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FORM 10-K

(Mark One)

ANNUAL REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009

o TRANSITION REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from ______ to _____

Commission file Number: 000-32891

1ST CONSTITUTION BANCORP

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

New Jersey (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 22-3665653
IRS Employer Identification
Number)

2650 Route 130, P.O. Box 634, Cranbury, NJ 08512 (Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

(609) 655-4500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OF THE ACT:

Common Stock, No Par Value Stock Purchase Rights Relating to Common Stock, No Par Value

SECURITIES REGISTERED PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(g) OF THE ACT:

None

(Title of Class)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities

Act. Yes o No x

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Act. Yes o No x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes o No o

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. x

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No x

The aggregate market value of the registrant's common stock held by non-affiliates of the registrant, computed by reference to the price at which the common stock was last sold, or the average bid and asked price of such common stock, as of the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second quarter, is \$31,395,130.

As of March 25, 2010, 4,515,924 shares of the registrant's common stock were outstanding.

Portions of the registrant's definitive Proxy Statement for its 2010 Annual Meeting of Shareholders are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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Forward-Looking Statements

This Annual Report on Form 10-K contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 relating to, without limitation, our future economic performance, plans and objectives for future operations, and projections of revenues and other financial items that are based on our beliefs, as well as assumptions made by and information currently available to us. The words "may," "will," "anticipate," "should," "would," "believe," "contemplate," "could," "project," "predict," "expect," "estimate," "continue," and "intend," as well as other similar expressions of the future, are intended to identify forward-looking statements.

These forward-looking statements generally relate to our plans, objectives and expectations for future events and include statements about our expectations, beliefs, plans, objectives, intentions, assumptions and other statements that are not historical facts. These statements are based upon our opinions and estimates as of the date they are made. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in these forward-looking statements are reasonable, such forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties that may be beyond our control, which could cause actual results, performance and achievements to differ materially from results, performance and achievements projected, expected, expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements.

Examples of events that could cause actual results to differ materially from historical results or those anticipated, expressed or implied include, without limitation, changes in the overall economy and the interest rate environment; the ability of our customers to repay their obligations; the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses; competition; significant changes in accounting, tax or regulatory practices and requirements; changes in deposit flows, loan demand or real estate values; legislation or regulatory changes; changes in loan delinquency rates or in our levels of non-performing assets; changes in the economic climate in the market areas in which we operate; and the economic impact of any future terrorist threats and attacks, acts of war or threats thereof and the response of the United States to any such threats and attacks. Although management has taken certain steps to mitigate any negative effect of the aforementioned items, significant unfavorable changes could severely impact the assumptions used and have an adverse effect on profitability.

Additional information concerning the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements is contained in Item 1. "Business", Item 7. "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations", and elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K and in our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). We undertake no obligation to publicly revise any forward-looking statements or cautionary factors, except as required by law.

PART I

Item 1. Business.

1st Constitution Bancorp

1st Constitution Bancorp (the "Company") is a bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended. The Company was organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey in February 1999 for the purpose of acquiring all of the issued and outstanding stock of 1st Constitution Bank (the "Bank") and thereby enabling the Bank to operate within a bank holding company structure. The Company became an active bank holding company on July 1, 1999. As of December 31, 2009, the Company has two employees, both of whom are full-time. The Bank is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. Other than its investment in the Bank, the Company currently conducts no other significant business activities.

The main office of the Company and the Bank is located at 2650 Route 130 North, Cranbury, New Jersey 08512, and the telephone number is (609) 655-4500.

1st Constitution Bank

The Bank is a commercial bank formed under the laws of the State of New Jersey and engages in the business of commercial and retail banking. As a community bank, the Bank offers a wide range of services (including demand, savings and time deposits and commercial and consumer/installment loans) to individuals, small businesses and not-for-profit organizations principally in the Fort Lee area of Bergen County and in Middlesex, Mercer and Somerset Counties, New Jersey. The Bank conducts its operations through its main office located in Cranbury, New Jersey, and operates ten additional branch offices in downtown Cranbury, Hamilton Square, Hightstown, Jamesburg, Montgomery, Perth Amboy, Plainsboro, West Windsor, Fort Lee and Princeton, New Jersey. The Bank's deposits are insured up to applicable legal limits by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"). As of December 31, 2009, the Bank has 127 employees, of which 115 are full-time employees.

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Management efforts focus on positioning the Bank to meet the financial needs of the communities in Middlesex, Mercer and Somerset Counties and the Fort Lee area of Bergen County and to provide financial services to individuals, families, institutions and small businesses. To achieve this goal, the Bank is focusing its efforts on:

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- expansion of its branch network;
- innovative product offerings; and
- technological advances and e-commerce.

Personal Service

The Bank provides a wide range of commercial and consumer banking services to individuals, families, institutions and small businesses in central New Jersey and the Fort Lee area of Bergen County. The Bank's focus is to understand the needs of the community and the customers and tailor products, services and advice to meet those needs. The Bank seeks to provide a high level of personalized banking services, emphasizing quick and flexible responses to customer demands.

Expansion of Branch Banking

The Bank continually evaluates opportunities for branch bank expansion, either mini branches or full service branches, to continue to grow and meet the needs of the community.

Innovative Product Offerings

In January 2008, the Bank's Mortgage Warehouse Unit introduced a revolving line of credit that is available to licensed mortgage banking companies (the "Warehouse Line of Credit") and that has been successful since inception. The Warehouse Line of Credit is used by the mortgage banker to originate one-to-four family residential mortgage loans that are pre-sold to the secondary mortgage market, which includes state and national banks, national mortgage banking firms, insurance companies and government-sponsored enterprises, including the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation and others. On average, an advance under the Warehouse Line of Credit remains outstanding for a period of less than 30 days, with repayment coming directly from the sale of the loan into the secondary mortgage market. Interest (the spread between our borrowing cost and the rate charged to the client) and a transaction fee are collected by the Bank at the time of repayment. Additionally, customers of the Warehouse Lines of Credit are required to maintain deposit relationships with the Bank that, on average, represent 10% to 15% of the loan balances. The Bank had outstanding Warehouse Line of Credit advances of \$119,382,078 at December 31, 2009.

Technological Advances and e-Commerce

The Bank recognizes that customers want to receive service via their most convenient delivery channel, be it the traditional branch office, by telephone, ATM, or the internet. For this reason, the Bank continues to enhance its e-commerce capabilities. At www.1stconstitution.com, customers have easy access to online banking, including account access, and to the Bank's bill payment system. Consumers can apply online for loans and interact with senior management through the e-mail system. Business customers have access to cash management information and transaction capability through the Bank's online Cash Manager product which permits business to originate ACH payments, initiate wire transfers and retrieve account information and place "stop payment" orders. This overall

expansion in electronic banking offers the Bank's customers another means to access the Bank's services easily and at their own convenience.

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Competition

The Bank experiences substantial competition in attracting and retaining deposits and in making loans. In attracting deposits and borrowers, the Bank competes with commercial banks, savings banks, and savings and loan associations, as well as regional and national insurance companies and non-bank financial institutions, regulated small loan companies and local credit unions, regional and national issuers of money market funds and corporate and government borrowers. Within the direct market area of the Bank, there are a significant number of offices of competing financial institutions. In New Jersey generally, and in the Bank's local market specifically, large commercial banks, as well as savings banks and savings and loan associations, including Provident Savings Bank and Hudson City Savings Bank, hold a dominant market share and there has been significant merger activity in the last few years, creating even larger competitors.

Locally, the Bank's most direct competitors include Bank of America, PNC Bank, Wachovia Bank (a subsidiary of Wells Fargo) and Sovereign Bank. The Bank is at a competitive disadvantage compared with these larger national and regional commercial and savings banks. By virtue of their larger capital, asset size or reserves, many of such institutions have substantially greater lending limits (ceilings on the amount of credit a bank may provide to a single customer that are linked to the institution's capital) and other resources than the Bank. Many such institutions are empowered to offer a wider range of services, including trust services, than the Bank and, in some cases, have lower funding costs (the price a bank must pay for deposits and other borrowed monies used to make loans to customers) than the Bank. In addition to having established deposit bases and loan portfolios, these institutions, particularly large national and regional commercial and savings banks, have the financial ability to finance extensive advertising campaigns and to allocate considerable resources to locations and products perceived as profitable.

In addition, non-bank financial institutions offer services that compete for deposits with the Bank. For example, brokerage firms and insurance companies offer such instruments as short-term money market funds, corporate and government securities funds, mutual funds and annuities. It is expected that competition in these areas will continue to increase. Some of these competitors are not subject to the same degree of regulation and supervision as the Company and the Bank and therefore may be able to offer customers more attractive products than the Bank.

However, management of the Bank believes that loans to small and mid-sized businesses and professionals, which represent the main commercial loan business of the Bank, are not always of primary importance to the larger banking institutions. The Bank competes for this segment of the market by providing responsive personalized services, local decision-making, and knowledge of its customers and their businesses.

Lending Activities

The Bank's lending activities include both commercial and consumer loans. Loan originations are derived from a number of sources including real estate broker referrals, mortgage loan companies, direct solicitation by the Bank's loan officers, existing depositors and borrowers, builders, attorneys, walk-in customers and, in some instances, other lenders. The Bank has established disciplined and systematic procedures for approving and monitoring loans that vary depending on the size and nature of the loan.

Commercial Lending

The Bank offers a variety of commercial loan services, including term loans, lines of credit, and loans secured by equipment and receivables. A broad range of short-to-medium term commercial loans, both secured and unsecured, are made available to businesses for working capital (including inventory and receivables), business expansion (including acquisition and development of real estate and improvements), and the purchase of equipment and machinery. The Bank also makes construction loans to real estate developers for the acquisition, development and

construction of residential subdivisions.

Commercial loans are granted based on the borrower's ability to generate cash flow to support its debt obligations and other cash related expenses. A borrower's ability to repay commercial loans is substantially dependent on the success of the business itself and on the quality of its management. As a general practice, the Bank takes as collateral a security interest in any available real estate, equipment, inventory, receivables or other personal property of its borrowers, although occasionally the Bank makes commercial loans on an unsecured basis. Generally, the Bank requires personal guaranties of its commercial loans to offset the risks associated with such loans.

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Residential Consumer Lending

A portion of the Bank's lending activities consists of the origination of fixed and adjustable rate residential first mortgage loans secured by owner-occupied property located in the Bank's primary market areas. Home mortgage lending is unique in that a broad geographic territory may be serviced by originators working from strategically placed offices either within the Bank's traditional banking facilities or from affordable storefront locations in commercial buildings. The Bank also offers construction loans, second mortgage home improvement loans and home equity lines of credit.

The Bank finances the construction of individual, owner-occupied houses on the basis of written underwriting and construction loan management guidelines. First mortgage construction loans are made to contractors secured by real estate that is both a pre-sold and a "speculation" basis. Such loans are also made to qualified individual borrowers and are generally supported by a take-out commitment from a permanent lender. The Bank makes residential construction loans to individuals who intend to erect owner occupied housing on a purchased parcel of real estate. The construction phase of these loans has certain risks, including the viability of the contractor, the contractor's ability to complete the project and changes in interest rates.

In most cases, the Bank will sell its mortgage loans with terms of 15 years or more in the secondary market. The sale to the secondary market allows the Bank to hedge against the interest rate risks related to such lending operations. This brokerage arrangement allows the Bank to accommodate its clients' demands while eliminating the interest rate risk for the 15- to 30- year period generally associated with such loans.

The Bank in most cases requires borrowers to obtain and maintain title, fire, and extended casualty insurance, and, where required by applicable regulations, flood insurance. The Bank maintains its own errors and omissions insurance policy to protect against loss in the event of failure of a mortgagor to pay premiums on fire and other hazard insurance policies. Mortgage loans originated by the Bank customarily include a "due on sale" clause, which gives the Bank the right to declare a loan immediately due and payable in certain circumstances, including, without limitation, upon the sale or other disposition by the borrower of the real property subject to a mortgage. In general, the Bank enforces due on sale clauses. Borrowers are typically permitted to refinance or repay loans at their option without penalty.

