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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2016

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: 001-12991

BANCORPSOUTH, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Mississippi
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

64-0659571
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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One Mississippi Plaza, 201 South Spring Street

Tupelo, Mississippi
(Address of principal executive offices)

38804
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (662) 680-2000

NOT APPLICABLE

(Former name, former address, and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check One): Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes No

As of October 31, 2016, the registrant had outstanding 93,652,099 shares of common stock, par value \$2.50 per share.

BANCORPSOUTH, INC.

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PART I.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

BANCORPSOUTH, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Balance Sheets

	September 30, 2016 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2015 (1)	September 30, 2015 (Unaudited)
(Dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)			
ASSETS			
Cash and due from banks	\$ 172,782	\$ 154,192	\$ 159,923
Interest bearing deposits with other banks	151,944	43,777	113,068
Available-for-sale securities, at fair value	2,468,199	2,082,329	2,161,125
Loans and leases	10,685,166	10,404,326	10,254,013
Less: Unearned income	26,405	31,548	34,437
Allowance for credit losses	125,887	126,458	133,009
Net loans and leases	10,532,874	10,246,320	10,086,567
Loans held for sale, at fair value	204,441	157,907	170,175
Premises and equipment, net	305,245	308,125	304,317
Accrued interest receivable	41,583	40,901	41,599
Goodwill	294,901	291,498	291,498
Other identifiable intangibles	19,908	20,545	21,466
Bank-owned life insurance	257,015	251,534	249,825
Other real estate owned	11,391	14,759	23,696
Other assets	151,200	186,775	164,165
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 14,611,483	\$ 13,798,662	\$ 13,787,424
LIABILITIES			
Deposits:			
Demand: Noninterest bearing	\$ 3,308,361	\$ 3,031,528	\$ 3,053,439
Interest bearing	4,877,482	5,003,806	4,794,656
Savings	1,533,401	1,442,336	1,409,856
Other time	1,870,815	1,853,491	1,883,995
Total deposits	11,590,059	11,331,161	11,141,946
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreement to repurchase	468,969	405,937	425,203
Short-term Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings and other short-term borrowing	-	62,000	224,500
Accrued interest payable	4,107	3,071	3,353
Junior subordinated debt securities	23,198	23,198	23,198
Long-term debt	563,495	69,775	71,868

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Other liabilities	237,551	248,076	252,536
TOTAL LIABILITIES	12,887,379	12,143,218	12,142,604
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Common stock, \$2.50 par value per share			
Authorized - 500,000,000 shares; Issued - 94,074,740			
94,162,728 and 93,969,994 shares, respectively	235,187	235,407	234,925
Capital surplus	278,973	282,934	278,998
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(33,549)	(41,825)	(36,355)
Retained earnings	1,243,493	1,178,928	1,167,252
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	1,724,104	1,655,444	1,644,820
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 14,611,483	\$ 13,798,662	\$ 13,787,424
(1) Derived from audited consolidated financial statements.			

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

BANCORPSOUTH, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Consolidated Statements of Income

(Unaudited)

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
(In thousands, except for per share amounts)				
INTEREST REVENUE:				
Loans and leases	\$ 111,605	\$ 107,086	\$ 328,488	\$ 312,649
Deposits with other banks	409	36	901	398
Available-for-sale securities:				
Taxable	6,189	6,490	18,086	19,758
Tax-exempt	2,898	3,226	8,854	9,938
Loans held for sale	1,239	1,363	3,406	3,585
Total interest revenue	122,340	118,201	359,735	346,328
INTEREST EXPENSE:				
Deposits:				
Interest bearing demand	2,361	2,209	6,732	6,654
Savings	462	431	1,356	1,269
Other time	3,661	3,646	10,451	11,481
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreement to repurchase	173	104	472	271
Long-term debt	902	571	2,097	1,704
Junior subordinated debt	190	168	560	496
Other	1	2	2	1
Total interest expense	7,750	7,131	21,670	21,876
Net interest revenue	114,590	111,070	338,065	324,452
Provision for credit losses	-	(3,000)	3,000	(13,000)
Net interest revenue, after provision for credit losses	114,590	114,070	335,065	337,452
NONINTEREST REVENUE:				
Mortgage banking	12,282	2,339	23,943	25,008
Credit card, debit card and merchant fees	9,292	9,282	27,748	27,119
Deposit service charges	11,313	12,150	33,345	34,929
Security gains, net	1	33	89	88
Insurance commissions	28,194	28,584	90,246	91,396
Wealth management	5,312	5,567	15,768	17,285
Other	4,474	4,998	14,927	14,757
Total noninterest revenue	70,868	62,953	206,066	210,582
NONINTEREST EXPENSE:				
Salaries and employee benefits	82,079	81,354	246,378	242,292
Occupancy, net of rental income	10,412	10,819	30,794	31,432

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Equipment	3,423	3,742	10,483	11,740
Deposit insurance assessments	3,227	2,191	8,097	6,879
Regulatory settlement	-	-	10,277	-
Other	30,371	28,344	94,501	99,217
Total noninterest expense	129,512	126,450	400,530	391,560
Income before income taxes	55,946	50,573	140,601	156,474
Income tax expense	18,129	16,230	45,543	50,152
Net income	\$ 37,817	\$ 34,343	\$ 95,058	\$ 106,322
Earnings per share: Basic	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.36	\$ 1.01	\$ 1.10
Diluted	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.36	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.10
Dividends declared per common share	\$ 0.13	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.33	\$ 0.25

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

BANCORPSOUTH, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
 Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income
 (Unaudited)

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	(In thousands)			
Net income	\$ 37,817	\$ 34,343	\$ 95,058	\$ 106,322
Other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax				
Unrealized (losses) gains on securities	(6,895)	3,823	5,477	4,001
Pension and other postretirement benefits	933	1,110	2,799	3,330
Other comprehensive (loss) income, net of tax	(5,962)	4,933	8,276	7,331
Comprehensive income	\$ 31,855	\$ 39,276	\$ 103,334	\$ 113,653

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

BANCORPSOUTH, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
 Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
 (Unaudited)

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2016	2015
	(In thousands)	
Operating Activities:		
Net income	\$ 95,058	\$ 106,322
Adjustment to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Provision for credit losses	3,000	(13,000)
Depreciation and amortization	19,023	19,914
Amortization of intangibles	2,672	3,042
Amortization of debt securities premium and discount, net	7,751	9,461
Share-based compensation expense	6,856	5,749
Security gains, net	(89)	(88)
Net deferred loan origination expense	(5,059)	(5,073)
Excess tax benefit from exercise of stock options	(1,247)	(867)
(Increase) decrease in interest receivable	(682)	386
Increase (decrease) in interest payable	1,036	(47)
Realized gain on mortgages sold, net	(40,209)	(34,965)
Proceeds from mortgages sold	1,249,605	1,134,164
Origination of mortgages held for sale	(1,256,131)	(1,130,433)
Loss on other real estate owned, net	2,254	2,956
Increase in bank-owned life insurance	(5,481)	(5,491)
Other, net	15,465	14,532
Net cash provided by operating activities	93,822	106,562
Investing activities:		
Proceeds from calls and maturities of available-for-sale securities	315,221	276,707
Proceeds from sales of available-for-sale securities	15	1,110
Purchases of available-for-sale securities	(690,820)	(294,853)
Net increase in loans and leases	(293,761)	(503,869)
Purchases of premises and equipment	(17,637)	(20,125)
Proceeds from sale of premises and equipment	1,362	549
Purchase of bank-owned life insurance, net of proceeds from death benefits	-	2,742
Acquisition of Insurance agency	(3,716)	-
Proceeds from sale of other real estate owned	10,352	13,033
Other, net	(87)	(12)
Net cash used in investing activities	(679,071)	(524,718)
Financing activities:		
Net increase in deposits	258,898	169,607
Net increase in short-term debt and other liabilities	1,023	258,024
Advances of long-term debt	500,000	-
Repayment of long-term debt	(6,280)	(6,280)

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Issuance of common stock	1,879	6,071
Repurchase of common stock	(14,162)	(70,439)
Excess tax benefit from exercise of stock options	1,247	867
Payment of cash dividends	(30,599)	(23,953)
Net cash provided by financing activities	712,006	333,897
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	126,757	(84,259)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	197,969	357,250
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 324,726	\$ 272,991

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BANCORPSOUTH, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
 Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows
 (Unaudited)

	Nine months ended September 30,	
	2016	2015
	(In thousands)	
Supplemental Cash Flow Information		
Cash paid during the period for:		
Income tax payments, net	\$ 36,897	\$ 58,298
Interest paid	20,634	21,923
Non-cash Activities		
Transfers of loans to other real estate owned	9,266	5,868
MSR fair value adjustment	(10,233)	(4,026)
Financed sales of other real estate owned	673	1,178
Transfers of loans held for sale to loan portfolio	-	75
See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.		

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

(Unaudited)

NOTE 1 – BASIS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION AND PRINCIPLES OF CONSOLIDATION

The accompanying unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of BancorpSouth, Inc. (the “Company”) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”) and follow general practices within the industries in which the Company operates. For further information, refer to the audited consolidated financial statements and notes included in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015. In the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements have been included and all such adjustments were of a normal, recurring nature. The results of operations for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2016 are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the full year. Certain 2015 amounts have been reclassified to conform with the 2016 presentation.

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company, its wholly-owned subsidiaries, BancorpSouth Bank (the “Bank”) and Gumtree Wholesale Insurance Brokers, Inc., and the Bank’s wholly-owned subsidiaries, BancorpSouth Insurance Services, Inc., BancorpSouth Municipal Development Corporation and BancorpSouth Bank Securities Corporation.

NOTE 2 – LOANS AND LEASES

The Company’s loan and lease portfolio is disaggregated into the following segments: commercial and industrial; real estate; credit card; and all other. The real estate segment is further disaggregated into the following classes: consumer mortgages; home equity; agricultural; commercial and industrial-owner occupied; construction, acquisition and development; and commercial real estate. A summary of gross loans and leases by segment and class as of the dates indicated follows:

September 30, 2016	2015	December 31, 2015
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(In thousands)

Commercial and industrial	\$ 1,619,668	\$ 1,715,293	\$ 1,752,273
Real estate			
Consumer mortgages	2,611,387	2,447,132	2,472,202
Home equity	622,566	573,566	589,752
Agricultural	242,171	252,381	259,360
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	1,668,477	1,605,811	1,617,429
Construction, acquisition and development	1,121,386	900,875	945,045
Commercial real estate	2,240,717	2,141,398	2,188,048
Credit cards	107,447	109,576	112,165
All other	451,347	507,981	468,052
Gross loans and leases (1)	10,685,166	10,254,013	10,404,326
Less: Unearned income	26,405	34,437	31,548
Net loans and leases	\$ 10,658,761	\$ 10,219,576	\$ 10,372,778

(1) Gross loans and leases are net of deferred fees and costs of \$2.2 million, approximately (\$232,000) and (\$214,000) at September 30, 2016 and 2015 and December 31, 2015, respectively.

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The following table shows the Company's loans and leases, net of unearned income, as of September 30, 2016 by segment, class and geographical location:

	Alabama and Florida Panhandle (In thousands)	Arkansas	Louisiana	Mississippi	Missouri	Tennessee	Texas
Commercial and industrial	\$ 135,467	\$ 205,833	\$ 184,819	\$ 639,204	\$ 78,950	\$ 116,203	\$
Real estate							
Consumer mortgages	335,856	325,793	226,092	831,986	84,046	294,218	484,000
Home equity	96,539	43,963	69,255	227,952	23,328	144,835	14,000
Agricultural	7,734	81,798	27,160	67,213	5,032	12,864	40,000
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	195,572	178,681	200,406	662,735	49,901	140,843	240,000
Construction, acquisition and development	127,828	101,148	58,844	353,188	24,535	163,247	292,000
Commercial real estate	284,543	356,121	223,016	608,483	199,928	196,105	372,000
Credit cards	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All other	70,487	45,925	28,675	174,356	3,562	30,749	55,000
Total	\$ 1,254,026	\$ 1,339,262	\$ 1,018,267	\$ 3,565,117	\$ 469,282	\$ 1,099,064	\$

There are no other loan and lease concentrations which exceed 10% of total loans and leases not already reflected in the preceding tables. A substantial portion of construction, acquisition and development loans are secured by real estate in markets in which the Company is located. The Company's loan policy generally prohibits the use of interest reserves. Certain of the construction, acquisition and development loans were structured with interest-only terms. A portion of the consumer mortgage and commercial real estate portfolios were originated through the permanent financing of construction, acquisition and development loans. Future economic distress could negatively impact borrowers' and guarantors' ability to repay their debt which would make more of the Company's loans collateral dependent.

The following tables provide details regarding the aging of the Company's loan and lease portfolio, net of unearned income, by segment and class at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015:

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September 30, 2016

	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90+ Days Past Due	Total Past Due	Current	Total Outstanding	90+ Days Past Due still Accruing
(In thousands)							
Commercial and industrial Real estate Consumer mortgages	\$ 7,068	\$ 1,840	\$ 7,579	\$ 16,487	\$ 1,599,665	\$ 1,616,152	\$ 68
Home equity	12,961	6,346	12,563	31,870	2,579,517	2,611,387	1,660
Agricultural	2,969	1,055	2,802	6,826	615,740	622,566	-
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	567	86	305	958	241,213	242,171	-
Construction, acquisition and development	2,265	40	5,290	7,595	1,660,882	1,668,477	-
Commercial real estate	878	434	736	2,048	1,119,338	1,121,386	-
Credit cards	16,230	350	1,478	18,058	2,222,659	2,240,717	-
All other	495	305	540	1,340	106,107	107,447	520
Total	800	299	46	1,145	427,313	428,458	7
	\$ 44,233	\$ 10,755	\$ 31,339	\$ 86,327	\$ 10,572,434	\$ 10,658,761	\$ 2,255

December 31, 2015

	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90+ Days Past Due	Total Past Due	Current	Total Outstanding	90+ Days Past Due still Accruing
(In thousands)							
Commercial and industrial Real estate Consumer mortgages	\$ 2,038	\$ 817	\$ 4,731	\$ 7,586	\$ 1,740,188	\$ 1,747,774	\$ 60
Home equity	13,827	4,692	13,604	32,123	2,440,079	2,472,202	1,655
Agricultural	2,589	268	1,896	4,753	584,999	589,752	-
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	176	139	-	315	259,045	259,360	-
Construction, acquisition and development	1,189	3,105	4,034	8,328	1,609,101	1,617,429	-
Commercial real estate	1,017	207	2,409	3,633	941,412	945,045	-
	2,840	187	6,286	9,313	2,178,735	2,188,048	-

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Credit cards	420	343	323	1,086	111,079	112,165	298
All other	628	262	105	995	440,008	441,003	-
Total	\$ 24,724	\$ 10,020	\$ 33,388	\$ 68,132	\$ 10,304,646	\$ 10,372,778	\$ 2,013

The Company utilizes an internal loan classification system to grade loans according to certain credit quality indicators. These credit quality indicators include, but are not limited to, recent credit performance, delinquency, liquidity, cash flows, debt coverage ratios, collateral type and loan-to-value ratio. The Company's internal loan classification system is compatible with classifications used by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, as well as other regulatory agencies. Loans may be classified as follows:

Pass: Loans which are performing as agreed with few or no signs of weakness. These loans show sufficient cash flow, capital and collateral to repay the loan as agreed.

Special Mention: Loans where potential weaknesses have developed which could cause a more serious problem if not corrected.

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Substandard: Loans where well-defined weaknesses exist that require corrective action to prevent further deterioration. Loans are further characterized by the possibility that the Company will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected.

Doubtful: Loans having all the characteristics of Substandard and which have deteriorated to a point where collection and liquidation in full is highly questionable.

Loss: Loans that are considered uncollectible or with limited possible recovery.

Impaired: Loans for which it is probable that the Company will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement and for which a specific impairment reserve has been considered.

The following tables provide details of the Company's loan and lease portfolio, net of unearned income, by segment, class and internally assigned grade at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015:

	September 30, 2016						Total
	Pass	Special Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Loss	Impaired (1)	
	(In thousands)						
Commercial and industrial	\$ 1,567,073	\$ -	\$ 42,117	\$ 774	\$ -	\$ 6,188	\$ 1,616,152
Real estate							
Consumer mortgages	2,549,780	528	59,727	89	-	1,263	2,611,387
Home equity	610,313	-	10,766	-	-	1,487	622,566
Agricultural	230,891	-	10,639	-	-	641	242,171
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	1,619,545	512	39,135	-	-	9,285	1,668,477
Construction, acquisition and development	1,103,739	-	11,308	-	-	6,339	1,121,386
Commercial real estate	2,188,170	-	38,637	-	-	13,910	2,240,717
Credit cards	107,447	-	-	-	-	-	107,447
All other	420,838	-	7,620	-	-	-	428,458
Total	\$ 10,397,796	\$ 1,040	\$ 219,949	\$ 863	\$ -	\$ 39,113	\$ 10,658,761

(1) Impaired loans are shown exclusive of accruing troubled debt restructurings (“TDRs”) and \$2.2 million of non-accruing TDRs.

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	December 31, 2015						
	Pass	Special Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Loss	Impaired (1)	Total
	(In thousands)						
Commercial and industrial	\$ 1,721,118	\$ -	\$ 19,529	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,127	\$ 1,747,774
Real estate							
Consumer mortgages	2,399,081	-	68,768	363	-	3,990	2,472,202
Home equity	577,539	-	10,418	-	-	1,795	589,752
Agricultural	250,579	-	7,909	-	-	872	259,360
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	1,554,984	-	50,304	-	-	12,141	1,617,429
Construction, acquisition and development	920,372	-	17,090	-	-	7,583	945,045
Commercial real estate	2,124,448	-	45,658	161	-	17,781	2,188,048
Credit cards	112,165	-	-	-	-	-	112,165
All other	433,333	-	7,465	102	-	103	441,003
Total	\$ 10,093,619	\$ -	\$ 227,141	\$ 626	\$ -	\$ 51,392	\$ 10,372,778

(1) Impaired loans are shown exclusive of accruing TDRs and \$2.6 million of non-accruing TDRs.

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The following tables provide details regarding impaired loans and leases, net of unearned income, which exclude accruing TDRs by segment and class as of and for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015:

	September 30, 2016			Average Recorded Investment		Interest Income Recognized	
	Recorded Investment in Impaired Loans (1) (In thousands)	Unpaid Principal Balance of Impaired Loans	Related Allowance for Credit Losses	Three months ended September 30, 2016	Nine months ended September 30, 2016	Three months ended September 30, 2016	Nine months ended September 30, 2016
With no related allowance:							
Commercial and industrial	\$ 6,131	\$ 12,419	\$ -	\$ 6,038	\$ 6,500	\$ 3	\$ -
Real estate:							
Consumer mortgages	225	604	-	719	2,079	1	22
Home equity	271	386	-	1,090	1,414	3	8
Agricultural	641	699	-	372	318	-	4
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	9,285	10,484	-	10,334	10,719	86	290
Construction, acquisition and development	5,194	5,194	-	5,227	5,474	-	4
Commercial real estate	4,186	4,430	-	3,816	4,891	17	87
All other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 25,933	\$ 34,216	\$ -	\$ 27,596	\$ 31,395	\$ 110	\$ 44
With an allowance:							
Commercial and industrial	\$ 57	\$ 57	\$ 66	\$ 209	\$ 885	\$ 1	\$ 2
Real estate:							
Consumer mortgages	1,038	1,038	305	338	345	-	-
Home equity	1,216	1,216	732	396	220	-	1
Agricultural	-	-	-	341	471	-	-
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	-	-	-	-	989	-	-
Construction, acquisition and development	1,145	1,145	48	451	607	-	-

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Commercial real estate	9,724	9,724	2,560	9,787	9,926	92	193
All other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 13,180	\$ 13,180	\$ 3,711	\$ 11,522	\$ 13,443	\$ 93	\$ 2
Total:							
Commercial and industrial	\$ 6,188	\$ 12,476	\$ 66	\$ 6,247	\$ 7,385	\$ 4	\$ 7
Real estate:							
Consumer mortgages	1,263	1,642	305	1,057	2,424	1	22
Home equity	1,487	1,602	732	1,486	1,634	3	9
Agricultural	641	699	-	713	789	-	4
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	9,285	10,484	-	10,334	11,708	86	290
Construction, acquisition and development	6,339	6,339	48	5,678	6,081	-	4
Commercial real estate	13,910	14,154	2,560	13,603	14,817	109	280
All other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 39,113	\$ 47,396	\$ 3,711	\$ 39,118	\$ 44,838	\$ 203	\$ 6

(1) Excludes \$2.2 million of non-accruing TDRs.

	December 31, 2015				
	Recorded Investment in Impaired Loans (1)	Unpaid Principal Balance of Impaired Loans	Related Allowance for Credit Losses	Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recognized
	(In thousands)				
With no related allowance:					
Commercial and industrial	\$ 7,055	\$ 13,986	\$ -	\$ 3,749	\$ 95
Real estate:					
Consumer mortgages	3,990	4,545	-	3,579	76
Home equity	1,795	1,795	-	744	7
Agricultural	322	380	-	142	6
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	12,141	13,332	-	6,904	226
Construction, acquisition and development	5,969	6,052	-	3,553	25
Commercial real estate	5,017	6,879	-	7,944	202
All other	103	103	-	172	3
Total	\$ 36,392	\$ 47,072	\$ -	\$ 26,787	\$ 640
With an allowance:					
Commercial and industrial	\$ 72	\$ 383	\$ 78	\$ 3,635	\$ 84
Real estate:					
Consumer mortgages	-	-	-	368	9
Home equity	-	-	-	668	15
Agricultural	550	550	159	47	-
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	-	-	326	1,866	51
Construction, acquisition and development	1,614	1,614	677	300	-
Commercial real estate	12,764	13,185	1,110	3,582	44
All other	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,732	\$ 2,350	\$ 10,466	\$ 203
Total:					

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Commercial and industrial	\$	7,127	\$	14,369	\$	78	\$	7,384	\$	179
Real estate:										
Consumer mortgages		3,990		4,545		-		3,947		85
Home equity		1,795		1,795		-		1,412		22
Agricultural		872		930		159		189		6
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied		12,141		13,332		326		8,770		277
Construction, acquisition and development		7,583		7,666		677		3,853		25
Commercial real estate		17,781		20,064		1,110		11,526		246
All other		103		103		-		172		3
Total	\$	51,392	\$	62,804	\$	2,350	\$	37,253	\$	843

(1) Excludes \$2.6 million of non-accruing TDRs.

