

By Order of the Federal Maritime Commission.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisitions of Shares of Banks or Bank Holding Companies

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than January 26, 1998.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Lois Berthaume, Vice President) 104 Marietta Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-2713:

1. *Billy Gene Matthews*, Abbeville, Louisiana; *Juanette Matthews*, Abbeville, Louisiana; *Billy Gene Matthews, Jr.*, Youngsville, Louisiana; *Louis Matthews*, Natalia, Texas; *Nancy Ann Matthews*, Kaplan, Louisiana; and *Whitney J. Matthews*, Abbeville, Louisiana; to acquire the voting shares of *Vermilion Bancshares, Inc.*, Kaplan, Louisiana, and thereby indirectly acquire *Vermilion Bank & Trust Company*, Kaplan, Louisiana.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63102-2034:

1. *Lester Asher McKinley*, DeWitt, Arkansas; and *Georgea McKinley Greaves*, Greenville, South Carolina, to acquire voting shares of *DeWitt First Bankshares Corporation*, DeWitt, Arkansas, and thereby indirectly acquire *First National Bank of DeWitt*, DeWitt, Arkansas.

C. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (Karen L. Grandstrand, Vice President) 90 Hennepin Avenue, P.O. Box 291, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *Pieschel Family Limited Partnership*, Springfield, Minnesota;

Paul D. Pieschel, *Peggy A. Van Hoomissen*, *Martha J. Pieschel*, and *Mary E. Esselman*, as general partners, and *G.M. Pieschel*, and *Shirley J. Pieschel*, as limited partners, all of Springfield, Minnesota; to acquire the voting shares of *Springfield Investment Company*, Springfield, Minnesota, and thereby indirectly acquire *Farmers and Merchants State Bank of Springfield*, Springfield, Minnesota.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 6, 1998.

Jennifer J. Johnson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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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. Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

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 February 5, 1998.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Lois Berthaume, Vice President) 104 Marietta Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-2713:

1. *Tarpon Coast Bancorp, Inc.*, Port Charlotte, Florida; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100

percent of the voting shares of *Tarpon Coast National Bank*, Port Charlotte, Florida.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Philip Jackson, Applications Officer) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1413:

1. *TSB Bankshares, Inc.*, Lomira, Wisconsin; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares *Theresa State Bank*, Lomira, Wisconsin.

C. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas (Genie D. Short, Vice President) 2200 North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-2272:

1. *Harlingen Bancshares, Inc.*, La Feria, Texas; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of *Lower Rio Grande Valley Bancshares, Inc.*, La Feria, Texas, and thereby indirectly acquire *First National Bank*, La Feria, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, January 6, 1998.

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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 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.

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 January 26, 1998.