

# State of Rhode Island **Department of Business Regulation**



### **DIVISION OF BANKING**

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### APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION

PURSUANT TO RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 19, CHAPTER 2, APPLICATION IS HEREBY MADE FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE ISSUANCE OF A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION CHARTER AND A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND ADVANTAGE PURSUANT TO RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS §§ 19-2-3 & 19-2-7.

NAME AND MAIN OFFICE ADDRESS FOR PROPOSED FINANCIAL INSTITUTION

### Name Street Address City, State & Zip Code Mailing Address (if different) Telephone Number E-mail Address APPLICATION COORDINATOR: Name: Title: Address: Telephone Number: E-mail address:

A RESPONSE TO ALL QUESTIONS CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION MUST BE PROVIDED. USE SUPPORTING SCHEDULES WHERE NECESSARY.

Date of Filing:

# Name Street Address City, State & Zip Code APPLICATION COORDINATOR Name Title Street Address City, State & Zip Code Telephone Number Date of Filing

APPLICANT SHALL FOLLOW REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN TITLE 19 AS HERETOFORE AMENDED, AND SHALL FILE THE APPLICATION WITH ALL ATTACHMENTS INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING FORMS (ENCLOSED)

- 1. Application for Certificate and Agreement to Form<sup>1</sup>, <u>in triplicate</u>, which contains the information required pursuant to R. I. Gen. Laws § 19-2-2.
- 2. Certificate of Election of Directors/Directors' Oath of Office.

HOLDING COMPANY INFORMATION, IF APPLICABLE

## IN ADDITION TO THE PRECEDING, APPLICANT SHALL PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AS PART OF THE APPLICATION PACKAGE

### 1. SUBSCRIBERS MEETING

Provide a certified copy of the minutes of the first meeting of the subscribers to the Agreement to Form which reflects actions taken in compliance with R. I. Gen. Laws § 19-2-5. The notice of the first meeting of the subscribers must also be provided which evidences compliance with the provisions of R. I. Gen. Laws § 19-2-4.

### 2. OFFERING CIRCULAR

- A. Provide a copy of the offering circular regarding any stock offerings to the public.
- B. Explain, if applicable, why the above offering was not prepared.

### 3. ORGANIZATIONAL EXPENSES

Provide a list of all expenses related to the organization of the financial institution, either paid or anticipated prior to the opening date, including any expenses for work performed during the organization phases for which disbursement has been deferred beyond the opening date. With respect to such expenses, include the following information:

- A. Type of Fee (i.e. attorney; consultant; application and investigation; pre-opening salaries; pre-opening travel and entertainment; other).
- B. Name of Recipient.
- C. Association with the financial institution; type of relationship; amount.
- D. Source of Payment For Organizational Expenses.

### 4. PRIMARY TRADE /MARKET TERRITORY

- A. Provide a description of the primary trade/market territory of the proposed financial institution.
- B. Provide demographics on the primary trade/market territory which addresses at a minimum the following:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Applicant must choose between Application for Certificate for a Financial Institution with Trust Powers or Application for Certificate for a Financial Institution without Trust Powers, as is applicable.

<sup>\*</sup> Application for Approval to Establish a Financial Institution 2-6-2018

- i. Population
- ii. Employment
- iii. Housing units
- iv. Median value of housing units

### 5. BUSINESS PLAN

Provide a five (5) year business plan complete with projected financial statements and a description of all assumptions used.

### 6. SERVICES TO BE OFFERED

Provide a description of the proposed services and products to be offered by the applicant, including a description of basic banking or lifeline banking services to be offered (i.e. check cashing services, charge free accounts, etc.) along with evidence of applicant's knowledge and understanding of applicable laws and regulations governing its proposed accounts which at a minimum include R. I. Gen. Laws § 19-9-1 et seq., § 6-26-1 et seq., R. I. Gen. Laws § 6A-4-101 et seq., Bank Deposits and Collections, R. I. Gen. Laws § 6A-4.1-101 et seq., Funds Transfers, and Federal Regulation DD, Truth in Savings, Federal Regulation CC, Availability of Funds and Collection of Checks, Federal Regulation E, Electronic Funds Transfers, Federal Regulation B, Equal Credit Opportunity, Federal Regulation Z, Truth-in-Lending, Federal Regulation C, Home Mortgage Disclosure and Federal Regulation O, Loans to Executive Officers, Directors, and Principal Shareholders.