The following tables provide details regarding impaired loans and leases, net of unearned income, which include accruing TDRs, by segment and class as of and for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015:

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	September 30, 2016							
	Recorded Investment in Impaired Loans, including Accruing TDRs (In thousands)	Unpaid Principal Balance of Impaired Loans, including Accruing TDRs	Related Allowance for Credit Losses	Average Recorded Investment Three months ended September 30, 2016	Recorded Investment Nine months ended September 30, 2016	Interest Income Three months ended September 30, 2016	Recorded Investment Three months ended September 30, 2016	Interest Income Three months ended September 30, 2016
With no related allowance:								
Commercial and industrial	\$ 6,131	\$ 12,419	\$ -	\$ 6,038	\$ 6,500	\$ 3	\$ -	\$ -
Real estate:								
Consumer mortgages	225	604	-	719	2,079	1	-	22
Home equity	271	386	-	1,090	1,414	3	-	8
Agricultural	641	699	-	372	318	-	-	4
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	9,285	10,484	-	10,334	10,719	86	-	290
Construction, acquisition and development	5,194	5,194	-	5,227	5,474	-	-	4
Commercial real estate	4,186	4,430	-	3,816	4,891	17	-	87
All other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 25,933	\$ 34,216	\$ -	\$ 27,596	\$ 31,395	\$ 110	\$ -	\$ -
With an allowance:								
Commercial and industrial	\$ 2,974	\$ 2,997	\$ 107	\$ 3,351	\$ 3,335	\$ 35	\$ -	\$ -
Real estate:								
Consumer mortgages	3,243	3,437	604	2,209	1,975	14	-	36
Home equity	1,219	1,229	733	399	233	-	-	1
Agricultural	77	77	4	431	542	1	-	3
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	3,484	3,953	90	3,276	4,873	28	-	89
Construction, acquisition and development	1,394	1,394	60	702	1,609	3	-	22
Commercial real estate	16,496	16,723	2,614	12,871	11,723	125	-	250
Credit card	821	821	54	862	880	86	-	265
All other	3,640	3,678	26	2,720	1,475	29	-	44
Total	\$ 33,348	\$ 34,309	\$ 4,292	\$ 26,821	\$ 26,645	\$ 321	\$ -	\$ -
Total:								
Commercial and industrial	\$ 9,105	\$ 15,416	\$ 107	\$ 9,389	\$ 9,835	\$ 38	\$ -	\$ -
Real estate:								
	3,468	4,041	604	2,928	4,054	15	-	58

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Consumer mortgages								
Home equity	1,490	1,615	733	1,489	1,647	3	9	
Agricultural	718	776	4	803	860	1	7	
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	12,769	14,437	90	13,610	15,592	114	379	
Construction, acquisition and development	6,588	6,588	60	5,929	7,083	3	26	
Commercial real estate	20,682	21,153	2,614	16,687	16,614	142	337	
Credit card	821	821	54	862	880	86	265	
All other	3,640	3,678	26	2,720	1,475	29	44	
Total	\$ 59,281	\$ 68,525	\$ 4,292	\$ 54,417	\$ 58,040	\$ 431	\$ 26	

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	December 31, 2015					
	Recorded Investment in Impaired Loans, Including Accruing TDRs (In thousands)	Unpaid Principal Balance of Impaired Loans, Including Accruing TDRs	Related Allowance for Credit Losses	Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recognized	
With no related allowance:						
Commercial and industrial Real estate:	\$ 7,055	\$ 13,986	\$ -	\$ 3,749	\$ 95	
Consumer mortgages	3,990	4,545	-	3,579	76	
Home equity	1,795	1,795	-	744	7	
Agricultural	322	380	-	142	6	
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	12,141	13,332	-	6,904	226	
Construction, acquisition and development	5,969	6,052	-	3,553	25	
Commercial real estate	5,017	6,879	-	7,944	202	
All other	103	103	-	172	3	
Total	\$ 36,392	\$ 47,072	\$ -	\$ 26,787	\$ 640	
With an allowance:						
Commercial and industrial Real estate:	\$ 968	\$ 1,294	\$ 181	\$ 4,251	\$ 114	
Consumer mortgages	1,787	1,896	226	2,056	75	
Home equity	20	30	3	674	15	
Agricultural	586	586	162	56	-	
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	5,900	6,245	518	6,816	235	
Construction, acquisition and development	3,328	3,328	721	1,759	42	
Commercial real estate	13,616	14,250	1,217	7,802	187	
Credit cards	939	939	34	1,024	102	
All other	405	604	30	213	7	
Total	\$ 27,549	\$ 29,172	\$ 3,092	\$ 24,651	\$ 777	
Total:						
Commercial and industrial Real estate:	\$ 8,023	\$ 15,280	\$ 181	\$ 8,000	\$ 209	
Consumer mortgages	5,777	6,441	226	5,635	151	
Home equity	1,815	1,825	3	1,418	22	
Agricultural	908	966	162	198	6	

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Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	18,041	19,577	518	13,720	461
Construction, acquisition and development	9,297	9,380	721	5,312	67
Commercial real estate	18,633	21,129	1,217	15,746	389
Credit cards	939	939	34	1,024	102
All other	508	707	30	385	10
Total	\$ 63,941	\$ 76,244	\$ 3,092	\$ 51,438	\$ 1,417

Loans considered impaired under Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standards Codification (“ASC”) Topic 310, Receivables (“FASB ASC 310”), are loans greater than \$500,000 for which, based on current information and events, it is probable that the Company will be unable to collect all amounts due according

to the contractual terms of the loan agreement and all loans restructured in a TDR. The Company's recorded investment in loans considered impaired exclusive of accruing TDRs at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015 was \$39.1 million and \$51.4 million, respectively. At September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, \$13.2 million and \$15.0 million, respectively, of those impaired loans had a valuation allowance of \$3.7 million and \$2.4 million, respectively. The remaining balance of impaired loans of \$25.9 million and \$36.4 million at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively, have sufficient collateral supporting the collection of all outstanding principle or were charged down to fair value, less estimated selling costs. Therefore, such loans did not have an associated valuation allowance. Impaired loans that were characterized as non-accruing TDRs totaled \$11.4 million and \$15.1 million at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively.

Non-performing loans and leases ("NPLs") consist of non-accrual loans and leases, loans and leases 90 days or more past due and still accruing, and loans and leases that have been restructured (primarily in the form of reduced interest rates and modified payment terms) because of the borrower's weakened financial condition or bankruptcy proceedings. The following table presents information concerning NPLs as of the dates indicated:

	September 30, 2016	2015	December 31, 2015
	(In thousands)		
Non-accrual loans and leases	\$ 70,725	\$ 70,237	\$ 83,028
Loans and leases 90 days or more past due, still accruing	2,255	1,436	2,013
Restructured loans and leases, still accruing	17,936	18,578	9,876
Total non-performing loans and leases	\$ 90,916	\$ 90,251	\$ 94,917

The Bank's policy for all loan classifications provides that loans and leases are generally placed in non-accrual status if, in management's opinion, payment in full of principal or interest is not expected or payment of principal or interest is more than 90 days past due, unless such loan or lease is both well-secured and in the process of collection. At September 30, 2016, the Company's geographic NPL distribution was concentrated primarily in its Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi markets. The following table presents the Company's nonaccrual loans and leases by segment and class as of the dates indicated:

	September 30, 2016	2015	December 31, 2015
	(In thousands)		
Commercial and industrial	\$ 11,659	\$ 15,697	\$ 8,493
Real estate			
Consumer mortgages	20,196	21,959	21,637
Home equity	3,721	3,664	4,021

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Agricultural	1,194	484	921	
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	11,983	12,690	16,512	
Construction, acquisition and development	6,939	4,240	9,130	
Commercial real estate	14,793	10,730	21,741	
Credit cards	121	215	188	
All other	119	558	385	
Total	\$ 70,725	\$ 70,237	\$ 83,028	

In the normal course of business, management will sometimes grant concessions, which would not otherwise be considered, to borrowers that are experiencing financial difficulty. Loans identified as meeting the criteria set out in FASB ASC 310 are identified as TDRs. The concessions granted most frequently for TDRs involve reductions or delays in required payments of principal and interest for a specified period, the rescheduling of payments in accordance with a bankruptcy plan. In most cases, the conditions of the credit also warrant nonaccrual status, even after the restructure occurs. Other conditions that warrant a loan being considered a TDR include reductions in interest rates to below market rates due to bankruptcy plans or by the bank in an attempt to assist the borrower in working through liquidity problems. As part of the credit approval process, the restructured loans are evaluated for adequate collateral

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protection in determining the appropriate accrual status at the time of restructure. TDRs recorded as nonaccrual loans may generally be returned to accrual status in years after the restructure if there has been at least a six-month period of sustained repayment performance by the borrower in accordance with the terms of the restructured loan. During the third quarter of 2016, the most common concessions that were granted involved rescheduling payments of principal and interest over a longer amortization period, granting a period of reduced principal payment or interest only payment for a limited time period, or the rescheduling of payments in accordance with a bankruptcy plan or a reduction in interest rates.

The following tables summarize the financial effect of TDRs recorded during the periods indicated:

	Three months ended September 30, 2016		
	Number	Pre-Modification	Post-Modification
	of	Outstanding	Outstanding
	Contracts	Recorded	Recorded
		Investment	Investment
		(Dollars in thousands)	
Commercial and industrial	9	\$ 1,493	\$ 1,401
Real estate			
Consumer mortgages	2	289	233
Agricultural	1	12	12
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	5	2,380	2,372
Commercial real estate	3	5,245	5,384
All other	3	2,894	2,883
Total	23	\$ 12,313	\$ 12,285

	Nine months ended September 30, 2016		
	Number	Pre-Modification	Post-Modification
	of	Outstanding	Outstanding
	Contracts	Recorded	Recorded
		Investment	Investment
		(Dollars in thousands)	
Commercial and industrial	18	\$ 4,729	\$ 4,575
Real estate			
Consumer mortgages	14	1,012	938
Home equity	1	3	3
Agricultural	2	79	79

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Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	8	2,965	2,953
Commercial real estate	5	8,932	6,702
All other	6	3,610	3,596
Total	54	\$ 21,330	\$ 18,846

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	Year ended December 31, 2015		
	Number of Contracts (Dollars in thousands)	Pre-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment	Post-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment
Commercial and industrial Real estate	11	\$ 1,472	\$ 1,452
Consumer mortgages	21	1,230	1,144
Home equity	1	20	20
Agricultural	3	37	36
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied Construction, acquisition and development	13	6,357	6,329
Commercial real estate	3	217	215
All other	9	12,565	12,144
Total	7	94	88
	68	\$ 21,992	\$ 21,428

The tables below summarize TDRs within the previous 12 months for which there was a payment default during the period indicated (i.e., 30 days or more past due at any given time during the period indicated).

	Three months ended September 30, 2016	
	Number of Contracts	Recorded Investment
Commercial and industrial Real estate	8	\$ 3,804
Consumer mortgages	3	425
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	1	126
Total	12	\$ 4,355

Nine months ended September 30,
2016

Number of Recorded
Contracts Investment

(Dollars in thousands)

Commercial and industrial	8	\$	3,804
Real estate			
Consumer mortgages	7	597	
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	2	532	
Construction, acquisition and development	1	14	
Commercial real estate	1	9,336	
All other	2	20	
Total	21	\$	14,303

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	Year ended December 31, 2015	
	Number of Contracts	Recorded Investment
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Commercial and industrial Real estate	1	\$ 84
Consumer mortgages	4	226
Agricultural	1	20
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	1	517
Commercial real estate	2	197
Total	9	\$ 1,044

NOTE 3 – ALLOWANCE FOR CREDIT LOSSES

The following tables summarize the changes in the allowance for credit losses by segment and class for the periods indicated:

	Nine months ended September 30, 2016				Balance, End of Period
	Balance, Beginning of Period	Charge-offs	Recoveries	Provision	
	(In thousands)				
Commercial and industrial Real estate	\$ 17,583	\$ (2,068)	\$ 814	\$ 1,516	\$ 17,845
Consumer mortgages	33,198	(1,782)	1,281	(1,078)	31,619
Home equity	6,949	(1,011)	435	1,674	8,047
Agricultural	2,524	(110)	160	(422)	2,152
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	14,607	(1,075)	343	(1,090)	12,785
Construction, acquisition and development	15,925	(511)	1,178	(3,015)	13,577
Commercial real estate	25,508	(1,129)	2,235	233	26,847

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Credit cards	4,047	(2,030)	642	4,459	7,118
All other	6,117	(1,617)	674	723	5,897
Total	\$ 126,458	\$ (11,333)	\$ 7,762	\$ 3,000	\$ 125,887

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	Year ended December 31, 2015				Balance, End of Period
	Balance, Beginning of Period	Charge-offs	Recoveries	Provision	
	(In thousands)				
Commercial and industrial Real estate	\$ 21,419	\$ (10,022)	\$ 2,035	\$ 4,151	\$ 17,583
Consumer mortgages	40,015	(3,995)	2,693	(5,515)	33,198
Home equity	9,542	(1,204)	639	(2,028)	6,949
Agricultural	3,420	(33)	384	(1,247)	2,524
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	16,325	(1,800)	2,834	(2,752)	14,607
Construction, acquisition and development	9,885	(1,039)	11,727	(4,648)	15,925
Commercial real estate	23,562	(3,723)	1,656	4,013	25,508
Credit cards	6,514	(2,632)	658	(493)	4,047
All other	11,761	(2,271)	1,108	(4,481)	6,117
Total	\$ 142,443	\$ (26,719)	\$ 23,734	\$ (13,000)	\$ 126,458

	Nine months ended September 30, 2015				Balance, End of Period
	Balance, Beginning of Period	Charge-offs	Recoveries	Provision	
	(In thousands)				
Commercial and industrial Real estate	\$ 21,419	\$ (3,829)	\$ 1,681	\$ 4,559	\$ 23,830
Consumer mortgages	40,015	(2,849)	2,113	(5,635)	33,644
Home equity	9,542	(1,057)	516	(1,039)	7,962
Agricultural	3,420	(17)	364	(1,252)	2,515
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	16,325	(1,443)	2,527	(2,452)	14,957
Construction, acquisition and development	9,885	(818)	10,666	(8,933)	10,800
Commercial real estate	23,562	(3,601)	1,507	3,637	25,105
Credit cards	6,514	(1,909)	506	(221)	4,890
All other	11,761	(1,648)	857	(1,664)	9,306
Total	\$ 142,443	\$ (17,171)	\$ 20,737	\$ (13,000)	\$ 133,009

The following tables provide the allowance for credit losses by segment, class and impairment status as of the dates indicated::

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	September 30, 2016			
	Recorded Balance of Impaired Loans (1)	Allowance for Impaired Loans and Leases	Allowance for All Other Loans and Leases	Total Allowance
	(In thousands)			
Commercial and industrial	\$ 6,188	\$ 66	\$ 17,779	\$ 17,845
Real estate				
Consumer mortgages	1,263	305	31,314	31,619
Home equity	1,487	732	7,315	8,047
Agricultural	641	-	2,152	2,152
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	9,285	-	12,785	12,785
Construction, acquisition and development	6,339	48	13,529	13,577
Commercial real estate	13,910	2,560	24,287	26,847
Credit cards	-	-	7,118	7,118
All other	-	-	5,897	5,897
Total	\$ 39,113	\$ 3,711	\$ 122,176	\$ 125,887

(1) Impaired loans are shown exclusive of accruing TDRs and \$2.2 million of non-accruing TDRs

	December 31, 2015			
	Recorded Balance of Impaired Loans (1)	Allowance for Impaired Loans and Leases	Allowance for All Other Loans and Leases	Total Allowance
	(In thousands)			
Commercial and industrial	\$ 7,127	\$ 78	\$ 17,505	\$ 17,583
Real estate				
Consumer mortgages	3,990	-	33,198	33,198
Home equity	1,795	-	6,949	6,949
Agricultural	872	159	2,365	2,524
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	12,141	326	14,281	14,607
Construction, acquisition and development	7,583	677	15,248	15,925
Commercial real estate	17,781	1,110	24,398	25,508
Credit cards	-	-	4,047	4,047
All other	103	-	6,117	6,117
Total	\$ 51,392	\$ 2,350	\$ 124,108	\$ 126,458

(1) Impaired loans are shown exclusive of accruing TDRs and \$2.6 million of non-accruing TDRs

Management evaluates impaired loans individually in determining the allowance for impaired loans. As a result of the Company individually evaluating loans of \$500,000 or greater for impairment, further review of remaining loans collectively, as well as the corresponding potential allowance, would be immaterial in the opinion of management.

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NOTE 4 – OTHER REAL ESTATE OWNED

The following table presents the activity in other real estate owned (“OREO”) for the periods indicated:

	Nine months ended September 30, 2016		Year ended December 31, 2015
	(In thousands)		
Balance at beginning of period	\$ 14,759	\$ 33,984	\$ 33,984
Additions to foreclosed properties			
New foreclosed properties	9,266	5,867	7,422
Reductions in foreclosed properties			
Sales including realized gains and losses, net	(10,582)	(12,422)	(20,649)
Writedowns for unrealized losses	(2,052)	(3,733)	(5,998)
Balance at end of period	\$ 11,391	\$ 23,696	\$ 14,759

The following tables present the OREO by segment and class as of the dates indicated:

	September 30, 2016		December 31, 2015
	(In thousands)		
Commercial and industrial Real estate	\$ -	\$ 84	\$ 84
Consumer mortgages	1,956	2,606	2,477
Home equity	39	101	101
Agricultural	25	25	25
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	1,921	1,306	1,074
Construction, acquisition and development	6,085	18,730	10,212
Commercial real estate	1,183	746	678
All other	182	98	108
Total	\$ 11,391	\$ 23,696	\$ 14,759

The Company incurred total foreclosed property expenses of approximately \$859,000 and \$808,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Realized net losses on dispositions and holding losses on valuations of these properties, a component of total foreclosed property expenses, were approximately \$525,000 and \$321,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The Company incurred total foreclosed property expenses of \$3.3 million and \$4.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Realized net losses on dispositions and holding losses on valuations of these properties, a component of total foreclosed property expenses, were \$2.3 million and \$3.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

NOTE 5 – SECURITIES

A comparison of amortized cost and estimated fair values of available-for-sale securities as of September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, and December 31, 2015 follows:

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	September 30, 2016			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
	(In thousands)			
U.S. Government agencies	\$ 1,686,637	\$ 5,330	\$ 101	\$ 1,691,866
U.S. Government agency issued residential mortgage-backed securities	181,307	2,887	99	\$ 184,095
U.S. Government agency issued commercial mortgage-backed securities	175,078	3,831	82	\$ 178,827
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	366,039	21,871	2,915	\$ 384,995
Other	27,388	1,028	-	\$ 28,416
Total	\$ 2,436,449	\$ 34,947	\$ 3,197	\$ 2,468,199

	December 31, 2015			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
	(In thousands)			
U.S. Government agencies	\$ 1,246,261	\$ 826	\$ 2,447	\$ 1,244,640
U.S. Government agency issued residential mortgage-backed securities	138,759	1,957	176	140,540
U.S. Government agency issued commercial mortgage-backed securities	261,544	2,414	3,265	260,693
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	394,769	22,813	83	417,499
Other	18,112	845	-	18,957
Total	\$ 2,059,445	\$ 28,855	\$ 5,971	\$ 2,082,329

	September 30, 2015			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
	(In thousands)			
U.S. Government agencies	\$ 1,249,043	\$ 6,674	\$ -	\$ 1,255,717
U.S. Government agency issued residential mortgage-backed securities	203,852	3,301	275	206,878
U.S. Government agency issued commercial mortgage-backed securities	226,285	3,661	24	229,922
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	426,911	24,730	41	451,600
Other	16,158	850	-	17,008

Total	\$ 2,122,249	\$ 39,216	\$ 340	\$ 2,161,125
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Gross gains of approximately \$89,000 and no gross losses were recognized on available-for-sale securities during the first nine months of 2016, while gross gains of approximately \$88,000 and no gross losses were recognized during the first nine months of 2015.

The amortized cost and estimated fair value of available-for-sale securities at September 30, 2016 by contractual maturity are shown below. Actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties. Equity securities are considered as maturing after ten years.

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	September 30, 2016		
	Amortized Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Weighted Average Yield
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Maturing in one year or less	\$ 446,304	\$ 446,972	0.92 %
Maturing after one year through five years	1,334,168	1,339,338	1.26
Maturing after five years through ten years	53,464	54,345	5.64
Maturing after ten years	246,128	264,622	5.58
Mortgage-backed securities	356,385	362,922	2.12
Total	\$ 2,436,449	\$ 2,468,199	

The following tables summarize information pertaining to temporarily impaired available-for-sale securities with continuous unrealized loss positions at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015:

	September 30, 2016					
	Continuous Unrealized Loss Position					
	Less Than 12 Months		12 Months or Longer		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
	(In thousands)					
U.S. Government agencies	\$ 209,162	\$ 101	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 209,162	\$ 101
U.S. Government agency issued residential mortgage-backed securities	\$ 11,480	\$ 38	\$ 16,211	\$ 61	\$ 27,691	\$ 99
U.S. Government agency issued commercial mortgage-backed securities	23,943	81	643	1	24,586	82
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	9,171	2,915	-	-	9,171	2,915
Total	\$ 253,756	\$ 3,135	\$ 16,854	\$ 62	\$ 270,610	\$ 3,197

	December 31, 2015					
	Continuous Unrealized Loss Position					
	Less Than 12 Months		12 Months or Longer		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses

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	(In thousands)					
U.S. Government agencies	\$ 762,568	\$ 2,447	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 762,568	\$ 2,447
U.S. Government agency issued residential mortgage-backed securities	34,238	176	-	-	34,238	176
U.S. Government agency issued commercial mortgage-backed securities	193,621	2,710	31,166	555	224,787	3,265
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	13,576	70	2,856	13	16,432	83
Total	\$ 1,004,003	\$ 5,403	\$ 34,022	\$ 568	\$ 1,038,025	\$ 5,971

Based upon a review of the credit quality of these securities, and considering that the issuers were in compliance with the terms of the securities, management has no intent to sell these securities until the full recovery of unrealized losses which may be until maturity, and it was more likely than not that the Company would not be required

to sell the securities prior to recovery of costs. Therefore, the impairments related to these securities were determined to be temporary. No other-than-temporary impairment was recorded during the first nine months of 2016 or 2015.

NOTE 6 – PER SHARE DATA

Basic earnings per share (“EPS”) are calculated using the two-class method. The two-class method provides that unvested share-based payment awards that contain nonforfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents (whether paid or unpaid) are participating securities and shall be included in the computation of basic EPS. Diluted EPS is computed using the weighted-average number of shares determined for the basic EPS computation plus the shares resulting from the assumed exercise of all outstanding share-based awards using the treasury stock method. Weighted-average antidilutive stock options to purchase approximately 32,400 and 45,000 shares of Company common stock with a weighted average exercise price of \$24.47 and \$24.71 per share for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2016 were excluded from diluted shares. There were no antidilutive other equity awards for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2016. Weighted-average antidilutive stock options to purchase approximately 32,400 of Company common stock with a weighted average exercise price of \$25.31 per share for both the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2015 were excluded from diluted shares. There were no antidilutive other equity awards for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2015. The following table provides a reconciliation of the numerators and denominators of the basic and diluted earnings per share computations for the periods shown:

	Three months ended September 30, 2016			2015		
	Income (Numerator)	Shares (Denominator)	Per Share Amount	Income (Numerator)	Shares (Denominator)	Per Share Amount
Basic EPS	(In thousands, except per share amounts)					
Income available to common shareholders	\$ 37,817	94,304	\$ 0.40	\$ 34,343	96,203	\$ 0.36
Effect of dilutive share- based awards	-	260		-	265	
Diluted EPS						
Income available to common shareholders plus assumed exercise of all outstanding share-based awards	\$ 37,817	94,564	\$ 0.40	\$ 34,343	96,468	\$ 0.36

	Nine months ended September 30, 2016			2015		
	Income (Numerator)	Shares (Denominator)	Per Share Amount	Income (Numerator)	Shares (Denominator)	Per Share Amount
Basic EPS	(In thousands, except per share amounts)					
Income available to common shareholders	\$ 95,058	94,378	\$ 1.01	\$ 106,322	96,396	\$ 1.10
Effect of dilutive share- based awards	-	239		-	308	
Diluted EPS						
Income available to common shareholders plus assumed exercise of all outstanding share-based awards	\$ 95,058	94,617	\$ 1.00	\$ 106,322	96,704	\$ 1.10

NOTE 7 – COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

The following tables present the components of other comprehensive (loss) income and the related tax effects allocated to each component for the periods indicated:

	Three months ended September 30, 2016			2015		
	Before tax amount	Tax effect	Net of tax amount	Before tax amount	Tax effect	Net of tax amount
Net unrealized (losses) gains on available-for-	(In thousands)					

sale securities:

Unrealized (losses) gains arising during holding period	\$ (11,169)	\$ 4,275	\$ (6,894)	\$ 6,225	\$ (2,382)	\$ 3,843
Reclassification adjustment for net gains realized in net income (1)	(1)	-	(1)	(33)	13	(20)
Recognized employee benefit plan net periodic benefit cost (2)	1,511	(578)	933	1,797	(687)	1,110
Other comprehensive (loss) income	\$ (9,659)	\$ 3,697	\$ (5,962)	\$ 7,989	\$ (3,056)	\$ 4,933
Net income			37,817			34,343
Comprehensive income			\$ 31,855			\$ 39,276

(1) Reclassification adjustments for net gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities are reported as net security gains on the consolidated statements of income.

(2) Recognized employee benefit plan net periodic benefit cost include recognized prior service cost and recognized net loss. For more information, see Note 9 - Pension Benefits.

	Nine months ended September 30, 2016			2015		
	Before tax amount	Tax effect	Net of tax amount	Before tax amount	Tax effect	Net of tax amount
Net unrealized gains on available-for- sale securities:	(In thousands)					
Unrealized gains arising during holding period	\$ 8,956	\$ (3,424)	\$ 5,532	\$ 6,605	\$ (2,550)	\$ 4,055
Reclassification adjustment for net gains realized in net income (1)	(89)	34	(55)	(88)	34	(54)
Recognized employee benefit plan net periodic benefit cost (2)	4,533	(1,734)	2,799	5,391	(2,061)	3,330
Other comprehensive income	\$ 13,400	\$ (5,124)	\$ 8,276	\$ 11,908	\$ (4,577)	\$ 7,331
Net income			95,058			106,322
Comprehensive income			\$ 103,334			\$ 113,653

(1) Reclassification adjustments for net gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities are reported as net security gains on the consolidated statements of income.

(2) Recognized employee benefit plan net periodic benefit cost include recognized prior service cost and recognized net loss. For more information, see Note 9 - Pension Benefits.

