

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
WASHINGTON, D.C.

STATE OF GEORGIA
DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND FINANCE
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

Written Agreement by and among

FMB EQUIBANC, INC.
Statesboro, Georgia

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA
Atlanta, Georgia

and

BANKING COMMISSIONER OF
THE STATE OF GEORGIA
Atlanta, Georgia

Docket No. 10- 069-WA/RB-HC

WHEREAS, FMB Equibanc, Inc., Statesboro, Georgia (“FMB Equibanc”), is a registered bank holding company that owns and controls Farmers & Merchants Bank, Statesboro, Georgia (the “Bank”), a state chartered nonmember bank, and various nonbank subsidiaries;

WHEREAS, it is the common goal of FMB Equibanc, the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (the “Reserve Bank”), and the Banking Commissioner of the State of Georgia (the “Commissioner”) to maintain the financial soundness of FMB Equibanc so that FMB Equibanc may serve as a source of strength to the Bank;

WHEREAS, FMB Equibanc, the Reserve Bank, and the Commissioner have mutually agreed to enter into this Written Agreement (the “Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2010, the board of directors of FMB Equibanc, at a duly constituted meeting, adopted a resolution authorizing and directing Charles R. Nessmith to enter into this Agreement on behalf of FMB Equibanc, and consenting to compliance with each and every provision of this Agreement by FMB Equibanc and its institution-affiliated parties, as defined in sections 3(u) and 8(b)(3) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, as amended (the “FDI Act”) (12 U.S.C. §§ 1813(u) and 1818(b)(3)).

NOW, THEREFORE, FMB Equibanc, the Reserve Bank, and the Commissioner agree as follows:

Source of Strength

1. The board of directors of FMB Equibanc shall take appropriate steps to fully utilize FMB Equibanc’s financial and managerial resources, pursuant to section 225.4 (a) of Regulation Y of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the “Board of Governors”) (12 C.F.R. § 225.4(a)), to serve as a source of strength to the Bank, including, but not limited to, taking steps to ensure that the Bank complies with the Consent Order entered into with the Commissioner on December 18, 2009 and any other supervisory action taken by the Bank’s federal or state regulators.

Dividends and Distributions

2. (a) FMB Equibanc shall not declare or pay any dividends without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank, the Director of the Division of Banking Supervision and Regulation of the Board of Governors (the “Director”), and the Commissioner.

(b) FMB Equibanc shall not directly or indirectly take dividends or any other form of payment representing a reduction in capital from the Bank without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank and the Commissioner.

(c) FMB Equibanc and its nonbank subsidiary shall not make any distributions of interest, principal, or other sums on subordinated debentures or trust preferred securities without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank, the Director, and the Commissioner.

(d) All requests for prior approval shall be received by the Reserve Bank and the Commissioner at least 30 days prior to the proposed dividend declaration date, proposed distribution on subordinated debentures, and required notice of deferral on trust preferred securities. All requests shall contain, at a minimum, current and projected information on FMB Equibanc's capital, earnings, and cash flow; the Bank's capital, asset quality, earnings, and allowance for loan and lease losses; and identification of the sources of funds for the proposed payment or distribution. For requests to declare or pay dividends, FMB Equibanc must also demonstrate that the requested declaration or payment of dividends is consistent with the Board of Governors' Policy Statement on the Payment of Cash Dividends by State Member Banks and Bank Holding Companies, dated November 14, 1985 (Federal Reserve Regulatory Service, 4-877 at page 4-323) and the Georgia Department of Banking and Finance Statement of Policies.

Debt and Stock Redemption

3. (a) FMB Equibanc and any nonbank subsidiary shall not, directly or indirectly, incur, increase, or guarantee any debt without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank and the Commissioner. All requests for prior written approval shall contain, but not be limited to, a statement regarding the purpose of the debt, the terms of the debt, and the planned source(s) for debt repayment, and an analysis of the cash flow resources available to meet such debt repayment.

(b) FMB Equibanc shall not, directly or indirectly, purchase or redeem any shares of its stock without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank and the Commissioner.

Compliance with Laws and Regulations

4. (a) In appointing any new director or senior executive officer, or changing the responsibilities of any senior executive officer so that the officer would assume a different senior executive officer position, FMB Equibanc shall comply with the notice provisions of section 32 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1831i) and Subpart H of Regulation Y of the Board of Governors (12 C.F.R. §§ 225.71 *et seq.*).

(b) FMB Equibanc shall comply with the restrictions on indemnification and severance payments of section 18(k) of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1828(k)) and Part 359 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's regulations (12 C.F.R. Part 359).

Progress Reports

5. Within 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter following the date of this Agreement, the board of directors shall submit to the Reserve Bank and the Commissioner written progress reports detailing the form and manner of all actions taken to secure compliance with the provisions of this Agreement and the results thereof, and a parent company only balance sheet, income statement, and, as applicable, report of changes in stockholders' equity.

Communications

6. All communications regarding this Agreement shall be sent to:

(a) Mr. Robert D. Hawkins
Assistant Vice President
Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta
1000 Peachtree Street, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309-4470

- (b) Mr. Robert M. Braswell
Commissioner
Georgia Department of Banking and Finance
2990 Brandywine Road, Suite 200
Atlanta, Georgia 30341

- (c) Mr. Charles R. Nessmith
President and Chief Executive Officer
FMB Equibanc, Inc.
201 North Main Street
Statesboro, Georgia 30459

Miscellaneous

7. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement, the Reserve Bank and the Commissioner may, in their sole discretion, grant written extensions of time to FMB Equibanc to comply with any provision of this Agreement.

8. The provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon FMB Equibanc and its institution-affiliated parties, in their capacities as such, and their successors and assigns.

9. Each provision of this Agreement shall remain effective and enforceable until stayed, modified, terminated, or suspended in writing by the Reserve Bank and the Commissioner.

10. The provisions of this Agreement shall not bar, estop, or otherwise prevent the Board of Governors, the Reserve Bank, the Commissioner or any other federal or state agency from taking any other action affecting FMB Equibanc, the Bank, or any of their current or former institution-affiliated parties and their successors and assigns.

11. Pursuant to section 50 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1831aa), this Agreement is enforceable by the Board of Governors under section 8 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1818) and by the Commissioner pursuant to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated § 7-1-91.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the 23rd day of April, 2010.

FMB EQUIBANC, INC.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
OF ATLANTA

By: /s/ Charles R. Nessmith
Charles R. Nessmith
President and Chief Executive
Officer

By: /s/ Robert D. Hawkins
Robert D. Hawkins
Assistant Vice President

BANKING COMMISSIONER OF THE
STATE OF GEORGIA

By: /s/ Robert M. Braswell
Robert M. Braswell
Commissioner