

Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning an existing notice of proposed rulemaking, REG-209619-93, Escrow Funds and Other Similar Funds.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before November 1, 2004 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Paul H. Finger, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6512, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of regulation the form and instructions should be directed to Carol Savage at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622-3945, or through the Internet at CAROL.A.SAVAGE@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Escrow Funds and Other Similar Funds.

OMB Number: 1545-1631.

Regulation Project Number: REG-209619-93.

Abstract: These regulations would amend the final regulations for qualified settlement funds (QFSs) and would provide new rules for qualified escrows and qualified trusts used in deferred section 1031 exchanges; pre-closing escrows; contingent at-closing escrows; and disputed ownership funds.

Current Actions: There is no change to this existing regulation.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit organizations, not-for-profit institutions and Federal, state, local or tribal governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 9,300.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 4,650.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will

be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: August 26, 2004.

Paul H. Finger,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Members of Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to publish the names of those IRS employees who will be serving as members on IRS' FY2004 SES Performance Review Board(s).

DATES: This notice is effective October 1, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ann Pope, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., OS:HC:S, Room 3511, Washington, DC 20224, (202) 622-0601.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4), this notice announces the appointment of members of the Internal Revenue Service's Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board. The names and titles of the executives serving on this board follow: John M. Dalrymple, Deputy Commissioner for Operations Support, and Chairperson, Service-wide Performance Review Board; Mark Matthews, Deputy Commissioner for Services and Enforcement; Evelyn A. Petschek, Chief of Staff; Tyrone B. Ayers, Director, Customer Assistance, Relationships and Education (W&I)

Beverly O. Babers, Chief Human Capital Officer

Carol A. Barnett, Director, Human Resources (W&I)

Gary D. Bell, National Director, Refund Crimes (CI)

Brady R. Bennett, Director, Strategy and Finance (SBSE)

John E. Binnion, Associate CIO for Management & Finance (MITS)

Kevin M. Brown, Commissioner, Small Business & Self-Employed

C. John Crawford III, Director, Customer Account Services (SBSE)

Mary E. Davis, Director, Strategy and Finance (W&I)

James P. Falcone, Acting Director, Agency-wide Shared Services

Sherrill A. Fields, Deputy Director, Taxpayer Education & Communication (SBSE)

Fred L. Forman, Associate Commissioner for Business Systems Modernization (MITS)

Daniel Galik, Chief, Mission Assurance

W. Todd Grams, Chief Information Officer

Thelma Harris, Director, EEO and Diversity Field Services (AWSS)

Thomas R. Hull, Deputy Director, Compliance Field Operations (SBSE)

Nancy J. Jardini, Chief, Criminal Investigation

Frank Keith, Chief, Communications and Liaison

Henry O. Lamar, Jr., Commissioner, Wage and Investment

Terrence H. Lutes, Associate CIO for Information Technology Services (MITS)

Mark J. Mazur, Director, Research, Analysis & Statistics

Deborah M. Nolan, Commissioner, Large and Mid-Size Business

Steven T. Miller, Commissioner, Tax Exempt and Government Entities

Richard J. Morgante, Deputy Commissioner, Wage & Investment

Nina E. Olson, National Taxpayer Advocate

Eileen T. Powell, Chief Financial Officer

Ronald S. Rhodes, Director, Customer Account Services (W&I)

John M. Robinson, Chief, EEO and Diversity

David B. Robison, Chief, Appeals

Dwight J. Sparlin, Director, Operations Policy & Support (CI)

Richard Speier, Jr., Deputy Chief, Criminal Investigation (CI)

Richard Spires, Associate CIO for Modernization Management (MITS)

Linda E. Stiff, Deputy Commissioner, Small Business & Self-Employed

Chris Wagner, Deputy National Taxpayer Advocate

This document does not meet the Department of Treasury's criteria for significant regulations.

Dated: August 20, 2004.

John M. Dalrymple,

Deputy Commissioner for Operations Support, Internal Revenue Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Thrift Supervision

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request—Savings Associations Holding Company Application

AGENCY: Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507. The Office of Thrift Supervision within the Department of the Treasury will submit the proposed information collection requirement described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. Today, OTS is soliciting public comments on the proposal.

DATES: Submit written comments on or before November 1, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Send comments, referring to the collection by title of the proposal or by OMB approval number, to Information Collection Comments, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552; send a facsimile transmission to (202) 906-6518; or send an e-mail to infocollection.comments@ots.treas.gov. OTS will post comments and the related index on the OTS Internet Site at <http://www.ots.treas.gov>. In addition, interested persons may inspect comments at the Public Reading Room, 1700 G Street, NW., by appointment. To make an appointment, call (202) 906-5922, send an e-mail to publicinfo@ots.treas.gov, or send a facsimile transmission to (202) 906-7755.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You can request additional information about this proposed information collection from Nadine Washington, Information Systems, Administration & Finance, (202) 906-6706, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OTS may not conduct or sponsor an information collection, and respondents are not required to respond to an information collection, unless the information collection displays a currently valid OMB control number. As part of the approval process, we invite comments on the following information collection.

Comments should address one or more of the following points:

a. Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of OTS;

b. The accuracy of OTS's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection;

c. Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

d. Ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use information technology.

We will summarize the comments that we receive and include them in the OTS request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. In this notice, OTS is soliciting comments concerning the following information collection.

Title of Proposal: Savings Associations Holding Company Application.

OMB Number: 1550-0015.

Form Number: OTS Forms H-(e)1, H-(e)2, H-(e)3, and H-(e)4.

Regulation requirement: 12 CFR Part 574.

Description: This information is collected to determine if a savings and loan holding company has adhered to the statutes, regulations, and condition of approval to acquire an insured institution and whether any of the holding company's activities would be injurious to the operation of the subsidiary savings institution.

Type of Review: Renewal.

Affected Public: Business or for profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 96.

Estimated Frequency of Response: Event-generated.

Estimated Burden Hours per Response: 500 hours.

Estimated Total Burden: 48,000 hours.

Clearance Officer: Marilyn K. Burton, (202) 906-6467, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552.

OMB Reviewer: Mark D. Menchik, (202) 395-3176, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

By the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Dated: August 27, 2004.

Richard M. Riccobono,

Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Thrift Supervision

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request—Minimum Security Devices and Procedures

AGENCY: Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), Treasury.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You can request additional information about this proposed information collection from Tim Leary, Consumer Protection and Specialized Programs, (202) 906-7170, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552.