NOTE 8 – GOODWILL AND OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

The carrying amounts of goodwill by operating segment for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 were as follows:

Community Banking	Insurance Agencies	Total
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	(In thousands)		
Balance as of December 31, 2015	\$ 217,618	\$ 73,880	\$ 291,498
Goodwill recorded during the period	-	3,403	3,403
Balance as of September 30, 2016	\$ 217,618	\$ 77,283	\$ 294,901

The goodwill recorded in the Company's Insurance Agencies reporting segment during the first nine months of 2016 was related to an insurance agency acquired during the second quarter of 2016.

The Company's policy is to assess goodwill for impairment at the reporting segment level on an annual basis or sooner if an event occurs or circumstances change which indicate that the fair value of a reporting segment is below its carrying amount. Impairment is the condition that exists when the carrying amount of goodwill exceeds its implied fair value. Accounting standards require management to estimate the fair value of each reporting segment in assessing impairment at least annually. The Company's annual assessment date is during the Company's fourth quarter. No events occurred during the first nine months of 2016 that indicated the necessity of an earlier goodwill impairment assessment.

In the current economic environment, forecasting cash flows, credit losses and growth in addition to valuing the Company's assets with any degree of assurance is very difficult and subject to significant changes over very short periods of time. Management will continue to update its analysis as circumstances change. As market conditions continue to be volatile and unpredictable, impairment of goodwill related to the Company's reporting segments may be necessary in future periods.

The following tables present information regarding the components of the Company's identifiable intangible assets for the dates and periods indicated:

	As of September 30, 2016		As of December 31, 2015	
	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization	Gross Carrying Amount	Accumulated Amortization
Amortized intangible assets:	(In thousands)			
Core deposit intangibles	\$ 27,801	\$ 23,609	\$ 27,801	\$ 23,269
Customer relationship intangibles	43,918	29,591	49,639	34,922
Non-solicitation intangibles	1,550	849	1,650	1,042
Total	\$ 73,269	\$ 54,049	\$ 79,090	\$ 59,233
Unamortized intangible assets:				
Trade names	\$ 688	\$ -	\$ 688	\$ -

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Aggregate amortization expense for:	(In thousands)			
Core deposit intangibles	\$ 112	\$ 120	\$ 340	\$ 366
Customer relationship intangibles	737	754	2,075	2,376
Non-solicitation intangibles	74	75	257	300
Total	\$ 923	\$ 949	\$ 2,672	\$ 3,042

During the first nine months, customer relationship intangibles of \$1.7 million with an amortization period of ten years was recorded as a result of the insurance agency acquisition. Also during the first nine months, non-solicitation intangibles of approximately \$350,000 with an amortization period of 3.5 years was recorded as a result of the insurance agency acquisition.

The following table presents information regarding estimated amortization expense on the Company's amortizable identifiable intangible assets for the year ending December 31, 2016 and the succeeding four years:

	Core Deposit Intangibles	Customer Relationship Intangibles	Non- Solicitation Intangibles	Total
Estimated Amortization Expense:	(In thousands)			
For the year ending December 31, 2016	\$ 451	\$ 2,852	\$ 282	\$ 3,585
For the year ending December 31, 2017	419	2,669	298	3,386
For the year ending December 31, 2018	390	2,267	281	2,938
For the year ending December 31, 2019	363	1,916	98	2,377
For the year ending December 31, 2020	340	1,511	-	1,851

NOTE 9 – PENSION BENEFITS

The following table presents the components of net periodic benefit costs for the periods indicated:

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	(In thousands)			
Service cost	\$ 2,213	\$ 2,615	\$ 6,639	\$ 7,845
Interest cost	2,341	2,588	7,023	7,764
Expected return on assets	(2,613)	(2,694)	(7,839)	(8,081)
Recognized prior service cost	(179)	(179)	(537)	(538)
Recognized net loss	1,690	1,976	5,070	5,928
Net periodic benefit costs	\$ 3,452	\$ 4,306	\$ 10,356	\$ 12,918

NOTE 10 – RECENT PRONOUNCEMENTS

In September 2014, the FASB issued an ASU regarding accounting for revenue from contracts with customers. This ASU implements a common revenue standard that clarifies the principles for recognizing revenue. The core principle of ASU 2014-09 is that an entity should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. To achieve that core principle, an entity should apply the following steps: (i) identify the contract(s) with a customer, (ii) identify the performance obligations in the contract, (iii) determine the transaction price, (iv) allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract and (v) recognize revenue when (or as) the entity satisfies a performance obligation. ASU 2014-09 was originally going to be effective on January 1, 2017; however, the FASB issued ASU 2015-14, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)–Deferral of the Effective Date" which deferred the effective date of ASU 2014-09 by one year to January 1, 2018. The Company is currently evaluating the potential impact of ASU 2014-09 on the financial statements.

In December 2014, the FASB issued an ASU regarding accounting for share-based payments. This ASU requires entities to apply existing guidance in Topic 718 to any performance target that affects vesting and that could be achieved after the requisite service period to be treated as a performance condition. As such, the performance target should not be reflected in estimating the grant-date fair value of the award. The amendments in this update are effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2015. This ASU did not have a material impact on the financial position and results of operations of the Company.

In February 2016, the FASB issued an ASU regarding accounting for leases. ASU 2016-02 requires all leases, except short-term leases, to be recognized on the lessee's balance sheet at commencement date as a lease liability for the obligation of lease payments and a right-of-use asset for the right to use/control a specified asset for the lease term.

This ASU is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2018. This ASU is not expected to have a material impact on the financial position and results of operations of the Company.

In March 2016, the FASB issued an ASU regarding stock compensation and improvements to employee share-based payment accounting. This ASU changes five aspects of the accounting for share-based payment award transactions including 1) accounting for income taxes; 2) classification of excess tax benefits on the statement of cash flows; 3) forfeitures; 4) minimum statutory tax withholding requirements; 5) classification of employee taxes paid on the statement of cash flows when an employer withholds shares for tax-withholding purposes. This ASU is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016. This ASU will not have a material impact on the financial position and results of operations of the Company.

In June 2016, the FASB issued an ASU regarding credit losses on financial instruments. This ASU will provide financial statement users with more information regarding the expected credit losses on financial instruments and other commitments to extend credit at each reporting date rather than the incurred loss impairment method. This ASU is effective for interim and annual periods after December 15, 2019. The Company is currently evaluating the potential impact of this ASU on the financial statements.

In August 2016, the FASB issued an ASU regarding how certain cash receipts and cash payments are presented and classified in the statement of cash flows. The update addresses eight specific cash flow items whose objective is to reduce existing diversity in practice. This ASU is effective for interim and annual periods after

December 15, 2017. The adoption of this ASU is not expected to have a material impact on the financial position and results of operations of the Company.

NOTE 11 - SEGMENT REPORTING

The Company is a financial holding company with subsidiaries engaged in the business of banking and activities closely related to banking. The Company determines reportable segments based upon the services offered, the significance of those services to the Company's financial condition and operating results and management's regular review of the operating results of those services. The Company's primary segment is Community Banking, which includes providing a full range of deposit products, commercial loans and consumer loans. The Company has also designated two additional reportable segments -- Insurance Agencies and General Corporate and Other. The Company's insurance agencies serve as agents in the sale of commercial lines of insurance and full lines of property and casualty, life, health and employee benefits products and services. The General Corporate and Other operating segment includes mortgage banking, trust services, credit card activities, investment services and other activities not allocated to the Community Banking or Insurance Agencies operating segments.

Results of operations and selected financial information by operating segment for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 were as follows:

	Community Banking (In thousands)	Insurance Agencies	General Corporate and Other	Total
Three months ended September 30, 2016:				
Results of Operations				
Net interest revenue	\$ 104,939	\$ 11	\$ 9,640	\$ 114,590
Provision for credit losses	(2,082)	-	2,082	-
Net interest revenue after provision for credit losses	107,021	11	7,558	114,590
Noninterest revenue	20,745	27,913	22,210	70,868
Noninterest expense	76,914	25,335	27,263	129,512
Income before income taxes	50,852	2,589	2,505	55,946
Income tax expense	17,050	1,051	28	18,129
Net income	\$ 33,802	\$ 1,538	\$ 2,477	\$ 37,817
Selected Financial Information				
Total assets at end of period	\$ 10,790,604	\$ 217,062	\$ 3,603,817	\$ 14,611,483
Depreciation and amortization	5,431	1,075	\$ 835	7,341
Three months ended September 30, 2015:				
Results of Operations				
Net interest revenue	\$ 101,202	\$ 35	\$ 9,833	\$ 111,070

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Provision for credit losses	(3,164)	-	164	(3,000)
Net interest revenue after provision for credit losses	104,366	35	9,669	114,070
Noninterest revenue	21,576	29,280	12,097	62,953
Noninterest expense	73,492	25,296	27,662	126,450
Income (loss) before income taxes	52,450	4,019	(5,896)	50,573
Income tax expense (benefit)	17,517	1,609	(2,896)	16,230
Net income (loss)	\$ 34,933	\$ 2,410	\$ (3,000)	\$ 34,343
Selected Financial Information				
Total assets at end of period	\$ 10,131,502	\$ 211,536	\$ 3,444,386	\$ 13,787,424
Depreciation and amortization	5,417	1,140	897	7,454

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	Community Banking	Insurance Agencies	General Corporate and Other	Total
(In thousands)				
Nine months ended September 30, 2016				
Results of Operations				
Net interest revenue	\$ 309,290	\$ 45	\$ 28,730	\$ 338,065
Provision for credit losses	23	-	2,977	3,000
Net interest revenue after provision for credit losses	309,267	45	25,753	335,065
Noninterest revenue	61,788	89,821	54,457	206,066
Noninterest expense	241,117	75,598	83,815	400,530
Income (loss) before income taxes	129,938	14,268	(3,605)	140,601
Income tax expense (benefit)	43,998	5,702	(4,157)	45,543
Net income	\$ 85,940	\$ 8,566	\$ 552	\$ 95,058
Selected Financial Information				
Total assets at end of period	\$ 10,790,604	\$ 217,062	3,603,817	\$ 14,611,483
Depreciation and amortization	15,972	3,169	2,554	21,695
Nine months ended September 30, 2015				
Results of Operations				
Net interest revenue	\$ 295,720	\$ 84	28,648	\$ 324,452
Provision for credit losses	(12,963)	-	(37)	(13,000)
Net interest revenue after provision for credit losses	308,683	84	28,685	337,452
Noninterest revenue	62,193	90,801	57,588	210,582
Noninterest expense	232,704	76,110	82,746	391,560
Income before income taxes	138,172	14,775	3,527	156,474
Income tax expense (benefit)	45,417	5,923	(1,188)	50,152
Net income	\$ 92,755	\$ 8,852	\$ 4,715	\$ 106,322
Selected Financial Information				
Total assets at end of period	\$ 10,131,502	\$ 211,536	\$ 3,444,386	\$ 13,787,424
Depreciation and amortization	16,558	3,637	2,761	22,956

The change in income for the General, Corporate and Other division for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2016 compared to the same periods in 2015 is mainly due to a change in mortgage banking revenue.

NOTE 12 – MORTGAGE SERVICING RIGHTS

Mortgage servicing rights (“MSRs”), which are recognized as a separate asset on the date the corresponding mortgage loan is sold on a servicing retained basis, are recorded at fair value as determined at each accounting period end. An

estimate of the fair value of the Company's MSR is determined utilizing assumptions about factors such as mortgage interest rates, discount rates, mortgage loan prepayment speeds, market trends and industry demand. Data and assumptions used in the fair value calculation related to MSR as of the dates indicated were as follows:

	September 30, 2016	September 30, 2015	December 31, 2015
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Unpaid principal balance	\$6,285,027	\$5,942,736	\$6,011,236
Weighted-average prepayment speed (CPR)	12.7	11.1	10.3
Discount rate (annual percentage)	9.8	9.8	9.8
Weighted-average coupon interest rate (percentage)	4.0	4.1	4.0
Weighted-average remaining maturity (months)	322.0	317.0	319.0
Weighted-average servicing fee (basis points)	26.7	26.6	26.6

Because the valuation is determined by using discounted cash flow models, the primary risk inherent in valuing the MSR is the impact of fluctuating interest rates on the estimated life of the servicing revenue stream. The use of different estimates or assumptions could also produce different fair values. As of September 30, 2016, the Company had a hedge in place designed to cover approximately 3% of the MSR. The Company is susceptible to fluctuations in their value of its MSRs in changing interest rate environments.

The Company has only one class of mortgage servicing asset comprised of closed end loans for one-to-four family residences, secured by first liens. The following table presents the activity in this class for the periods indicated:

	2016	2015
	(In thousands)	
Fair value as of January 1	\$ 57,268	\$ 51,296
Additions:		
Origination of servicing assets	10,684	11,074
Changes in fair value:		
Due to payoffs/paydowns	(5,784)	(5,366)
Due to change in valuation inputs or assumptions used in the valuation model	(10,233)	(4,026)
Other changes in fair value	(5)	(5)
Fair value as of September 30	\$ 51,930	\$ 52,973

All of the changes to the fair value of the MSRs are recorded as part of mortgage banking noninterest revenue on the consolidated statements of income. As part of mortgage banking noninterest revenue, the Company recorded contractual servicing fees of \$4.3 million and \$4.0 million and late and other ancillary fees of approximately \$243,000 and \$320,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The Company recorded contractual servicing fees of \$12.6 million and \$11.9 million and late and other ancillary fees of \$1.5 million and approximately \$982,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

NOTE 13 – DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS AND OFFSETTING ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

The derivatives held by the Company include commitments to fund fixed-rate mortgage loans to customers and forward commitments to sell individual fixed-rate mortgage loans. The Company's objective in obtaining the forward commitments is to mitigate the interest rate risk associated with the commitments to fund the fixed-rate mortgage loans. Both the commitments to fund fixed-rate mortgage loans and the forward commitments to sell individual fixed-rate mortgage loans are reported at fair value, with adjustments being recorded in current period earnings, and are not accounted for as hedges. At September 30, 2016, the notional amount of forward commitments to sell individual fixed-rate mortgage loans was \$264.3 million with a carrying value and fair value reflecting a loss of \$1.1 million. At September 30, 2015, the notional amount of forward commitments to sell individual fixed-rate mortgage loans was \$229.5 million with a carrying value and fair value reflecting a loss of \$2.1 million. At September 30, 2016, the notional amount of commitments to fund individual fixed-rate mortgage loans was \$223.0 million with a carrying value and fair value reflecting a gain of \$6.9 million. At September 30, 2015, the notional amount of

commitments to fund individual fixed-rate mortgage loans was \$158.1 million with a carrying value and fair value reflecting a gain of \$4.9 million.

The Company also enters into derivative financial instruments in the form of interest rate swaps to meet the financing, interest rate and equity risk management needs of its customers. Upon entering into these interest rate swaps to meet customer needs, the Company enters into offsetting positions to minimize interest rate and equity risk to the Company. These derivative financial instruments are reported at fair value with any resulting gain or loss recorded in current period earnings. These instruments and their offsetting positions are recorded in other assets and other liabilities on the consolidated balance sheets. As of September 30, 2016, the notional amount of customer related derivative financial instruments was \$231.3 million with an average maturity of 33 months, an average interest receive rate of 2.8% and an average interest pay rate of 5.6%. As of September 30, 2015, the notional amount of customer related derivative financial instruments was \$272.6 million with an average maturity of 43 months, an average interest receive rate of 2.5% and an average interest pay rate of 5.6%.

Additionally, the Bank utilizes securities sold under agreements to repurchase to facilitate the needs of our customers and to facilitate secured short-term funding needs. Securities sold under agreements to repurchase are stated

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at the amount of cash received in connection with the transaction. The Bank monitors collateral levels on a continuous basis and may be required to provide additional collateral based on the fair value of the underlying securities.

Certain financial instruments such as derivatives, may be eligible for offset in the consolidated balance sheet and/or subject to master netting arrangements or similar agreements. The Bank's derivative transactions with upstream financial institution counterparties are generally executed under International Swaps and Derivative Association master agreements which include "right of set-off" provisions. In such cases there is generally a legally enforceable right to offset recognized amounts and there may be an intention to settle such amounts on a net basis. Nonetheless, the Bank does not generally offset such financial instruments for financial reporting purposes.

The following tables present components of financial instruments eligible for offsetting for the periods indicated:

September 30, 2016						
			Gross Amounts Not Offset in the Consolidated Balance Sheet			
	Gross Amount Recognized	Gross Amount Offset	Net Amount Recognized	Financial Instruments	Financial Collateral Pledged	Net Amount
(In thousands)						
Financial assets:						
Derivatives:						
Forward commitments	\$ 6,942	\$ -	\$ 6,942	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,942
Loan/lease interest rate swaps	14,041	-	14,041	-	-	14,041
Total financial assets	\$ 20,983	\$ -	\$ 20,983	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,983
Financial liabilities:						
Derivatives:						
Forward commitments	\$ 1,127	\$ -	\$ 1,127	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,127
Loan/lease interest rate swaps	14,041	-	14,041	-	(14,041)	-
Repurchase arrangements	468,969	-	468,969	(468,969)	-	-
Total financial liabilities	\$ 484,137	\$ -	\$ 484,137	\$ (468,969)	\$ (14,041)	\$ 1,127

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December 31, 2015

				Gross Amounts Not Offset in the Consolidated Balance Sheet		
	Gross Amount Recognized	Gross Amount Offset	Net Amount Recognized	Financial Instruments	Financial Collateral Pledged	Net Amount
(In thousands)						
Financial assets:						
Derivatives:						
Forward commitments	\$ 3,894	\$ -	\$ 3,894	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,894
Loan/lease interest rate swaps	15,614	-	15,614	-	-	15,614
Total financial assets	\$ 19,508	\$ -	\$ 19,508	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,508
Financial liabilities:						
Derivatives:						
Forward commitments	\$ 395	\$ -	\$ 395	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 395
Loan/lease interest rate swaps	15,856	-	15,856	-	(15,856)	-
Repurchase arrangements	405,937	-	405,937	(405,937)	-	-
Total financial liabilities	\$ 422,188	\$ -	\$ 422,188	\$ (405,937)	\$ (15,856)	\$ 395

September 30, 2015

	Gross Amount Recognized	Gross Amount Offset	Net Amount Recognized	Gross Amounts Not Offset in the Consolidated Balance Sheet		
				Financial Instruments	Financial Collateral Pledged	Net Amount
(In thousands)						
Financial assets:						
Derivatives:						
Forward commitments	\$ 4,901	\$ -	\$ 4,901	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,901
Loan/lease interest rate swaps	19,596	-	19,596	-	-	19,596
Total financial assets	\$ 24,497	\$ -	\$ 24,497	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,497
Financial liabilities:						
Derivatives:						
Forward commitments	\$ 2,072	\$ -	\$ 2,072	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,072
Loan/lease interest rate swaps	19,596	-	19,596	-	(19,596)	-
Repurchase arrangements	425,203	-	425,203	(425,203)	-	-
Total financial liabilities	\$ 446,871	\$ -	\$ 446,871	\$ (425,203)	\$ (19,596)	\$ 2,072

NOTE 14 – FAIR VALUE DISCLOSURES

“Fair value” is defined by FASB ASC 820, Fair Value Measurement (“FASB ASC 820”), as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. FASB ASC 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that observable inputs be used when available. Observable inputs are inputs that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect the reporting entity’s assumptions

about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available under the circumstances. The hierarchy is broken down into the following three levels, based on the reliability of inputs:

Level 1: Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that are accessible at the measurement date.

Level 2: Significant other observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices in markets that are not active or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data.

Level 3: Significant unobservable inputs for the asset or liability that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability.

Determination of Fair Value

The Company uses the valuation methodologies listed below to measure different financial instruments at fair value. An indication of the level in the fair value hierarchy in which each instrument is generally classified is included. Where appropriate, the description includes details of the valuation models, the key inputs to those models as well as any significant assumptions.

Available-for-sale securities. Available-for-sale securities are recorded at fair value on a recurring basis. Fair value measurement is based upon quoted prices, if available. If quoted prices are not available, fair values are determined by matrix pricing, which is a mathematical technique widely used in the industry to value debt securities without relying exclusively on quoted prices for the specific securities but rather by relying on the securities' relationship to other benchmark quoted securities. The Company's available-for-sale securities that are traded on an active exchange, such as the New York Stock Exchange, are classified as Level 1. Available-for-sale securities valued using matrix pricing are classified as Level 2. Available-for-sale securities valued using matrix pricing that has been adjusted to compensate for the present value of expected cash flows, market liquidity, credit quality and volatility are classified as Level 3.

Mortgage servicing rights. The Company records MSR's at fair value on a recurring basis with subsequent remeasurement of MSR's based on change in fair value. An estimate of the fair value of the Company's MSR's is determined by utilizing assumptions about factors such as mortgage interest rates, discount rates, mortgage loan prepayment speeds, market trends and industry demand. All of the Company's MSR's are classified as Level 3. For additional information about the Company's valuation of MSR's, see Note 12, Mortgage Servicing Rights.

Derivative instruments. The Company's derivative instruments consist of commitments to fund fixed-rate mortgage loans to customers and forward commitments to sell individual fixed-rate mortgage loans. Fair value of these derivative instruments is measured on a recurring basis using recent observable market prices. The Company also enters into interest rate swaps to meet the financing, interest rate and equity risk management needs of its customers. The fair value of these instruments is either an observable market price or a discounted cash flow valuation using the terms of swap agreements but substituting original interest rates with prevailing interest rates ranging from 1.88% to 4.34%. The Company also considers the associated counterparty credit risk when determining the fair value of these instruments. The Company's interest rate swaps, commitments to fund fixed-rate mortgage loans to customers and forward commitments to sell individual fixed-rate mortgage loans are classified as Level 3.

Loans held for sale. Loans held for sale are carried at fair value. The fair value of loans held for sale is based on commitments outstanding from investors as well as what secondary markets are currently offering for portfolios with similar characteristics. Therefore, loans held for sale are subjected to recurring fair value adjustments and are classified as Level 2. The Company obtains quotes, bids or pricing indications on all or part of these loans directly from the buyers. Premiums and discounts received or to be received on the quotes, bids or pricing indications are indicative of the fact that the cost is lower or higher than fair value.

Impaired loans. Loans considered impaired under FASB ASC 310 are loans for which, based on current information and events, it is probable that the creditor will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Impaired loans are subject to nonrecurring fair value adjustments to reflect (1) partial write-downs that are based on the observable market price or current appraised value of the collateral, or (2) the full charge-off of the loan carrying value. All of the Company's impaired loans are classified as Level 3.

Other real estate owned. OREO is carried at the lower of cost or estimated fair value, less estimated selling costs and is subject to nonrecurring fair value adjustments. Estimated fair value is determined on the basis of independent appraisals and other relevant factors less an average of 7% for estimated selling costs. All of the Company's OREO is classified as Level 3.

Off-Balance sheet financial instruments. The fair value of commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit is estimated using the fees currently charged to enter into similar agreements, taking into account the remaining terms of the agreement and the present creditworthiness of the counterparties. The Company has reviewed the unfunded portion of commitments to extend credit as well as standby and other letters of credit, and has determined that the fair value of such financial instruments is not material. The Company classifies the estimated fair value of credit-related financial instruments as Level 3.

