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

In the Matter of

**NYEMA'SHA TAYLOR**, Former Teller (Atlanta, Georgia branch)

OCC AA-ENF-2021-23

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association Sioux Falls, South Dakota

# **NOTICE OF CHARGES FOR ORDER OF PROHIBITION**

Take notice that on a date to be determined by the Administrative Law Judge, a hearing will commence in the District of South Dakota, or such other location to be determined by the Administrative Law Judge, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e), concerning the charges set forth herein to determine whether an Order should be issued by the Comptroller of the Currency ("Comptroller") against Nyema'sha Taylor ("Respondent"), a former employee at Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, Sioux Falls, South Dakota ("Bank"). Such order would prohibit Respondent from participating in any manner in the conduct of the affairs of any federally insured depository institution or any other institution, credit union, agency or entity referred to in 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e).

The hearing afforded Respondent shall be open to the public unless the Comptroller, in his discretion, determines that holding an open hearing would be contrary to the public interest.

In support of this Notice of Charges for Order of Prohibition ("Notice"), the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency ("OCC") charges the following:

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# **ARTICLE I**

# **JURISDICTION**

At all times relevant to the charges set forth below:

(1) The Bank was an "insured depository institution" as defined in 12 U.S.C.§ 1813(c)(2).

(2) Respondent was an employee of the Bank and was an "institution-affiliated party" of the Bank as that term is defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(u), having served in such capacity within six (6) years from the date hereof. See 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i)(3).

(3) The Bank is a national banking association within the meaning of 12 U.S.C.§ 1813(q)(1)(A), and is chartered and examined by the OCC. *See* 12 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq*.

(4) The OCC is the "appropriate Federal banking agency" as that term is defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(q) and is therefore authorized to initiate and maintain this prohibition action against Respondent pursuant 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e).

### **ARTICLE II**

### **BACKGROUND**

(5) This Article repeats and re-alleges all previous Articles in this Notice.

(6) Respondent was an employee of the Bank from on or about April 30, 2018 until her employment was terminated on or about November 21, 2018.

(7) As a Bank employee, Respondent was obligated to comply with all applicable laws, and to carry out her duties and responsibilities in a safe and sound manner.

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### **ARTICLE III**

# RESPONDENT VIOLATED THE LAW, AND ENGAGED IN UNSAFE OR UNSOUND PRACTICES, BY KNOWINGLY PROCESSING UNAUTHORIZED CASH WITHDRAWALS FROM A CUSTOMER ACCOUNT

(8) This Article repeats and re-alleges all previous Articles in this Notice.

(9) As described herein, Respondent violated the law, and engaged in unsafe or unsound practices, by knowingly processing five unauthorized in-person cash withdrawals from Customer A's account totaling \$11,800.

(10) On or about October 26, 2018, Respondent accessed Customer A's account profile without a valid business purpose.<sup>1</sup>

(11) On or about October 29, 2018, Respondent processed two in-person cash withdrawals from Customer A's account for \$2,400 each ("October 29 Withdrawals").

(12) The October 29 Withdrawals were unauthorized withdrawals.

(13) On or about October 31, 2018, Respondent processed two in-person cash

withdrawals from Customer A's account for \$2,400 each ("October 31 Withdrawals").

(14) The October 31 Withdrawals were unauthorized withdrawals.

(15) On or about November 7, 2018, Respondent processed an in-person cash

withdrawal from Customer A's account for \$2,200 ("November 7 Withdrawal").

(16) The November 7 Withdrawal was an unauthorized withdrawal.

(17) On November 19, 2018, Respondent signed a written statement admitting to processing withdrawals for a friend after checking the balance of the account.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The identity of Customer A will be separately disclosed to Respondent.

(18) On or about December 13, 2018, the Bank charged off a loss in the amount of\$4,800 in connection with one of the October 29 Withdrawals and one of the October 31Withdrawals.

(19) On or about December 17, 2018, the Bank charged off a loss in the amount of\$7,000 in connection with one of the October 29 Withdrawals, one of the October 31Withdrawals, and the November 7 Withdrawal.

# **ARTICLE IV**

### LEGAL BASES FOR REQUESTED RELIEF

(20) This Article repeats and re-alleges all previous Articles in this Notice.

(21) By reason of Respondent's misconduct as described in Article III, the OCC seeks an Order of Prohibition against Respondent pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e) on the following grounds:

- (a) Respondent violated the law, including 18 U.S.C. § 656, and/or engaged in unsafe or unsound practices in conducting the affairs of the Bank;
- (b) By reason of Respondent's misconduct, the Bank suffered financial loss or other damage and/or Respondent received financial gain or other benefit; and
- (c) Respondent's violations and unsafe or unsound practices involved personal dishonesty and/or demonstrated a willful disregard for the safety or soundness of the Bank.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### ANSWER AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

Respondent is directed to file a written Answer to this Notice within twenty (20) days from the date of service of this Notice in accordance with 12 C.F.R. § 19.19(a) and (b). The

original and one copy of any Answer shall be filed with the Office of Financial Institution Adjudication, 3501 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22226-3500. Respondent is encouraged to file any Answer electronically with the Office of Financial Institution Adjudication at ofia@fdic.gov. A copy of any Answer shall also be filed with the Hearing Clerk, Office of the Chief Counsel, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 400 7th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20219, HearingClerk@occ.treas.gov, and with the attorney whose name appears on the accompanying certificate of service. Failure to Answer within this time period shall constitute a waiver of the right to appear and contest the allegations contained in this Notice, and shall, upon the OCC's motion, cause the Administrative Law Judge or the Comptroller to find the facts in this Notice to be as alleged, upon which an appropriate order may be issued.

# **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

The OCC prays for relief in the form of the issuance of an Order of Prohibition against

Respondent pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e).

Witness, my hand on behalf of the OCC.

//s// Digitally Signed, Dated: 2023.05.30

Mark D. Richardson Deputy Comptroller Large Bank Supervision