

**STATE BOARD OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**  
**MINUTES**  
**September 2, 2015**  
**Columbia, South Carolina**

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Upon proper call and due notice to all of its members and after having given required public notice, the State Board of Financial Institutions assembled in a meeting this the 2nd day of September 2015, with Chairman Loftis presiding. Members present were: Messrs. Conley, Hassell, Hart, Saunders, Williams, Wright, Strickland, and Ms. Marcum. In attendance were, Commissioner Louie Jacobs, Interim Commissioner Jim Copeland, Mr. Carl Jeffcoat, Assistant Commissioner, Consumer Finance Division, Ms. Kathy Bickham, Assistant Commissioner, Ms. Renee Dzek, Accounting Fiscal Manager, Banking Division, Ms. Clarissa Adams, Chief of Staff, State Treasurer's Office, Ms. Cynthia Dannels, Deputy State Treasurer, Mr. Bert Cassell, General Counsel, State Treasurer's Office, Mr. Harrison Brant, Assistant General Counsel, State Treasurer's Office, Mr. Tony Kester, Assistant to the Chairman, State Treasurer's Office.

Members absent: Mr. Buyck and Mr. Pennington

Guests in attendance: Dr. Steven Gilbert, Senate Banking and Insurance Committee, and Mr. Derial Ogburn, SC Financial Services Association.

Mr. Bert Cassell was introduced as the new General Counsel for the State Treasurer's Office.

Mr. Conley indicated he had a potential conflict-of-interest on Item 7 from the Executive Session Agenda.

On motion of Mr. Hassell and duly seconded by Mr. Hart and unanimously carried by the Board, the Board approved minutes from the June 3, 2015, meeting.

On motion of Mr. Saunders, duly seconded by Mr. Conley and unanimously carried, the Board accepted the following Notice Agenda Items (Blue Agenda) as information:

**Consumer Finance Division**

Information Notice:

The following Supervised Consumer Finance Licensees have advised of change of address as follows: (a) AutoMoney, Inc. dba AutoMoney, Inc. of Dillon from 1218 North 1<sup>st</sup> Street to 1218 North 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Dillon; (b) Moncks Corner Finance, Inc. from 474 East Main Street to 390 North Highway 52, Moncks Corner; (c) Rivertown Credit LLC from 4166 Main Street to 4266 Main Street, Loris; (d) Springleaf Consumer Loan, Inc. from 725 Industrial Boulevard, London, KY 40744 to 40741; (e) Credit Central, LLC dba

Credit Central from 106 North 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 206 West Main Street, Dillon; (f) L & L Management Corp. dba The Loan Company from 2600 West Palmetto Street to 2600 B West Palmetto Street, Florence; (g) Hawk, Inc. dba Lenders Loans of Barnwell, 526 Main Street, Barnwell, SC 29812.

The following Supervised Consumer Finance Licensees have advised of change of name as follows: (a) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Sumter; (b) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Aiken; (c) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Anderson; (d) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Beaufort; (e) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Orangeburg; (f) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Conway; (g) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Lexington; (h) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Spartanburg; (i) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Gaffney; (j) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Lancaster; (k) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Walterboro; (l) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Dillon; (m) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Summerville; (n) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Goose Creek; (o) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Newberry; (p) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Winnsboro; (q) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Simpsonville; (r) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Greenville; (s) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Greer; (t) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Spartanburg; (u) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Columbia; (v) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, Georgetown; (w) Carolina Title Loans, Inc. to Carolina Title Loans, Inc. dba Carolina Title Loans, West Columbia.

Notification has been received that the following Supervised Consumer Finance Licensees have been voluntarily surrendered for cancellation:

1. DFS-SPV, LLC, 12234 North IH-35, Austin, Texas.
2. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 1317-D West Poinsett Street, Greer, South Carolina.
3. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 201 East Benson Street, Anderson, South Carolina.
4. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 110 Garner Road, Suite 11, Spartanburg, South Carolina.
5. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 496 F South Pleasantburg Drive, Greenville, South Carolina.

6. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 914 Montague Avenue, Greenwood, South Carolina.
7. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 2634 Main Street, Newberry, South Carolina.
8. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 1009 West Floyd Baker Boulevard, Gaffney, South Carolina.
9. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 220 North Main Street, Bishopville, South Carolina.
10. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 1110 Washington Street, Columbia, South Carolina.
11. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 117-C Rivertown Boulevard, Conway, South Carolina.
12. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 1318 West Evans Street, Florence, South Carolina.
13. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 6203-F White Horse Road, Greenville, South Carolina.
14. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 214 John Street, Lake City, South Carolina.
15. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 469-C North Brooks Street, Manning, South Carolina.
16. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 728 Bultman Drive, Sumter, South Carolina.
17. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Berkley Loans, 116 North Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina.
18. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 119-F East 4<sup>th</sup> North Street, Summerville, South Carolina.
19. Makers Financial Group, Inc. dba Makers Finance, 1317-D West Poinsett Street, Greer, South Carolina.
20. Western-Shamrock Corporation dba Carolina Finance Company, 1684 Old Towne Road, Charleston, South Carolina.
21. Western-Shamrock Corporation dba Carolina Finance Company, 875 Albright Road, Suite 117, Rock Hill, South Carolina.
22. 1<sup>st</sup> Franklin Financial Corporation, 408 North Pleasantburg Drive, Greenville, South Carolina.

### **Examining Division**

Resignation of Matthew P. Jenness, Financial Institutions Examiner II, effective September 1, 2015.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER UPDATES**

**Policy, Planning and Budget Committee**

Mr. Conley reported the Policy, Planning and Budget Committee met August 19 to review budget requests from the Banking and Consumer Finance Divisions for FY17. The committee reviewed the prior year expenditures, salary needs for fully staffed divisions, employer contributions, carry forward balances, projected revenue, and the two Proviso's.

Mr. Kester provided an overview of the committee's recommendation for the FY17 budget request to the full Board.

On motion of the Policy, Planning and Budget Committee and duly seconded by Mr. Wright and unanimously carried by the Board, the Board approved the budget request and Proviso amendment for FY17.

**Legislative Committee**

Ms. Marcum provided an update to the Board on the impact Home Owner's Association Super Liens were having in other states on First Lien holders. She indicated about half of the states have some form of HOA Super Lien. South Carolina is not a state that recognizes HOA Super Liens, and there is no legislation at this time to do so.

**REGULAR SESSION**

**Consumer Finance Division**

On motion of Mr. Saunders duly seconded by Mr. Conley and unanimously carried, the Board approved the requests for Supervised Consumer Finance and Deferred Presentment Licenses as follows:

**IN-STATE**

1. Request of Credit Central, LLC dba Credit Cental to operate at 700 East North Street, Suite 15, Greenville, South Carolina 29601. (#Active35)

2. Request of Grand Strand Credit Corporation dba Grand Strand Credit to operate at 2126 Highway 9, Suite F-3, Longs, South Carolina 29568. **(#Active2)**
3. Request of North American Title Loan, LLC to operate at 813 Radford Boulevard, Dillon, South Carolina 29536. **(#Active31)**
4. Request of Rivertown Credit LLC to operate at 912 Highway 501 Business, Unit C, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29577. **(#Active2)**
5. Request of Rivertown Credit LLC to operate at 645-647 Bultman Drive, Sumter, South Carolina 29150. **(#Active2)**

#### **OUT-OF-STATE**

6. Request of LoanNow, LLC dba LoanNow for a Supervised Consumer Finance License to perform certain lending operations in South Carolina from its location at 3100 South Harbor Boulevard, #180, Santa Ana, California 92704. **(New)**
7. Request of LoanNow, LLC for a Supervised Consumer Finance License to perform certain lending operations in South Carolina from its location at [www.loannow.com](http://www.loannow.com). **(New)**
8. Request of U.S. Money Shops of South Carolina, LLC dba U.S. Money Shops for a Supervised Consumer Finance License to perform certain lending operations in South Carolina from its location at 201 Keith Street, Suite 80, Cleveland, Tennessee 37311. **(#Active20)**

On motion of Ms. Marcum, duly seconded by Mr. Hart and unanimously carried, the Board approved the meeting dates for 2016.