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Assets and Liabilities Recorded at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

The following tables present the balances of the assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2016 and 2015:

	September 30, 2016			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets:	(In thousands)			
Available-for-sale securities:				
U.S. Government agencies	\$ -	\$ 1,691,866	\$ -	\$ 1,691,866
U.S. Government agency issued residential mortgage-backed securities	-	184,095	-	184,095
U.S. Government agency issued commercial mortgage-backed securities	-	178,827	-	178,827
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	-	384,995	-	384,995
Other	959	27,457	-	28,416
Mortgage servicing rights	-	-	51,930	51,930
Derivative instruments	-	-	20,741	20,741
Loans held for sale	-	204,441	-	204,441
Total	\$ 959	\$ 2,671,681	\$ 72,671	\$ 2,745,311
Liabilities:				
Derivative instruments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,168	\$ 15,168

	September 30, 2015			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets:	(In thousands)			
Available-for-sale securities:				
U.S. Government agencies	\$ -	\$ 1,255,717	\$ -	\$ 1,255,717
U.S. Government agency issued residential mortgage-backed securities	-	206,878	-	206,878
U.S. Government agency issued commercial mortgage-backed securities	-	229,922	-	229,922
Obligations of states and				

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political subdivisions	-	451,600	-	451,600
Other	790	16,218	-	17,008
Mortgage servicing rights	-	-	52,973	52,973
Derivative instruments	-	-	24,197	24,197
Loans held for sale	-	170,175	-	170,175
Total	\$ 790	\$ 2,330,510	\$ 77,170	\$ 2,408,470
Liabilities:				
Derivative instruments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 21,668	\$ 21,668

The following tables present the changes in Level 3 assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2016 and 2015:

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	Mortgage Servicing Rights	Derivative Instruments
	(In thousands)	
Balance at December 31, 2015	\$ 57,268	\$ 3,257
Year to date net gains included in:		
Net (loss) gain	(16,022)	2,316
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Additions	10,684	-
Transfers in and/or out of Level 3	-	-
Balance at September 30, 2016	\$ 51,930	\$ 5,573
Net unrealized gains included in net income for the quarter relating to Level 3 assets and liabilities at September 30, 2016	\$ 1,813	\$ 544

	Mortgage Servicing Rights	Derivative Instruments
	(In thousands)	
Balance at December 31, 2014	\$ 51,296	\$ 623
Year to date net gains included in:		
Net (loss) gain	(9,397)	1,906
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Additions	11,074	-
Transfers in and/or out of Level 3	-	-
Balance at September 30, 2015	\$ 52,973	\$ 2,529
Net unrealized losses included in net income for the quarter relating to Level 3 assets and liabilities at September 30, 2015	\$ (5,308)	\$ (3,909)

Assets and Liabilities Recorded at Fair Value on a Nonrecurring Basis

The following tables present the balances of assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis as of September 30, 2016 and 2015:

	September 30, 2016				Nine Months Ended September 30, 2016
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Net losses
Assets:	(In thousands)				
Impaired loans (1)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 39,113	\$ 39,113	\$ (1,520)
Other real estate owned (2)	-	-	11,391	11,391	(1,389)

	September 30, 2015				Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total	Net losses
Assets:	(In thousands)				
Impaired loans (1)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,736	\$ 40,736	\$ (6,744)
Other real estate owned (2)	-	-	23,696	23,696	(1,504)

(1) Represents carrying value of loans for which adjustments are required to be based on the appraised value of the collateral. Writedowns on these loans are recognized as part of provision.

(2) Represents the fair value and related losses of foreclosed properties that were measured subsequent to their initial classification as foreclosed assets.

Fair Value of Financial Instruments

FASB ASC 825, Financial Instruments (“FASB ASC 825”), requires that the Company disclose estimated fair values for its financial instruments. Fair value estimates, methods and assumptions are set forth below for the Company's financial instruments.

Cash and Due From Banks. The carrying amounts for cash and due from banks approximate fair values due to their immediate and shorter-term maturities.

Loans and Leases. Fair values are estimated for portfolios of loans and leases with similar financial characteristics. The fair value of loans and leases is calculated by discounting scheduled cash flows through the estimated maturity using rates the Company would currently offer customers based on the credit and interest rate risk inherent in the loan or lease. Assumptions regarding credit risk, cash flows and discount rates are judgmentally determined using available market and borrower information. Estimated maturity represents the expected average cash flow period, which in some instances is different than the stated maturity. This entrance price approach results in a calculated fair value that would be different than an exit or estimated actual sales price approach and such differences could be significant. All of the Company's loans and leases are classified as Level 3.

Deposit Liabilities. Under FASB ASC 825, the fair value of deposits with no stated maturity, such as noninterest bearing demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits and savings, is equal to the amount payable on demand as of the reporting date. The fair value of certificates of deposit is based on the discounted value of contractual cash flows. The discount rate is estimated using the prevailing rates offered for deposits of similar maturities. The Company's noninterest bearing demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits and savings are classified as Level 1. Certificates of deposit are classified as Level 2.

Debt. The carrying amounts for federal funds purchased and repurchase agreements approximate fair value because of their short-term maturity. The fair value of the Company's fixed-term Federal Home Loan Bank (“FHLB”) advances is based on the discounted value of contractual cash flows. The discount rate is estimated using the prevailing rates available for advances of similar maturities. The fair value of the Company's long-term borrowings with U.S. Bank is based on the LIBOR rates plus an interest rate spread. The fair value of the Company's junior subordinated debt is based on market prices or dealer quotes. The Company's federal funds purchased, repurchase agreements and junior subordinated debt are classified as Level 1. FHLB and U.S. Bank advances are classified as Level 2.

Lending Commitments. The Company's lending commitments are negotiated at prevailing market rates and are relatively short-term in nature. As a matter of policy, the Company generally makes commitments for fixed-rate loans for relatively short periods of time. Therefore, the estimated value of the Company's lending commitments approximates the carrying amount and is immaterial to the financial statements. The Company's lending commitments

are classified as Level 2. The Company's off-balance sheet commitments including letters of credit, which totaled \$92.3 million at September 30, 2016, are funded at current market rates at the date they are drawn upon. It is management's opinion that the fair value of these commitments would approximate their carrying value, if drawn upon.

The following table presents carrying and fair value information of financial instruments at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015:

	September 30, 2016		December 31, 2015	
	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Carrying Value	Fair Value
Assets:	(In thousands)			
Cash and due from banks	\$ 172,782	\$ 172,782	\$ 154,192	\$ 154,192
Interest bearing deposits with other banks	151,944	151,944	43,777	43,777
Available-for-sale securities	2,468,199	2,468,199	2,082,329	2,082,329
Net loans and leases	10,532,874	10,682,407	10,246,320	10,331,043
Loans held for sale	204,441	204,441	157,907	157,907
Liabilities:				
Noninterest bearing deposits	3,308,361	3,308,361	3,031,528	3,031,528
Savings and interest bearing deposits	6,410,883	6,410,883	6,446,142	6,446,142
Other time deposits	1,870,815	1,888,068	1,853,491	1,867,034
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreement to repurchase and other short-term borrowings	468,969	468,135	467,946	467,263
Long-term debt and other borrowings	586,693	596,352	92,973	98,502
Derivative instruments:				
Forward commitments to sell fixed rate mortgage loans	(1,127)	(1,127)	109	109
Commitments to fund fixed rate mortgage loans	6,942	6,942	3,390	3,390
Interest rate swap position to receive	13,799	13,799	15,614	15,614
Interest rate swap position to pay	(14,041)	(14,041)	(15,856)	(15,856)

NOTE 15 – OTHER NONINTEREST REVENUE AND EXPENSE

The following table details other noninterest revenue for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015:

Three months ended		Nine months ended	
September 30,	September 30,	September 30,	September 30,
2016	2015	2016	2015

	(In thousands)			
Bank-owned life insurance	\$ 1,775	\$ 1,842	\$ 5,481	\$ 5,576
Other miscellaneous income	2,699	3,156	9,446	9,181
Total other noninterest income	\$ 4,474	\$ 4,998	\$ 14,927	\$ 14,757

The following table details other noninterest expense for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015:

	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	(In thousands)			
Advertising	\$ 925	\$ 812	\$ 2,601	\$ 3,279
Foreclosed property expense	859	808	3,349	4,404
Telecommunications	1,288	1,267	3,842	3,904
Public relations	718	588	1,978	2,067
Data processing	6,856	6,156	19,932	18,056
Computer software	2,976	2,595	8,368	7,891
Amortization of intangibles	923	949	2,672	3,042
Legal fees	1,064	1,233	7,353	10,912
Merger expense	-	8	2	12
Postage and shipping	1,059	1,030	3,161	3,396
Other miscellaneous expense	13,703	12,898	41,243	42,254
Total other noninterest expense	\$ 30,371	\$ 28,344	\$ 94,501	\$ 99,217

NOTE 16 – COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The nature of the Company's business ordinarily results in a certain amount of claims, litigation, investigations and legal and administrative cases and proceedings. Although the Company and its subsidiaries have developed policies and procedures to minimize the impact of legal noncompliance and other disputes, and endeavored to provide reasonable insurance coverage, litigation and regulatory actions present an ongoing risk.

The Company and its subsidiaries are engaged in lines of business that are heavily regulated and involve a large volume of financial transactions and potential transactions with numerous customers or applicants, and the Company is a public company with a large number of shareholders. From time to time, borrowers, customers, shareholders, former employees and other third parties have brought actions against the Company or its subsidiaries, in some cases claiming substantial damages. Financial services companies are subject to the risk of class action litigation and, from time to time, the Company and its subsidiaries are subject to such actions brought against it. Additionally, the Bank is, and management expects it to be, engaged in a number of foreclosure proceedings and other collection actions as part of its lending and leasing collections activities, which, from time to time, have resulted in counterclaims against the Bank. Various legal proceedings have arisen and may arise in the future out of claims against entities to which the Company is a successor as a result of business combinations. The Company and its subsidiaries may also be subject to enforcement actions by federal or state regulators, including the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Federal Reserve, the FDIC, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (the "CFPB"), the Department of Justice (the "DOJ"), state attorneys general and the Mississippi Department of Banking and Consumer Finance.

When and as the Company determines it has meritorious defenses to the claims asserted, it vigorously defends against such claims. The Company will consider settlement of claims when, in management's judgment and in consultation with counsel, it is in the best interests of the Company to do so.

The Company cannot predict with certainty the cost of defense, the cost of prosecution or the ultimate outcome of litigation and other proceedings filed by or against it, its directors, management or employees, including remedies or damage awards. On at least a quarterly basis, the Company assesses its liabilities and contingencies in connection with outstanding legal proceedings as well as certain threatened claims (which are not considered incidental to the ordinary conduct of the Company's business) utilizing the latest and most reliable information available. For matters where a loss is not probable or the amount of the loss cannot be estimated, no accrual is established. For matters where it is probable the Company will incur a loss and the amount can be reasonably estimated, the Company establishes an accrual for the loss. Once established, the accrual is adjusted periodically to reflect any relevant developments. The actual cost of any outstanding legal proceedings and the potential loss,

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however, may turn out to be substantially higher than the amount accrued. Further, the Company's insurance has deductibles and will likely not cover all such litigation, other proceedings or claims, or the costs of defense.

While the final outcome of any legal proceedings is inherently uncertain, based on the information available, advice of counsel and available insurance coverage, if applicable, management believes that the litigation-related expense of \$8.5 million accrued as of September 30, 2016, which excludes amounts reserved for regulatory settlement expenses discussed below, is adequate and that any incremental liability arising from the Company's legal proceedings and threatened claims, including the matters described herein and those otherwise arising in the ordinary course of business, will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's business or consolidated financial condition. It is possible, however, that future developments could result in an unfavorable outcome for or resolution of any one or more of the lawsuits in which the Company or its subsidiaries are defendants, which may be material to the Company's results of operations for a particular fiscal period or periods.

On January 5, 2016, the Bank entered into an agreement to settle a class action lawsuit filed on May 18, 2010 by an Arkansas customer of the Bank in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Florida. The suit challenged the manner in which overdraft fees were charged and the policies related to the posting order of debit card and ATM transactions. The suit also made a claim under Arkansas' consumer protection statute. The plaintiff was seeking to recover damages in an unspecified amount and equitable relief. As a result of this agreement, the Company recorded an expense of \$16.5 million in the fourth quarter of 2015, representing amounts to be paid in connection with the settlement, net of amounts the Company had already accrued for this legal proceeding in previous periods. The settlement was approved by the court on July 15, 2016. Pursuant to the Court's order preliminarily approving the settlement, in the first quarter of 2016 the amounts accrued for settlement were paid into settlement escrow funds.

On August 16, 2011, a shareholder filed a putative derivative action purportedly on behalf of the Company in the Circuit Court of Lee County, Mississippi, against certain current and past executive officers and members of the Board of Directors of the Company. The plaintiff in this shareholder derivative lawsuit asserted that the individual defendants violated their fiduciary duties by allegedly issuing materially false and misleading statements regarding the Company's business and financial results. The plaintiff was seeking to recover alleged damages in an unspecified amount, equitable and/or injunctive relief, and attorneys' fees. A motion to dismiss filed by the defendants was granted by the Court on January 5, 2015, and the plaintiff filed a notice of appeal of that decision on February 2, 2015. On April 14, 2016, the Mississippi Supreme Court upheld the lower Court's dismissal of the case against the Company, and the period for petitioning for a rehearing by the Mississippi Supreme Court elapsed without it seeking rehearing.

On July 31, 2014, the Company, its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer were named in a purported class-action lawsuit filed in the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee on behalf of certain purchasers of the Company's common stock. The complaint was subsequently amended to add the former President and Chief Operating Officer. The complaint alleges that the defendants made misleading statements concerning the Company's expectation that it would be able to close two merger transactions within a specified time period and the Company's compliance with certain Bank Secrecy Act and anti-money laundering requirements. On July 10, 2015, the court granted in part and denied in part the defendants' motion to dismiss and dismissed the claims concerning the Company's expectations about the closing of the mergers. Class certification was granted on April 21, 2016, and a petition for immediate appeal of the class certification was filed and was granted. Class certification was vacated and the case was remanded to the District Court for further proceedings. The plaintiff seeks an unspecified amount of damages and awards of costs and attorneys' fees and such other equitable relief as the Court may deem just and proper. At this stage of the lawsuit, management cannot determine the probability of an unfavorable outcome to the Company as it is uncertain whether class certification will be upheld and the exact amount of damages (should the class remain certified) is uncertain. Although it is not possible to predict the ultimate resolution or financial liability with respect to the litigation, management is currently of the opinion that the outcome of this lawsuit will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, consolidated financial position or results of operations.

On June 29, 2016, the Bank, the CFPB and the DOJ agreed to a settlement set forth in a consent order (the “Consent Order”) related to the joint investigation by the CFPB and the DOJ of the Bank’s fair lending program during the period between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2013. The Consent Order was signed by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Mississippi (the “District Court”) on July 25, 2016. In the first quarter of 2016, the Bank reserved \$13.8 million to cover costs related to this matter, \$10.3 million of which was reflected as regulatory settlement expense and \$3.5 million of which was included in other noninterest expense. The settlement of this matter did not have a material financial impact on the second and third quarter 2016 financial results. For additional information regarding the terms of this settlement and the Consent Order, see the signed Consent Order and the Company’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 29, 2016.

NOTE 17 – LONG-TERM DEBT

On August 8, 2013, the Company entered into a Credit Agreement with U.S. Bank National Association (“U.S. Bank”) as a lender and administrative agent, and First Tennessee Bank, National Association, as a lender. The Credit Agreement includes an unsecured revolving loan of up to \$25.0 million that terminated and the outstanding balance of which was payable in full on August 8, 2015, which the Bank did not renew, and an unsecured multi-draw term loan of up to \$60.0 million, which commitment terminated on February 28, 2014 and the outstanding balance of which is payable in full on August 8, 2018. The proceeds from the term loan were used to repurchase trust preferred securities. Borrowings under the Credit Agreement bear interest at a Eurocurrency or base rate plus, in each case, an applicable interest rate margin.

The Company had long-term borrowings from U.S. Bank pursuant to the Credit Agreement totaling \$33.5 million at September 30, 2016 and \$39.8 million at December 31, 2015. The Company also had long-term borrowings from FHLB of \$530.0 million at September 30, 2016 and \$30.0 million at December 31, 2015.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements contained in this report may not be based upon historical facts and are “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”). These forward-looking statements may be identified by their reference to a future period or periods or by the use of forward-looking terminology such as “anticipate,” “believe,” “could,” “estimate,” “expect,” “foresee,” “hope,” “intend,” “may,” “might,” “plan,” “will,” or “would” or future or conditional verb tense variations or negatives of such terms. These forward-looking statements include, without limitation, those relating to the terms, timing and closings of the proposed mergers with Ouachita Bancshares Corp. and Central Community Corporation, the Company’s ability to operate its regulatory compliance programs consistent with federal, state and local laws, including its Bank Secrecy Act (“BSA”) and anti-money laundering (“AML”) compliance program and its fair lending compliance program, the Company’s compliance with the consent order it entered into with the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (the “CFPB”) and the United States Department of Justice (“DOJ”) related to the Company’s fair lending practices (the “Consent Order”), the acceptance by customers of Ouachita Bancshares Corp. and Central Community Corporation of the Company’s products and services if the proposed mergers close, the outcome of any instituted, pending or threatened material litigation, amortization expense for intangible assets, goodwill impairments, loan impairment, utilization of appraisals and inspections for real estate loans, maturity, renewal or extension of construction, acquisition and development loans, net interest revenue, fair value determinations, the amount of the Company’s non-performing loans and leases, credit quality, credit losses, liquidity, off-balance sheet commitments and arrangements, valuation of mortgage servicing rights, allowance and provision for credit losses, early identification and resolution of credit issues, utilization of non-GAAP financial measures, the ability of the Company to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of loan agreements, the Company’s reserve for losses from representation and warranty obligations, the Company’s foreclosure process related to mortgage loans, the resolution

of non-performing loans that are collaterally dependent, real estate values, fully-indexed interest rates, interest rate risk, interest rate sensitivity, calculation of economic value of equity, impaired loan charge-offs, diversification of the Company's revenue stream, liquidity needs and strategies, sources of funding, net interest margin, declaration and payment of dividends, cost saving initiatives, improvement in the Company's efficiencies, operating expense trends, future acquisitions and consideration to be used therefore, and the impact of certain claims and ongoing, pending or threatened litigation, administrative and investigatory matters.

The Company cautions readers not to place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements contained in this report, in that actual results could differ materially from those indicated in such forward-looking statements as a result of a variety of factors. These factors may include, but are not limited to, the Company's ability to operate its regulatory compliance programs consistent with federal, state and local laws, including its BSA/AML compliance program and its fair lending compliance program, the Company's ability to successfully implement and comply with the Consent Order, the ability of the Company, Ouachita Bancshares Corp. and Central Community Corporation to obtain regulatory approval of and close the proposed mergers, the willingness of Ouachita Bancshares Corp. and Central Community Corporation to proceed with the proposed mergers, the potential impact upon the Company of the

delay in the closings of these proposed mergers, the impact of any ongoing, pending or threatened litigation, administrative and investigatory matters involving the Company, conditions in the financial markets and economic conditions generally, the adequacy of the Company's provision and allowance for credit losses to cover actual credit losses, the credit risk associated with real estate construction, acquisition and development loans, limitations on the Company's ability to declare and pay dividends, the availability of capital on favorable terms if and when needed, liquidity risk, governmental regulation, including the Dodd-Frank Act, and supervision of the Company's operations, the short-term and long-term impact of changes to banking capital standards on the Company's regulatory capital and liquidity, the impact of regulations on service charges on the Company's core deposit accounts, the susceptibility of the Company's business to local economic and environmental conditions, the soundness of other financial institutions, changes in interest rates, the impact of monetary policies and economic factors on the Company's ability to attract deposits or make loans, volatility in capital and credit markets, reputational risk, the impact of the loss of any key Company personnel, the impact of hurricanes or other adverse weather events, any requirement that the Company write down goodwill or other intangible assets, diversification in the types of financial services the Company offers, the Company's ability to adapt its products and services to evolving industry standards and consumer preferences, competition with other financial services companies, risks in connection with completed or potential acquisitions, the Company's growth strategy, interruptions or breaches in the Company's information system security, the failure of certain third-party vendors to perform, unfavorable ratings by rating agencies, dilution caused by the Company's issuance of any additional shares of its common stock to raise capital or acquire other banks, bank holding companies, financial holding companies and insurance agencies, other factors generally understood to affect the assets, business, cash flows, financial condition, liquidity, and prospects and/or results of operations of financial services companies, and other factors detailed from time to time in the Company's press and news releases, reports and other filings with the SEC.

We provide greater detail regarding these and other factors elsewhere in this report including in the Risk Factors and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, and from time to time in the Company's press and news releases, reports and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date that they were made, and, except as required by law, the Company does not undertake any obligation to update or revise forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances that occur after the date of this report.

OVERVIEW

BancorpSouth, Inc. (the "Company") is a regional financial holding company headquartered in Tupelo, Mississippi with \$14.6 billion in assets at September 30, 2016. BancorpSouth Bank (the "Bank"), the Company's wholly-owned banking subsidiary, has commercial banking operations in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Tennessee and Texas. The Bank's insurance agency subsidiary also operates an office in Illinois. The Bank and its insurance agency subsidiary provide commercial banking, leasing, mortgage origination and servicing, insurance, brokerage and trust services to corporate customers, local governments, individuals and other financial institutions through an extensive network of branches and offices.

Management's discussion and analysis provides a narrative discussion of the Company's financial condition and results of operations. For a complete understanding of the following discussion, please refer to the unaudited consolidated financial statements for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 and the consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2015 and the notes to such financial statements found under "Part I, Item 1. Financial Statements" of this report. This discussion and analysis is based on such reported financial

information.

As a financial holding company, the financial condition and operating results of the Company are heavily influenced by economic trends nationally and in the specific markets in which the Company's subsidiaries provide financial services. Generally, the pressures of the national and regional economic cycle created a difficult operating environment for the financial services industry. The Company was not immune to such pressures and the economic downturn had a negative impact on the Company and its customers in all of the markets that it serves. However, the Company's financial condition has remained stable during the first nine months of 2016 as reflected by decreases in non-performing assets and impaired loans coupled with increased loans and leases, when compared to prior periods.

Management believes that the Company is better positioned with respect to overall credit quality as evidenced by the stable credit quality metrics especially when comparing September 30, 2016 to December 31, 2015 and September 30, 2015. Management believes, however, that future weakness in the economic environment could

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adversely affect the strength of the credit quality of the Company's assets overall. Therefore, management will continue to focus on early identification and resolution of any credit issues.

The largest source of the Company's revenue is derived from the operation of its principal operating subsidiary, the Bank. The financial condition and operating results of the Bank are affected by the level and volatility of interest rates on loans, investment securities, deposits and other borrowed funds, and the impact of economic downturns on loan demand, collateral value and creditworthiness of existing borrowers. The financial services industry is highly competitive and heavily regulated. The Company's success depends on its ability to compete aggressively within its markets while maintaining sufficient asset quality and cost controls to generate net income.