Non-Residential Consumer Lending

Non-residential consumer loans made by the Bank include loans for automobiles, recreation vehicles, and boats, as well as personal loans (secured and unsecured) and deposit account secured loans. The Bank also conducts various indirect lending activities through established retail companies in its market areas. Non-residential consumer loans are attractive to the Bank because they typically have a shorter term and carry higher interest rates than are charged on other types of loans. Non-residential consumer loans, however, do pose additional risk of collectibility when compared to traditional types of loans, such as residential mortgage loans granted by commercial banks.

Consumer loans are granted based on employment and financial information solicited from prospective borrowers as well as credit records collected from various reporting agencies. Stability of the borrower, willingness to pay and credit history are the primary factors to be considered. The availability of collateral is also a factor considered in making such a loan. The Bank seeks collateral that can be assigned and has good marketability with a clearly adequate margin of value. The geographic area of the borrower is another consideration, with preference given to borrowers in the Bank's primary market areas.

Supervision and Regulation

Banking is a complex, highly regulated industry. The primary goals of the bank regulatory scheme are to maintain a safe and sound banking system and to facilitate the conduct of monetary policy. In furtherance of those goals, Congress has created several largely autonomous regulatory agencies and enacted a myriad of legislation that governs banks, bank holding companies and the banking industry. This regulatory framework is intended primarily for the protection of depositors and not for the protection of the Company's shareholders. Descriptions of, and references to, the statutes and regulations below are brief summaries thereof, and do not purport to be complete. The descriptions are qualified in their entirety by reference to the specific statutes and regulations discussed.

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State and Federal Regulations

The Company is a bank holding company within the meaning of the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended (the "BHCA"). As a bank holding company, the Company is subject to inspection, examination and supervision by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the "Federal Reserve Board") and is required to file with the Federal Reserve Board an annual report and such additional information as the Federal Reserve Board may require pursuant to the BHCA. The Federal Reserve Board may also make examinations of the Company and its subsidiaries. The Company is subject to capital standards similar to, but separate from, those applicable to the Bank.

Under the BHCA, bank holding companies that are not financial holding companies generally may not acquire the ownership or control of more than 5% of the voting shares, or substantially all of the assets, of any company, including a bank or another bank holding company, without the Federal Reserve Board's prior approval. The Company has not applied to become a financial holding company but did obtain such approval to acquire the shares of the Bank. A bank holding company that does not qualify as a financial holding company is generally limited in the types of activities in which it may engage to those that the Federal Reserve Board had recognized as permissible for bank holding companies prior to the date of enactment of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Financial Services Modernization Act of 1999. For example, a holding company and its banking subsidiary are prohibited from engaging in certain tie-in arrangements in connection with any extension of credit or lease or sale of any property or the furnishing of services. At present, the Company does not engage in any significant activity other than owning the Bank.

In addition to federal bank holding company regulation, the Company is registered as a bank holding company with the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance (the "Department"). The Company is required to file with the Department copies of the reports it files with the federal banking and securities regulators.

As a result of its participation in the Troubled Asset Relief Program ('TARP") Capital Purchase Program (the "CPP") under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 ("EESA") through the sale by the Company of its Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series B ("Preferred Stock Series B") to the United States Department of the Treasury (the "Treasury") the Company is subject to restrictions contained in the agreement between the Treasury and the Company related to the sale of the Preferred Stock Series B which, among other things, restricts the payment of cash dividends, the making of other distributions by the Company on its common stock and the repurchase of its shares of common stock or other capital stock or other equity securities of any kind of the Company or any of its or its affiliates' trust preferred securities until December 23, 2011, the third anniversary of the purchase of the Preferred Stock Series B by the Treasury without approval of the Treasury, with certain exceptions. Further, the Company or redeeming or otherwise acquiring its common stock or certain other of its equity securities unless all dividends on the Preferred Stock Series B have been declared and either paid in full or set aside, with certain limited exceptions.

In addition, EESA, as amended by The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (the "Stimulus Package Act"), and guidance issued by the Treasury with respect to this legislation limit executive compensation, require the reporting of information to the Treasury and others, limit the deductibility for Federal income tax purposes of compensation paid to certain executives in excess of \$500,000 per year, limit the payment of certain severance and change in control payments to certain executives, limit the type and amount of compensation paid to our highest paid executive (our chief executive officer) of the Company or the Bank, impose a claw back of certain compensation paid to certain executives of the Company or the Bank and impose new corporate governance requirements on the Company, including the inclusion of a non-binding "say to pay" proposal in the Company's annual proxy statement.

The Federal Reserve Board has issued a supervisory letter to bank holding companies that contains guidance on when the board of directors of a bank holding company should eliminate or defer or severely limit dividends including, for example, when net income available for shareholders for the past four quarters net of previously paid dividends paid

during that period is not sufficient to fully fund the dividends. The letter also contains guidance on the redemption of stock by bank holding companies which urges bank holding companies to advise the Federal Reserve of any such redemption or repurchase of common stock for cash or other value which results in the net reduction of a bank holding company's capital at the beginning of the quarter below the capital outstanding at the end of the quarter.

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Capital Adequacy

The Company is required to comply with minimum capital adequacy standards established by the Federal Reserve Board. There are two basic measures of capital adequacy for bank holding companies and the depository institutions that they own: a risk based measure and a leverage measure. All applicable capital standards must be satisfied for a bank holding company to be considered in compliance.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 ("FDICIA") required each federal banking agency to revise its risk-based capital standards to ensure that those standards take adequate account of interest rate risk, concentration of credit risk and the risks of non-traditional activities. In addition, pursuant to FDICIA, each federal banking agency has promulgated regulations, specifying the levels at which a bank would be considered "well capitalized," "adequately capitalized," "undercapitalized," "significantly undercapitalized," or "critically undercapitalized," and to take certain mandatory and discretionary supervisory actions based on the capital level of the institution.

The regulations implementing these provisions of FDICIA provide that a bank will be classified as "well capitalized" if it (i) has a total risk-based capital ratio of at least 10.0 percent, (iii) has a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of at least 6.0 percent, (iii) has a Tier 1 leverage ratio of at least 5.0 percent, and (iv) meets certain other requirements. A bank will be classified as "adequately capitalized" if it (i) has a total risk-based capital ratio of at least 8.0 percent, (ii) has a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of at least 4.0 percent, (iii) has a Tier 1 leverage ratio of (a) at least 4.0 percent, or (b) at least 3.0 percent if the institution was rated 1 in its most recent examination and is not experiencing or anticipating significant growth, and (iv) does not meet the definition of "well capitalized." A bank will be classified as "undercapitalized" if it (i) has a total risk-based capital ratio of less than 8.0 percent, (ii) has a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of less than 4.0 percent, or (b) less than 3.0 percent if the institution was rated 1 in its most recent examination and is not experiencing or anticipating significant growth. A bank will be classified as "significantly undercapitalized" if it (i) has a total risk-based capital ratio of less than 6.0 percent, (ii) has a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of less than 3.0 percent, or (iii) has a Tier 1 leverage ratio of less than 3.0 percent. An institution will be classified as "critically undercapitalized" if it has a tangible equity to total assets ratio that is equal to or less than 2.0 percent. An insured depository institution may be deemed to be in a lower capitalization category if it receives an unsatisfactory examination.

As of December 31, 2009, the Bank's capital ratios exceed the requirements to be considered a "well capitalized" institution under these regulations.

The risk-based capital guidelines for bank holding companies such as the Company currently require a minimum ratio of total capital to risk-weighted assets (including off-balance sheet activities, such as standby letters of credit) of 8%. At least half of the total capital is required to be Tier 1 capital, consisting principally of common shareholders' equity, non-cumulative perpetual preferred stock, a limited amount of cumulative perpetual preferred stock and minority interest in the equity accounts of consolidated subsidiaries, less goodwill. The remainder of the total capital (Tier 2 capital) may consist of a limited amount of subordinated debt and intermediate-term preferred stock, certain hybrid capital instruments and other debt securities, perpetual preferred stock and a limited amount of the general loan loss allowance. At December 31, 2009, the Company maintained a Tier 1 capital ratio of 16.25% and total qualifying capital ratio of 17.23%.

In addition to the risk-based capital guidelines, the federal banking regulators established minimum leverage ratio (Tier 1 capital to total assets) guidelines for bank holding companies. These guidelines provide for a minimum leverage ratio of 3% for those bank holding companies which have the highest regulatory examination ratings and are not contemplating or experiencing significant growth or expansion. All other bank holding companies are required to maintain a leverage ratio of at least 1% to 2% above the 3% stated minimum. The Company's leverage ratio at December 31, 2009 was 10.99%.

On May 30, 2006, the Company established 1st Constitution Capital Trust II, a Delaware business trust and wholly owned subsidiary of the Company ("Trust II"), for the sole purpose of issuing \$18 million of trust preferred securities (the "Capital Securities"). Trust II utilized the \$18 million proceeds along with \$557,000 invested in Trust II by the Company to purchase \$18,557,000 of floating rate junior subordinated debentures issued by the Company and due to mature on June 15, 2036. The Capital Securities were issued in connection with a pooled offering involving approximately 50 other financial institution holding companies. All of the Capital Securities were sold to a single pooling vehicle. The floating rate junior subordinated debentures are the only asset of Trust II and have terms that mirror the Capital Securities. These debentures are redeemable in whole or in part prior to maturity after June 15, 2011. Trust II is obligated to distribute all proceeds of a redemption of these debentures, whether voluntary or upon maturity, to holders of the Capital Securities. The Company's obligation with respect to the Capital Securities and the debentures, when taken together, provided a full and unconditional guarantee on a subordinated basis by the Company of the obligations of Trust II to pay amounts when due on the Capital Securities. Interest payments on the floating rate junior subordinated debentures flow through Trust II to the pooling vehicle.

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On December 23, 2008, pursuant to the TARP CPP under EESA, the Company entered into a Letter Agreement, including the Securities Purchase Agreement – Standard Terms, with the Treasury, pursuant to which the Company issued and sold, and the Treasury purchased (i) 12,000 shares of the Company's Preferred Stock Series B and (ii) a ten-year warrant to purchase up to 200,222 shares of the Company's common stock, no par value, at an initial exercise price of \$8.99 per share, for aggregate cash consideration of \$12 million. As a result of the declarations of stock dividends to holders of common stock since the issuance of the warrant, the shares of common stock underlying the warrant have been adjusted to 220,774.76 shares and the initial exercise price was adjusted to \$8.154 per share.

The Preferred Stock Series B pays quarterly cumulative dividends at a rate of 5% per year for the first five years and thereafter at a rate of 9% per year and has a liquidation preference of \$1,000 per share. The warrant provides for the adjustment of the exercise price and the number of shares of the Company's common stock issuable upon exercise pursuant to customary anti-dilution provisions, such as upon stock splits or distributions of securities or other assets to holders of the Company's common stock, and upon certain issuances of the Company's common stock at or below a specified price relative to the initial exercise price. The warrant is immediately exercisable and expires ten years from the issuance date. In addition, the Treasury has agreed not to exercise voting power with respect to any shares of common stock issued upon exercise of the warrant.

Restrictions on Dividends

The primary source of cash to pay dividends, if any, to the Company's shareholders and to meet the Company's obligations is dividends paid to the Company by the Bank. Dividend payments by the Bank to the Company are subject to the New Jersey Banking Act of 1948 (the "Banking Act") and the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (the "FDIA"). Under the Banking Act and the FDIA, the Bank may not pay any dividends if after paying the dividend, it would be undercapitalized under applicable capital requirements. In addition to these explicit limitations, the federal regulatory agencies are authorized to prohibit a banking subsidiary or bank holding company from engaging in an unsafe or unsound banking practice. Depending upon the circumstances, the agencies could take the position that paying a dividend would constitute an unsafe or unsound banking practice.

