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Jay Douglas Senior Attorney Synovus Financial Corp. 1111 Bay Ave. Columbus, GA 31901 jaydouglas@svnovus.com

September 14, 2010

FL Department of State -Amendment Section Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: Amended Certificate of Authority - Columbus Bank and Trust Company to Synovus Bank

To Whom It May Concern:

On June 1, 2010, Synovus Financial Corp, merged several wholly-owned Florida chartered banks with and into Columbus Bank and Trust Company, a Georgia chartered bank ("CB&T"). Immediately thereafter, CB&T changed its name to Synovus bank. CB&T is authorized to do business in Florida as a foreign corporation. Due to the merger and name change, we recognize the need to notify the Florida Department of State of these changes and amend our Certificate of Authority for CB&T to reflect its current name "Synovus Bank". Attached, please find the following:

- 1. The Application for an Amended Certificate of Authority of a Foreign Corp. on behalf of
- 2. The Certificate of Amendment from the State of Georgia certifying the name change to
- 3. A no-objection letter from the Florida Office of Financial Regulation for the use of the name
- 4. A check for \$35.00 for the filing fee.

I appreciate your attention to this matter. If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience by email at jaydouglas@synovus.com or by phone at 706-644-7534.

Sincerely,

Jay Douglas



J. THOMAS CARDWELL COMMISSIONER

STREET ADDRESS: 101 E. Gaines Street, Suite 636 PHONE (850) 410-9800 • FAX (850) 410-9548 MAILING ADDRESS: Division of Financial Institutions, 200 E. Gaines Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0371 Visit us on the web: www.plofr.com • Toll Free: (800) 848-3792

September 13, 2010

Mr. Jay Douglas Senior Attorney Synovus 1111 Bay Avenue, Suite 501 Columbus, GA 31901

Dear Mr. Douglas:

Re: Synovus Bank

Reference is made to your recent letter requesting approval of the above-reference name which would be a name change for Columbus Bank and Trust a Georgia-chartered bank.

Section 655.922 Florida Statutes, exempts a financial institution, holding company or its subsidiaries from the prohibition of using the word "bank," "banc," "banker," "banking," "trust company," "savings and loan association," "savings bank," or "credit union" in its corporate name.

Therefore, this office will not object to the use of the above referenced name being registered to transact business in the state of Florida.

Sincerely,

Linda B. Charity Director

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

PROFIT CORPORATION APPLICATION BY FOREIGN PROFIT CORPORATION TO FILE AMENDMENT TO APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN FLORIDA

(Pursuant to s. 607.1504, F.S.)

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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 AMENDMENT

NAME CHANGE

I, Brian P. Kemp, the 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

a Domestic Bank

has filed articles/certificate of amendment in the Office of the Secretary of State on 06/01/2010 changing its name to

SYNOVUS BANK

and has paid the required fees as provided by Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. Attached hereto is a true and correct copy of said articles/ certificate of amendment.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the City of Atlanta and the State of Georgia on June 1, 2010



Brian P. Kemp

Secretary of State