The information that follows is provided to enhance comparability of financial information between periods and to provide a better understanding of the Company's operations:

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SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

	Three months ended September 30,		Nine months ended September 30,	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)				
Earnings Summary:				
Total interest revenue	\$ 122,340	\$ 118,201	\$ 359,735	\$ 346,328
Total interest expense	7,750	7,131	21,670	21,876
Net interest revenue	114,590	111,070	338,065	324,452
Provision for credit losses	-	(3,000)	3,000	(13,000)
Noninterest revenue	70,868	62,953	206,066	210,582
Noninterest expense	129,512	126,450	400,530	391,560
Income before income taxes	55,946	50,573	140,601	156,474
Income tax expense	18,129	16,230	45,543	50,152
Net income	\$ 37,817	\$ 34,343	\$ 95,058	\$ 106,322
Balance Sheet - Period-end balances:				
Total assets	\$ 14,611,483	\$ 13,787,424	\$ 14,611,483	\$ 13,787,424
Total securities	2,468,199	2,161,125	2,468,199	2,161,125
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	10,658,761	10,219,576	10,658,761	10,219,576
Total deposits	11,590,059	11,141,946	11,590,059	11,141,946
Long-term debt	563,495	71,868	563,495	71,868
Total shareholders' equity	1,724,104	1,644,820	1,724,104	1,644,820
Balance Sheet-Average Balances:				
Total assets	\$ 14,366,759	\$ 13,632,581	\$ 14,083,108	\$ 13,536,239
Total securities	2,186,889	2,207,935	2,098,220	2,203,680
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	10,601,481	10,110,995	10,496,431	9,885,045
Total deposits	11,509,764	11,140,542	11,459,739	11,138,385
Long-term debt	430,886	71,868	240,056	73,954
Total shareholders' equity	1,719,503	1,680,123	1,693,055	1,655,074
Common Share Data:				
Basic earnings per share	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.36	\$ 1.01	\$ 1.10
Diluted earnings per share	0.40	0.36	1.00	1.10
Cash dividends per share	0.13	0.10	0.33	0.25
Book value per share	18.33	17.50	18.33	17.50
Tangible book value per share	14.98	14.17	14.98	14.17
Dividend payout ratio	31.17	% 28.01	% 32.27	% 22.10
Financial Ratios (Annualized):				
Return on average assets	1.05	% 1.00	% 0.90	% 1.05
Return on average shareholders' equity	8.75	8.11	7.50	8.59

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Total shareholders' equity to total assets	11.80		11.93		11.80		11.93	
Tangible shareholders' equity to tangible assets	9.86		9.88		9.86		9.88	
Net interest margin-fully taxable equivalent	3.51		3.59		3.55		3.56	
Credit Quality Ratios (Annualized):								
Net charge-offs to average loans and leases	0.04	%	0.09	%	0.05	%	(0.05)	%
Provision for credit losses to average loans and leases	-		(0.12)		0.04		(0.18)	
Allowance for credit losses to net loans and leases	1.18		1.30		1.18		1.30	
Allowance for credit losses to NPLs	138.47		147.38		138.47		147.38	
Allowance for credit losses to NPAs	123.05		116.73		123.05		116.73	
NPLs to net loans and leases	0.85		0.88		0.85		0.88	
NPAs to net loans and leases	0.96		1.11		0.96		1.11	
Capital Adequacy:								
Common equity Tier 1 capital	12.13	%	12.08	%	12.13	%	12.08	
Tier 1 capital	12.32		12.29		12.32		12.29	%
Total capital	13.37		13.45		13.37		13.45	
Tier 1 leverage capital	10.53		10.56		10.53		10.56	

In addition to financial ratios based on measures defined by U.S. GAAP, the Company utilizes tangible shareholders' equity, tangible asset and tangible book value per share measures when evaluating the performance of the Company. Tangible shareholders' equity is defined by the Company as total shareholders' equity less goodwill and identifiable intangible assets. Tangible assets are defined by the Company as total assets less goodwill and identifiable intangible assets. Management believes the ratio of tangible shareholders' equity to tangible assets to be important to investors who are interested in evaluating the adequacy of the Company's capital levels. Tangible book value per share is defined by the Company as tangible shareholders' equity divided by total common shares outstanding. Management believes that tangible book value per share is important to investors who are interested in changes from period to period in book value per share exclusive of changes in intangible assets. The following table reconciles tangible shareholders' equity, tangible assets and tangible book value per share as presented above to U.S. GAAP financial measures as reflected in the Company's unaudited consolidated financial statements:

	September 30, 2016	2015		
	(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)			
Tangible Assets:				
Total assets	\$ 14,611,483	\$ 13,787,424		
Less: Goodwill	294,901	291,498		
Other identifiable intangible assets	19,908	21,466		
Total tangible assets	\$ 14,296,674	\$ 13,474,460		
Tangible Shareholders' Equity:				
Total shareholders' equity	\$ 1,724,104	\$ 1,644,820		
Less: Goodwill	294,901	291,498		
Other identifiable intangible assets	19,908	21,466		
Total tangible shareholders' equity	\$ 1,409,295	\$ 1,331,856		
Total common shares outstanding	94,074,740	93,969,994		
Tangible shareholders' equity to tangible assets	9.86	%	9.88	%
Tangible book value per share	\$ 14.98	\$ 14.17		

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The Company reported net income of \$37.8 million for the third quarter of 2016, compared to net income of \$34.3 million for the same quarter of 2015. For the first nine months of 2016, the Company reported net income of \$95.1 million, compared to net income of \$106.3 million for the first nine months of 2015. A factor contributing to the increase in net income for the three months ended September 30, 2016 was the increase in noninterest revenue which was \$70.9 million for the third quarter of 2016, compared to \$63.0 million for the third quarter of 2015. The increase in noninterest revenue for the comparable three-month period is primarily a result of the increase in mortgage banking revenue. While the net income increased for the comparable three-month period, net income decreased for the first nine-months of 2016 compared to the first nine months of 2015 as a result of the provision for credit losses of \$3.0

million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 compared to a negative provision of \$13.0 million for the comparable periods in 2015. The negative provision for credit losses in 2015 reflected the impact of elevated levels of recoveries and improvement in portfolio credit. Net charge-offs were \$3.6 million, or 0.05% of average loans and leases, during the first nine months of 2016, compared to net recoveries of \$3.6 million, or 0.05% of average loans and leases, during the first nine months of 2015. Finally, net income for the first nine months of 2016 was negatively impacted by the pre-tax charge of \$10.3 million recorded during the first quarter of 2016 related to a liability associated with an ongoing regulatory matter. This regulatory matter was settled during the second quarter of 2016 with no additional regulatory settlement charges deemed necessary.

The primary source of revenue for the Company is the net interest revenue earned by the Bank. Net interest revenue is the difference between interest earned on loans, investments and other earning assets and interest paid on deposits and other obligations. Net interest revenue was \$114.6 million for the third quarter of 2016, an increase of

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\$3.5 million, or 3.2%, from \$111.1 million for the third quarter of 2015. Net interest revenue was \$338.1 million for the first nine months of 2016, an increase of \$13.6 million, or 4.2%, from \$324.5 million for the first nine months of 2015. Net interest revenue is affected by the general level of interest rates, changes in interest rates and changes in the amount and composition of interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities. The Company's objective is to manage those assets and liabilities to maximize net interest revenue, while balancing interest rate, credit, liquidity and capital risks. The increase in net interest revenue for the third quarter and first nine months of 2016 compared to the third quarter and first nine months of 2015 was primarily a result of the increase in interest revenue related to loans and leases due to the increasing loan portfolio.

Interest revenue increased \$4.1 million or 3.5%, in the third quarter of 2016 compared to the third quarter of 2015 and increased \$13.4 million, or 3.9%, in the first nine months of 2016 compared to the first nine months of 2015. The Company has managed to increase loans as new loan production more than offset loan runoff in most loan categories during 2016. The increase in interest expense of approximately \$619,000 or 8.9% for the third quarter of 2016 compared to the third quarter of 2015 was primarily due to an increase in interest related to long term debt as FHLB borrowings have increased \$500.0 million during 2016. The decrease in interest expense of approximately \$206,000, or 0.9% for the first nine months of 2016 compared to the first nine months of 2015 related to a decrease in other time deposits, with the decrease somewhat offset by the increase in interest expense related to long term debt.

The Company attempts to diversify its revenue stream by increasing the amount of revenue received from mortgage banking operations, insurance agency activities, brokerage and securities activities and other activities that generate fee income. Management believes this diversification is important to reduce the impact of fluctuations in net interest revenue on the overall operating results of the Company. Noninterest revenue increased \$7.9 million, or 12.6%, for the third quarter of 2016 compared to the third quarter of 2015 and decreased \$4.5 million, or 2.1%, for the first nine months of 2016 compared to the first nine months of 2015. One of the primary contributors to the increase in noninterest revenue for the comparable three month period and the decrease in noninterest revenue for the comparable nine month period was mortgage banking revenue. Mortgage banking revenue increased to \$12.3 million for the third quarter of 2016 compared to \$2.3 million for the third quarter of 2015 and decreased to \$23.9 million for the first nine months of 2016 compared to \$25.0 million for the first nine months of 2015. The increase in mortgage banking revenue for the comparable three month period as well as the decrease in mortgage banking revenue for the comparable nine month period were both a result of the change in MSR's. The fair value of MSR's increased \$1.8 million during the third quarter of 2016 compared to a decrease of \$5.3 million during the third quarter of 2015 and decreased \$10.2 million during the first nine months of 2016 compared to a decrease of \$4.0 million for the first nine months of 2015. Mortgage origination volume increased 18.9% to \$478.2 million for the third quarter of 2016 compared to \$402.2 million for the third quarter of 2015 and increased 11.1% to \$1.3 billion for the first nine months of 2016 compared to \$1.1 billion for the first nine months of 2015. As a result of increased mortgage originations, mortgage origination revenue increased to \$8.2 million during the third quarter of 2016 compared to \$5.2 million during the third quarter of 2015 and increased to \$25.9 million for the first nine months of 2016 compared to \$21.5 million for the first nine months of 2015.

Insurance commissions remained relatively stable for the first nine months of 2016 compared to the first nine months of 2015. Wealth management revenue decreased to \$5.3 million for the third quarter of 2016 compared to \$5.6 million for the third quarter of 2015 and decreased to \$15.8 million for the first nine months of 2016 compared to \$17.3 million for the first nine months of 2015 primarily as a result of fewer sales of brokerage and annuity products. There were no significant non-recurring noninterest revenue items during the first nine months of 2016 or 2015.

Total noninterest expense increased 2.4% to \$129.5 million for the third quarter of 2016 compared to \$126.5 million for the third quarter of 2015 and increased 2.2% to \$400.5 million for the first nine months of 2016 compared to \$391.6 million for the first nine months of 2015. The increase in noninterest expense during the first nine months of 2016 compared to the first nine months of 2015 was primarily a result of a pre-tax charge of \$10.3 million recorded during the first quarter of 2016 related to a probable and estimable liability associated with an ongoing regulatory matter. This regulatory matter was settled during the third quarter of 2016 with no additional regulatory settlement

charges deemed necessary. The Company continues to focus attention on controlling noninterest expense. The major components of net income are discussed in more detail below.

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RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Net Interest Revenue

Net interest revenue is the difference between interest revenue earned on assets, such as loans, leases and securities, and interest expense incurred on liabilities, such as deposits and borrowings, and continues to provide the Company with its principal source of revenue. Net interest revenue is affected by the general level of interest rates, changes in interest rates and changes in the amount and composition of interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities. The Company's long-term objective is to manage interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities to maximize net interest revenue, while balancing interest rate, credit and liquidity risk. Net interest margin is determined by dividing fully taxable equivalent net interest revenue by average earning assets. For purposes of the following discussion, revenue from tax-exempt loans and investment securities has been adjusted to a fully taxable equivalent ("FTE") basis, using an effective tax rate of 35%. The following table presents average interest earning assets, average interest bearing liabilities, net interest revenue-FTE, net interest margin-FTE and net interest rate spread for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015:

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	Three months ended September 30, 2016			2015		
	Average Balance	Interest	Yield/ Rate	Average Balance	Interest	Yield/ Rate
ASSETS						
(Dollars in millions, yields on taxable equivalent basis)						
Loans and leases (net of unearned income) (1)(2)	\$ 10,601.5	\$ 112.5	4.22%	\$ 10,111.0	\$ 107.9	4.23%
Loans held for sale	165.4	1.2	2.98%	157.6	1.4	3.43%
Available-for-sale securities:						
Taxable	1,853.5	6.2	1.33%	1,837.9	6.5	1.40%
Non-taxable (3)	333.4	4.5	5.32%	370.0	5.0	5.32%
Federal funds sold, securities purchased under agreement to resell and short-term investments	311.5	0.4	0.52%	72.4	-	0.20%
Total interest earning assets and revenue	13,265.3	124.8	3.74%	12,548.9	120.8	3.82%
Other assets	1,228.3			1,221.2		
Less: Allowance for credit losses	(126.8)			(137.5)		
Total	\$ 14,366.8			\$ 13,632.6		
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY						
Deposits:						
Demand - interest bearing	\$ 4,886.9	\$ 2.4	0.19%	\$ 4,822.6	\$ 2.2	0.18%
Savings	1,525.0	0.5	0.12%	1,413.2	0.4	0.12%
Other time	1,876.3	3.6	0.78%	1,911.9	3.7	0.76%
Federal funds purchased, securities sold under agreement to repurchase, short-term FHLB borrowings and other short term borrowings	454.8	0.2	0.15%	501.6	0.2	0.12%
Junior subordinated debt securities	23.2	0.2	3.27%	23.2	0.2	2.87%
Long-term debt	430.9	0.9	0.83%	71.9	0.5	2.91%
Total interest bearing liabilities and expense	9,197.1	7.8	0.34%	8,744.4	7.2	0.32%
Demand deposits - noninterest bearing	3,221.5			2,992.9		
Other liabilities	228.7			215.2		
Total liabilities	12,647.3			11,952.5		
Shareholders' equity	1,719.5			1,680.1		
Total	\$ 14,366.8			\$ 13,632.6		
Net interest revenue-FTE		\$ 117.0			\$ 113.6	
Net interest margin-FTE			3.51%			3.59%
Net interest rate spread			3.41%			3.49%
Interest bearing liabilities to interest earning assets			69.33%			69.68%

(1) Includes taxable equivalent adjustment to interest of \$0.9 million and \$0.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, using an effective tax rate of 35%.

(2) Includes non-accrual loans.

(3) Includes taxable equivalent adjustment to interest of \$1.6 million and \$1.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, using an effective tax rate of 35%.

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	Nine months ended September 30, 2016			2015		
	Average Balance	Interest	Yield/ Rate	Average Balance	Interest	Yield/ Rate
ASSETS (Dollars in millions, yields on taxable equivalent basis)						
Loans and leases (net of unearned income) (1)(2)	\$ 10,496.4	\$ 331.2	4.22%	\$ 9,885.0	\$ 315.1	4.26%
Loans held for sale	137.2	3.4	3.32%	139.5	3.6	3.44%
Available-for-sale securities:						
Taxable	1,757.9	18.1	1.37%	1,824.4	19.8	1.45%
Non-taxable (3)	340.3	13.6	5.35%	379.3	15.3	5.39%
Federal funds sold, securities purchased under agreement to resell and short-term investments	288.5	0.9	0.42%	236.0	0.4	0.23%
Total interest earning assets and revenue	13,020.3	367.2	3.77%	12,464.2	354.2	3.80%
Other assets	1,189.3			1,211.8		
Less: allowance for credit losses	(126.5)			(139.8)		
Total	\$ 14,083.1			\$ 13,536.2		
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY						
Deposits:						
Demand - interest bearing	\$ 4,982.1	\$ 6.7	0.18%	\$ 4,901.9	\$ 6.6	0.18%
Savings	1,501.3	1.3	0.12%	1,392.2	1.3	0.12%
Other time	1,856.5	10.4	0.75%	1,944.8	11.5	0.79%
Federal funds purchased, securities sold under agreement to repurchase, short-term FHLB borrowings and other short term borrowings	448.1	0.5	0.15%	436.7	0.4	0.11%
Junior subordinated debt securities	23.2	0.6	3.23%	23.2	0.5	2.86%
Long-term FHLB borrowings	240.0	2.1	1.16%	74.0	1.6	2.90%
Total interest bearing liabilities and expense	9,051.2	21.6	0.32%	8,772.8	21.9	0.33%
Demand deposits - noninterest bearing	3,119.8			2,899.4		
Other liabilities	219.0			208.9		
Total liabilities	12,390.0			11,881.1		
Shareholders' equity	1,693.1			1,655.1		
Total	\$ 14,083.1			\$ 13,536.2		
Net interest revenue-FTE		\$ 345.6			\$ 332.3	
Net interest margin-FTE			3.55%			3.56%
Net interest rate spread			3.45%			3.47%
Interest bearing liabilities to interest earning assets			69.52%			70.38%

(1) Includes taxable equivalent adjustment to interest of \$2.7 million and \$2.5 million for both the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, using an effective tax rate of 35%.

(2) Includes non-accrual loans.

(3) Includes taxable equivalent adjustment to interest of \$4.8 million and \$5.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, using an effective tax rate of 35%.

Net interest revenue-FTE for the three-month period ended September 30, 2016 increased \$3.4 million, or 2.9%, compared to the same period in 2015. Net interest revenue-FTE for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2016 increased \$13.3 million, or 4.0%, compared to the same period in 2015. The increase in net interest revenue-FTE for the comparable nine-month periods was primarily a result of the increase in interest revenue-FTE related to the increase in average earning assets with that increase somewhat offset by the third quarter 2016 increase in rates paid on other time deposits and in the average balance of long term debt. The increase in earning assets was a result

of loan run-off being more than replaced with new lower yielding loans. The decrease in earning asset yields was primarily a result of declining loan yields as interest rates continue to be at historically low levels. Rates on interest bearing liabilities increased slightly as a result of increases in rates paid on interest-bearing deposits.

Interest revenue-FTE for the three-month period ended September 30, 2016 increased \$4.0 million, or 3.3%, compared to the same period in 2015. Interest revenue-FTE for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2016 increased \$13.0 million, or 3.6%, compared to the same period in 2015. The increase in interest revenue-FTE for these periods was a result of the declining loan yields, as interest rates continued to be at historically low levels, being more than offset by loan growth noticed during the third quarter and first nine months of 2016 coupled with an increase in short-term investments during the same time period. The yield on average interest-earning assets decreased 8 basis points for the third quarter of 2016 compared to the same period in 2015 and decreased 3 basis points for the first nine months of 2016 compared to the same period in 2015. Average interest-earning assets increased \$716.4 million, or 5.7%, for the three-month period ended September 30, 2016, compared to the same period in 2015. Average interest-earning assets increased \$556.1 million, or 4.4%, for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2016, compared to the same period in 2015.

Interest expense for the three-month period ended September 30, 2016 increased \$0.6 million, or 8.3%, compared to the same period in 2015, while interest expense for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2016 decreased \$0.3 million, or 1.3%, compared to the same period in 2015. The increase in interest expense for the comparable three-month period was primarily a result of the increase in long-term debt combined with the increase in rates paid on other time deposits. The decrease in interest expense for the comparable nine-month period was a result of the decrease in other time deposits and their corresponding rates. Average rates paid on interest bearing liabilities increased 2 basis points for the third quarter of 2016 compared to the third quarter of 2015 and decreased 1 basis point the first nine months of 2016 compared to the same period in 2015. Average interest bearing liabilities increased \$452.7 million, or 5.1%, for the third quarter of 2016 compared to the third quarter of 2015 and increased \$278.4 million, or 3.1%, for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2016 compared to the same period in 2015. The increase in average interest bearing liabilities for these periods was primarily a result of increases in average interest bearing demand and savings deposits combined with the increase in long-term FHLB borrowings more than offsetting the decrease in other time deposits.

Net interest margin-FTE was 3.51% for the three months ended September 30, 2016, a decrease of 8 basis points from 3.59% for the three months ended September 30, 2015. Net interest margin-FTE was 3.55% and 3.56% for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

Interest Rate Sensitivity

The interest rate sensitivity gap is the difference between the maturity or re-pricing opportunities of interest sensitive assets and interest sensitive liabilities for a given period of time. A prime objective of the Company's asset/liability management is to maximize net interest margin while maintaining a reasonable mix of interest sensitive assets and liabilities. The following table presents the Company's interest rate sensitivity at September 30, 2016:

Interest Rate Sensitivity - Maturing or Repricing Opportunities

	0 to 90 Days	91 Days to One Year	Over One Year to Five Years	Over Five Years
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(In thousands)

Interest earning assets:				
Interest bearing deposits with banks	\$ 151,944	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Available-for-sale and trading securities	158,826	483,338	1,740,279	85,756
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	3,551,449	2,688,883	3,570,377	848,052
Loans held for sale	204,441	-	-	-
Total interest earning assets	4,066,660	3,172,221	5,310,656	933,808
Interest bearing liabilities:				
Interest bearing demand and savings deposits	6,410,883	-	-	-
Other time deposits	326,623	673,152	870,928	112
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreement to repurchase, short-term FHLB borrowings and other short-term borrowings	468,969	-	-	-
Long-term debt and junior subordinated debt securities	556,693	-	30,000	-
Other	-	-	-	-
Total interest bearing liabilities	7,763,168	673,152	900,928	112
Interest rate sensitivity gap	\$ (3,696,508)	\$ 2,499,069	\$ 4,409,728	\$ 933,696
Cumulative interest sensitivity gap	\$ (3,696,508)	\$ (1,197,439)	\$ 3,212,289	\$ 4,145,985

In the event interest rates increase after September 30, 2016, based on this interest rate sensitivity gap, the Company could experience decreased net interest revenue in the following one-year period, as the cost of funds could increase at a more rapid rate than interest revenue on interest-earning assets. However, the Company's historical repricing sensitivity on interest bearing demand deposits and savings suggests that these deposits, while having the ability to reprice in conjunction with rising market rates, often exhibit less repricing sensitivity to a change in market rates, thereby somewhat reducing the exposure to rising interest rates. In the event interest rates decline after September 30, 2016, based on this interest rate sensitivity gap, it is possible that the Company could experience slightly increased net interest revenue in the following one-year period. However, any potential benefit to net interest revenue in a falling rate environment is mitigated by implied rate floors on interest bearing demand deposits and savings resulting from the historically low interest rate environment. It should be noted that the balances shown in the table above are at September 30, 2016 and may not be reflective of positions at other times during the year or in subsequent periods. Allocations to specific interest rate sensitivity periods are based on the earlier of maturity or repricing dates. The elevated liability sensitivity in the 0 to 90 day category as compared to other categories was primarily a result of the Company's utilization of shorter term, lower cost deposits to fund earning assets.

As of September 30, 2016, the Bank had \$2.6 billion in variable rate loans with interest rates determined by a floor, or minimum rate. This portion of the loan portfolio had an average interest rate earned of 4.14%, an average maturity of 162 months and a fully-indexed interest rate of 4.14% at September 30, 2016. The fully-indexed interest rate is the interest rate that these loans would be earning without the effect of interest rate floors. While the Bank benefits from interest rate floors in the current interest rate environment, loans currently earning their floored interest rate may not experience an immediate impact on the interest rate earned should key indices rise. Key indices include, but are not limited to, the Bank's prime rate, the Wall Street Journal prime rate and the London Interbank Offering Rate. At

September 30, 2016, the Company had \$508.9 million, \$3.9 billion and \$728.0 million in variable rate loans with interest rates tied to the Bank's prime rate, the Wall Street Journal prime rate and the London Interbank Offering Rate, respectively. The Bank's net interest margin may be negatively impacted by the timing and magnitude of a rise in key indices.

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Interest Rate Risk Management

Interest rate risk refers to the potential changes in net interest income and Economic Value of Equity (“EVE”) resulting from adverse movements in interest rates. EVE is defined as the net present value of the balance sheet’s cash flow. EVE is calculated by discounting projected principal and interest cash flows under the current interest rate environment. The present value of asset cash flows less the present value of liability cash flows derives the net present value of the Company’s balance sheet. The Company’s Asset / Liability Committee utilizes financial simulation models to measure interest rate exposure. These models are designed to simulate the cash flow and accrual characteristics of the Company’s balance sheet. In addition, the models incorporate assumptions about the direction and volatility of interest rates, the slope of the yield curve, and the changing composition of the Company’s balance sheet arising from both strategic plans and customer behavior. Finally, management makes assumptions regarding loan and deposit growth, pricing, and prepayment speeds.

The sensitivity analysis included in the tables below delineates the percentage change in net interest income and EVE derived from instantaneous parallel rate shifts of plus and minus 400, 300, 200 and 100 basis points. The impact of minus 400, 300, 200 and 100 basis point rate shocks as of September 30, 2016 and 2015 was not considered meaningful because of the historically low interest rate environment. However, the risk exposure should be mitigated by any downward rate shifts. Variances were calculated from the base case scenario, which reflected prevailing market rates, and the net interest income forecasts used in the calculations spanned 12 months for each scenario.

For the tables below, average life assumptions and beta values for non-maturity deposits were estimated based on the historical behavior rather than assuming an average life of one day and a beta value of 1, or 100%. Historical behavior suggests that non-maturity deposits have longer average lives for which to discount expected cash flows and lower beta values for which to re-price expected cash flows. The former results in a higher premium derived from the present value calculation, while the latter results in a slower rate of change and lower change in interest rate paid given a change in market rates. Both have a positive impact on the EVE calculation for rising rate shocks. Calculations using these assumptions are designed to delineate more precise risk exposure under the various shock scenarios. While the falling rate shocks are not considered meaningful in the historically low interest rate environment, the risk profile would be negatively impacted by downward rate shifts under these assumptions.

Rate Shock	Net Interest Income	
	% Variance from Base Case Scenario	
	September 30, 2016	September 30, 2015
+400 basis points	8.5%	7.5%
+300 basis points	10.0%	9.1%
+200 basis points	9.8%	9.0%
+100 basis points	4.8%	4.1%
-100 basis points	NM	NM
-200 basis points	NM	NM
-300 basis points	NM	NM
-400 basis points	NM	NM

NM=not meaningful

Rate Shock	Economic Value of Equity	
	% Variance from Base Case Scenario	
	September 30, 2016	September 30, 2015
+400 basis points	30.4%	21.2%
+300 basis points	23.5%	16.1%
+200 basis points	15.4%	11.1%
+100 basis points	7.5%	5.0%
-100 basis points	NM	NM
-200 basis points	NM	NM
-300 basis points	NM	NM
-400 basis points	NM	NM

NM=not meaningful

In addition to instantaneous rate shocks, the Company monitors interest rate exposure through simulations of gradual interest rate changes over a 12-month time horizon. The results of these analyses are included in the following table:

Rate Ramp	Net Interest Income % Variance from Base Case Scenario	
	September 30, 2016	September 30, 2015
+200 basis points	4.1%	3.4%
-200 basis points	NM	NM

NM=not meaningful

Provision for Credit Losses and Allowance for Credit Losses

In the normal course of business, the Bank assumes risks in extending credit. The Bank manages these risks through underwriting in accordance with its lending policies, loan review procedures and the diversification of its loan and lease portfolio. Although it is not possible to predict credit losses with certainty, management regularly reviews the characteristics of the loan and lease portfolio to determine its overall risk profile and quality.

