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NAME:

COLUMBUS BANK AND TRUST

COMPANY

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CONTACT PERSON: Carina L. Dunlap -- EXT# 2951

EXAMINER:



OFFICE OF FINANCIAL REGULATION

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May 10, 2010

Ms. April Rogers, Paralegal Synovus Financial Corporation General Counsel's Office 1111 Bay Avenue, Suite 501 Columbus, GA 32901

Dear Ms. Rogers:

Re: Columbus Bank and Trust Company

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Reference is made to your recent letter/fax requesting approval of the above-referenced name which is a Georgia domestic bank, located in Columbus, Georgia.

As Section 655.922, Florida Statutes, exempts a financial institution, holding company or its subsidiaries from the prohibition of using the word "bank," "banco," "banque," "banker," "banking," "trust company," "savings and loan association," "savings bank," or "credit union," or words of similar import, in any context or in any manner in its corporate name. The Office will not object to the use of the above name being registered to transact business in the state of Florida. This does not authorize the institution to engage in banking, trust or insurance business or any other licensed activity in the state of Florida. Proper regulatory approvals will be required.

Sincerely,

Linda B. Charity

Director

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cc: Karon Beyer, Chief, Bureau of Commercial Recordings, Division of Corporations,
Department of State



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Division of Corporations

May 6, 2010

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SUBJECT: COLUMBUS BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

Ref. Number: W10000022092

RESUBMIT

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Please give original submission date as file date:

We have received your document for COLUMBUS BANK AND TRUST COMPANY and your check(s) totaling \$. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Written approval and clearance of the words BANK, BANC, BANCO, BANQUE, BANKER, BANKING, TRUST COMPANY, SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS BANK or CREDIT UNION, or words of similar import in any context or any manner must be obtained from the Office of Financial Regulation, pursuant to section 655.922(2a), Florida Statutes.

Enclosed is a "Corporate Name Approval Request" form to be completed and sent to the address indicated on the form. If the proposed name is approved by the Office of Financial Institutions, resubmit the document and the approval letter to the Division of Corporations for filing. The Office of Financial Institutions' phone number is 850-410-9800.

Please return the corrected original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6995.

Wanda Cunningham Regulatory Specialist II New Filing Section

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APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN FLORIDA

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 607.1503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A FOREIGN CORPORATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

(Enter name of c	nk and Trust Company orporation; must include "INCORPORATED orp," "Inc," "Co," or "Corp.")	," "COMPANY," "CORPORAT!	ON,"
(If name unavaila	ible in Florida, enter alternate corporate name	e adopted for the purpose of transac	eting business in Florida)
2. Georgia 3.		58-0201800	
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated)		(FEI number, if applicable)	
December 2	4, 1988 ₅	Perpetual	
· — — — —	of incorporation)	(Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")	
Upon Qualif	ication		
	-	dress)	
(Purpose(s	e) of corporation authorized in home state or o	country to be carried out in state of	Florida)
,	et address of Florida registered agent: (P.		 4
Name:	Corporation Service Company		2010 WAY
Office Address:	1201 Hays Street		SSE SSE -5
	Tallahassee	Florida 32301 (Zip code)	
	(City)	(Zip code)	F STA
0 Registered as	gent's acceptance:		2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this application, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

Corporation Service Company

By:

(Registered agent's signature)

Carina L. Dunlap

Asst. Vice President

Assistant Vice President

11. Attached is a certificate of existence duly authenticated, not more than 90 days prior to delivery of this application to the Department of State, by the Secretary of State or other official having custody of corporate records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is incorporated.

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12. Names and business addresses of officers and/or directors:	1/
A. DIRECTORS 45 M	
Chairman: See attached officers/directors rider	5
Address:	2x 83
	7037x 8
Vice Chairman	- 1/2
Vice Chairman:	
Address:	
Director:	
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Director:	
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B. OFFICERS	
President: See attached officers/directors rider	
Address:	
Vice President	
Vice President:	
Address:	
Secretary:	
Address:	
Treasurer:	
Address:	
NOTE: If necessary, you may attach an addendum to the application listing additional officers and/or	directors.
13. Stephen A. Molton	
(Signature of Director or Officer listed in number 12 of the application)	
14 Stephen A. Melton, CEO	
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)	

OFFICERS/DIRECTORS RIDER

Title: CEO

Title: Secretary

FL-Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization

Columbus Bank and Trust Company

List of Officers

Stephen A. Melton

Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

Title: CFO Brick F. Luke

Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

Name: John M. Mitchell

Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

List of Directors

Term: Jan 14, 2011 Name: Emory J. Alexander, MD

Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

Term: Jan 14, 2011 J. Rick Alexander

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Name: Term: Jan 14, 2011 Richard E. Anthony

Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

John S. Avant, DDS **Term:** Jan 14, 2011

Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

Richard H. Bickerstaff, Jr. Term: Jan 14, 2011

Term: Jan 14, 2011 Name: William R. Blanchard Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

Charles W. Burgin **Term:** Jan 14, 2011

Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

Term: Jan 14, 2011 Stephen T. Butler Name: Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

Term: Jan 14, 2011 Linda U. Hadley Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

Term: Jan 14, 2011 Mason Hardaway Lampton

Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

Term: Jan 14, 2011 Name: Stephen A. Melton

Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

Elizabeth C. Ogie Term: Jan 14, 2011

Term: Jan 14, 2011

Name: Todd A. Schuster Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

Name: John T. Turner Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

Term: Jan 14, 2011

Name: James D. Yancey Bus. Addr.: 1148 Broadway, Columbus, GA 31901

Term: Jan 14, 2011

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STATE OF GEORGIA

Secretary of State

Corporations Division
315 West Tower
#2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr.
Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530

CERTIFICATE OF EXISTENCE

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SECRETARY OF STATE
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I. Brian P. Kemp, Secretary of State and the Corporations Commissioner of the state of Georgia, hereby certify under the seal of my office that

COLUMBUS BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

Domestic Bank

was duly incorporated on 12/24/1988 in Georgia. Said corporation is in compliance with the applicable filing and annual registration provisions of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and has not filed articles of dissolution.

This certificate is issued under the authority of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and is prima-facie evidence of the existence or nonexistence of the facts stated herein.

This certificate applies only to filings pursuant to Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. Information concerning bank related filings must be certified by the Georgia Department of banking and Finance.



WITNESS my hand and official seal of the City of Atlanta and the State of Georgia on 26th day of April, 2010

B: P.h.

Brian P. Kemp Secretary of State

Certification Number: 5845700-1 Reference:

Verify this certificate online at http://corp.sos.state.ga,us/corp/soskb/verify.asp