

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY**

In the Matter of:)
)
GUARANTY NATIONAL BANK OF)
TALLAHASSEE,)
)
TALLAHASSEE, FL)

**STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER
FOR CIVIL MONEY PENALTY**

WHEREAS, the Comptroller of the Currency of the United States of America (“Comptroller”) intends to initiate this civil money penalty proceeding against Guaranty National Bank of Tallahassee, Tallahassee, FL (hereinafter “Bank”), pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i) (as amended) for activities detailed in a letter to the Bank dated November 8, 2002; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of cooperation and to avoid the costs associated with future administrative and judicial proceedings with respect to the above matter, the Comptroller and the Bank desire to enter into this Stipulation and Consent Order (“Order”);

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the above premises, it is stipulated by and between the Comptroller, through his duly authorized representative, and the Bank that:

Article I

JURISDICTION

(1) The Bank is a national banking association, chartered and examined by the Comptroller, pursuant to the National Bank Act of 1864, as amended, 12 U.S.C. § 1 et seq. Accordingly, the Bank is an “insured depository institution” as that term is defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(c)(2).

(2) Pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1813(q), the Comptroller is the “appropriate Federal banking agency” to maintain an enforcement proceeding against an insured depository institution. Therefore, the Bank is subject to the authority of the Comptroller to initiate and maintain this civil money penalty proceeding against it pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i).

Article II

FINDINGS OF FACT

(1) The basis for the issuance of this Order is specified in the November 8, 2002, 15-day letter from the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency to the Bank.

Article III

CIVIL MONEY PENALTY

(1) Without admitting or denying any wrongdoing, the Bank hereby consents to the payment of a civil money penalty in the amount of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00), which shall be paid upon execution of this Order. The Bank shall make payment in full by check made payable to the Treasurer of the United States and shall

deliver the payment to: Comptroller of the Currency, P.O. Box 73150, Chicago, Illinois 60673-7150. The name of the Bank and “Stipulation and Consent Order” shall be entered on the check.

(2) This Order shall be enforceable to the same extent and in the same manner as an effective and outstanding order that has been issued and has become final pursuant to 12 U.S.C. §§ 1818(h) and (i) (as amended).

Article IV

WAIVERS

(1) By executing this Order, the Bank waives:

- (a) the right to the issuance of Notice under 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i);
- (b) all rights to a hearing and a final agency decision pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i) and 12 C.F.R. Part 19;
- (c) all rights to seek judicial review of this Order;
- (d) all rights in any way to contest the validity of this Order;
- (e) any and all claims for fees, costs or expenses against the Comptroller, or any of his agents or employees, related in any way to this enforcement matter or this Order, whether arising under common law or under the terms of any statute, including, but not limited to, the Equal Access to Justice Act, 5 U.S.C. § 504 and 28 U.S.C. § 2412; and

(f) all rights to assert a “double jeopardy” claim in the event of a criminal prosecution brought by the Department of Justice for the acts which form the basis for issuance of this Order.

(2) It is hereby agreed that the provisions of this Order constitute a settlement of the Civil Money Penalty action contemplated by the Comptroller. The Comptroller agrees not to institute proceedings against the Bank or its officers and directors for the specific acts, omissions or violations alleged in Article II.

(3) The Bank agrees that the provisions of this Order shall not be construed as an adjudication on the merits and, except as set forth above, shall not inhibit, estop, bar, or otherwise prevent the Comptroller from taking any action affecting the Bank if, at any time, he deems it appropriate to do so to fulfill the responsibilities placed upon him by the several laws of the United States of America.

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(4) The Bank understands that nothing herein shall preclude any proceedings brought by the Comptroller to enforce the terms of this Order, and that nothing herein constitutes, nor shall the Bank contend that it constitutes, a waiver of any right, power, or authority of any other representatives of the United States or agencies thereof, including the Department of Justice, to bring other actions deemed appropriate.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto set their hands.

Signed

7/10/03

Ronald G. Schneck
Director
Special Supervision
Office of Comptroller of the Currency

Date

For the Bank:

Signed

7/8/03