The provision for credit losses is the periodic cost of providing an allowance or reserve for estimated probable losses on loans and leases. The Board of Directors has appointed a Credit Committee, composed of senior management and loan administration staff which meets on a quarterly basis or more frequently if required to review the recommendations of several internal working groups developed for specific purposes including the allowance for loans and lease losses, impairments and charge-offs. The allowance for loan and lease losses group (“ALLL group”) bases its estimates of credit losses on three primary components: (1) estimates of incurred losses that exist in various segments of performing loans and leases; (2) specifically identified losses in individually analyzed credits; and (3) qualitative factors that address estimates of incurred losses not fully identified by the two prior components. Factors such as financial condition of the borrower and guarantor, recent credit performance, delinquency, liquidity, cash flows, collateral type and value are used to assess credit risk. Estimates of incurred losses are influenced by the historical net losses experienced by the Bank for loans and leases of comparable creditworthiness and structure. Specific loss assessments are performed for loans and leases of significant size and delinquency based upon the collateral protection and expected future cash flows to determine the amount of impairment under FASB ASC 310, Receivables (“FASB ASC 310”). In addition, qualitative factors such as changes in economic conditions, concentrations of risk, and changes in portfolio risk resulting from regulatory changes are considered in determining the adequacy of the level of the allowance for credit losses.

Attention is paid to the quality of the loan and lease portfolio through a formal loan review process. An independent loan review department of the Bank is responsible for reviewing the credit rating and classification of individual credits and assessing trends in the portfolio, adherence to internal credit policies and procedures and other factors that may affect the overall adequacy of the allowance for credit losses. The ALLL group is responsible for ensuring that the allowance for credit losses provides coverage of estimated incurred loan losses. The ALLL group meets at least quarterly to determine the amount of adjustments to the allowance for credit losses. The ALLL group is composed of senior management from the Bank’s loan administration and finance departments. In 2010, the Bank established an impairment group. The impairment group is responsible for evaluating loans that have been specifically identified through various channels, including examination of the Bank’s watch list, past due listings, findings of the internal loan review department, loan officer assessments and loans to borrowers or industries known to be experiencing problems. For all loans identified, the responsible loan officer in conjunction with his or her credit administrator is required to prepare an impairment analysis to be reviewed by the impairment group. The impairment group deems

that a loan is impaired if the loan is greater than \$500,000 and it is probable that the Company will be unable to collect all the contractual principal and interest on the loan and all loans restructured in a TDR. The impairment group also evaluates the circumstances surrounding the loan in order to determine if the loan officer used the most appropriate method for assessing the impairment of the loan (i.e., present value of expected future cash flows, observable market price or fair value of the underlying collateral). The impairment group meets on a monthly basis.

If concessions are granted to a borrower as a result of its financial difficulties, the loan is classified as a troubled debt restructuring ("TDR") and analyzed for possible impairment as part of the credit approval process. TDRs are reserved in accordance with FASB ASC 310 in the same manner as impaired loans that are not TDRs. Should the borrower's financial condition, collateral protection or performance deteriorate, warranting reassessment of the loan rating or impairment, additional reserves may be required.

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Loans of \$500,000 or more that are identified for review by the impairment group, which decides whether an impairment exists and to what extent a specific allowance for credit loss should be made. Loans that do not meet these requirements may also be identified by management for impairment review, particularly if the loan is a small loan that is part of a larger relationship. Loans subject to such review are evaluated as to collateral dependency, current collateral value, guarantor or other financial support and likely disposition. Each such loan is individually evaluated for impairment. The impairment evaluation of real estate loans generally focuses on the fair value of underlying collateral obtained from appraisals, as the repayment of these loans may be dependent on the liquidation of the collateral. In certain circumstances, other information such as comparable sales data is deemed to be a more reliable indicator of fair value of the underlying collateral than the most recent appraisal. In these instances, such information is used in determining the impairment recorded for the loan. As the repayment of commercial and industrial loans is generally dependent upon the cash flow of the borrower or guarantor support, the impairment evaluation generally focuses on the discounted future cash flows of the borrower or guarantor support, as well as the projected liquidation of any pledged collateral. The impairment group reviews the results of each evaluation and approves the final impairment amounts, which are then included in the analysis of the adequacy of the allowance for credit losses in accordance with FASB ASC 310. Loans identified for impairment are placed in non-accrual status.

A new appraisal is generally ordered for loans greater than \$500,000 that have characteristics of potential impairment such as delinquency or other loan-specific factors identified by management, when a current appraisal (dated within the prior 12 months) is not available or when a current appraisal uses assumptions that are not consistent with the expected disposition of the loan collateral. In order to measure impairment properly at the time that a loan is deemed to be impaired, a staff appraiser may estimate the collateral fair value based upon earlier appraisals received from outside appraisers, sales contracts, approved foreclosure bids, comparable sales, officer estimates or current market conditions until a new appraisal is received. This estimate can be used to determine the extent of the impairment on the loan. After a loan is deemed to be impaired, it is management's policy to obtain an updated appraisal on at least an annual basis. Management performs a review of the pertinent facts and circumstances of each impaired loan, such as changes in outstanding balances, information received from loan officers and receipt of re-appraisals, on a monthly basis. As of each review date, management considers whether additional impairment should be recorded based on recent activity related to the loan-specific collateral as well as other relevant comparable assets. Any adjustment to reflect further impairments, either as a result of management's periodic review or as a result of an updated appraisal, are made through recording additional loan loss provisions and/or charge-offs.

At September 30, 2016, impaired loans totaled \$39.1 million, which was net of cumulative charge-offs of \$8.3 million. Additionally, the Company had specific reserves for impaired loans of \$3.7 million included in the allowance for credit losses. Impaired loans at September 30, 2016 were primarily from the Company's commercial real estate and commercial and industrial owner occupied portfolios. Impaired loan charge-offs are determined necessary when management does not anticipate any future recovery of collateral values. The loans were evaluated for impairment based on the fair value of the underlying collateral securing the loan. As part of the impairment review process, appraisals are used to determine the property values. The appraised values that are used are generally based on the disposition value of the property, which assumes Bank ownership of the property "as-is" and a 180-360 day marketing period. If a current appraisal or one with an inspection date within the past 12 months using the necessary assumptions is not available, a new third-party appraisal is ordered. In cases where an impairment exists and a current appraisal is not available at the time of review, a staff appraiser may determine an estimated value based upon earlier appraisals, the sales contract, approved foreclosure bids, comparable sales, comparable appraisals, officer estimates or current market conditions until a new appraisal is received. After a new appraisal is received, the value used in the review will be updated and any adjustments to reflect further impairments are made. Appraisals are obtained from state-certified appraisers based on certain assumptions which may include foreclosure status, bank ownership, OREO marketing period of 180-360 days, costs to sell, construction or development status and the highest and best use of the property. A staff appraiser may make adjustments to appraisals based on sales contracts, comparable sales and other pertinent information if an appraisal does not incorporate the effect of these assumptions.

When a guarantor is relied upon as a source of repayment, it is the Company's policy to analyze the strength of the guaranty. This analysis varies based on circumstances, but may include a review of the guarantor's personal and business financial statements and credit history, a review of the guarantor's tax returns and the preparation of a cash flow analysis of the guarantor. Management will continue to update its analysis on individual guarantors as circumstances change. Subsequent analyses may result in the identification of the inability of some guarantors to perform under the agreed upon terms.

Any loan or portion thereof which is classified as "loss" by regulatory examiners or which is determined by management to be uncollectible, because of factors such as the borrower's failure to pay interest or principal, the

borrower's financial condition, economic conditions in the borrower's industry or the inadequacy of underlying collateral, is charged off.

The following table provides an analysis of the allowance for credit losses for the periods indicated:

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	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	September 30, 2016	2015	September 30, 2016	2015
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 126,935	\$ 138,312	\$ 126,458	\$ 142,443
Loans and leases charged off:				
Commercial and industrial	(1,180)	(2,010)	(2,068)	(3,829)
Real estate				
Consumer mortgages	(595)	(1,382)	(1,782)	(2,849)
Home equity	(237)	(314)	(1,011)	(1,057)
Agricultural	(89)	(9)	(110)	(17)
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	(261)	(645)	(1,075)	(1,443)
Construction, acquisition and development	(5)	(203)	(511)	(818)
Commercial real estate	(14)	(1,477)	(1,129)	(3,601)
Credit cards	(696)	(706)	(2,030)	(1,909)
All other	(713)	(628)	(1,617)	(1,648)
Total loans charged off	(3,790)	(7,374)	(11,333)	(17,171)
Recoveries:				
Commercial and industrial	263	897	814	1,681
Real estate				
Consumer mortgages	327	461	1,281	2,113
Home equity	109	90	435	516
Agricultural	28	59	160	364
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	117	1,831	343	2,527
Construction, acquisition and development	382	1,084	1,178	10,666
Commercial real estate	1,043	187	2,235	1,507
Credit cards	262	170	642	506
All other	211	292	674	857
Total recoveries	2,742	5,071	7,762	20,737
Net charge-offs	(1,048)	(2,303)	(3,571)	3,566
Provision charged to operating expense	-	(3,000)	3,000	(13,000)
Balance, end of period	\$ 125,887	\$ 133,009	\$ 125,887	\$ 133,009
Average loans for period	\$ 10,601,481	\$ 10,110,995	\$ 10,496,431	\$ 9,885,045
Ratios:				
Net charge-offs to average loans (annualized)	0.04%	0.09%	0.05%	(0.05%)
Provision for credit losses to average loans and leases, net of unearned income (annualized)	(0.00%)	(0.12%)	0.04%	(0.18%)
Allowance for credit losses to loans and leases, net of unearned income	1.18%	1.30%	1.18%	1.30%

Net charge-offs were \$1.0 million in the third quarter of 2016 compared to net chargeoffs of \$2.3 million in the third quarter of 2015. Net chargeoffs in the first nine months of 2016 were \$3.6 million compared to net recoveries of \$3.6 million in the first nine months of 2015. Relatively low net charge-offs in the first nine months of 2016, coupled with improvement in criticized assets, contributed to no provision recorded during the third quarter of 2016. Net recoveries in the first nine months of 2015, coupled with improvement in criticized assets, contributed to a negative provision for credit losses of \$3.0 million and \$13.0 million being recorded in the third quarter and first nine months of 2015, respectively.

Annualized net charge-offs as a percentage of average loans and leases for the third quarter of 2016 were 0.04%, compared to annualized net chargeoffs as a percentage of average loans and leases of 0.09% for the third quarter of 2015. Annualized net charge-offs as a percentage of average loans and leases for the first nine months of 2016 were 0.05% compared to annualized net recoveries as a percentage of average loans and leases of 0.05% for the same period in 2015. The 2015 net recovery was a result of elevated levels of recoveries primarily in the construction, acquisition and development real estate portfolio. Total recoveries were \$2.7 million and \$7.8 million for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2016, compared to \$5.1 million and \$20.7 million for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2015 with 51.4% of the first nine months 2015 recoveries being noticed in the real estate construction, acquisition and development portfolio.

A \$3.0 million provision for credit losses was recorded for the first nine months of 2016 while \$13.0 million negative provision was recorded for the first nine months of 2015. The low provision for credit losses for the first nine months of 2016 was a result of improving credit trends, including the elevated levels of recoveries. As of September 30, 2016 and 2015, 55% and 58%, respectively, of nonaccrual loans had been charged down to net realizable value or had specific reserves to reflect recent appraised values. As a result, impaired loans had an aggregate net book value of 83% of their contractual principal balance at both September 30, 2016 and 2015.

The allowance for credit losses decreased \$7.1 million to \$125.9 million at September 30, 2016 compared to \$133.0 million at September 30, 2015. The decrease was a result of improving credit metrics since September 30, 2015, including reductions in classified loans and low net charge-off levels.

The breakdown of the allowance by loan and lease category is based, in part, on evaluations of specific loan and lease histories and on economic conditions within specific industries or geographical areas. Accordingly, because all of these conditions are subject to change, the allocation is not necessarily indicative of the breakdown of any future allowance or losses. The following table presents (i) the breakdown of the allowance for credit losses by segment and class and (ii) the percentage of each segment and class in the loan and lease portfolio to total loans and leases at the dates indicated:

	September 30, 2016		2015		December 31, 2015			
	Allowance for Credit Losses (Dollars in thousands)	% of Total Loans and Leases	Allowance for Credit Losses	% of Total Loans and Leases	Allowance for Credit Losses	% of Total Loans and Leases		
Commercial and industrial	\$17,845	15.2	% \$23,830	16.7	% \$ 17,583	16.8	%	
Real estate								
Consumer mortgages	31,619	24.4	33,644	23.9	33,198	23.8		
Home equity	8,047	5.8	7,962	5.6	6,949	5.7		
Agricultural	2,152	2.3	2,515	2.4	2,524	2.5		

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Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	12,785	15.6	14,957	15.7	14,607	15.5	
Construction, acquisition and development	13,577	10.5	10,800	8.8	15,925	9.1	
Commercial real estate	26,847	21.0	25,105	20.9	25,508	21.0	
Credit cards	7,118	1.0	4,890	1.1	4,047	1.1	
All other	5,897	4.2	9,306	4.9	6,117	4.5	
Total	\$125,887	100.0	% \$133,009	100.0	% \$ 126,458	100.0	%

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Noninterest Revenue

The components of noninterest revenue for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 and the corresponding percentage changes are shown in the following tables:

	Three months ended September 30,		% Change
	2016	2015	
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Mortgage banking excl. MSR market value adjustment	\$ 10,469	\$ 7,647	36.9 %
MSR Market Value Adjustment	1,813	(5,308)	NM
Credit card, debit card and merchant fees	9,292	9,282	0.1
Deposit service charges	11,313	12,150	(6.9)
Securities gains, net	1	33	(97.0)
Insurance commissions	28,194	28,584	(1.4)
Trust income*	3,641	3,653	(0.3)
Annuity fees *	446	539	(17.3)
Brokerage commissions and fees*	1,225	1,375	(10.9)
Bank-owned life insurance	1,775	1,842	(3.6)
Other miscellaneous income	2,699	3,156	(14.5)
Total noninterest revenue	\$ 70,868	\$ 62,953	12.6 %

* Included in Wealth Management revenue on the Consolidated Statements of Income

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	Nine months ended September 30,		% Change
	2016	2015	
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Mortgage banking excl. MSR market value adjustment	\$ 34,176	\$ 29,034	17.7 %
MSR Market Value Adjustment	(10,233)	(4,026)	NM
Credit card, debit card and merchant fees	27,748	27,119	2.3
Deposit service charges	33,345	34,929	(4.5)
Securities gains, net	89	88	1.1
Insurance commissions	90,246	91,396	(1.3)
Trust income*	10,564	11,232	(5.9)

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Annuity fees*	1,388	1,567	(11.4)
Brokerage commissions and fees*	3,816	4,486	(14.9)
Bank-owned life insurance	5,481	5,576	(1.7)
Other miscellaneous income	9,446	9,181	2.9
Total noninterest revenue	\$ 206,066	\$ 210,582	(2.1) %

* Included in Wealth Management revenue on the Consolidated Statements of Income

NM=Not meaningful

The Company's revenue from mortgage banking typically fluctuates as mortgage interest rates change and is primarily attributable to two activities - origination and sale of new mortgage loans and servicing of mortgage loans. Since mortgage revenue can be significantly affected by changes in the valuation of MSRs in changing interest rate environments, the Company began piloting a hedge of the change in fair value of its MSRs during the fourth quarter of 2015. The Company's normal practice is to originate mortgage loans for sale in the secondary market and to either retain or release the associated MSRs with the loan sold. The Company records MSRs at fair value for all loans sold

on a servicing retained basis with subsequent adjustments to fair value of MSR in accordance with FASB ASC 860, Transfers and Servicing.

In the course of conducting the Company's mortgage banking activities of originating mortgage loans and selling those loans in the secondary market, various representations and warranties are made to the purchasers of the mortgage loans. These representations and warranties also apply to underwriting the real estate appraisal opinion of value for the collateral securing these loans. Under the representations and warranties, failure by the Company to comply with the underwriting and/or appraisal standards could result in the Company being required to repurchase the mortgage loan or to reimburse the investor for losses incurred (i.e., make whole requests) if such failure cannot be cured by the Company within the specified period following discovery. During the first nine months of 2016, 18 mortgage loans totaling \$1.3 million were repurchased or otherwise settled as a result of underwriting and appraisal standard exceptions or make whole requests. A loss of approximately \$220,000 was recognized related to these repurchased or make whole loans. During the first nine months of 2015, 20 mortgage loans totaling approximately \$2.1 million were repurchased or otherwise settled as a result of underwriting and appraisal standard exceptions or make whole requests. A loss of approximately \$309,000 was recognized related to these repurchased or make whole loans.

At September 30, 2016, the Company had accrued \$1.5 million for its estimate of losses from representation and warranty obligations. The reserve was based on the Company's repurchase and loss trends, and quantitative and qualitative factors that may result in anticipated losses different than historical loss trends, including loan vintage, underwriting characteristics and macroeconomic trends.

Management believes that the Company's foreclosure process related to mortgage loans continues to operate effectively and in compliance with all applicable laws. Before beginning the foreclosure process, a mortgage loan foreclosure working group of the Bank reviews the identified delinquent loan. All documents and activities related to the foreclosure process are executed in-house by mortgage department personnel.

Origination revenue, a component of mortgage banking revenue, is comprised of gains or losses from the sale of the mortgage loans originated, origination fees, underwriting fees and other fees associated with the origination of loans. Mortgage loan origination volumes of \$478.2 million and \$402.2 million produced origination revenue of \$8.2 million and \$5.2 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Mortgage loan origination volumes of \$1.3 billion and \$1.1 billion produced origination revenue of \$25.9 million and \$21.5 million for the first nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The increase in mortgage origination revenue for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2016 compared to the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2015 is a result of the larger growth noticed in the held for sale pipeline coupled with the increase in origination volume during the third quarter and first nine months of 2016 than the growth noticed in the held for sale pipeline and origination volume during the third quarter and first nine months of 2015.

Revenue from the servicing process, another component of mortgage banking revenue, includes fees from the actual servicing of loans. Revenue from the servicing of loans was \$4.6 million and \$4.4 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, revenue from the servicing of loans was \$14.1 million and \$12.9 million, respectively.

Changes in the fair value of the Company's MSR are generally a result of changes in mortgage interest rates from the previous reporting date. An increase in mortgage interest rates typically results in an increase in the fair value of the MSR while a decrease in mortgage interest rates typically results in a decrease in the fair value of MSR. The fair value of MSR is also impacted by principal payments, prepayments and payoffs on loans in the servicing portfolio. Decreases in value from principal payments, prepayments and payoffs were \$2.3 million and \$1.9 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. Decreases in value from principal payments, prepayments and payoffs were \$5.8 million and \$5.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. As of September 30, 2016, the Company had a hedge in place designed to cover approximately 3% of the MSR value. The Company is susceptible to fluctuations in their value in changing interest rate

environments. Reflecting this sensitivity to interest rates, the fair value of MSRs increased \$1.8 million and decreased \$5.3 million for the quarters ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, and decreased \$10.2 million and decreased \$4.0 million for the first nine months of 2016 and 2015, respectively.

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	Three months ended September 30,			
	2016	2015		% Change
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Mortgage banking:				
Origination	\$ 8,168	\$ 5,154	58.5	%
Servicing	4,639	4,365	6.3	
Payoffs/Paydowns	(2,338)	(1,872)	24.9	
	10,469	7,647		
MSR market value adjustment	1,813	(5,308)	NM	
Mortgage banking revenue	\$ 12,282	\$ 2,339	425.1	%

	(Dollars in millions)			
Origination volume	\$ 478	\$ 402	18.9	%

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	Nine months ended September 30,			
	2016	2015		% Change
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Mortgage banking:				
Origination	\$ 25,899	\$ 21,463	20.7	%
Servicing	14,061	12,937	8.7	
Payoffs/Paydowns	(5,784)	(5,366)	7.8	
	34,176	29,034		
MSR market value adjustment	(10,233)	(4,026)	NM	
Mortgage banking revenue	\$ 23,943	\$ 25,008	(4.3)	%

	(Dollars in millions)			
Origination volume	\$ 1,256	\$ 1,130	11.2	%

Outstanding principal balance of mortgage loans serviced at year-end	\$ 6,285	\$ 5,943	5.8	%
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Credit card, debit card and merchant fees remained stable for the comparable three-month period and increased slightly for the comparable nine-month period as a result of new account volume noticed since September 30, 2015. Deposit service charge revenue decreased 6.9% and 4.5% when comparing the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, due to modifications made on the calculation and assessment of overdraft fees since September 30, 2015.

Net security gains of approximately \$1,000 and \$89,000 for the three-month and nine-month period ended September 30, 2016 and net security gains of approximately \$33,000 and \$88,000 for the three-month and nine-month period ended September 30, 2015 were a result of sales and calls of available-for-sale securities.

Insurance commissions remained relatively stable decreasing only 1.4% for the third quarter of 2016 compared to the third quarter of 2015 and 1.3% for the first nine months of 2016 compared to the first nine months of 2015. Trust income remained relatively stable during the third quarter of 2016 compared to the third quarter of 2015 and decreased 5.9% for the first nine months of 2016 compared to the first nine months of 2015 as a result of an executor fee taken on a large estate during the first nine months of 2015 with no similar fee noticed in the first nine

months of 2016. Annuity fees decreased for both the third quarter of 2016 compared to the third quarter of 2015 and for the first nine months of 2016 compared to the first nine months of 2015 as a result of less annuity sales during 2016. Brokerage commissions and fees decreased 10.9% and 14.9% for the comparable three-month and nine-month periods, respectively, as a result of decreases in sales of all brokerage products. Bank-owned life insurance remained relatively stable for the comparable three-month and nine-month period. Other miscellaneous income, which includes safe deposit box rental income, gain or loss on disposal of assets, and other non-recurring revenue items decreased 14.5% for the comparable three-month periods ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 and increased 2.9% for the comparable nine-month periods ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 as a result of the activity in miscellaneous other investment income combined with credit trading fee income.

Noninterest Expense

The components of noninterest expense for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 and the corresponding percentage changes are shown in the following tables:

	Three months ended September 30,		% Change	
	2016	2015		
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 82,079	\$ 81,354	0.9	%
Occupancy, net	10,412	10,819	(3.8)	
Equipment	3,423	3,742	(8.5)	
Deposit insurance assessments	3,227	2,191	47.3	
Advertising	925	812	13.9	
Foreclosed property expense	859	808	6.3	
Telecommunications	1,288	1,267	1.7	
Public relations	718	588	22.1	
Data processing	6,856	6,156	11.4	
Computer software	2,976	2,595	14.7	
Amortization of intangibles	923	948	(2.6)	
Legal fees	1,064	1,233	(13.7)	
Merger expense	-	8	(100.0)	
Postage and shipping	1,059	1,030	2.8	
Other miscellaneous expense	13,703	12,899	6.2	
Total noninterest expense	\$ 129,512	\$ 126,450	2.4	%

NM= Not meaningful

	Nine months ended September 30,		%
	2016	2015	Change
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 246,378	\$ 242,292	1.7 %
Occupancy, net of rental income	30,794	31,432	(2.0)
Equipment	10,483	11,740	(10.7)
Deposit insurance assessments	8,097	6,879	17.7
Regulatory settlement	10,277	-	NM
Advertising	2,601	3,279	(20.7)
Foreclosed property expense	3,349	4,404	(24.0)
Telecommunications	3,842	3,904	(1.6)
Public relations	1,978	2,067	(4.3)
Data processing	19,932	18,056	10.4
Computer software	8,368	7,891	6.0
Amortization of intangibles	2,672	3,042	(12.2)
Legal fees	7,353	10,912	(32.6)
Merger expense	2	12	(83.3)
Postage and shipping	3,161	3,396	(6.9)
Other miscellaneous expense	41,243	42,254	(2.4)
Total noninterest expense	\$ 400,530	\$ 391,560	2.3 %

NM=Not meaningful

Salaries and employee benefit expense remained relatively stable for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2016 compared to the same periods in 2015. Occupancy expense decreased 3.8% for the three months ended September 30, 2016 compared to the same period in 2015 but remained relatively stable for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 compared to the same period in 2015. Equipment expense decreased 8.5% and 10.7% for the comparable three-month and nine-month periods, respectively, as a result of decreases in depreciation expense. Deposit insurance assessments increased 47.3% and 17.7% for the comparable three-month and nine-month periods, respectively, as a result of additional assessments related to the surcharge to be levied on all larger banks to bring the Deposit Insurance Fund reserve ratio to the statutory minimum combined with movement evidenced in several variables utilized by the FDIC in calculating the deposit insurance assessment. A pre-tax charge of \$10.3 million was recorded during the first quarter of 2016 related to a liability associated with ongoing regulatory matters. A settlement was reached during the second quarter of 2016 with no additional charge required.