It is the policy of the Federal Reserve Board that bank holding companies should pay cash dividends on common stock only out of income available over the immediately preceding year and only if prospective earnings retention is consistent with the organization's expected future needs and financial condition. The policy provides that bank holding companies should not maintain a level of cash dividend that undermines the bank holding company's ability to serve as a source of strength to its banking subsidiary. A bank holding company may not pay dividends when it is insolvent.

The Company has never paid a cash dividend and the Company's Board of Directors has no plans to pay a cash dividend in the foreseeable future. In addition, please refer to the discussion above of the Preferred Stock Series B under the heading "Supervision and Regulation" for additional restrictions on cash dividends.

The Bank paid a stock dividend every year from 1993 to 1999 when it was acquired by the Company. The Company has paid a stock dividend every year since its formation in 1999. From 1999 through 2006, the Company paid a 5% stock dividend each year. In 2006 and 2007, the Company declared a 6% stock dividend. In 2008 and 2009, the Company declared a 5% stock dividend. The Company also declared a two-for-one stock split on January 20, 2005, which was paid on February 28, 2005 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on February 10, 2005. All share and per share data has been retroactively adjusted for the stock split and stock dividends.

Priority on Liquidation

The Company is a legal entity separate and distinct from the Bank. The rights of the Company as the sole shareholder of the Bank, and therefore the rights of the Company's creditors and shareholders, to participate in the distributions and

earnings of the Bank when the Bank is not in bankruptcy, are subject to various state and federal law restrictions as discussed above under the heading "Restrictions of Dividends." In the event of a liquidation or other resolution of an insured depository institution such as the Bank, the claims of depositors and other general or subordinated creditors are entitled to a priority of payment over the claims of holders of an obligation of the institution to its shareholders (the Company) or any shareholder or creditor of the Company. The claims on the Bank by creditors include obligations in respect of federal funds purchased and certain other borrowings, as well as deposit liabilities.

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Financial Institution Legislation

The Gramm-Leach-Bliley Financial Modernization Act of 1999 (the "Modernization Act") became effective in early 2000. The Modernization Act:

- allows bank holding companies meeting management, capital and Community Reinvestment Act standards to engage in a substantially broader range of non-banking activities than is permissible for a bank holding company, including insurance underwriting and making merchant banking investments in commercial and financial companies, if a bank holding company elects to become a financial holding company, it files a certification, effective in 30 days, and thereafter may engage in certain financial activities without further approvals;
- allows banks to establish subsidiaries to engage in certain activities which a financial holding company could engage in, if the bank meets certain management, capital and Community Reinvestment Act standards;
- allows insurers and other financial services companies to acquire banks and removes various restrictions that currently apply to bank holding company ownership of securities firms and mutual fund advisory companies; and establishes the overall regulatory structure applicable to financial holding companies that also engage in insurance and securities operations.

The Modernization Act modified other laws, including laws related to financial privacy and community reinvestment.

The Modernization Act also amended the BHCA and the Bank Merger Act to require the federal banking agencies to consider the effectiveness of a financial institution's anti-money laundering activities when reviewing an application under these acts.

Additional proposals to change the laws and regulations governing the banking and financial services industry are frequently introduced in Congress, in the state legislatures and before the various bank regulatory agencies. The likelihood and timing of any such changes and the impact such changes might have on the Company cannot be determined at this time.

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 ("Sarbanes-Oxley Act"), which became law on July 30, 2002, added new legal requirements affecting corporate governance, accounting and corporate reporting for companies with publicly traded securities.

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act provides for, among other things:

- a prohibition on personal loans made or arranged by the issuer to its directors and executive officers (except for loans made by a bank subject to Regulation O of the Federal Reserve Board);
 - independence requirements for audit committee members;
- disclosure of whether at least one member of the audit committee is a "financial expert" (as such term is defined by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and if not, why not;
 - independence requirements for outside auditors;
- a prohibition by a company's registered public accounting firm from performing statutorily mandated audit services for the company if the company's chief executive officer, chief financial officer, comptroller, chief accounting officer or any person serving in equivalent positions had been employed by such firm and participated in the audit

of such company during the one-year period preceding the audit initiation date;

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- certification of financial statements and annual and quarterly reports by the principal executive officer and the principal financial officer;
- the forfeiture of bonuses or other incentive-based compensation and profits from the sale of an issuer's securities by directors and senior officers in the twelve month period following initial publication of any financial statements that later require restatement due to corporate misconduct;
 - disclosure of off-balance sheet transactions;
 - two-business day filing requirements for insiders filing Forms 4;
- disclosure of a code of ethics for financial officers and filing a Form 8-K for a change or waiver of such code;
 - "real time" filing of periodic reports;
 - posting of certain SEC filings and other information on the company website;
 - the reporting of securities violations "up the ladder" by both in-house and outside attorneys;
 - restrictions on the use of non-GAAP financial measures;
 - the formation of a public accounting oversight board; and
 - various increased criminal penalties for violations of securities laws.

Additionally, Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act requires that a public company subject to the reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), include in its annual report (i) a management's report on internal control over financial reporting assessing the company's internal controls, and (ii) an auditor's attestation report, completed by the registered public accounting firm that prepares or issues an accountant's report which is included in the company's annual report, attesting to the effectiveness of management's internal control assessment. Because we are neither a "large accelerated filer" nor an "accelerated filer", under current rules, compliance with the auditor's attestation report requirement is not required until we file our annual report for 2010.

Each of the national stock exchanges, including the Nasdaq Global Market where the Company's common stock is listed, have implemented new corporate governance rules, including rules strengthening director independence requirements for boards, and the adoption of charters for the nominating, corporate governance, and audit committees. The rule changes are intended to, among other things, make the board of directors independent of management and allow shareholders to more easily and efficiently monitor the performance of companies and directors. These increased burdens have increased the Company's legal and accounting fees and the amount of time that the Board of Directors and management must devote to corporate governance issues.

Effective August 29, 2002, as directed by Section 302(a) of Sarbanes-Oxley, the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer are each required to certify that the Company's Quarterly and Annual Reports do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The rules have several requirements, including having these officers certify that: they are responsible for establishing, maintaining and regularly evaluating the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting; they have made certain disclosures to the Company's auditors and the audit committee of the Board of Directors about the Company's internal control over financial reporting; and they have included information in the Company's Quarterly

and Annual Reports about their evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures and whether there have been significant changes in the Company's internal controls\ over financial reporting.

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As part of the USA Patriot Act, signed into law on October 26, 2001, Congress adopted the International Money Laundering Abatement and Financial Anti-Terrorism Act of 2001 (the "Act"). The Act authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the heads of other government agencies, to adopt special measures applicable to financial institutions such as banks, bank holding companies, broker-dealers and insurance companies. Among its other provisions, the Act requires each financial institution: (i) to establish an anti-money laundering program; (ii) to establish due diligence policies, procedures and controls that are reasonably designed to detect and report instances of money laundering in United States private banking accounts and correspondent accounts maintained for non-United States persons or their representatives; and (iii) to avoid establishing, maintaining, administering, or managing correspondent accounts in the United States for, or on behalf of, a foreign shell bank that does not have a physical presence in any country. In addition, the Act expands the circumstances under which funds in a bank account may be forfeited and requires covered financial institutions to respond under certain circumstances to requests for information from federal banking agencies within 120 hours.

The Department of Treasury has issued regulations implementing the due diligence requirements. These regulations require minimum standards to verify customer identity and maintain accurate records, encourage cooperation among financial institutions, federal banking agencies, and law enforcement authorities regarding possible money laundering or terrorist activities, prohibit the anonymous use of "concentration accounts," and require all covered financial institutions to have in place an anti-money laundering compliance program.

As a New Jersey-chartered commercial bank, the Bank is subject to supervision and examination by the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance. The Bank is also subject to regulation by the FDIC, which is its principal federal bank regulator.

The Bank must comply with various requirements and restrictions under federal and state law, including the maintenance of reserves against deposits, restrictions on the types and amounts of loans that may be granted and the interest that may be charged thereon, limitations on the types of investments that may be made and the services that may be offered, and restrictions on dividends as described in the preceding section. Consumer laws and regulations also affect the operations of the Bank. In addition to the impact of regulation, commercial banks are affected significantly by the actions of the Federal Reserve Board which influence the money supply and credit availability in the national economy.

Community Reinvestment Act

Under the Community Reinvestment Act ("CRA"), as implemented by FDIC regulations, a bank has a continuing and affirmative obligation, consistent with its safe and sound operation, to help meet the credit needs of its entire community, including low- and moderate-income neighborhoods. CRA does not establish specific lending requirements or programs for financial institutions nor does it limit an institution's discretion to develop the types of products and services that it believes are best suited to its particular community, consistent with CRA. CRA requires the FDIC to assess an institution's record of meeting the credit needs of its community and to take such record into account in its evaluation of certain applications by the applicable institution. The CRA requires public disclosure of an institution's CRA rating and requires that the FDIC provide a written evaluation of an institution's CRA performance utilizing a four-tiered descriptive rating system. An institution's CRA rating is considered in determining whether to grant charters, branches and other deposit facilities, relocations, mergers, consolidations and acquisitions. Performance less than satisfactory may be the basis for denying an application. At its last CRA examination, the Bank was rated "satisfactory" under CRA.

FIRREA

Under the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 ("FIRREA"), a depository institution insured by the FDIC can be held liable for any loss incurred by, or reasonably expected to be incurred by, the FDIC in connection with (i) the default of a commonly controlled FDIC-insured depository institution or (ii) any assistance provided by the FDIC to a commonly controlled FDIC-insured depository institution in danger of default. These provisions have commonly been referred to as FIRREA's "cross guarantee" provisions. Further, under FIRREA, the failure to meet capital guidelines could subject a bank to a variety of enforcement remedies available to federal regulatory authorities.

FIRREA also imposes certain independent appraisal requirements upon a bank's real estate lending activities and further imposes certain loan-to-value restrictions on a bank's real estate lending activities. The bank regulators have promulgated regulations in these areas.

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Insurance of Deposits

Subject to the immediately following paragraph, the Bank's deposits are insured up to a maximum of \$250,000 per depositor through December 31, 2009 under the Deposit Insurance Fund. The FDICIA is applicable to depository institutions and deposit insurance. The FDICIA requires the FDIC to establish a risk-based assessment system for all insured depository institutions. Under this legislation, the FDIC is required to establish an insurance premium assessment system based upon: (i) the probability that the insurance fund will incur a loss with respect to the institution, (ii) the likely amount of the loss, and (iii) the revenue needs of the insurance fund. In compliance with this mandate, the FDIC has developed a matrix that sets the assessment premium for a particular institution in accordance with its capital level and overall rating by the primary regulator. Under the matrix as currently in effect, the assessment rate ranges from 0 to 27 basis points of assessed deposits. Additionally, the Financing Corporation ("FICO"), a mixed-ownership government corporation established to recapitalize the Federal Savings & Loan Insurance Corporation, a predecessor to the Deposit Insurance Fund, is authorized to impose and collect, with the approval of the FDIC, assessments for anticipated interest payments, issuance costs and custodial fees on noncallable bonds historically issued by FICO in connection with such recapitalization. The bonds issued by FICO are due to mature in 2017 through 2019. The FICO assessment is a component of the FDIC assessment.

In October 2008, the FDIC announced the Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program, under which any participating depository institution would be able to provide full deposit insurance coverage for non-interest bearing transaction accounts, regardless of the dollar amount. Under the program, effective December 5, 2008, insured depository institutions that have not opted out of the Temporary Liquidity Guaranty Program will be subject to a 0.10% surcharge applied to non-interest bearing transaction deposit account balances in excess of \$250,000, which surcharge will be added to the institution's existing risk-based deposit insurance assessments. The Bank opted in the FDIC Temporary Liquidity Guaranty Program.

In February 2009, the FDIC announced that it would impose an emergency special assessment of 0.20% surcharge on all insured institutions to be collected on September 30, 2009 and that it may also impose possible additional special assessments of up to 0.10% to maintain public confidence in the Deposit Insurance Fund. The FDIC subsequently reduced the amount of the emergency special assessment to 0.10% in March 2009.

