

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

1. *First Robinson Financial Corporation Employee Stock Ownership Plan*, Robinson, Illinois; to retain voting shares of First Robinson Financial Corporation, Robinson, Illinois, and thereby indirectly retain voting shares of First Robinson Savings Bank, National Association, Robinson, Illinois.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, July 18, 2000.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate 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 (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 website at 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 August 17, 2000.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Phillip Jackson, Applications Officer)

230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *Anita Bancorporation*, Atlantic, Iowa; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of EWN Investments, Inc., Ute, Iowa, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Ute State Bank, Ute, Iowa.

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Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 10 a.m., Wednesday, July 26, 2000.

PLACE: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20551.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: 1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

2. Any matters carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Lynn S. Fox, Assistant to the Board; 202-452-3204.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Dated: July 19, 2000.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

PHS Policy for Instruction in the Responsible Conduct of Research; Availability of New Draft

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Office of Research Integrity (ORI) in collaboration with the Agency Research Integrity Liaison Officers for each of the PHS Operating Divisions, is announcing the availability for public comment of a new draft PHS Policy for Instruction in the Responsible Conduct of Research for extramural institutions receiving PHS funds for research or research training.

On October 22, 1999, HHS Secretary Donna E. Shalala announced a number of important changes in policy to improve the Department's research integrity efforts including a statement that "through ORI, the Department will require research institutions to provide training in the responsible conduct of research to all staff engaged in research or research training with PHS funds." This decision was based on the Department's commitment to ensure that all PHS supported researchers receive basic instruction in the key elements of responsible research and are familiar with basic regulatory requirements. The decision was also supported by prior recommendations of the Commission on Research Integrity which stated, in part, that HHS

"require that each institution applying for or receiving a grant, contract, or cooperative agreement under the Public Health Service Act for research or research training add to its existing misconduct-in-science assurance a third declaration, one certifying that the institution has an educational program on the responsible conduct of research. Through this mechanism, the current NIH research integrity education requirement, now limited to recipients of institutional training grants at NIH-funded institutions, would be augmented by an assurance applied to all individuals supported by PHS research funds." Commission Report, "Integrity and Misconduct in Research," p. 18 (HHS 1995).

Institutions and individuals interested in commenting on the proposed policy may obtain it on the ORI website at <http://ori.dhhs.gov> by clicking on "What's New" or by contacting ORI. To be considered, all comments must be received by ORI at the address below or by E-mail to jegan@osophs.dhhs.gov no later than August 21, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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