive
Fayetteville, Georgia 30214

Miscellaneous

7. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement, the Reserve Bank and the Commissioner may, in their sole discretion, grant written extensions of time to Bancshares to comply with any provision of this Agreement.

8. The provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon Bancshares and its institution-affiliated parties, in their capacities as such, and their successors and assigns.

9. Each provision of this Agreement shall remain effective and enforceable until stayed, modified, terminated or suspended in writing by the Reserve Bank and the Commissioner.

10. The provisions of this Agreement shall not bar, estop or otherwise prevent the Board of Governors, the Reserve Bank, the Commissioner, or any other federal or state agency from taking any other action affecting Bancshares, the Bank, any nonbank subsidiary of Bancshares, or any of their current or former institution-affiliated parties and their successors and assigns.

11. Pursuant to section 50 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1831aa), this Agreement is enforceable by the Board of Governors under section 8 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1818) and by the Commissioner pursuant to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated § 7-1-91.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the 12th day of November, 2008.

SOUTHERN COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
OF ATLANTA

By: /s/ David R. Coxon
David R. Coxon
President & Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Robert D. Hawkins
Robert D. Hawkins
Assistant Vice President

BANKING COMMISSIONER OF
THE STATE OF GEORGIA

By: /s/ Robert M. Braswell
Robert M. Braswell
Commissioner