### 7. POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Provide copies of <u>all</u> proposed policies and procedures that address, at a minimum, the following:

Asset/Liability Funds Management Lending Investments Bank Secrecy Act U.S.A. Patriot's Act Privacy

### 8. CAPITAL Structures

Provide a description of the structure of the capital and evidence that the minimum amount of capital stock has been raised and that the financial institution is in no way obligated, directly or indirectly, for any indebtedness related to the stockholders' acquisition of said capital stock.

A.	Will the proposed financial institution make or refinance any loan, advance, o	r credit extensi	on, either d	lirectly
	or indirectly, originally made by another lender to any subscriber or stockholder	er for the purpor	se of obtain	ning the
	funds to purchase stock in the proposed financial institution?	YES	NO	

- B. Describe any correspondent bank agreements which establish balances required to be maintained by the proposed financial institution in connection with loans to any officers, directors, employees, or stockholders for the purpose of financing the purchase of stock in the proposed financial institution.
- C. Provide copies of all stock subscription agreements obtained.

### 9. CORPORATE BYLAWS

Provide a certified copy of the proposed financial institution's corporate bylaws.

### 10. **BOND**

Provide a fidelity bond for active directors, officers, and employees and a copy of the written policy adopted by the board of directors which establishes the aggregate amount and form of coverage. The applicant shall file evidence that the bond is in compliance with the minimum bonding requirements of R. I. Gen. Laws §19-2-19 and Banking Regulation 98-2 (copy enclosed).

### 11. MANAGEMENT PLAN

Provide a copy of the management plan and organizational chart along with a description of the duties and responsibilities for each committee and each key officer position along with the names of the persons serving as key officers and/or committee members. Indicate the number of full-time and part-time employees including the key officers.

### 12. TRUST POWERS

Provide a description of the extent and type, if any, of proposed trust powers to be exercised by the applicant financial institution, supplemented with copies of applicable policies and procedures.

### 13. OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND STOCKHOLDERS

- A. Provide a list of all officers, directors and any person holding stock or an equity interest of ten percent (10%) or more of the voting stock or equity interest ("Principal Owner"). If applicant is a wholly owned subsidiary provide a list of any Principal Owner of the parent entity.
- B. Each proposed officer, director, and Principal Owner shall provide a resume and a completed Authorization for Background Check and Release (enclosed).

Prompt notification must be given to the Division of Banking if changes in the directorate, active management, or Principal Owner are made or planned prior to opening or within the first three years of the financial institution's operation. The notification shall include both the original cost and subsequent sales price of any such stock which changes ownership.

- C. Each proposed officer, director, and Principal Owner shall:
  - 1. Provide two Form **FD258** fingerprint cards issued by the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) with a check in the amount of \$35.00 for each individual made out to "BCI", for the fingerprint-processing fee. (You should contact your local FBI office, local Attorney General Office, or local Police Office for the fingerprint cards). Improperly taken fingerprints will require resubmission of new cards at additional costs to the applicant.
  - Any individual residing in the State of Rhode Island must go directly to the Rhode Island Department of
     Attorney General for fingerprinting along with a check or money order payable to "BCI" in the amount of
     \$35 for the fingerprint-processing fee (in this case submission of the fingerprint cards to the Division is not
     required)
- D. Each proposed officer, director, and Principal Owner shall provide signed personal financial statements on the Division's approved form contained in this application dated within ninety (90) days of the date the application is filed.
- E. Provide a list of all stockholders of the proposed financial institution which indicates the number of shares and dollar amount held by each stockholder. If proposed financial institution is a wholly owned subsidiary, provide the above list for all stockholders of parent entity.

### 14. INSIDER TRANSACTIONS DISCLOSURE

Indicate any direct or indirect benefit to any insider as compensation or inducement in assisting or consummating the establishment of the proposed financial institution. Indicate whether the governing board of the applicant has reviewed the insider involvement in connection with the establishment and maintenance of the proposed financial institution and the result of that review.

If no insider is involved, a statement to that effect signed by the president and secretary must be provided.