Foreclosed property expense increased 6.3% and decreased 24.0% for the comparable three months and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. The increase for the comparable three month period was due to a large net gain recorded in the third quarter of 2015 while a much smaller net gain on sale was recorded in the third quarter of 2016. The decrease in foreclosed property expense for the first nine months of 2016 compared to the first nine months of 2015 was a result of fewer writedowns. During the first nine months of 2016, the Company added \$9.3 million to OREO through foreclosures. Sales of OREO in the first nine months of 2016 were \$10.6 million, resulting in a net loss of approximately \$202,000. The components of foreclosed property expense for the three

months and nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 and the percentage change between periods are shown in the following tables:

	Three months ended September 30,		% Change
	2016	2015	
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Gain on sale of other real estate owned	\$ (57)	\$ (203)	(71.9)%
Writedown of other real estate owned	582	524	11.1
Other foreclosed property expense	334	487	(31.4)
Total foreclosed property expense	\$ 859	\$ 808	6.3 %

	Nine months ended September 30,		
	2016	2015	% Change
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Loss (gain) on sale of other real estate owned	\$ 202	\$ (778)	NM %
Writedown of other real estate owned	2,052	3,733	(45.0)
Other foreclosed property expense	1,095	1,449	(24.4)
Total foreclosed property expense	\$ 3,349	\$ 4,404	(24.0)%

NM= Not meaningful

While the Company experienced some fluctuations in various components of other noninterest expense, including advertising and public relations, the primary fluctuations included the decrease in legal fees and in other miscellaneous expense for the first nine months of 2016 compared to the first nine months of 2015. The decrease in legal fees and other miscellaneous expense is a result of additional costs recorded during the first nine months of 2015 related to litigation reserves for various legal matters, consulting and compliance services more than offsetting any other legal and consulting costs recorded during the first nine months of 2016. These consulting and compliance services were related to BSA and AML compliance remediation.

Income Tax

The Company recorded income tax expense of \$18.1 million for the third quarter of 2016, compared to income tax expense of \$16.2 million for the third quarter of 2015. Income tax expense was \$45.5 million for the first nine months of 2016, compared to income tax expense of \$50.2 million for the first nine months of 2015. The primary differences between the Company's recorded expense for the third quarter and first nine months of 2016 and the expense that would have resulted from applying the U.S. statutory tax rate of 35% to the Company's pre-tax income were primarily the effects of tax-exempt income and other tax preference items.

FINANCIAL CONDITION

The percentage of earning assets to total assets measures the effectiveness of management's efforts to invest available funds into the most efficient and profitable uses. Earning assets at September 30, 2016 were \$13.5 billion, or 92.3% of total assets, compared with \$12.7 billion, or 91.7% of total assets, at December 31, 2015.

Loans and Leases

The Bank's loan and lease portfolio represents the largest single component of the Company's earning asset base, comprising 79.9% of average earning assets during the third quarter of 2016. The Bank's lending activities include both commercial and consumer loans and leases. Loan and lease originations are derived from a number of sources, including direct solicitation by the Bank's loan officers, existing depositors and borrowers, builders, attorneys, walk-in customers and, in some instances, other lenders, real estate broker referrals and mortgage loan companies. The Bank has established systematic procedures for approving and monitoring loans and leases that vary depending on the size and nature of the loan or lease, and applies these procedures in a disciplined manner. The Company's loans and leases are widely diversified by borrower and industry. Loans and leases, net of unearned income, totaled \$10.7 billion and \$10.4 billion at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively.

The following table shows the composition of the Company's gross loans and leases by segment and class at the dates indicated:

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	September 30, 2016	2015	December 31, 2015
	(In thousands)		
Commercial and industrial	\$ 1,619,668	\$ 1,715,293	\$ 1,752,273
Real estate			
Consumer mortgages	2,611,387	2,447,132	2,472,202
Home equity	622,566	573,566	589,752
Agricultural	242,171	252,381	259,360
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	1,668,477	1,605,811	1,617,429
Construction, acquisition and development	1,121,386	900,875	945,045
Commercial real estate	2,240,717	2,141,398	2,188,048
Credit cards	107,447	109,576	112,165
All other	451,347	507,981	468,052
Gross loans and leases (1)	10,685,166	10,254,013	10,404,326
Less: Unearned income	26,405	34,437	31,548
Net loans and leases	\$ 10,658,761	\$ 10,219,576	\$ 10,372,778

(1) Gross loans and leases are net of deferred fees and costs of \$2.2 million, approximately (\$232,000) and (\$214,000) at September 30, 2016 and 2015 and December 31, 2015, respectively.

The following table shows the Company's loans and leases, net of unearned income by segment, class and geographical location as of September 30, 2016:

	Alabama and Florida Panhandle (In thousands)	Arkansas	Louisiana	Mississippi	Missouri	Tennessee	Texas
Commercial and industrial	\$ 135,467	\$ 205,833	\$ 184,819	\$ 639,204	\$ 78,950	\$ 116,203	\$
Real estate							
Consumer mortgages	335,856	325,793	226,092	831,986	84,046	294,218	484,000
Home equity	96,539	43,963	69,255	227,952	23,328	144,835	14,000
Agricultural	7,734	81,798	27,160	67,213	5,032	12,864	40,000
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	195,572	178,681	200,406	662,735	49,901	140,843	240,000
Construction, acquisition and development	127,828	101,148	58,844	353,188	24,535	163,247	292,000
	284,543	356,121	223,016	608,483	199,928	196,105	372,000

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Commercial real
estate

Credit cards

All other

Total

-	-	-	-	-	-	-
70,487	45,925	28,675	174,356	3,562	30,749	55,
\$ 1,254,026	\$ 1,339,262	\$ 1,018,267	\$ 3,565,117	\$ 469,282	\$ 1,099,064	\$

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The maturity distribution of the Bank's loan portfolio is one factor in management's evaluation by collateral type of the risk characteristics of the loan and lease portfolio. The following table shows the maturity distribution of the Company's loans and leases, net of unearned income, as of September 30, 2016:

	Past Due	One Year or Less	One to Five Years	After Five Years	Total
	(In thousands)				
Commercial and industrial Real estate	\$ 8,653	\$ 539,267	\$ 801,902	\$ 266,330	\$ 1,616,152
Consumer mortgages	3,717	251,057	435,386	1,921,227	2,611,387
Home equity	2,395	72,284	265,756	282,131	622,566
Agricultural	256	42,013	52,841	147,061	242,171
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	23,419	176,699	430,418	1,037,941	1,668,477
Construction, acquisition and development	1,062	556,703	297,713	265,908	1,121,386
Commercial real estate	15,715	193,471	721,848	1,309,683	2,240,717
Credit cards	-	107,447	-	-	107,447
All other	429	192,723	175,209	60,097	428,458
Total	\$ 55,646	\$ 2,131,664	\$ 3,181,073	\$ 5,290,378	\$ 10,658,761

Commercial and Industrial - Commercial and industrial loans are loans and leases to finance business operations, equipment and owner-occupied facilities primarily for small and medium-sized enterprises. These include both lines of credit for terms of one year or less and term loans which are amortized over the useful life of the assets financed. Personal guarantees are generally required for these loans. Also included in this category are loans to finance agricultural production. Commercial and industrial loans outstanding decreased 7.5% from December 31, 2015 to September 30, 2016.

Real Estate – Consumer Mortgages - Consumer mortgages are first- or second-lien loans to consumers secured by a primary residence or second home. These loans are generally amortized over terms up to 25 years. The loans are generally secured by properties located within the local market area of the community bank which originates and services the loan. These loans are underwritten in accordance with the Bank's general loan policies and procedures which require, among other things, proper documentation of each borrower's financial condition, satisfactory credit history and property value. Consumer mortgages outstanding increased 5.6% at September 30, 2016 compared to December 31, 2015. In addition to loans originated through the Bank's branches, the Bank originates and services consumer mortgages sold in the secondary market which are underwritten and closed pursuant to investor and agency guidelines. The Bank's exposure to sub-prime mortgages is minimal.

Real Estate – Home Equity - Home equity loans include revolving credit lines which are secured by a first or second lien on a borrower's residence. Each loan is underwritten individually by lenders who specialize in home equity lending and must conform to Bank lending policies and procedures for consumer loans as to borrower's financial condition, ability to repay, satisfactory credit history and the condition and value of collateral. Properties securing home equity loans are generally located in the local market area of the Bank branch or office originating and servicing the loan. The Bank has not purchased home equity loans from brokers or other lending institutions. Home equity loans outstanding increased by 5.6% at September 30, 2016 compared to December 31, 2015.

Real Estate – Agricultural - Agricultural loans include loans to purchase agricultural land and production lines secured by farm land. Agricultural loans outstanding decreased by 6.6% from December 31, 2015 to September 30, 2016.

Real Estate – Commercial and Industrial-Owner Occupied - Commercial and industrial-owner occupied loans include loans secured by business facilities to finance business operations, equipment and owner-occupied facilities primarily for small and medium-sized enterprises. These include both lines of credit for terms of one year or less and term loans which are amortized over the useful life of the assets financed. Personal guarantees are generally required for these loans. Commercial and industrial-owner occupied loans increased 3.2% from December 31, 2015 to September 30, 2016.

Real Estate – Construction, Acquisition and Development - Construction, acquisition and development loans include both loans and credit lines for the purpose of purchasing, carrying and developing land into commercial

developments or residential subdivisions. Also included are loans and lines for construction of residential, multi-family and commercial buildings. The Bank generally engages in construction and development lending only in local markets served by its branches. Construction, acquisition and development loans increased 18.7% from December 31, 2015 to September 30, 2016.

The underwriting process for construction, acquisition and development loans with interest reserves is essentially the same as that for a loan without interest reserves and may include analysis of borrower and guarantor financial strength, market demand for the proposed project, experience and success with similar projects, property values, time horizon for project completion and the availability of permanent financing once the project is completed. The Company's loan policy generally prohibits the use of interest reserves on loans. Construction, acquisition and development loans, with or without interest reserves, are inspected periodically to ensure that the project is on schedule and eligible for requested draws. Inspections may be performed by construction inspectors hired by the Company or by appropriate loan officers and are done periodically to monitor the progress of a particular project. These inspections may also include discussions with project managers and engineers.

At September 30, 2016, the Company had \$75.7 million in construction, acquisition and development loans that provided for the use of interest reserves with approximately \$561,000 and \$1.5 million recognized as interest income during the third quarter and first nine months of 2016. There were no construction, acquisition and development loans with interest reserves that were on non-accrual status at September 30, 2016. Interest income is not recognized on construction, acquisition and development loans with interest reserves that are in non-accrual status. Loans with interest reserves normally have a budget that includes the various cost components involved in the project. Interest is such a cost, along with hard and other soft costs. The Company's policy is to allow interest reserves only during the construction phase.

Each construction, acquisition and development loan is underwritten to address: (i) the desirability of the project, its market viability and projected absorption period; (ii) the creditworthiness of the borrower and the guarantor as to liquidity, cash flow and assets available to ensure performance of the loan; (iii) equity contribution to the project; (iv) the developer's experience and success with similar projects; and (v) the value of the collateral.

Real Estate – Commercial - Commercial loans include loans to finance income-producing commercial and multi-family properties. Lending in this category is generally limited to properties located in the Bank's trade area with only limited exposure to properties located elsewhere but owned by in-market borrowers. Loans in this category include loans for neighborhood retail centers, medical and professional offices, single retail stores, warehouses and apartments leased generally to local businesses and residents. The underwriting of these loans takes into consideration the occupancy and rental rates as well as the financial health of the borrower. The Bank's exposure to national retail tenants is minimal. The Bank has not purchased commercial real estate loans from brokers or third-party originators. Commercial real estate loans increased 2.4% from December 31, 2015 to September 30, 2016.

Credit Cards - Credit cards include consumer and business MasterCard and Visa accounts. The Bank offers credit cards primarily to its deposit and loan customers. Credit card balances decreased 4.2% from December 31, 2015 to September 30, 2016.

All Other - All other loans and leases include consumer installment loans and loans and leases to state, county and municipal governments and non-profit agencies. Consumer installment loans and leases include term loans of up to five years secured by automobiles, boats and recreational vehicles. The Bank offers lease financing for vehicles and heavy equipment to state, county and municipal governments and medical equipment to healthcare providers across the southern states. All other loan and lease balances, net of unearned income decreased 2.8% from December 31, 2015 to September 30, 2016.

NPLs consist of non-accrual loans and leases, loans and leases 90 days or more past due, still accruing, and accruing loans and leases that have been restructured (primarily in the form of reduced interest rates and modified payment

terms) because of the borrower's or guarantor's weakened financial condition or bankruptcy proceedings. The Bank's policy provides that loans and leases are generally placed in non-accrual status if, in management's opinion, payment in full of principal or interest is not expected or payment of principal or interest is more than 90 days past due, unless the loan or lease is both well-secured and in the process of collection. Non-performing assets ("NPAs") consist of NPLs and OREO, which consists of foreclosed properties. NPAs, which are carried either in the

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loan account or OREO on the Company's consolidated balance sheets, depending on foreclosure status, were as follows as of the dates presented:

	September 30,		December 31,
	2016	2015	2015
	(Dollars in thousands)		
Non-accrual loans and leases	\$ 70,725	\$ 70,237	\$ 83,028
Loans 90 days or more past due, still accruing	2,255	1,436	2,013
Restructured loans and leases, still accruing	17,936	18,578	9,876
Total NPLs	90,916	90,251	94,917
Other real estate owned	11,391	23,696	14,759
Total NPAs	\$ 102,307	\$ 113,947	\$ 109,676
NPLs to net loans and leases	0.85%	0.88%	0.92%
NPAs to net loans and leases	0.96%	1.11%	1.06%

NPLs decreased 4.2% to \$90.9 million at September 30, 2016 compared to \$94.9 million at December 31, 2015 and increased 0.7% compared to \$90.3 million at September 30, 2015. Included in NPLs at September 30, 2016 were \$39.1 million of loans that were impaired. These impaired loans had a specific reserve of \$3.7 million included in the allowance for credit losses of \$125.9 million at September 30, 2016, and were net of \$8.3 million in partial charge-downs previously taken on these impaired loans. NPLs at December 31, 2015 included \$51.4 million of loans that were impaired. These impaired loans had a specific reserve of \$2.4 million included in the allowance for credit losses of \$126.5 million at December 31, 2015. NPLs at September 30, 2015 included \$40.7 million of loans that were impaired. These impaired loans had a specific reserve of \$5.4 million included in the allowance for credit losses of \$133.0 million at September 30, 2015.

Non-accrual loans at September 30, 2016 reflected a decrease of \$12.3 million, or 14.8%, compared to December 31, 2015 but reflected an increase of \$0.5 million, or 0.7%, compared to September 30, 2015. While non-accrual loans increased slightly in several loan categories when comparing September 30, 2016 to September 30, 2015, the primary increases in non-accrual loans are recognized in the real estate construction, acquisition and development and the commercial real estate portfolios. Non-accrual loans related to the real estate construction, acquisition and development portfolio increased \$2.7 million, or 63.7%, to \$6.9 million at September 30, 2016 compared to \$4.2 million at September 30, 2015. Non-accrual loans related to the commercial real estate portfolio increased \$4.1 million, or 37.9%, to \$14.8 million at September 30, 2016 compared to \$10.7 million at September 30, 2015. The increase in the real estate construction, acquisition and development and commercial real estate portfolios was partially offset by the decrease of \$4.0 million, or 25.7%, in the commercial and industrial portfolio to \$11.7 million at September 30, 2016 compared to \$15.7 million at September 30, 2015.

The Bank's NPLs are primarily located in Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana as these markets represent \$70.0 million, or 77.0% of total NPLs of \$90.9 million at September 30, 2016. These areas have experienced a higher incidence of NPLs, primarily as a result of the downturn in the economic markets in these regions. These markets continue to be affected by high inventories of unsold homes, unsold lots and undeveloped land intended for use as housing developments. The following table presents the NPLs by geographical location at September 30, 2016:

	Outstanding	90+ Days Past Due still Accruing	Non-accruing Loans	Restructured Loans, still accruing	NPLs	NPLs as a % of Outstanding
(Dollars in thousands)						
Alabama and Florida Panhandle	\$ 1,254,026	\$ 143	\$ 3,552	\$ 382	\$ 4,077	0.3 %
Arkansas	1,339,262	25	7,511	2,487	10,023	0.7
Louisiana	1,018,267	326	7,446	2,201	9,973	1.0
Mississippi	3,565,117	675	41,165	8,136	49,976	1.4
Missouri	469,282	-	1,464	-	1,464	0.3
Tennessee	1,099,064	117	2,340	892	3,349	0.3
Texas	1,715,164	200	4,597	3,068	7,865	0.5
Other	198,579	769	2,650	770	4,189	2.1
Total	\$ 10,658,761	\$ 2,255	\$ 70,725	\$ 17,936	\$ 90,916	0.9 %

OREO decreased by \$3.4 million to \$11.4 million at September 30, 2016 compared to \$14.8 million at December 31, 2015 and decreased by \$12.3 million compared to \$23.7 million at September 30, 2015. OREO decreased as a result of sales of foreclosed properties exceeding new foreclosures coupled with writedowns that were the result of continuing processes to value these properties at fair value. The Bank recorded losses from the loans that were secured by these foreclosed properties in the allowance for credit losses at the time of foreclosure.

The Company has processes in place to review credits upon renewal or modification to determine if concessions are being granted that meet the requirements set forth in FASB ASC 310. Loans identified as meeting the criteria set out in FASB ASC 310 are identified as TDRs. The concessions granted most frequently for TDRs involve reductions or delays in required payments of principal and/or interest for a specified time, the rescheduling of payments in accordance with a bankruptcy plan or the charge-off of a portion of the loan. In most cases, the conditions of the credit also warrant non-accrual status, even after the restructure occurs. TDR loans may be returned to accrual status in years after the restructure if there has been at least a six-month sustained period of repayment performance under the restructured loan terms by the borrower and the interest rate at the time of restructure was at or above market for a comparable loan. For reporting purposes, if a restructured loan is 90 days or more past due or has been placed in non-accrual status, the restructured loan is included in the loans 90 days or more past due category or the non-accrual loan category of NPAs. Total restructured loans were \$31.6 million and \$25.0 million at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively. Restructured loans of \$13.6 million and \$15.1 million were included in the non-accrual loan category at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively.

At September 30, 2016, the Company did not have any concentration of loans or leases in excess of 10% of total loans and leases outstanding which were not otherwise disclosed as a category of loans or leases. Loan concentrations are considered to exist when there are amounts loaned to multiple borrowers engaged in similar activities which would cause them to be similarly impacted by economic or other conditions. The Bank conducts business in a geographically concentrated area and has a significant amount of loans secured by real estate to borrowers in varying activities and businesses, but does not consider these factors alone in identifying loan concentrations. The ability of the Bank's borrowers to repay loans is somewhat dependent upon the economic conditions prevailing in the Bank's market areas.

The Company utilizes an internal loan classification system to grade loans according to certain credit quality indicators. These credit quality indicators include, but are not limited to, recent credit performance, delinquency, liquidity, cash flows, debt coverage ratios, collateral type and loan-to-value ratio. The following table provides details of the Company's loan and lease portfolio, net of unearned income, by segment, class and internally assigned grade at September 30, 2016:

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	Pass	Special Mention	Substandard	Doubtful	Loss	Impaired (1)	Total
(In thousands)							
Commercial and industrial	\$ 1,567,073	\$ -	\$ 42,117	\$ 774	\$ -	\$ 6,188	\$ 1,616,152
Real estate							
Consumer mortgages	2,549,780	528	59,727	89	-	1,263	2,611,387
Home equity	610,313	-	10,766	-	-	1,487	622,566
Agricultural	230,891	-	10,639	-	-	641	242,171
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	1,619,545	512	39,135	-	-	9,285	1,668,477
Construction, acquisition and development	1,103,739	-	11,308	-	-	6,339	1,121,386
Commercial real estate	2,188,170	-	38,637	-	-	13,910	2,240,717
Credit cards	107,447	-	-	-	-	-	107,447
All other	420,838	-	7,620	-	-	-	428,458
Total	\$ 10,397,796	\$ 1,040	\$ 219,949	\$ 863	\$ -	\$ 39,113	\$ 10,658,761

(1) Impaired loans are shown exclusive of accruing TDRs

In the normal course of business, management becomes aware of possible credit problems in which borrowers exhibit potential for the inability to comply with the contractual terms of their loans and leases, but which currently do not yet meet the criteria for disclosure as NPLs. However, based upon past experiences, some of these loans and leases with potential weaknesses will ultimately be restructured or placed in non-accrual status. At September 30, 2016, the Bank had \$5.5 million of potential problem loans or leases or loans and leases with potential weaknesses that were not included in the non-accrual loans and leases or in the loans 90 days or more past due categories. These loans or leases are included in the above rated categories. Loans with identified weaknesses based upon analysis of the credit quality indicators are included in the loans 90 days or more past due category or in the non-accrual loan and lease category which would include impaired loans.

The following table provides details regarding the aging of the Company's loan and lease portfolio, net of unearned income, by internally assigned grade at September 30, 2016:

	Current	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90+ Days Past Due	Total
(In thousands)					
Pass	\$ 10,380,401	\$ 17,384	\$ 11	\$ -	\$ 10,397,796
Special Mention	1,040	-	-	-	1,040
Substandard	167,075	24,695	9,988	18,191	219,949
Doubtful	402	-	-	461	863
Loss	-	-	-	-	-
Impaired	23,518	2,153	-	13,442	39,113

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Total \$ 10,572,436 \$ 44,232 \$ 9,999 \$ 32,094 \$ 10,658,761

All loan grade categories increased at September 30, 2016 compared to December 31, 2015 with the exception of the Substandard and Impaired loan grade categories, which decreased \$7.2 million, or 3.2% and \$12.3 million, or 23.9%, respectively, at September 30, 2016 compared to December 31, 2015. Of the \$219.9 million of Substandard loans and leases, 76.0% remained current as to scheduled repayment of principal and interest, with only 8.3% having outstanding balances that were 90 days or more past due at September 30, 2016. Of the \$39.1 million of Impaired loans and leases, 60.1% remained current as to scheduled repayment of principal and/or interest, with 34.4% having outstanding balances that were 90 days or more past due at September 30, 2016.

Collateral for some of the Bank's loans and leases is subject to fair value evaluations that fluctuate with market conditions and other external factors. In addition, while the Bank has certain underwriting obligations related

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to such evaluations, the evaluations of some real property and other collateral are dependent upon third-party independent appraisers employed either by the Bank's customers or as independent contractors of the Bank. During the current economic cycle, some subsequent fair value appraisals have reported lower values than were originally reported. These declining collateral values could impact future losses and recoveries.

The following table provides additional details related to the make-up of the Company's loan and lease portfolio, net of unearned income, and the distribution of NPLs at September 30, 2016:

Loans and leases, net of unearned income	Outstanding	90+ Days	Non-accruing Loans	Restructured	NPLs	NPLs as a
		Past Due still		Loans, still		% of
		Accruing		accruing		Outstanding
(Dollars in thousands)						
Commercial and industrial Real estate	\$ 1,616,152	\$ 68	\$ 11,659	\$ 2,750	\$ 14,477	0.9 %
Consumer mortgages	2,611,387	1,660	20,196	1,422	23,278	0.9
Home equity	622,566	-	3,721	2	3,723	0.6
Agricultural	242,171	-	1,194	78	1,272	0.5
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	1,668,477	-	11,983	2,344	14,327	0.9
Construction, acquisition and development	1,121,386	-	6,939	240	7,179	0.6
Commercial real estate	2,240,717	-	14,793	6,773	21,566	1.0
Credit cards	107,447	520	121	712	1,353	1.3
All other	428,458	7	119	3,615	3,741	0.9
Total	\$ 10,658,761	\$ 2,255	\$ 70,725	\$ 17,936	\$ 90,916	0.9 %

Securities

The Company uses the Bank's securities portfolios to make various term investments, to provide a source of liquidity and to serve as collateral to secure certain types of deposits. Available-for-sale securities were \$2.5 billion and \$2.1 billion at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively. Available-for-sale securities, which are subject to possible sale, are recorded at fair value. At September 30, 2016, the Company held no securities whose decline in fair value was considered other than temporary.

The following table shows the available-for-sale securities portfolio by credit rating as obtained from Moody's rating service as of September 30, 2016:

	Amortized Cost		Estimated Fair Value	
	Amount	%	Amount	%
Available-for-sale Securities:	(Dollars in thousands)			
Aaa	\$ 2,086,433	85.6 %	\$ 2,099,597	85.1 %
Aa1 to Aa3	122,133	5.0	131,462	5.3
A1 to A3	40,854	1.7	43,613	1.8
Not rated (1)	187,029	7.7	193,527	7.8
Total	\$ 2,436,449	100.0 %	\$ 2,468,199	100.0 %

(1) Not rated securities primarily consist of Mississippi and Arkansas municipal bonds.