January 13  
February 3  
March 2  
April 6  
May 4  
June 1  
August 3  
September 7  
October 5  
November 2  
December 7

Mr. Copeland presented a training and certification plan for the Consumer Finance Division.

**Examining Division**

Commissioner Jacobs provided a training and certification plan for the Banking Division.

The Board discussed the two training and certification plans. The Board also discussed ways the agency could attempt to attract more applicants for higher level positions. The Banking Division agreed to post a vacancy at a higher level to gauge interest in the position as well as the quality of applicants from outside the agency. The Board will review this again at the October meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On motion of Mr. Wright duly seconded by Mr. Williams and unanimously carried, the Board voted to go into Executive Session to receive and discuss information pertaining to information regarding contractual arrangements, examination findings, personnel matters, receive legal advice, discuss documents or information incidental to proposed contractual matters, discuss confidential information or trade secrets of institutions under examination.

**RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**

On motion of Mr. Conley, duly seconded by Mr. Williams and unanimously carried, the Board returned to Regular Session. No other vote was taken in Executive Session.

The following actions were taken in Regular Session on items discussed in Executive Session:

**Consumer Finance Division**

None

**Examining Division**

On motion of Mr. Williams duly seconded by Mr. Hart and unanimously carried, the Board voted to approve the application of Anderson Brothers Bank, Mullins, South Carolina, to establish a branch at Parcel P, Market Common, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, with a temporary location at 4705-C Oleander Drive, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

On motion of Mr. Hassell duly seconded by Mr. Conley and unanimously carried, the Board voted to approve the request of The Peoples Bank, Iva, for approval to pay a cash dividend in the amount requested by the bank.

On motion of Ms. Marcum duly seconded by Mr. Hart and unanimously carried, the Board voted to approve the request of Atlantic Community Bank, Bluffton, to relocate its branch at One Corpus Christie Place, Suite 108, Hilton Head Island.

On motion of Mr. Williams duly seconded by Mr. Conley and unanimously carried, the Board voted to approve the request of Citizens Building and Loan, SSB, Greer, to reorganize to provide for ownership by a mutual holding company by establishing a subsidiary stock savings bank and transferring assets and liabilities to that subsidiary.

On motion of Mr. Hassell duly seconded by Mr. Strickland and unanimously carried, the Board voted to approve the request of The Citizens Bank, Olanta, for approval to purchase property in Murrells Inlet.

On motion of Mr. Conley duly seconded by Mr. Hart and unanimously carried, the Board voted to approve the request of Georgetown Craft Credit Union, Georgetown, to establish a branch 0.4 mile north of the intersection of North Fraser Street and Anthuan Maybank Drive, Georgetown, South Carolina.

On motion of Mr. Hart duly seconded by Mr. Strickland and unanimously carried, the Board voted to approve the request of Mid Carolina Credit Union, Lugoff, for approval to purchase property in Lugoff.

On motion of Mr. Hart duly seconded by Mr. Hassell and unanimously carried, the Board voted to approve the 2016 Planning Document for Commissioner Jacobs.

**Disclosures pursuant to §8-13-700:**

Mr. Conley was duly excused from and did not participate in any votes, deliberations, or other actions which involved a potential conflict of interest.

The Board, through consensus, scheduled its next meeting for **October 7, 2015**.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by acclamation.

An audio copy of the meeting is available upon request.