### 15. MANNER OF OCCUPANCY

Indicate whether the proposed site will be leased or purchased by the applicant. Identify the person or entity from Application for Approval to Establish a Financial Institution 2-6-2018 Page 4 of 7

whom the proposed office site(s) will be leased or purchased. Identify and explain any exclusive clauses contained in the purchase or property agreement or any other agreements between the applicant and subsequent purchases or lessees. If the agreement lacks exclusive or restrictive clauses, provide a statement signed by a official of the applicant certifying the absence of such clauses.

### 16. AREA MAP

Provide a map illustrating the location and distance between the proposed branch office and competing state and federally-chartered banks and credit unions, including main and branch offices, in the city or town in which the proposed branch will be located.

### 17. PROPOSED OFFICE FACILITIES AND SITE DESCRIPTION

- A. Provide a physical description of the building premises. Specify the amount of available parking, walk-up access, drive-up access, handicapped access, vault, safe deposit boxes, automated teller machines (if applicable, applicant must complete a Request to Establish a Customer-Bank-Communication Terminal).
- B. Provide a description of the buildings and area surrounding the proposed office sites(s). Comment on local traffic patterns, including public and private transportation, zoning, building or construction restrictions, or other dominant characteristics of the area surrounding the proposed office site(s).

### 18. COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT ACT ("CRA")

- A. Financial institutions affiliated with the applicant that have received a CRA Performance Evaluation must provide a copy of said financial institution's most Recent CRA Performance Evaluation Rating.
- B. Financial institutions and/or financial institutions affiliated with the applicant that have not received a CRA Performance Evaluation Rating must provide a copy of the proposed financial institution's CRA Statement, and pursuant to R. I. Gen. Laws § 19-9-4, the following as it relates to the proposed activities of the applicant financial institution:
  - i. The projected geographic distribution of the financial institution's credit extensions, credit applications, and credit denials;
  - ii. The effect of the matter which is the subject of the application upon the economy of the neighborhood, city or town, region, or state;
  - iii. The applicant's proposed participation, including investments, in local community development and redevelopment projects or programs;
  - iv. The applicant's proposed origination of residential mortgage loans, housing rehabilitation loans and small business or small farm loans within its community or the purchase of such loans originated in its community;
  - v. The applicant's proposed participation in governmentally-insured, guaranteed, or subsidized loan programs for housing, small businesses, or small farms; and.
  - vi. A statement which addresses whether the applicant intends to engage in any practices intended to discourage application for any types of consumer credit.

### 19. **DEPOSIT INSURANCE**

Provide evidence of deposit insurance (for depository financial institutions only) with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

### 20. OTHER REGULATORY AGENCIES

Provide a list of the name, address, telephone number and contact person of any state or federal bank regulatory or licensing authority having jurisdiction over the transaction.

### 21. PUBLICATION

Upon complete review of the initial submission of this application, the Division of Banking will post on its departmental website a Notice of Application Filed with publication dates to be determined by the Division of Banking pursuant to R. I. Gen. Laws § 19-1-3.

### 22. OTHER INFORAMATION

Provide any other information relevant for consideration of the application.

### 23. OFFICER CERTIFICATION

Provide certification by the president/vice president and secretary/treasurer that the information contained in the application is true and that any schedules provided correctly represent the true state of the matters contained within the application to the best of their knowledge and belief.

### 24. APPLICATION FILING FEE

Within thirty (30) days of the date of the Decision on the application by the Director of Business Regulation, applicant shall pay an application-filing fee pursuant to R. I. Gen. Laws § 19-1-3 and Banking Regulation 98-1-5.

Prior to submission of the financial institution application, applicant shall schedule a meeting with the Deputy Director & Superintendent of Banking, or his or her designee, to discuss the operations and business plan for the proposed financial institution.

### FILING INSTRUCTIONS

Application must be filed in electronic form in a format compatible with Microsoft Word and/or Excel.

### SUPPLEMENTAL FORMS

- 1. Application For Certificate and Agreement to Form
- Authorization for Background Check and Release And Release (See Division Website)
- Personal Financial Statement Form
- Certificate Of Election Of Directors Directors' Oaths Of Office
- Banking Regulation 98-2: Bonds Of Officers And Employees (See Division Website)

### POST APPROVAL PROCEDURES

Once approval has been granted by the Director or the Director's designee, the applicant must provide:

- When the shares of capital stock have been issued, a list of stockholders, with the name, residence, and post office address of each and the number of shares held by each, which list shall be verified under oath by two (2) of the principal officers of the financial institution.
- The oath of each stockholder acquiring such shares that it is the owner of its respective shares of stock and that the par value of its shares of capital stock has been paid in cash and that the shares of stock are free of encumbrances and are not in anyway pledged as security for any loan or debt. Each stockholder shall identify the source of funds used to purchase their respective shares of stock.
- 3. A board of directors' resolution, certified by the corporate secretary, which states that prior to issuance of any shares of stock, said stock was paid for in cash by the shareholder for its par value.
- A certification from an FDIC insured depository financial institution that the initial capitalization funds are on deposit in an account in the name of the proposed financial institution along with a copy of the transaction record such as deposit slips and/or credit advices relating to such deposits. The certification shall also state that the deposited funds are not subject to any claim or subject to any restrictions or encumbrances and shall be signed under witness by an officer of the depository financial institution.
- A certificate of the general treasurer that the incorporators have paid into the treasury a sum equal to one-tenth of one percent (.1%) of the amount of such stock, which certificate shall also be filed with the Rhode Island Secretary of State.
- Evidence that the agreement to form, in triplicate, has been filed with the office of the Rhode Island Secretary of State.

The above information shall be filed with the Division of Banking prior to the issuance of the certificate of public convenience and advantage which authorizes the applicant to commence operations as a financial institution.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF:	
DATED AS OF:	(Type or Print Full Name)
	(Type or Print mm/dd/yyyy)

ASSETS	LIABILITIES & NET W	ORTH
Cash on hand/in banks	\$ Accounts Payable	\$
US Gov. Securities	Rent/Lease/Mortgage Payable	
Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance	Taxes Payable	
Stocks/Bonds	Interest Payable	
Loans/Notes Receivable	Loans/Notes Payable	
Real Estate	Other Debts/Liabilities	
Automobiles		
Other Personal Assets	(B) TOTAL LIABILITIES	
Other Assets (Itemize)	(C) NET WORTH (A minus B)	
(A) Total Assets	Total Liabilities & Net Worth (B plus C)	

### **DECLARATIONS**

	YES	NO
1. Are there any outstanding judgments against you?		
2. Have you filed for bankruptcy protection within the last 2 years?		
3. Have you had property foreclosed upon or given title or deed in lieu thereof in the last 2 years?		
4. Are you a party to a lawsuit?		
5. Are you presently delinquent or in default on any financial obligation, debt, or loan guarantee?		

### Provide an explanation for each Yes response.

**Attestation:** The information provided in this financial statement and the related **Declarations** is true and correct as of the date set forth above and that any intentional or negligent misrepresentation that I have made in this financial statement may result in the denial of the related application or registration and the imposition of available civil and criminal penalties under R. I. Gen. Laws Title 19, Chapter 9.

Signature of Individual:		
Date:		
	(Type or Print mm/dd/yyyy)	•



# State of Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation



### **DIVISION OF BANKING**

# APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE FOR A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION (APPLICATION)

		being the President
and a majority of	the Directors elected at an adje	ournment of the first meeting of the subscribers to the
Agreement to Fo	orm Financial Institution ("Agreeme	nt to Form") for the purpose of forming a financial institution
pursuant to Title 19	, Chapter 2 of the Rhode Island	General Laws to transact business authorized by Title 19
within this State, her	eby certify:	
FIRST:	That a true copy of the Agreement	to Form, with the names of the subscribers thereto is attached
hereto as Exhibit A a	nd made a part hereof	
SECOND:	That the following is the name of	each subscriber to the Agreement to Form:
	Name	Name
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2.		10.
3.		11
4.		12
6.		14.
7.		15.

 $[Attach\ additional\ pages\ here to\ if\ more\ than\ fifteen\ (15)\ Subscribers]$ 

THIRD:	A.	A duly executed Notice of First Meeting, duly signed by the subscriber designated in
the Agreement to F	orm	is attached hereto as Exhibit B and made a part hereof.