Of the securities not rated by Moody's, bonds with a book value of \$59.1 million and a market value of \$63.1 million were rated A- or better by Standard and Poor's.

Goodwill

The Company's policy is to assess goodwill for impairment at the reporting segment level on an annual basis or sooner if an event occurs or circumstances change which indicate that the fair value of a reporting segment is below its carrying amount. Impairment is the condition that exists when the carrying amount of goodwill exceeds its implied fair value. Accounting standards require management to estimate the fair value of each reporting segment in assessing impairment at least annually. The Company's annual assessment date is during the Company's fourth quarter. No events occurred during the third quarter of 2016 that indicated the necessity of an earlier goodwill impairment assessment.

In the current environment, forecasting cash flows, credit losses and growth, in addition to valuing the Company's assets with any degree of assurance is very difficult and subject to significant changes over very short periods of time. Management will continue to update its analysis as circumstances change. As market conditions continue to be volatile and unpredictable, impairment of goodwill related to the Company's reporting segments may be necessary in future periods. Goodwill was \$294.9 million and \$291.5 million at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively.

Other Real Estate Owned

OREO totaled \$11.4 million and \$14.8 million at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively. OREO at September 30, 2016 had aggregate loan balances at the time of foreclosure of \$23.9 million. OREO at December 31, 2015 had aggregate loan balances at the time of foreclosure of \$37.5 million. The following table presents the OREO by segment and class at September 30, 2016:

	September 30, 2016		2015	December 31, 2015		
	(In thousands)					
Commercial and industrial Real estate	\$	-	\$	84	\$	84
Consumer mortgages	1,956		2,606		2,477	
Home equity	39		101		101	
Agricultural	25		25		25	
Commercial and industrial-owner occupied	1,921		1,306		1,074	
Construction, acquisition and development	6,085		18,730		10,212	
Commercial real estate	1,183		746		678	
All other	182		98		108	
Total	\$	11,391	\$	23,696	\$	14,759

Because of the relatively high number of the Bank's NPLs that have been determined to be collaterally dependent, management expects the resolution of a significant number of these loans to necessitate foreclosure proceedings resulting in further additions to OREO. While management expects future foreclosure activity in virtually all loan categories, the magnitude of NPLs in the consumer mortgage, commercial and industrial-owner occupied and commercial real estate portfolios at September 30, 2016 suggested that a majority of additions to OREO in the near-term might be from these categories.

At the time of foreclosure, the fair value of construction, acquisition and development properties is typically determined by an appraisal performed by a third party appraiser holding professional certifications. Such appraisals are then reviewed and evaluated by the Company's internal appraisal group. A disposition value appraisal using a 180-360 day marketing period is typically ordered and the OREO is recorded at the time of foreclosure at its disposition value less estimated selling costs. For residential subdivisions that are not completed, the appraisals reflect the uncompleted status of the subdivision.

To attempt to ensure that OREO is carried at the lower of cost or fair value less estimated selling costs on an ongoing basis, new appraisals are obtained on at least an annual basis and the OREO carrying values are adjusted accordingly. The type of appraisals typically used for these periodic reappraisals are "Restricted Use Appraisals," meaning the appraisal is for client use only. Other indications of fair value are also used to attempt to ensure that

OREO is carried at the lower of cost or fair value. These include listing the property with a broker and acceptance of an offer to purchase from a third party. If an OREO property is listed with a broker at an amount less than the current carrying value, the carrying value is immediately adjusted to reflect the list price less estimated selling costs and if an offer to purchase is accepted at a price less than the current carrying value, the carrying value is immediately adjusted to reflect that sales price, less estimated selling costs. The majority of the properties in OREO are actively marketed using a combination of real estate brokers, bank staff who are familiar with the particular properties and/or third parties.

Deposits and Other Interest Bearing Liabilities

Deposits originating within the communities served by the Bank continue to be the Bank's primary source of funding its earning assets. The Company has been able to compete effectively for deposits in its primary market areas, while continuing to manage the exposure to rising interest rates. The distribution and market share of deposits by type of deposit and by type of depositor are important considerations in the Company's assessment of the stability of its fund sources and its access to additional funds. Furthermore, management shifts the mix and maturity of the deposits depending on economic conditions and loan and investment policies in an attempt, within set policies, to minimize cost and maximize net interest margin.

The following table presents the Company's noninterest bearing, interest bearing, savings and other time deposits as of the dates indicated and the percentage change between dates:

	September 30, 2016	December 31, 2015	% Change
	(Dollars in millions)		
Noninterest bearing demand	\$ 3,308	\$ 3,032	9.1 %
Interest bearing demand	4,878	5,004	(2.5)
Savings	1,533	1,442	6.3
Other time	1,871	1,853	1.0
Total deposits	\$ 11,590	\$ 11,331	2.3 %

The 2.3% increase in deposits at September 30, 2016 compared to December 31, 2015 was primarily a result of the increase in noninterest bearing demand and savings deposits more than offsetting the decline in interest bearing demand deposits. The average maturity of time deposits at September 30, 2016 was 19.1 months, compared to 17.6 months at December 31, 2015.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

One of the Company's goals is to maintain adequate funds to meet increases in loan demand or any potential increase in the normal level of deposit withdrawals. This goal is accomplished primarily by generating cash from the Bank's operating activities and maintaining sufficient short-term liquid assets. These sources, coupled with a stable deposit base and a historically strong reputation in the capital markets, allow the Company to fund earning assets and maintain the availability of funds. Management believes that the Bank's traditional sources of maturing loans and investment securities, sales of loans held for sale, cash from operating activities and a strong base of core deposits are adequate to meet the Company's liquidity needs for normal operations over both the short-term and the long-term.

To provide additional liquidity, the Company utilizes short-term financing through the purchase of federal funds and securities sold under agreement to repurchase. All securities sold under agreements to repurchase are accounted for as collateralized financing transactions and are recorded at the amounts at which the securities were acquired or sold plus accrued interest. Further, the Company maintains a borrowing relationship with the FHLB which provides access to short-term and long-term borrowings. The Company had no short-term borrowings from the FHLB at September 30, 2016 and \$62.0 million at December 31, 2015. The Company also has access to the Federal Reserve discount window and other bank lines. The Company had federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreement to repurchase of \$469.0 million and \$405.9 million at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively.

On August 8, 2013, the Company entered into a Credit Agreement with U.S. Bank National Association ("U.S. Bank") as a lender and administrative agent, and First Tennessee Bank, National Association, as a lender. The

Credit Agreement includes an unsecured revolving loan of up to \$25.0 million that terminated and the outstanding balance of which was payable in full on August 8, 2015, which the Bank did not renew, and an unsecured multi-draw term loan of up to \$60.0 million, which commitment terminated on February 28, 2014 and the outstanding balance of which is payable in full on August 8, 2018. The proceeds from the term loan were used to repurchase trust preferred securities, and the proceeds from the revolving loan may have been used for working capital, capital expenditures and other lawful corporate purposes. Borrowings under the Credit Agreement bear interest at a Eurocurrency or base rate plus, in each case, an applicable interest rate margin.

The Company had long-term borrowings from U.S. Bank totaling \$33.5 million and \$39.8 million at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015, respectively. The Company also had long-term borrowings from the FHLB of \$530.0 million and \$30.0 million at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015. The Company has pledged eligible mortgage loans to secure the FHLB borrowings and had \$3.2 billion in additional borrowing capacity under the existing FHLB borrowing agreement at September 30, 2016.

The Company had non-binding federal funds borrowing arrangements with other banks aggregating \$794.0 million at September 30, 2016. The unencumbered fair value of the Company's federal government and government agencies securities portfolio may provide substantial additional liquidity.

The ability of the Company to obtain funding from these or other sources could be negatively affected should the Company experience a substantial deterioration in its financial condition or its debt rating, or should the availability of short-term funding become restricted as a result of disruption in the financial markets. Management does not anticipate any short- or long-term changes to its liquidity strategies and believes that the Company has ample sources to meet the liquidity challenges caused by current economic conditions. The Company utilizes, among other tools, maturity gap tables, interest rate shock scenarios and an active asset and liability management committee to analyze, manage and plan asset growth and to assist in managing the Company's net interest margin and overall level of liquidity.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

In the ordinary course of business, the Company enters into various off-balance sheet commitments and other arrangements to extend credit that are not reflected in the consolidated balance sheets of the Company. The business purpose of these off-balance sheet commitments is the routine extension of credit. While most of the commitments to extend credit are made at variable rates, included in these commitments are forward commitments to fund individual fixed-rate mortgage loans. Fixed-rate lending commitments expose the Company to risks associated with increases in interest rates. As a method to manage these risks, the Company enters into forward commitments to sell individual fixed-rate mortgage loans. The Company also faces the risk of deteriorating credit quality of borrowers to whom a commitment to extend credit has been made; however, no significant credit losses are expected from these commitments and arrangements.

Regulatory Requirements for Capital

The Company is required to comply with the risk based capital guidelines established by the Federal Reserve. These guidelines apply a variety of weighting factors that vary according to the level of risk associated with the

assets. Capital is measured in two “Tiers”: Tier 1 consists of common shareholders’ equity, qualifying non-cumulative perpetual preferred stock and minority interest in consolidated subsidiaries, less goodwill and certain other intangible assets; and Tier 2 consists of general allowance for losses on loans and leases, “hybrid” debt capital instruments and all or a portion of other subordinated capital debt, depending upon remaining term to maturity. Common equity Tier 1 capital generally consist of common stock (plus related additional paid in capital) and retained earnings plus limited amounts of minority interest in the form of common stock, less goodwill and other specified intangible assets and other regulatory deductions. Total capital is the sum of Tier 1 and Tier 2 capital. The required minimum ratio levels to be considered “well capitalized” for the Company’s Common equity Tier 1 capital, Tier 1 capital, total capital, as a percentage of total risk-adjusted assets, and Tier 1 leverage capital (Tier 1 capital divided by total assets, less goodwill) are 6.5%, 8%, 10% and 5%, respectively. The Company exceeded the required minimum levels for these ratios at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015 as follows:

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	September 30, 2016		December 31, 2015	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
(Dollars in thousands)				
BancorpSouth, Inc.				
Common equity Tier 1 capital (to risk-weighted assets)	\$ 1,457,593	12.13%	\$ 1,402,041	12.07%
Tier 1 capital (to risk-weighted assets)	1,480,791	12.32	1,425,239	12.27
Total capital (to risk-weighted assets)	1,607,343	13.37	1,552,280	13.37
Tier 1 leverage capital (to average assets)	1,480,791	10.53	1,425,239	10.61

The FDIC's capital based supervisory system for insured financial institutions categorizes the capital position for banks into five categories, ranging from "well capitalized" to "critically undercapitalized." For a bank to be classified as "well capitalized," the common equity Tier 1 capital, Tier 1 capital, total capital and leverage capital ratios must be at least 6.5%, 8%, 10% and 5%, respectively. The Bank met the criteria for the "well capitalized" category at September 30, 2016 and December 31, 2015 as follows:

	September 30, 2016		December 31, 2015	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
(Dollars in thousands)				
BancorpSouth Bank				
Common equity Tier 1 capital (to risk-weighted assets)	\$ 1,338,836	11.15%	\$ 1,369,419	11.80%
Tier 1 capital (to risk-weighted assets)	1,338,836	11.15	1,369,419	11.80
Total capital (to risk-weighted assets)	1,465,388	12.20	1,496,460	12.90
Tier 1 leverage capital (to average assets)	1,338,836	9.55	1,369,419	10.23

Federal and state banking laws and regulations and state corporate laws restrict the amount of dividends that the Company may declare and pay. For example, under guidance issued by the Federal Reserve, as a bank holding company, the Company is required to consult with the Federal Reserve before declaring dividends and is to consider eliminating, deferring or reducing dividends if (i) the Company's net income available to shareholders for the past four quarters, net of dividends previously paid during that period, is not sufficient to fully fund the dividends, (ii) the Company's prospective rate of earnings retention is not consistent with its capital needs and overall current and prospective financial condition, or (iii) the Company will not meet, or is in danger of not meeting, its minimum regulatory capital adequacy ratios.

Uses of Capital

Subject to pre-approval of the Federal Reserve and other banking regulators, the Company may pursue acquisitions of depository institutions and businesses closely related to banking that further the Company's business strategies, including FDIC-assisted transactions. Management anticipates that consideration for any transactions other than FDIC-assisted transactions would include shares of the Company's common stock, cash or a combination thereof.

On December 11, 2014, the Company announced a stock repurchase program whereby the Company could acquire up to an aggregate of 6% or 5,764,000 shares of its common stock in the open market at prevailing market prices or in privately negotiated transactions during the period between December 11, 2014 through November 30, 2016. The extent and timing of any repurchases depended on market conditions and other corporate, legal and regulatory considerations. Repurchased shares are held as authorized but unissued shares. These authorized but unissued shares are available for use in connection with the Company's stock option plans, other compensation programs, other transactions or for other corporate purposes as determined by the Company's Board of Directors. On January 27, 2016, the Company announced this stock repurchase plan was terminated. At the time of termination, 2,882,000 shares had been repurchased under this program.

On January 27, 2016, the Company announced a new stock repurchase program whereby the Company may acquire up to an aggregate of 7,000,000 shares of its common stock in the open market at prevailing market prices or in privately negotiated transactions during the period between January 27, 2016 through December 29, 2017. The extent and timing of any repurchases depends on market conditions and other corporate, legal and regulatory considerations. Repurchased shares are held as authorized but unissued shares. These authorized but unissued shares are available for use in connection with the Company's stock option plans, other compensation programs, other

transactions or for other corporate purposes as determined by the Company's Board of Directors. At September 30, 2016, 551,519 shares had been repurchased under this program.

The Company assumed \$6.2 million in Junior Subordinated Debt Securities and the related \$6.0 million in trust preferred securities pursuant to the merger on December 31, 2004 with Business Holding Corporation. The Company also assumed \$6.7 million in Junior Subordinated Debt Securities and the related \$6.5 million in trust preferred securities pursuant to the merger on December 1, 2005 with American State Bank Corporation and \$18.5 million in Junior Subordinated Debt Securities and the related \$18.0 million in trust preferred securities pursuant to the merger on March 1, 2007 with City Bancorp. The Company redeemed \$8.25 million of the Junior Subordinated Debt Securities and \$8.0 million of the related trust preferred securities assumed in the City Bancorp merger at par on January 8, 2014. The Company's remaining \$23.2 million in assumed trust preferred securities qualify as Tier 1 capital at September 30, 2016 under Federal Reserve guidelines. At September 30, 2016, the \$23.2 million in assumed trust preferred securities were callable at the option of the Company upon obtaining approval of the Federal Reserve.

Certain Litigation Contingencies

The nature of the Company's business ordinarily results in a certain amount of claims, litigation, investigations and legal and administrative cases and proceedings. Although the Company and its subsidiaries have developed policies and procedures to minimize the impact of legal noncompliance and other disputes, and endeavored to provide reasonable insurance coverage, litigation and regulatory actions present an ongoing risk.

The Company and its subsidiaries are engaged in lines of business that are heavily regulated and involve a large volume of financial transactions and potential transactions with numerous customers or applicants, and the Company is a public company with a large number of shareholders. From time to time, borrowers, customers, shareholders, former employees and other third parties have brought actions against the Company or its subsidiaries, in some cases claiming substantial damages. Financial services companies are subject to the risk of class action litigation and, from time to time, the Company and its subsidiaries are subject to such actions brought against it. Additionally, the Bank is, and management expects it to be, engaged in a number of foreclosure proceedings and other collection actions as part of its lending and leasing collections activities, which, from time to time, have resulted in counterclaims against the Bank. Various legal proceedings have arisen and may arise in the future out of claims against entities to which the Company is a successor as a result of business combinations. The Company and its subsidiaries may also be subject to enforcement actions by federal or state regulators, including the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Federal Reserve, the FDIC, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (the "CFPB"), the Department of Justice (the "DOJ"), state attorneys general and the Mississippi Department of Banking and Consumer Finance.

When and as the Company determines it has meritorious defenses to the claims asserted, it vigorously defends against such claims. The Company will consider settlement of claims when, in management's judgment and in consultation with counsel, it is in the best interests of the Company to do so.

The Company cannot predict with certainty the cost of defense, the cost of prosecution or the ultimate outcome of litigation and other proceedings filed by or against it, its directors, management or employees, including remedies or damage awards. On at least a quarterly basis, the Company assesses its liabilities and contingencies in connection with outstanding legal proceedings as well as certain threatened claims (which are not considered incidental to the ordinary conduct of the Company's business) utilizing the latest and most reliable information available. For matters where a loss is not probable or the amount of the loss cannot be estimated, no accrual is established. For matters where it is probable the Company will incur a loss and the amount can be reasonably estimated, the Company establishes an accrual for the loss. Once established, the accrual is adjusted periodically to reflect any relevant developments. The

actual cost of any outstanding legal proceedings and the potential loss, however, may turn out to be substantially higher than the amount accrued. Further, the Company's insurance has deductibles and will likely not cover all such litigation, other proceedings or claims, or the costs of defense.

While the final outcome of any legal proceedings is inherently uncertain, based on the information available, advice of counsel and available insurance coverage, if applicable, management believes that the litigation-related expense of \$8.5 million accrued as of September 30, 2016, which excludes amounts reserved for regulatory settlement expenses discussed below, is adequate and that any incremental liability arising from the Company's legal proceedings and threatened claims, including the matters described herein and those otherwise arising in the ordinary course of business, will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's business or consolidated financial condition. It is possible, however, that future developments could result in an unfavorable outcome for or resolution of any one or more of the lawsuits in which the Company or its subsidiaries are defendants, which may be material to the Company's results of operations for a particular fiscal period or periods.

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On August 16, 2011, a shareholder filed a putative derivative action purportedly on behalf of the Company in the Circuit Court of Lee County, Mississippi, against certain current and past executive officers and members of the Board of Directors of the Company. The plaintiff in this shareholder derivative lawsuit asserted that the individual defendants violated their fiduciary duties by allegedly issuing materially false and misleading statements regarding the Company's business and financial results. The plaintiff was seeking to recover alleged damages in an unspecified amount, equitable and/or injunctive relief, and attorneys' fees. A motion to dismiss filed by the defendants was granted by the Court on January 5, 2015, and the plaintiff filed a notice of appeal of that decision on February 2, 2015. On April 14, 2016, the Mississippi Supreme Court upheld the lower Court's dismissal of the case against the Company, and the period for petitioning for a rehearing by the Mississippi Supreme Court elapsed without it seeking rehearing.

On July 31, 2014, the Company, its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer were named in a purported class-action lawsuit filed in the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee on behalf of certain purchasers of the Company's common stock. The complaint was subsequently amended to add the former President and Chief Operating Officer. The complaint alleges that the defendants made misleading statements concerning the Company's expectation that it would be able to close two merger transactions within a specified time period and the Company's compliance with certain Bank Secrecy Act and anti-money laundering requirements. On July 10, 2015, the court granted in part and denied in part the defendants' motion to dismiss and dismissed the claims concerning the Company's expectations about the closing of the mergers. Class certification was granted on April 21, 2016, and a petition for immediate appeal of the class certification was filed and was granted. Class certification was vacated and the case was remanded to the District Court for further proceedings. The plaintiff seeks an unspecified amount of damages and awards of costs and attorneys' fees and such other equitable relief as the Court may deem just and proper. At this stage of the lawsuit, management cannot determine the probability of an unfavorable outcome to the Company as it is uncertain whether class certification will be upheld and the exact amount of damages (should the class remain certified) is uncertain. Although it is not possible to predict the ultimate resolution or financial liability with respect to the litigation, management is currently of the opinion that the outcome of this lawsuit will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, consolidated financial position or results of operations.

On June 29, 2016, the Bank, the CFPB and the DOJ agreed to a settlement set forth in a consent order (the "Consent Order") related to the joint investigation by the CFPB and the DOJ of the Bank's fair lending program during the period between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2013. The Consent Order was signed by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Mississippi (the "District Court") on July 25, 2016. In the first quarter of 2016, the Bank reserved \$13.8 million to cover costs related to this matter, \$10.3 million of which was reflected as regulatory settlement expense and \$3.5 million of which was included in other noninterest expense. The settlement of this matter did not have a material financial impact on the second and third quarter 2016 financial results. For additional information regarding the terms of this settlement and the Consent Order, see the signed Consent Order and the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 29, 2016.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

During the three months ended September 30, 2016, there was no material change in the Company's critical accounting policies and no significant change in the application of critical accounting policies as presented in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK.

During the three months ended September 30, 2016, there were no significant changes to the quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risks presented in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

The Company, with the participation of its management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of its disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based upon that evaluation, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the Company's filings under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and to ensure that such information is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

There have been no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the period covered by this report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II

OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

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While the final outcome of any legal proceedings is inherently uncertain, based on the information available, advice of counsel and available insurance coverage, if applicable, management believes that the litigation-related expense of \$8.5 million accrued as of September 30, 2016, which excludes amounts reserved for regulatory settlement expenses discussed below, is adequate and that any incremental liability arising from the Company's legal proceedings and threatened claims, including the matters described herein and those otherwise arising in the ordinary course of business, will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's business or consolidated financial condition. It is possible, however, that future developments could result in an unfavorable outcome for or resolution of any one or more of the lawsuits in which the Company or its subsidiaries are defendants, which may be material to the Company's results of operations for a particular fiscal period or periods.

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the period between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2013. The Consent Order was signed by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Mississippi (the "District Court") on July 25, 2016. In the first quarter of 2016, the Bank reserved \$13.8 million to cover costs related to this matter, \$10.3 million of which was reflected as regulatory settlement expense and \$3.5 million of which was included in other noninterest expense. The settlement of this matter did not have a material financial impact on the second and third quarter 2016 financial results. For additional information regarding the terms of this settlement and the Consent Order, see the signed Consent Order and the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 29, 2016.

ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

There have been no material changes from the risk factors previously disclosed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015.

ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALE OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities	Total Number of Shares	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs (2)	Maximum Number of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (2)
Period	Purchased (1)(2)			
July 1-July 31	2,999	22.69	-	7,000,000
August 1-August 31	551,519	\$ 23.77	551,519	6,448,481
September 1-September 30	-	-	-	6,448,481
Total	554,518			

(1) This represents 2,999 shares redeemed in July 2016 from employees for tax withholding purposes upon vesting of restricted stock and 551,519 shares repurchased under the current stock repurchase program.

(2) On December 11, 2014, the Company announced a stock repurchase program pursuant to which the Company could purchase up to 5.8 million shares of its common stock during the period between December 11, 2014 and November 30, 2016. On January 27, 2016, the Company announced the termination of this stock repurchase program, under which the Company had repurchased 2,882,000 shares of common stock, and the initiation of a new stock repurchase program pursuant to which the Company may purchase up to 7 million shares of its common stock during the period between January 27, 2016 and December 29, 2017. On July 25, 2016, the Company

adopted a Rule 10b5-1 plan in connection with this stock repurchase program.

ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

Mergers with Ouachita Bancshares Corp. and Central Community Corporation

For information regarding our respective mergers with Ouachita Bancshares Corp. and Central Community Corporation and their corresponding Agreements and Plans of Reorganization, see the Form 8-K filed on October 14, 2016 and incorporated herein by reference.

Entry into Retirement and Consulting Agreement with W. James Threadgill, Jr.

As previously reported in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K that was filed with the SEC on October 14, 2016, W. James Threadgill, Jr., the Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Business Development Officer of the Company and the Bank informed the Company of his intention to retire effective as of January 2, 2017 (the "Retirement Date"). In connection with Mr. Threadgill's planned retirement, the Company, the Bank, and Mr. Threadgill entered into a Retirement and Consulting Agreement (the "Agreement") on November 4, 2016. Under the Agreement, Mr. Threadgill will provide consulting services after the Retirement Date in order to assist the Company

in transitioning his duties to others. The consulting period will continue until December 31, 2019, subject to renewal. Mr. Threadgill will not spend more than 32 hours per month as a consultant under the Agreement. The Company will pay \$1,000 per month for consulting services under the Agreement. Mr. Threadgill will be restricted from competing with the Company or any of its affiliates or soliciting any customers or employees of the Company or its affiliates during the period that he serves as a consultant and for a period of two years thereafter.

The foregoing description of the Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Agreement, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 10 to this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and is incorporated herein by reference. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Agreement.

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS

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- (3) (a) Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation. (5)
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

BancorpSouth, Inc.
(Registrant)

DATE: November 7, 2016 /s/ William L. Prater
William L. Prater
Senior Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

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