In November 2009, the FDIC announced that it would require insured institutions to prepay slightly over three years of estimated insurance assessments. The prepayment allowed the FDIC to strengthen the cash position of the Deposit Insurance Fund. Payment of the prepaid assessment of \$2,918,390, along with the \$198,853 payment of the regular third quarter assessment, was made by the Bank on December 30, 2009.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

The following are some important factors that could cause the Company's actual results to differ materially from those referred to or implied in any forward-looking statement. These are in addition to the risks and uncertainties discussed elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K and the Company's other filings with the SEC.

A prolonged economic downturn or the return of negative developments in the financial services industry could negatively impact our operations.

The global and U.S. economic downturn has resulted in uncertainty in the financial markets in general with the possibility of a slow recovery or a fall back into recession. The Federal Reserve, in an attempt to help the overall economy, has kept interest rates low through its targeted federal funds rate and the purchase of mortgage-backed securities. If the Federal Reserve increases the federal funds rate, overall interest rates will likely rise which may negatively impact the housing markets and the U.S. economic recovery. A prolonged economic downturn or the return

of negative developments in the financial services industry could negatively impact our operations by causing an increase in our provision for loan losses and a deterioration of our loan portfolio. Such a downturn may also adversely affect our ability to originate or sell loans. The occurrence of any of these events could have an adverse impact our financial performance.

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A prolonged or worsened downturn affecting the economy and/or the real estate market in our primary market area would adversely affect our loan portfolio and our growth potential.

Much of the Company's lending is in northern and central New Jersey. As a result of this geographic concentration, a further significant broad-based deterioration in economic conditions in the New Jersey metropolitan area could have a material adverse impact on the quality of the Company's loan portfolio, results of operations and future growth potential. A prolonged decline in economic conditions in our market area could restrict borrowers' ability to pay outstanding principal and interest on loans when due, and consequently, adversely affect the cash flows and results of operation of the Company's business.

The Company's loan portfolio is largely secured by real estate collateral located in the State of New Jersey. Conditions in the real estate markets in which the collateral for the Company's loans are located strongly influence the level of the Company's non-performing loans and results of operations. A continued decline in the New Jersey real estate markets could adversely affect the Company's loan portfolio. Decreases in local real estate values would adversely affect the value of property used as collateral for our loans. Adverse changes in the economy also may have a negative effect on the ability of our borrowers to make timely repayments of their loans, which would have an adverse impact on our earnings.

The Company faces significant competition.

The Company faces significant competition from many other banks, savings institutions and other financial institutions which have branch offices or otherwise operate in the Company's market area. Non-bank financial institutions, such as securities brokerage firms, insurance companies and money market funds, engage in activities which compete directly with traditional bank business, which has also led to greater competition. Many of these competitors have substantially greater financial resources than the Company, including larger capital bases that allow them to attract customers seeking larger loans than the Company is able to accommodate and the ability to aggressively advertise their products and to allocate considerable resources to locations and products perceived as profitable. There can be no assurance that the Company and the Bank will be able to successfully compete with these entities in the future.

The Company is subject to interest rate risk.

The Company's earnings are largely dependent upon its net interest income. Net interest income is the difference between interest income earned on interest-earning assets such as loans and securities and interest expense paid on interest-bearing liabilities such as deposits and borrowed funds. Interest rates are highly sensitive to many factors that are beyond the Company's control, including general economic conditions and policies of various governmental and regulatory agencies and, in particular, the Federal Reserve Board. Changes in monetary policy, including changes in interest rates, could influence not only the interest the Company receives on loans and securities and the amount of interest it pays on deposits and borrowings, but such changes could also affect (i) the Company's ability to originate loans and obtain deposits, (ii) the fair value of the Company's financial assets and liabilities, and (iii) the average duration of the Company's mortgage-backed securities portfolio. If the spread between the interest rates paid on deposits and other borrowings and the interest rates received on loans and other investments narrows, the Company's net interest income, and therefore earnings, could be adversely affected. This also includes the risk that interest-earning assets may be more responsive to changes in interest rates than interest-bearing liabilities, or vice versa (repricing risk), the risk that the individual interest rates or rate indices underlying various interest-earning assets and interest bearing liabilities may not change in the same degree over a given time period (basis risk), and the risk of changing interest rate relationships across the spectrum of interest-earning asset and interest-bearing liability maturities (yield curve risk).

Although management believes it has implemented effective asset and liability management strategies to reduce the potential effects of changes in interest rates on the Company's results of operations, any substantial, unexpected, prolonged change in market interest rates could have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial condition and results of operations.

The Company is subject to risks associated with speculative construction lending.

The risks associated with speculative construction lending include the borrower's inability to complete the construction process on time and within budget, the sale of the project within projected absorption periods, the economic risks associated with real estate collateral, and the potential of a rising interest rate environment. Such loans may include financing the development and/or construction of residential subdivisions. This activity may involve financing land purchase, infrastructure development (i.e. roads, utilities, etc.), as well as construction of residences or multi-family dwellings for subsequent sale by developer/builder. Because the sale of developed properties is integral to the success of developer business, loan repayment may be especially subject to the volatility of real estate market values. Management has established underwriting and monitoring criteria to minimize the inherent risks of speculative commercial real estate construction lending. Further, management concentrates lending efforts with developers demonstrating successful performance on marketable projects within the Bank's lending areas.

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Federal and state government regulation impacts the Company's operations.

The operations of the Company and the Bank are heavily regulated and will be affected by present and future legislation and by the policies established from time to time by various federal and state regulatory authorities. In particular, the monetary policies of the Federal Reserve Board have had a significant effect on the operating results of banks in the past and are expected to continue to do so in the future. Among the instruments of monetary policy used by the Federal Reserve Board to implement its objectives are changes in the discount rate charged on bank borrowings. It is not possible to predict what changes, if any, will be made to the monetary policies of the Federal Reserve Board or to existing federal and state legislation or the effect that such changes may have on the future business and earnings prospects of the Company.

The Company and the Bank are subject to examination, supervision and comprehensive regulation by various federal and state agencies. Compliance with the rules and regulations of these agencies may be costly and may limit growth and restrict certain activities, including payment of dividends, investments, loans and interest rate charges, interest rates paid on deposits, and locations of offices. The Bank is also subject to capitalization guidelines set forth in federal legislation and regulations.

The laws and regulations applicable to the banking industry could change at any time, and we cannot predict the impact of these changes on our business and profitability. Because government regulation greatly affects the business and financial results of all commercial banks and bank holding companies, the cost of compliance could adversely affect the Company's result of operations.

If our allowance for loan losses is not sufficient to cover actual loan losses, our earnings could decrease.

We make various assumptions and judgments about the collectability of our loan portfolio, including the creditworthiness of our borrowers and the value of the real estate and other assets serving as collateral for the repayment of many of our loans. In determining the amount of the allowance for loan losses, we review our loans and our loan and delinquency experience, and we evaluate economic conditions. If our assumptions are incorrect, our allowance for loan losses may not be sufficient to cover losses inherent in our loan portfolio, resulting in additions to our allowance. Material additions to our allowance would materially decrease our net income.

In addition, bank regulators periodically review our allowance for loan losses and may require us to increase our provision for loan losses or recognize further loan charge-offs. Any increase in our allowance for loan losses or loan charge-offs as required by these regulatory authorities might have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Market Reform Efforts May Result in Our Businesses Becoming Subject to Extensive and Pervasive Additional Regulations.

Recent economic and market conditions have led to numerous proposals for changes in the regulation of the financial industry in an effort to prevent future crises and reform the financial regulatory system. President Obama's administration has released a comprehensive plan for regulatory reform in the financial industry. The Administration's plan contains significant proposed structural reforms, including heightened powers for the Federal Reserve to regulate risk across the financial system; a new Financial Services Oversight Council chaired by the U.S. Treasury; and two new federal agencies, a Consumer Financial Protection Agency and a new National Bank Supervisor. The plan also calls for new substantive regulation across the financial industry, including more heightened scrutiny and regulation for any financial firm whose combination of size, leverage, and interconnectedness could pose a threat to financial stability if it failed.

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There can be no assurance as to whether or when any of the parts of the Administration's plan or other proposals will be enacted into legislation, and if adopted, what the final provisions of such legislation will be. The financial services industry is highly regulated, and the Company and the Bank are subject to regulation by several government agencies, including the Federal Reserve Board and the FDIC. Legislative and regulatory changes, as well as changes in governmental economic and monetary policy, not only can affect our ability to attract deposits and make loans, but can also affect the demand for business and personal lending and for real estate mortgages. Government regulations affect virtually all areas of our operations, including our range of permissible activities, products and services, the amount of service fees or the ability to assess such fees, the geographic locations in which our services can be offered, the amount of capital required to be maintained to support operations, the right to pay dividends and the amount which we can pay to obtain deposits. New legislation and regulatory changes could require the Company to change certain of its business practices, impose additional costs on us, or otherwise adversely affect our business, results of operations or financial condition.

The price of our common stock may fluctuate.

The price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Market constantly changes and recently, given the uncertainty in the financial markets, has fluctuated widely. From the beginning of fiscal year 2008 through the end of fiscal year 2009, our stock price fluctuated between a high of \$16.28 per share and a low of \$4.04 per share. We expect that the market price of our common stock will continue to fluctuate. Consequently, the current market price of our common stock may not be indicative of future market prices, and we may be unable to sustain or increase the value of an investment in our common stock.

Our common stock price can fluctuate as a result of a variety of factors, many of which are beyond our control. These factors include:

- quarterly fluctuations in our operating and financial results;
- operating results that vary from the expectations of management, securities analysts and investors;
- changes in expectations as to our future financial performance, including financial estimates by securities analysts and investors;
- events negatively impacting the financial services industry which result in a general decline in the market valuation of our common stock;
 - announcements of material developments affecting our operations or our dividend policy;
 - future sales of our equity securities;
 - new laws or regulations or new interpretations of existing laws or regulations applicable to our business;
 - changes in accounting standards, policies, guidance, interpretations or principles; and
 - general domestic economic and market conditions.

In addition, recently the stock market generally has experienced extreme price and volume fluctuations, and industry factors and general economic and political conditions and events, such as economic slowdowns or recessions, interest rate changes or credit loss trends, could also cause our stock price to decrease regardless of our operating results.

The Company is subject to liquidity risk.

Liquidity risk is the potential that the Company will be unable to meet its obligations as they become due, capitalize on growth opportunities as they arise, or pay regular dividends because of an inability to liquidate assets or obtain adequate funding in a timely basis, at a reasonable cost and within acceptable risk tolerances.

Liquidity is required to fund various obligations, including credit commitments to borrowers, mortgage and other loan originations, withdrawals by depositors, repayment of borrowings, dividends to shareholders, operating expenses and capital expenditures.

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Liquidity is derived primarily from retail deposit growth and retention; principal and interest payments on loans; principal and interest payments; sale, maturity and prepayment of investment securities; net cash provided from operations and access to other funding sources.

Our access to funding sources in amounts adequate to finance our activities could be impaired by factors that affect us specifically or the financial services industry in general. Factors that could detrimentally impact our access to liquidity sources include a decrease in the level of our business activity due to a market downturn or adverse regulatory action against us. Our ability to borrow could also be impaired by factors that are not specific to us, such as a severe disruption of the financial markets or negative views and expectations about the prospects for the financial services industry as a whole.

Our agreements with the Treasury impose restrictions and obligations on us that limit our ability to pay cash dividends and repurchase our common stock or trust preferred securities.

On December 23, 2008, we issued Preferred Stock Series B and a warrant to purchase our common stock to the Treasury as part of its TARP CPP. Prior to December 23, 2011, unless we have redeemed all of the Preferred Stock Series B or the Treasury has transferred all of the Preferred Stock Series B to a third party, the consent of the Treasury will be required for us to, among other things, pay cash dividends on our common stock or repurchase our common stock or other trust preferred securities (with certain exceptions, including the repurchase of our common stock in connection with an employee benefit plan in the ordinary course of business and consistent with past practice).

Higher FDIC deposit insurance premiums and assessments could adversely affect our financial condition.

