

#2019-008

Also Terminates #2017-064

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

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In the Matter of)	
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WILLIAM R. BLANTON , Former Director)	
and Interim Chief Executive Officer and)	
Vice Chairman, individually)	OCC AA-EC-2015-24
and as an institution-affiliated party of)	
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UNITED AMERICAS BANK, N.A.)	
Atlanta, Georgia)	
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ORDER ASSESSING CIVIL MONEY PENALTY

WHEREAS, the Enforcement and Compliance Division (“Enforcement Counsel”) for the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (“OCC”) initiated civil money penalty proceedings against William R. Blanton (“Respondent”) pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i) through the issuance of a Notice of Assessment of a Civil Money Penalty dated June 30, 2015 (“Notice”);

WHEREAS, on July 20, 2015, Respondent filed an answer to the Notice;

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2016, Enforcement Counsel for the OCC filed an Amended Notice;

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2016, Respondent filed an answer to the Amended Notice;

WHEREAS, on January 19, 2017, the Administrative Law Judge issued a Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Analysis, and Recommended Decision;

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2017, the Comptroller of the Currency issued a Final Decision and Order Assessing Civil Money Penalty;

WHEREAS, on December 7, 2018, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of

Columbia Circuit issued an Opinion on Petition for Review of an Order of the Final Decision and Order of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, reported as *Blanton v. Office of the Comptroller of the Currency*, 909 F.3d 1162 (D.C. Cir. 2018);

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2019, Enforcement Counsel for the OCC and Respondent filed a Joint Stipulation and Motion to Issue an Order Assessing Civil Money Penalty;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in the Comptroller of the Currency by section 8(i) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i):

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent be assessed a civil money penalty in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), consistent with the terms agreed upon in the Joint Stipulation and Motion to Issue an Order Assessing Civil Money Penalty dated March 4, 2019. This requirement has been satisfied by Respondent's payment of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) to the Treasurer of the United States on August 11, 2017 as required by the Comptroller of the Currency's Order Assessing Civil Money Penalty dated July 10, 2017.

All remaining proceedings in the captioned case are hereby terminated.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated at Washington, D.C., this 11th day of March, 2019.

/s/

Joseph M. Otting
Comptroller of the Currency
Office of the Comptroller of the Currency