OR

B. All of the subscribers to the Agreement to Form have executed a Notice of First

Meeting and Waiver (Notice and Waiver). A duly executed copy of said Notice and Waiver is attached hereto as Exhibit C. [Note: Must state that all waive notice, and the time, place and purpose of meeting] FOURTH: That the date of the first meeting was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_, which meeting was adjourned to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_20\_\_, and from then successively to The records of said meeting are attached hereto and marked collectively as Exhibit D. FIFTH: That the name, residence, and post office address of each of the officers of the financial institution is as follows: Name Office Residence Post Office Address Signatures of the President and a Majority of the Directors

### STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

COUNTY OF	_			
In	on the	day of	20_before	me personally
appeared the above named				
and severally made oath that the	e above Application	on, subscribed by	each of them, is true.	
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	СЕН	RTIFICATE		
WHEREAS, the above wri	tten Application	has been submitt	ed to the Director of the	e Department of
Business Regulation ("Director	"), together with	the records of th	e first meeting of the su	ubscribers to the
Agreement to Form for the purp	oose of forming th	e		
WHEREAS, said Director h	nas examined the	same;		
WHEREAS, the Director fin	nds that Application	on and records co	nform to all provisions of	f applicable laws
and regulations, including but n	ot limited to the E	Banking Laws of t	he State of Rhode Island	l, and that public
convenience and advantage will	be promoted by t	he establishment	of said	
				;
NOW THEREFORE, the under	signed Director g	rants approval of	said Application.	
Dated at	this	day of		20
		Liz Tanner,		
		Director of Busin	ess Regulation	

### EXHIBIT A

### AGREEMENT TO FORM FINANCIAL INSTITUTION

We the subscribers, all citizens and residents of the State of Rhode Island, associate ourselves with the intention to form a financial institution to transact business within this State. And we further agree to and with each other:

FIRST:	That the financial institution sha	all be known by the name of	
SECOND:	That the financial institution shall	ll be formed for the purpose of eng	aging in the business of
THIRD: main office shall be		inancial institution's business is t	
FOURH:	That the amount of capital stock	of the financial institution shall	be
		Dollars, to be divid	led into
shares of the par valopposite our respect	lue ofDollars each tive names.	ch, and we will severally take the	e number of shares set
FIFTH:	That the financial institution do	es not intend to exercise trust por	wers.
SIXTH: shares subscribed for	That the following is the name, or each subscriber to this Agreem	residence address, post office a ent to Form:	ddress, and number of
Name	Residence	Post Office Address	No. Shares Subscribed
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S	ignatures of the Subscribers to this Agreement to Fo	orm
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### **EXHIBIT B**

### NOTICE OF FIRST MEETING OF THE SUBSCRIBERS

	, shall be held at	a.m. / p.m. on	, 20
at			
The purpose of the meeting is			

[Notice to be signed either by the subscriber to the Agreement to Form who is designated therein for the purpose, or by a majority of the subscribers. Notice is to given at least seven (7) days before the day of the meeting, to each subscriber or left at his or her residence and an affidavit of a majority of the signers of the notice that the notice has been duly served, shall be recorded with the records of the first meeting.]

### **EXHIBIT C**

### NOTICE OF FIRST MEETING AND WAIVER

the within Agreement to Form, and fix the time and place of such meeting ata.m. / p.m
Signatures of the Subscribers
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Certificate of Election of Directors and Oath of Office 01-28-2010

	Name of Financial Institution	n	
	Address		
CER	TIFICATE OF ELECTION OF	DIRECTORS	
	AND		
DIRECT	DIRECTORS SUBSCRIPTION TO OATH OF OFFICE		
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# RHODE ISLAND FINANCIAL INSTITUTION CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The undersigned	Secretary of the
	ame of Financial Institution), Rhode Island, hereby certifies that at a meeting of the
	s, Incorporators, whichever is applicable)
of said Corporation, held on the following named persons were election has been duly recorded in the	elected Directors thereof for the ensuing year, and that such
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	Secretary-Clerk
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<sup>©</sup> Certificate pf Election of Directors and Oath of Office 2-6-2018

# FINANCIAL INSTITUTION DIRECTORS OATH OF OFFICE

	(Name of Financial Institution)	
solemnly swear that we will seve administer the affairs of said Corp to be violated, any of the applica-	, Rhode Island, do each for him erally, so far as the duty devolves upor poration, and that we will not knowing able provisions of Title 19 of the German Company of the Ge	n us, diligently and honestly ly violate, or willfully permit neral Laws of Rhode Island
and/or other General Laws of Rh any addition thereto or amendme	ode Island applicable to the operation ent thereof.	s of financial institutions, or
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Subscribed and sworn to the	is day of	20
before the undersigned, a notary pul	blic in and for said State.	
	Notor	/ Signature

<sup>©</sup> Certificate pf Election of Directors and Oath of Office 2-6-2018