FDIC insurance premiums have increased substantially in 2009 and we may have to pay significantly higher FDIC premiums in the future and prepay insurance premiums. Market developments during 2009 significantly depleted the insurance fund of the FDIC and reduced the ratio of reserves to insured deposits.

The FDIC adopted a revised risk-based deposit insurance assessment schedule during the first quarter of 2009, which raised regular deposit insurance premiums. In May 2009, the FDIC also implemented a five basis point special assessment of each insured depository institution's total assets minus Tier 1 capital as of June 30, 2009, but no more than 10 basis points times the institution's assessment base for the second quarter of 2009, collected by the FDIC on September 30, 2009. The amount of this special assessment for the Bank was \$272,518.

In November 2009, the FDIC announced that it would require insured institutions to prepay slightly over three years of estimated insurance assessments. The prepayment allowed the FDIC to strengthen the cash position of the Deposit Insurance Fund. Payment of the prepaid assessment of \$2,918,390, along with the \$198,853 payment of the regular third quarter assessment, was made by the Bank on December 30, 2009.

The FDIC may impose additional special assessments for future quarters or may increase the FDIC standard assessments. We cannot provide you with any assurances that we will not be required to pay additional FDIC insurance assessments, which could have an adverse effect on our results of operations.

Our shares of Preferred Stock Series B impact net income available to our common stockholders and our earnings per share.

As long as there are shares of Preferred Stock Series B outstanding, no cash dividends may be paid on our common stock unless all dividends on the Preferred Stock Series B have been paid in full. The dividends declared on our Preferred Stock Series B reduce the net income available to common shareholders and our earnings per common share. Additionally, warrants to purchase the Company's common stock issued to the Treasury, in conjunction with

the issuance of shares of Preferred Stock Series B, may be dilutive to our earnings per share. The shares of Preferred Stock Series B will also receive preferential treatment in the event of liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company.

We are not required to declare cash dividends on our common stock and have never paid a cash dividend on our common stock. Until the earlier of (i) December 23, 2011 or (ii) the date the Treasury no longer owns any shares of Preferred Stock Series B, we may not pay any dividends on our common stock without obtaining the prior consent of the Treasury.

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Future offerings of debt or other securities may adversely affect the market price of our stock.

In the future, we may attempt to increase our capital resources or, if our or the Bank's capital ratios fall below the required minimums, we or the Bank could be forced to raise additional capital by making additional offerings of debt or preferred equity securities, including medium-term notes, trust preferred securities, senior or subordinated notes and preferred stock. Upon liquidation, holders of our debt securities and shares of preferred stock and lenders with respect to other borrowings will receive distributions of our available assets prior to the holders of our common stock. Additional equity offerings may dilute the holdings of our existing shareholders or reduce the market price of our common stock, or both. Holders of our common stock are not entitled to preemptive rights or other protections against dilution.

The Company may lose lower-cost funding sources.

Checking, savings, and money market deposit account balances and other forms of customer deposits can decrease when customers perceive alternative investments, such as the stock market, as providing a better risk/return tradeoff. If customers move money out of bank deposits and into other investments, the Company could lose a relatively low-cost source of funds, increasing its funding costs and reducing the Company's net interest income and net income.

There may be changes in accounting policies or accounting standards.

The Company's accounting policies are fundamental to understanding its financial results and condition. Some of these policies require use of estimates and assumptions that may affect the value of the Company's assets or liabilities and financial results. The Company identified its accounting policies regarding the allowance for loan losses, security impairment, goodwill and other intangible assets, and income taxes to be critical because they require management to make difficult, subjective and complex judgments about matters that are inherently uncertain. Under each of these policies, it is possible that materially different amounts would be reported under different conditions, using different assumptions, or as new information becomes available.

From time to time the Financial Accounting Standards Board and the SEC change the financial accounting and reporting standards that govern the form and content of the Company's external financial statements. In addition, accounting standard setters and those who interpret the accounting standards (such as the FASB, SEC, banking regulators and the Company's outside auditors) may change or even reverse their previous interpretations or positions on how these standards should be applied. Changes in financial accounting and reporting standards and changes in current interpretations may be beyond the Company's control, can be hard to predict and could materially impact how the Company reports its financial results and condition. In certain cases, the Company could be required to apply a new or revised standard retroactively or apply an existing standard differently (also retroactively) which may result in the Company restating prior period financial statements in material amounts.

The Company encounters continuous technological change.

The financial services industry is continually undergoing rapid technological change with frequent introductions of new technology-driven products and services. The effective use of technology increases efficiency and enables financial institutions to better serve customers and to reduce costs. The Company's future success depends, in part, upon its ability to address the needs of its customers by using technology to provide products and services that will satisfy customer demands, as well as to create additional efficiencies in the Company's operations. Many of the Company's competitors have substantially greater resources to invest in technological improvements. The Company may not be able to effectively implement new technology-driven products and services or be successful in marketing these products and services to its customers. Failure to successfully keep pace with technological change affecting the

financial services industry could have a material adverse impact on the Company's business and, in turn, the Company's financial condition and results of operations.

The Company is subject to operational risk.

The Company faces the risk that the design of its controls and procedures, including those to mitigate the risk of fraud by employees or outsiders, may prove to be inadequate or are circumvented, thereby causing delays in detection of errors or inaccuracies in data and information. Management regularly reviews and updates the Company's internal controls, disclosure controls and procedures, and corporate governance policies and procedures. Any system of controls, however well designed and operated, is based in part on certain assumptions and can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurances that the objectives of the system are met. Any failure or circumvention of the Company's controls and procedures or failure to comply with regulations related to controls and procedures could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, results of operations and financial condition.

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The Company may also be subject to disruptions of its systems arising from events that are wholly or partially beyond its control (including, for example, computer viruses or electrical or telecommunications outages), which may give rise to losses in service to customers and to financial loss or liability. The Company is further exposed to the risk that its external vendors may be unable to fulfill their contractual obligations (or will be subject to the same risk of fraud or operational errors by their respective employees as is the Company) and to the risk that the Company's (or its vendors') business continuity and data security systems prove to be inadequate.

The Company's performance is largely dependent on the talents and efforts of highly skilled individuals. There is intense competition in the financial services industry for qualified employees. In addition, the Company faces increasing competition with businesses outside the financial services industry for the most highly skilled individuals. The Emergency Economic Stabilization Act and the agreements between the Company and the Treasury related to the purchase of the Company's Preferred Stock Series B and common stock warrants place restrictions on the Company's ability to pay compensation to its senior officers. The Company's business operations could be adversely affected if it were unable to attract new employees and retain and motivate its existing employees.

There may be claims and litigation.

From time to time as part of the Company's normal course of business, customers make claims and take legal action against the Company based on actions or inactions of the Company. If such claims and legal actions are not resolved in a manner favorable to the Company, they may result in financial liability and/or adversely affect the market perception of the Company and its products and services. This may also impact customer demand for the Company's products and services. Any financial liability or reputation damage could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, which, in turn, could have a material adverse effect on its financial condition and results of operations.

Severe weather, acts of terrorism and other external events could significantly impact our business.

A significant portion of our primary markets are located near coastal waters which could generate naturally occurring severe weather, or in response to climate change, that could have a significant impact on our ability to conduct business. Additionally, surrounding areas, including New Jersey, may be central targets for potential acts of terrorism against the United States. Such events could affect the stability of our deposit base, impair the ability of borrowers to repay outstanding loans, impair the value of collateral securing loans, cause significant property damage, result in loss of revenue and/or cause us to incur additional expenses. Although we have established disaster recovery policies and procedures, the occurrence of any such event in the future could have a material adverse effect on our business, which, in turn, could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments.

Not applicable.

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Item 2. Properties.

The following table provides certain information with respect to our offices as of December 31, 2009:

Location		Leased or Owned	Original Year Leased or Acquired	Year of Lease Expiration
Main Office	2650 Route 130 Cranbury, New Jersey	Leased	1989	2010
Village Offi	ce 74 North Main Street Cranbury, New Jersey	Owned	2005	
Montgomer	y Office 947 State Road Princeton, New Jersey	Leased	1995	2013
Plainsboro (Office Plainsboro Village Center 11 Shalks Crossing Road Plainsboro, New Jersey	Leased	1998	2021
Hamilton O	ffice 3659 Nottingham Way Hamilton, New Jersey	Leased	1999	2014
Princeton O	ffice The Windrows at Princeton Forrestal 200 Windrow Drive Princeton, New Jersey	Leased	2001	2011
Perth Ambo	y Office 145 Fayette Street Perth Amboy, New Jersey	Leased	2003	2018
Jamesburg (Office 1 Harrison Street Jamesburg, New Jersey	Owned	2002	
West Winds	sor Office 44 Washington Road Princeton Jct, New Jersey	Leased	2004	2019
Fort Lee Of	fice 180 Main Street Fort Lee, New Jersey	Leased	2006	2014
Hightstown	Office			

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140 Mercer Street Hightstown, New Jersey	Leased	2007	2014
Mortgage Warehouse Funding Office 285 Davidson Avenue Somerset, New Jersey	Leased	2009	2015
Lawrenceville Property 146 Lawrenceville-Pennington Road, Lawrenceville, New Jersey	Owned	2009	

Management believes the foregoing facilities are suitable for the Company's and the Bank's present and projected operations.

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Item 3. Legal Proceedings.

The Company may, in the ordinary course of business, become a party to litigation involving collection matters, contract claims and other legal proceedings relating to the conduct of its business. Management is not aware of any present material legal proceedings or contingent liabilities and commitments that would have a material impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

Item 4. (Removed and Reserved).

PART II

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Shareholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities.

The common stock of the Company trades on the Nasdaq Global Market under the trading symbol "FCCY". The following are the high and low sales prices per share for each quarter during 2009 and 2008, as reported on the Nasdaq Global Market.

	2009(1)		200	8(1)
	High	Low	High	Low
First Quarter	\$ 10.25	\$ 3.85	\$ 13.43	\$ 9.97
Second Quarter	9.51	5.71	12.08	9.71
Third Quarter	8.67	7.00	10.79	7.38
Fourth Quarter	7.76	5.25	11.57	6.13

(1) All per share data has been retroactively adjusted for stock dividends.

As of March 25, 2010, there were approximately 318 record holders of the Company's common stock.

The Company paid 5% stock dividends on February 3, 2010 and February 2, 2009 and a 6% stock dividend on February 6, 2008.

The Company has never paid a cash dividend on its common stock and there are no plans to pay a cash dividend on its common stock at this time. In addition, please refer to the discussion above of the Preferred Stock Series B under the heading "Supervision and Regulation" for additional restrictions on cash dividends.

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Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

On July 21, 2005, the Board of Directors authorized a stock repurchase program under which the Company may repurchase in open market or privately negotiated transactions up to 5% of its common shares outstanding at that date. The Company undertook this repurchase program in order to increase shareholder value. The following table provides common stock repurchases made by or on behalf of the Company during the three months ended December 31, 2009, which purchases were made under the stock repurchase program.

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities (1)

		m . 1		Total Number of Shares Purchased As Part of	Maximum Number of Shares That May Yet be
		Total Number of Shares	Average Price Paid	Publicly Announced Plan or	Purchased Under the Plan or
D	eriod	Purchased	Per Share	Program	Program
Beginning	Ending	Turchascu	i ci silaic	Tiogram	Togram
October 1, 2009	October 31, 2009	1,093	\$ 7.31	1,093	163,233
	November 30,				
November 1, 200	9 2009	-	-	-	-
	December 31,				
December 1, 2009	9 2009	-	-	-	-
	Total	1,093	\$ 7.31	1,093	163,233

(1) The Company's common stock repurchase program covers a maximum of 195,076 shares of common stock of the Company, representing 5% of the outstanding common stock of the Company on July 21, 2005, as adjusted for subsequent stock dividends.

As a result of the Company's issuance on December 23, 2008 of Preferred Stock Series B and a warrant to purchase common stock to the Treasury as part of its TARP CPP, the Company may not repurchase its common stock or other equity securities except under certain limited circumstances. Please refer to the discussion above of the Preferred Stock Series B under the heading "Supervision and Regulation" for restrictions on the Company's repurchase of its common stock or other equity securities.

Item 6. Selected Financial Data.

Not required.

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation.

This discussion should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements, notes and tables included elsewhere in this report. Throughout the following sections, the "Company" refers to 1st Constitution Bancorp and its wholly owned subsidiaries, 1st Constitution Bank and 1st Constitution Capital Trust II, the "Bank" refers to 1st Constitution Bank, and the "Trust II" refers to 1st Constitution Capital Trust II. The purpose of this discussion and analysis is to assist in the understanding and evaluation of the Company's financial condition, changes in financial

condition and results of operations.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

"Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation" is based upon the Company's consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The preparation of these financial statements requires the Company to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Note 1 to the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2009 contains a summary of the Company's significant accounting policies. Management believes the Company's policies with respect to the methodologies for the determination of the allowance for loan losses and for determining other-than-temporary security impairment involve a higher degree of complexity and requires management to make difficult and subjective judgments which often require assumptions or estimates about highly uncertain matters. Changes in these judgments, assumptions or estimates could materially impact results of operations. These critical policies and their application are periodically reviewed with the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors. The provision for loan losses is based upon management's evaluation of the adequacy of the allowance, including an assessment of known and inherent risks in the portfolio, giving consideration to the size and composition of the loan portfolio, actual loan loss experience, level of delinquencies, detailed analysis of individual loans for which full collectibility may not be assured, the existence and estimated net realizable value of any underlying collateral and guarantees securing the loans, and current economic and market conditions. Although management uses the best information available to it, the level of the allowance for loan losses remains an estimate which is subject to significant judgment and short-term change. Various regulatory agencies, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review the Company's allowance for loan losses. Such agencies may require the Company to make additional provisions for loan losses based upon information available to them at the time of their examination. Furthermore, the majority of the Company's loans are secured by real estate in the State of New Jersey. Accordingly, the collectibility of a substantial portion of the carrying value of the Company's loan portfolio is susceptible to changes in local market conditions and may be adversely affected should real estate values decline or the Central New Jersey area experience an adverse economic shock. Future adjustments to the allowance for loan losses may be necessary due to economic, operating, regulatory and other conditions beyond the Company's control.

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Management utilizes various inputs to determine the fair value of its investment portfolio. To the extent they exist, unadjusted quoted market prices in active markets (level 1) or quoted prices on similar assets (level 2) are utilized to determine the fair value of each investment in the portfolio. In the absence of quoted prices, valuation techniques would be used to determine fair value of any investments that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable (level 3). Valuation techniques are based on various assumptions, including, but not limited to cash flows, discount rates, rate of return, adjustments for nonperformance and liquidity, and liquidation values. A significant degree of judgment is involved in valuing investments using level 3 inputs. The use of different assumptions could have a positive or negative effect on consolidated financial condition or results of operations.

Management must periodically evaluate if unrealized losses (as determined based on the securities valuation methodologies discussed above) on individual securities classified as held to maturity or available for sale in the investment portfolio are considered to be other-than-temporary. The analysis of other-than-temporary impairment requires the use of various assumptions, including, but not limited to, the length of time an investment's book value is greater than fair value, the severity of the investment's decline, as well as any credit deterioration of the investment. If the decline in value of an investment is deemed to be other-than-temporary, the investment is written down to fair value and a non-cash impairment charge is recognized in the period of such evaluation.

Results of Operations

The Company reported net income for the year ended December 31, 2009 of \$2,560,761, a decrease of 7.2% from the \$2,759,458 reported for the year ended December 31, 2008. The decrease is primarily due to (i) a larger provision for loan losses, (ii) a substantial increase in the FDIC deposit insurance premiums, (iii) an other-than temporary security impairment and (iv) increases in salaries and employee benefits which was offset by (A) an increase in net interest income, (B) the increase in non-interest income, which was principally increased by gains on sale of securities available for sale and gains on sales of loans, and (C) a reduction of income taxes. Net income available to common shareholders fell from \$2,759,458 for the year ended December 31, 2008 to \$1,841,160 for the year ended December 31, 2009 for the reasons indicated above and the payment of dividends on the Company's Preferred Stock Series B in 2009.

Diluted net income per common share was \$0.41 for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to \$0.62 reported for the year ended December 31, 2008. Basic net income per common share for the year ended December 31, 2009 was \$0.41 as compared to the \$0.63 reported for the year ended December 31, 2008. Net income available to common shareholders was reduced in 2009 by an aggregate of \$719,601 attributable to dividends and discount accretion related to the preferred stock issued to the United States Department of the Treasury. No similar amount was recorded in 2008. All share information has been restated for the effect of a 5% stock dividend declared on December 17, 2009 and paid on February 3, 2010 to shareholders of record on January 19, 2010.

Return on average assets ("ROA") and return on average equity ("ROE") were 0.41% and 4.52%, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2009, compared to 0.56% and 6.52%, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2008 and 1.29% and 14.32%, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2007. Key performance ratios declined for the 2009 fiscal year as compared to the prior year due to the lower net income for the year ended December 31, 2009 as compared to the year ended December 31, 2008.

The Bank's results of operations depend primarily on net interest income, which is primarily affected by the market interest rate environment, the shape of the U.S. Treasury yield curve, and the difference between the yield on interest-earning assets and the rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities. Other factors that may affect the Bank's operating results are general and local economic and competitive conditions, government policies and actions of regulatory authorities. The net interest margin for the year ended December 31, 2009 was 3.06% as compared to the 3.64% net interest margin recorded for the year ended December 31, 2008, a reduction of 58 basis points. The

Company will continue to closely monitor the mix of earning assets and funding sources to maximize net interest income during this challenging interest rate environment.

Net Interest Income

Net interest income, the Company's largest and most significant component of operating income, is the difference between interest and fees earned on loans and other earning assets, and interest paid on deposits and borrowed funds. This component represented 79.9% of the Company's net revenues for the year ended December 31, 2009. Net interest income also depends upon the relative amount of interest earning assets, interest-bearing liabilities, and the interest rate earned or paid on them, respectively.

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The following tables set forth the Company's consolidated average balances of assets and liabilities and shareholders' equity as well as interest income and expense on related items, and the Company's average yield or rate for the years ended December 31, 2009, 2008 and 2007. The average rates are derived by dividing interest income and expense by the average balance of assets and liabilities, respectively.

Average Balance Sheets with Resultant Interest and Rates

(yields on a tax-equivalent basis)		2009		2008			
1	Average Balance	Interest	Average Rate	Average Balance	Interest	Average Rate	A E
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Assets:							
Federal Funds Sold/Short-Term							
Investments	\$ 39,676,869	\$ 116,070	0.29%	\$ 4,667,073	\$ 112,427	7 2.41%	\$
Investment Securities:							1
Taxable	136,588,291	5,143,123		84,611,384	·		
Tax-exempt (4)	12,483,060	720,245	5.77%	14,471,144	829,249	5.73%	22
Total	149,071,351	5,863,368	3.93%	99,082,528	4,988,172	2 5.03%	103
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Loan Portfolio:							
Construction	89,202,415	5,451,941		115,517,676			
Residential Real Estate	10,834,490	675,464		10,376,822			
Home Equity	14,722,638	869,531	5.91%	15,490,320	986,117	6.37%	14
Commercial and commercial							I
real estate	140,449,945	9,751,822	2 6.94%	127,377,980	9,302,815	7.30%	11′
Mortgage warehouse lines	114,749,562	5,305,911	4.62%	57,477,364	2,755,003	4.79%	
Installment	770,169	60,572	2 7.86%	1,204,297	96,375	8.00%	
All Other Loans	32,843,891	2,275,030	6.93%	26,660,793	2,405,176	9.02%	2
Total (1)	403,573,110	24,390,271	6.04%	354,105,252	24,288,658	6.86%	292
Total Interest-Earning Assets	592,321,330	30,369,709	5.13%	457,854,853	29,389,257	6.42%	391
Total Interest Barring 1 20000	0,2,021,000	20,202,102	0.10 /	107,00 .,00	27,007,20	0.127	
Allowance for Loan Losses	(4,155,438)	,		(3,612,156))		(′
Cash and Due From Banks	18,414,336			12,446,849			10
Other Assets	21,030,355			22,180,579			1′
Total Assets	\$627,610,583			\$488,870,125			\$ 422
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity:							
Interest-Bearing Liabilities:							
Money Market and NOW Accounts	\$ 105,526,965	\$ 1 987 260	1 88%	\$ 89,274,785	\$ 2 164 360	2.42%	¢ 8
Savings Accounts	154,261,417	2,907,443		79,864,816			
Certificates of Deposit under \$100,000	84,121,374	2,454,236		76,921,495			
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\$100,000 and Over	93,913,185	2,480,084	2.64%	70,297,311	2,855,024	4.06%	5
Trust Preferred Securities	18,557,000	1,072,827		18,557,000			
Total Interest-Bearing Liabilities	485,906,516	12,255,348	3 2.52%	372,027,019	12,732,447	3.42%	31
Other Borrowed Funds	29,526,575	1,353,489	4.58% 5.78%	37,111,612	1,556,238 1,069,351	3 4.19% 5.76%	

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Net Interest Spread (2)			2.61%		3.00%
Non-interest Bearing					
Demand Deposits	78,588,727		69,907,048		(
Other Liabilities	6,480,126		4,608,108		
Total Liabilities	570,975,369		446,542,175		38
Shareholders' Equity	56,635,214		42,327,950		3
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$627,610,583		\$488,870,125		\$ 42
Net Interest Margin (3)		\$ 18,114,361	3.06%	\$ 16,656,810	3.64%
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- (1) Loan origination fees are considered an adjustment to interest income. For the purpose of calculating loan yields, average loan balances include nonaccrual loans with no related interest income. Please refer to Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operation under the heading "Non-Performing Assets" for a discussion of the Bank's policy with regard to non-accrual loans.
- (2) The interest rate spread is the difference between the average yield on interest earning assets and the average rate paid on interest bearing liabilities.
- (3) The net interest margin is equal to net interest income divided by average interest earning assets.
- (4) Tax equivalent basis.

Changes in net interest income and margin result from the interaction between the volume and composition of interest earning assets, interest bearing liabilities, related yields, and associated funding costs. The Rate/Volume Table demonstrates the impact on net interest income of changes in the volume of interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities and changes in interest rates earned and paid.

The Company's net interest income increased on a tax equivalent basis by \$1,457,551, or 8.8%, to \$18,114,361 for the year ended December 31, 2009, from the \$16,656,810 reported for the year ended December 31, 2008. As indicated in the Rate/Volume Table, the principal factor contributing to the increase in net interest income for the year ended December 31, 2009 was an increase in the interest income of \$980,451, resulting from increased volumes on the earning assets components. This was combined with a decrease in interest expense resulting from decreases in the rates of the deposit components.

The Company's net interest income decreased on a tax-equivalent basis by \$1,541,529, or 8.5%, to \$16,656,810 for the year ended December 31, 2008, from the \$18,198,339 reported for the year ended December 31, 2007. As indicated in the Rate/Volume Table, the principal factor contributing to the decrease in net interest income for the year ended December 31, 2008 was a decrease in the interest income of \$1,399,721, resulting from decreased rates on the earning assets components. This was combined with an increase in interest expense resulting from increases in the balances of the deposit components.

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Rate/Volume Table		Amount of Increase (Decrease)								
				ded Decemb		51,		Year Ended Decemb		
				9 versus 200					008 versus 20	
			ue	to Change in	1:				ue to Change	
(Tax-equivalent basis)		Volume		Rate		Total		Volume	Rate	
Interest Income:										
Loans:										
Construction	\$	(1,693,382)	\$	(945,121)	\$	(2,638,503)	\$	(1,094,267)	\$ (2,302,233	
Residential Real Estate		28,874		(6,138)		22,736		94,238	(99,438	
Home Equity		(47,116)		(69,469)		(116,586)		95,054	(172,050	
Commercial and Commercial Real Estate		870,410		(421,403)		449,007		748,916	(586,243	
Mortgage Warehouse Lines		2,695,979		(145,072)		2,550,908		2,755,003	C	
Installment		(34,424)		(1,379)		(35,803)		(26,940)	(6,168	
All Other Loans		492,389		(622,537)		(130,147)		600,091	(830,792	
Total Loans		2,312,730		(2,221,118)		101,612		3,172,095	(3,996,924	
Investment Securities:										
Taxable		2,257,248		(1,273,048)		984,200		188,735	(308,100	
Tax-exempt		(114,354)		5,350		(109,004)		(483,349)	16,566	
Total Investment Securities		2,142,894		(1,267,697)		875,196		(294,614)	(291,534	
Federal Funds Sold / Short-Term Investments		180,375		(176,732)		3.643		128,512	(117,256	
Total Interest Income		4,635,999		(3,655,548)		980,451		3,005,993	(4,405,714	
Interest Expense :										
Money Market and NOW Accounts	\$	349,145	\$	(526,243)	\$	(177,098)	\$	130,364	\$ 296,518	
Savings Accounts		1,628,306		(711,343)		916,963		434,450	(461,551	
Certificates of Deposit under \$100,000		250,617		(893,368)		(642,751)		423,858	(497,194	
Certificates of Deposit of \$100,000 and Over		791,043		(1,165,984)		(374,941)		727,894	(584,337	
Other Borrowed Funds		(332,648)		129,899		(202,749)		351,007	(309,676	
Trust Preferred Securities		0		3,476		3,476		(84,797)	(284,728	
Total Interest Expense		2,686,463		(3,163,563)		(477,100)		1,982,776	(1,840,968	
Net Interest Income	\$	1,949,536	\$	(491,985)	\$	1,457,551	\$	1,023,217	\$ (2,564,746	

Average interest earning assets increased by \$134,466,477, or 29.4%, to \$592,321,330 for the year ended December 31, 2009 from \$457,854,853 for the year ended December 31, 2008. Led by the mortgage warehouse lines component, the average total loan portfolio increased by \$49,467,858, or 14.0%, to \$403,573,110 for the year ended December 31, 2009 from \$354,105,252 for the year ended December 31, 2008. However, due to the low level of market interest rates during 2009, loan yields averaged 6.04% for the year ended December 31, 2009, 82 basis points lower than for the year ended December 31, 2008. The average investment securities portfolio increased 50.5%, while the yield on that portfolio decreased 110 basis points for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to the year ended December 31, 2008. Overall, the yield on interest earning assets decreased 129 basis points to 5.13% in the year ended December 31, 2009 from 6.42% in the year ended December 31, 2008.

Average interest earning assets increased by \$59,985,025, or 15.1%, to \$457,854,853 for the year ended December 31, 2008 from \$397,869,829 for the year ended December 31, 2007, consisting primarily of an increase of \$61,733,901 in loans for 2008 as compared to 2007. Led by the mortgage warehouse lines component, the average total loan portfolio grew by 21.1%. However, due to the declining level of market interest rates during 2008, loan yields

averaged 6.86% for the year ended December 31, 2008, 173 basis points lower than for the year ended December 31, 2007. The average investment securities portfolio decreased 4.6%, and the yield on that portfolio decreased 34 basis points for the year ended December 31, 2008 compared to the year ended December 31, 2007. Overall, the yield on interest earning assets decreased 132 basis points to 6.42% in the year ended December 31, 2008 from 7.74% in the year ended December 31, 2007.

Interest expense decreased by \$477,100, or 3.7%, to \$12,255,348 for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$12,732,447 for the year ended December 31, 2008. This decrease in interest expense is principally attributable to higher levels of interest-bearing liabilities priced at a significantly lower market interest rate level. Savings accounts, helped by higher FDIC deposit insurance limits that will remain until the end of 2013, increased on average by \$74,396,601 in 2009, or 93.2%, as compared to 2008, contributing to the funding of loan portfolio growth. The cost on these deposits decreased 61 basis points in 2009 as compared to 2008. Average interest bearing liabilities rose 30.6% in 2009 from 2008. The cost of total interest-bearing liabilities decreased 90 basis points to 2.52% in 2009 from 3.42% in 2008.

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Interest expense increased by \$141,808, or 1.1%, to \$12,732,447 for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$12,590,639 for the year ended December 31, 2007. This increase in interest expense is principally attributable to higher levels of interest-bearing liabilities priced at a lower market interest rate level. Certificates of deposit of \$100,000 and over increased on average by \$16,045,224 in 2008, or 29.6%, as compared to 2007, contributing to the funding of loan portfolio growth. The cost on these deposits decreased 94 basis points in 2008 as compared to 2007. Average interest bearing liabilities rose 16.8% in 2008 from 2007. The cost of total interest-bearing liabilities decreased 53 basis points to 3.42% in 2008 from 3.95% in 2007.

Average non-interest bearing demand deposits increased by \$8,681,679, or 12.4%, to \$78,588,727 for the year ended December 31, 2009 from \$69,907,048 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The primary cause of this increase for 2009 was the requirement for customers of the Warehouse Line of Credit to maintain deposit relationships with the Bank that, on average, represent 10% to 15% of the loan balances.

Non-Interest Income

Non-interest income increased by \$1,225,200, or 37.4%, to \$4,505,076 for the year ended December 31, 2009 from \$3,279,876 for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Service charges on deposit accounts represents a consistent source of non-interest income. Service charge revenues increased by \$1,820 to \$885,702 for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to \$883,882 for the year ended December 31, 2008. This component of non-interest income represented 19.7% and 26.9% of the total non-interest income for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Gains on sales of loans held for sale increased by \$284,358, or 27.3%, to \$1,325,274 for the year ended December 31, 2009, from \$1,040,916 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The Bank sells both residential mortgage loans and Small Business Administration loans in the secondary market. The low interest rate environment that continued into 2009 has positively impacted the volume of sales transactions in the mortgage loan market and the resultant gains from these sales transactions.

Gains from the sales of available-for-sale securities totaled \$1,138,655 for the year ended December 31, 2009. The gains resulted from the sales of mortgage-backed securities in the low interest rate environment that continued in 2009. There were no security sales for the year ended December 31, 2008.

During the quarter ended December 31, 2009, the Bank recognized an other-than-temporary impairment charge of \$864,727 attributed to its only pooled trust preferred security. Of this amount, \$363,783 was a credit loss recorded in the income statement and \$500,944 was a non-credit related loss recorded as an increase to the other comprehensive loss component of shareholders' equity in the balance sheet. The Bank recognized no other charges for other-than-temporary impairment during the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008.

Non-interest income also includes income from bank-owned life insurance ("BOLI") which amounted to \$389,851 for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to \$378,852 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The Bank purchased tax-free BOLI assets to partially offset the cost of employee benefit plans and reduce the Company's overall effective tax rate.

The Bank also generates non-interest income from a variety of fee-based services. These include safe deposit rentals, wire transfer service fees and Automated Teller Machine fees for non-Bank customers. Increased customer demand for these services contributed to the increase in the other income component of non-interest income, amounting to \$1,129,377 for the year ended December 31, 2009, as compared to \$976,226 for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Non-Interest Expenses

Non-interest expenses increased by \$2,086,860, or 13.9%, to \$17,115,801 for the year ended December 31, 2009 from \$15,028,941 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The following table presents the major components of non-interest expenses for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008.

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Non	-int	erest	Ext	penses
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_	2009	2008
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 9,352,360	\$ 8,426,729
Occupancy expense	1,783,031	1,802,723
Data processing services	1,085,257	896,724
Equipment expense	631,677	626,467
Marketing	130,393	246,879
Regulatory, professional and consulting fees	1,006,830	861,006
Office expense	572,477	649,461
FDIC deposit insurance	1,193,309	196,072
Directors' fees	105,700	108,000
Other real estate owned expenses	123,795	120,688
Other expenses	1,130,972	1,094,192
Total	\$ 17,115,801	\$ 15,028,941

Salaries and employee benefits, which represent the largest portion of non-interest expenses, increased by \$925,631, or 11.0%, to \$9,352,360 for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to \$8,426,729 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The increase in salaries and employee benefits for the year ended December 31, 2009 was a result of an increase in the number of employees, regular merit increases and increased health care costs. Staffing levels overall increased to 121 full-time equivalent employees as of December 31, 2009, comprised of 115 full time employees and 6 full-time equivalent employees, as compared to 113 full-time equivalent employees at December 31, 2008.

Marketing expense decreased by \$116,486, or 47.2%, to \$130,393 for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to \$246,879 for the year ended December 31, 2008. During 2009, the Bank utilized the less costly print media in promoting products and services as opposed to the more costly radio broadcast media used in prior years.

Regulatory, professional and other fees increased by \$145,824, or 16.9%, to \$1,006,830 for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to \$861,006 for the year ended December 31, 2008. During 2009, the Company incurred additional legal fees primarily in connection with the recovery of non-performing asset balances. The Bank also incurred additional fees in connection with examinations performed by independent consultants during 2009 to assess the effectiveness of internal controls as required by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

The FDIC substantially increased its assessment rate for all insured banks and charged a special assessment in 2009 in an effort to increase its reserve ratio, resulting in an increased expense of \$1,193,309 for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared with \$196,072 for the year ended December 31, 2008. In addition to significantly higher assessment rates, the FDIC announced a special assessment on all insured institutions equal to the lesser of 10% of deposits or 5% of assets minus tier 1 equity. Included in the current year's expense was a one-time \$272,518 payment for the special assessment.

Data processing services increased by \$188,533, or 21.0%, to \$1,085,257 for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to \$896,724 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The increase in expense was primarily attributable to increased costs in enhancing the Bank's data security systems.

Other real estate owned expenses increased by \$3,107, or 2.6%, to \$123,795 for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to \$120,688 for the year ended December 31, 2008, as the Company incurred maintenance costs on more properties held as Other Real Estate Owned than were held during 2008.

All other categories of expenses, in the aggregate, decreased by \$56,986, or 1.3%, to \$4,223,857 for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to \$4,280,843 for the year ended December 31, 2008. These expenses are comprised of a variety of operating expenses and fees as well as expenses associated with lending activities.

The Bank's ratio of non-interest expense to average assets has remained consistently favorable at 2.73% for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to 3.08% for the year ended December 31, 2008.

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Income Taxes

The Company had income tax expense of \$156,282 for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to income tax expense of \$1,239,341 for year ended December 31, 2008. The reduced income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2009 was primarily due to (1) a significantly lower level of pretax income in 2009 compared with the year ended December 31, 2008 and (2) the reversal of an over-accrual of income taxes during 2006 and 2007 that coincided with the completion of an Internal Revenue Service examination of the Company's 2006 and 2007 Federal income tax returns.

During 2009, the Internal Revenue Service completed an examination of the Company's 2006 and 2007 Federal tax returns and issued its Revenue Agent Report on June 30, 2009. The Company had deferred the annual process of adjusting the recorded Federal and State liability balances pending the completion of the examination which began in September 2008. The examination adjustments were included in this annual process of adjusting recorded liabilities with balances per the tax returns and resulted in over-accrued Federal and State liabilities being reversed by a credit to income tax expense during the year ended December 31, 2009.

Financial Condition

Cash and Cash Equivalents

At December 31, 2009, cash and cash equivalents totaled \$25,854,285 compared to \$14,333,119 at December 31, 2008. Cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2009 consisted of cash and due from banks of \$25,842,901 and federal funds sold/short-term investments of \$11,384. The corresponding balances at December 31, 2008 were \$14,321,777 and \$11,342, respectively. Despite several rounds of interest rate reductions for the Bank's deposit accounts during the fourth quarter of 2009, deposits continued to increase as loan demand declined contributing to the increase in cash and cash equivalents. To the extent that the Bank did not utilize the funds for loan originations or securities purchases, the cash inflows accumulated in cash and cash equivalents.

Investment Securities

The investment securities portfolio amounted to \$227,727,830, or 33.6% of total assets, at December 31, 2009, compared to \$130,027,600, or 23.8% of total assets, at December 31, 2008. Due to the continued uncertain economic environment during 2009, combined with strong deposit growth, funds were used primarily to purchase investment securities at a reduced net interest spread than that generally available if the funds were utilized by lending activities. On an average balance basis, the investment securities portfolio represented 25.2% and 21.6%, respectively, of average interest-earning assets for each of the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008. The average yield earned on the portfolio was 3.93% for the year ended December 31, 2009, a decrease of 110 basis points from 5.03% earned for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Securities available for sale are investments that may be sold in response to changing market and interest rate conditions or for other business purposes. Activity in this portfolio is undertaken primarily to manage liquidity and interest rate risk and to take advantage of market conditions that create economically more attractive returns. At December 31, 2009, available-for-sale securities amounted to \$204,118,850, an increase of \$110,641,827 from December 31, 2008.

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Amortized cost, gross unrealized gains and losses, and the estimated fair value by security type are as follows:

2009	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
Available for sale-				
U. S. Treasury securities and				
obligations of U.S. Government				
sponsored corporations and agencies	\$ 138,351,028	\$ 291,906	\$ (673,252)	\$137,969,682
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	34,749,123	172,698	(252,023)	34,669,798
Residential mortgage backed securities	24,182,584	1,449,071	0	25,631,655
Obligations of State and				
Political subdivisions	2,633,210	45,644	(91,212)	2,587,642
Trust preferred debt securities	2,457,262	0	(687,089)	1,770,173
Restricted Stock	1,464,900	0	0	1,464,900
Mutual Fund	25,000	0	0	25,000
	\$ 203,863,107	\$ 1,959,319	\$ (1,703,576)	\$ 204,118,850
Held to maturity-				
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	\$ 4,881,475	\$ 150,055	\$ 0	\$ 5,031,530
Residential mortgage backed securities	6,111,131	97,782	(29,521)	6,179,392
Obligations of State and				
Political subdivisions	8,600,596	270,947	0	8,871,543
Trust preferred debt securities	133,054	0	0	133,054
Corporate debt securities	3,882,724	117,287	0	4,000,011
	\$ 23,608,980	\$ 636,071	\$ (29,521)	\$ 24,215,530

The \$133,054 amortized cost of held to maturity trust preferred debt securities is net of a \$500,944 noncredit-related impairment charge recorded as of December 31, 2009. The Company did not record any other noncredit-related impairment on its held to maturity securities during 2009.

At December 31, 2009, all of the Company's residential mortgage-backed securities and all but four of the Company's residential collateralized mortgage obligations were issued by Government Sponsored Enterprises ("GSE"). The four non-GSE issues had, at December 31, 2009, an aggregate amortized cost and aggregate fair value of \$8,208,000 and \$8,146,000, respectively.

2008 Available for sale- U. S. Treasury securities and obligations of U.S. Government	Amortized Cost	U	Gross Inrealized Gains	U	Gross Inrealized Losses	Fair Value
sponsored corporations and agencies	\$ 22,802,334	\$	415,626	\$	0	\$23,217,960
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	7,014,272		16,792		(253,432)	6,777,632
Residential mortgage backed securities	54,727,033		1,930,299		(594)	56,656,738

Obligations of State and				
Political subdivisions	2,868,049	6,872	(16,234)	2,858,687
Trust preferred debt securities	2,454,969	0	(1,173,163)	1,281,806
Restricted stock	2,659,200	0	0	2,659,200
Mutual fund	25,000	0	0	25,000
	\$ 92,550,857	\$ 2,369,589	\$ (1,443,423)	\$ 93,477,023
Held to maturity-				
U.S. Treasury securities and obligations of				
U.S. Government sponsored corporations				
and agencies	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 193,800	\$ 0	\$10,193,800
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	8,727,315	49,897	(9,675)	8,767,537
Residential mortgage backed securities	3,794,931	33,007	(212)	3,827,726
Obligations of State and				
Political subdivisions	10,516,726	75,515	(93,502)	10,498,739
Trust preferred debt securities	982,160	0	(635,172)	346,988
Corporate debt securities	2,529,445	0	(23,856)	2,505,589
	\$ 36,550,577	\$ 352,219	\$ (762,417)	\$ 36,140,379
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	Amortized	Gross Unrealized		Gross Unrealized		Fair
2007	Cost		Gains	Losses		Value
Available for sale- U. S. Treasury securities and						
obligations of U.S. Government						
sponsored corporations and agencies	\$ 21,455,563	\$	315,075	\$	(14,043)	\$21,756,595
Residential collateralized mortgage obligations	8,106,154		2,170		(407,560)	7,700,764
Residential mortgage backed securities	37,769,517		457,725		(57,365)	38,169,877
Obligations of State and						
Political subdivisions	3,446,517		14,778		(7,713)	3,453,582
Trust preferred debt securities	2,451,122		0		(272,504)	2,178,618
Restricted stock	1,907,701		0		0	1,907,701
Mutual fund	25,000		0		0	25,000
	\$ 75,161,574	\$	789,748	\$	(759,185)	\$75,192,137
Held to maturity-						
Residential mortgage backed securities	\$ 4,502,574	\$	2,132	\$	(121,197)	\$ 4,383,509
Obligations of State and						
Political subdivisions	18,013,721		142,232		(4,718)	18,151,235
Trust preferred debt securities	996,051		0		(119,526)	876,525
	\$ 23,512,346	\$	144,364	\$	(245,441)	\$ 23,411,269

Proceeds from maturities and prepayments of securities available for sale amounted to \$87,005,097 for the year ended December 31, 2009 and \$26,324,998 for the year ended December 31, 2008. At December 31, 2009, the portfolio had net unrealized gains of \$255,743, compared to net unrealized gains of \$926,166 at December 31, 2008. These unrealized gains are reflected net of tax in shareholders' equity as a component of accumulated other comprehensive loss.

Securities held to maturity, which are carried at amortized historical cost, are investments for which there is the positive intent and ability to hold to maturity. At December 31, 2009, securities held to maturity were \$23,608,980, a decrease of \$12,941,597 from \$36,550,577 at December 31, 2008. The fair value of the held-to-maturity portfolio at December 31, 2009 was \$24,215,530, resulting in a net unrealized gain of \$606,550.

The amortized cost, estimated fair value and weighted average yield of investment securities at December 31, 2009, by contractual maturity, are shown below. Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties. Federal Home Loan Bank stock is included in "Held to maturity - Due in one year or less."

Available for sale-	1	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Weighted Average Yield*
Due in one year or less	\$	8,402,324 \$	8,446,700	2.15%
Due after one year through five years		91,063,870	91,249,993	1.74%
Due after five years through ten years		30,143,402	30,412,489	3.36%
Due after ten years		74,253,511	74,009,668	3.74%

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Total	\$	203,863,107	\$ 204,118,850	2.73%
Held to maturity-				
Due in one year or less	\$	3,874,956	\$ 3,952,332	4.68%
Due after one year through five years		3,107,832	3,227,191	5.21%
Due after five years through ten years		5,300,104	5,472,483	5.58%
Due after ten years		11,326,088	11,563,524	4.85%
Total	\$	23,608,980	\$ 24,215,530	4.91%
computed on a tax equivalent basis.				
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The Company regularly reviews the composition of the investment securities portfolio, taking into account market risks, the current and expected interest rate environment, liquidity needs, and its overall interest rate risk profile and strategic goals.

On a quarterly basis, management evaluates each security in the portfolio with an individual unrealized loss to determine if that loss represents other-than-temporary impairment. During the fourth quarter of 2009, management determined that it was necessary, following other-than-temporary impairment requirements, to write down the cost basis of the Company's only pooled trust preferred security. The trust preferred security, which is held in our held to maturity portfolio, was issued by a two issuer pool (Preferred Term Securities XXV, Ltd. co-issued by Keefe, Bruyette and Woods, Inc. and First Tennessee ("PreTSL XXV")), consisting primarily of financial institution holding companies. The primary factor used to determine the credit portion of the impairment loss to be recognized in the income statement for this security was the discounted present value of projected cash flow where that present value of cash flow was less than the amortized cost basis of the security. The present value of cash flow was developed using an EITF 99-20 model that considered performing collateral ratios, the level of subordination to senior tranches of the security, credit ratings of and projected credit defaults in the underlying collateral.

The following table sets forth information with respect to this security at December 31, 2009:

Poc	oled Trust l	Preferred S	ecurity Deta	il		
			Percent of	Percent of	Percent of	Moody's/
		Unrealized	dUnderlying	Underlying	Underlying	S & P/
ook	Fair	Gain	Collateral	Collateral	Collateral	FITCH

		Book	Fair	Gain	Collateral	Collateral	• •	
Security	Class	Value	Value	(Loss)	Performing 2	In Deferral	In Default	Ratings
PreTSL XXV	B-1	\$133,054	\$133,054	-	69.0%	18.4%	12.6%	Ca/NR/CC

The original cost of PreTSL XXV at December 31, 2009 was \$997,781. In reviewing our investment in PreTSL XXV at December 31, 2009, we have assumed average deferrals and defaults of 1.50% per year through the remaining term of the security (through June 2027).

During the fourth quarter of 2009, the Company recognized an other-than-temporary impairment charge of \$864,727 on this held to maturity security, of which \$363,783 was determined to be a credit loss and charged to operations and \$500,944 was determined to be non-credit related and recognized in the other comprehensive loss component of shareholders' equity.

A number of factors or combinations of factors could cause management to conclude in one or more future reporting periods that an unrealized loss that exists with respect to PreTSL XXV constitutes an additional credit impairment. These factors include, but are not limited to, failure to make interest payments, an increase in the severity of the unrealized loss, an increase in the continuous duration of the unrealized loss without an impairment in value or changes in market conditions and/or industry or issuer specific factors that would render management unable to forecast a full recovery in value. In addition, the fair value of trust preferred securities could decline if the overall economy and the financial condition of the issuers continue to deteriorate and there remains limited liquidity for these securities.

All other unrealized securities losses are deemed temporary at December 31, 2009. Additional discussions of these unrealized losses can be found in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements.

Loans Held for Sale

Loans held for sale at December 31, 2009 amounted to \$21,514,785 compared to \$5,702,082 at December 31, 2008. The primary cause for this increase was a significantly higher volume of mortgage loan refinance activity during 2009 compared with the level of activity during 2008. As indicated in the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, the amount of loans originated for sale was \$159,468,307 for 2009 compared with \$81,465,974 for 2008. This increased volume has lengthened the operational processing time for the loans as they migrate from origination to ultimate funding by investors.

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Loans

The loan portfolio, which represents our largest asset, is a significant source of both interest and fee income. Elements of the loan portfolio are subject to differing levels of credit and interest rate risk. The Bank's primary lending focus continues to be mortgage warehouse lines, construction loans, commercial loans, owner-occupied commercial mortgage loans and tenanted commercial real estate loans. Total loans averaged \$403,573,110 for the year ended December 31, 2009, an increase of \$49,467,858, or 14.0%, compared to an average of \$354,105,252 for the year ended December 31, 2008. At December 31, 2009, total loans amounted to \$379,945,735 compared to \$377,348,416 at December 31, 2008, an increase of \$2,597,319. The average yield earned on the loan portfolio was 6.04% for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to 6.86% for the year ended December 31, 2008, a decrease of 82 basis points. This decrease is primarily due to the low interest rate environment that continued throughout 2009.

The following table represents the components of the loan portfolio for the dates indicated.

	2000		2000	December 31,					2005		
	2009 Amount	%	2008 Amount	%	2007 Amount %		2006 Amount %		2005 Amount		
Construction		70	Amount	70	Amount	70	Amount	70	Amount		
loans	\$ 79,805,278	21%	\$ 94,163,997	25%	\$ 132,735,920	45%	\$ 125,268,871	47% 5	\$ 109,862,614		
Residential	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		, - , - , , -		, , , , , , , , ,		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
real estate											
loans	10,253,895	3%	11,078,402	3%	10,088,515	3%	7,670,370	3%	8,602,975		
Commercial											
business	57,925,392	15%	57,528,879	15%	57,232,295	19%	48,112,857	18%	47,869,396		
Commercial											
real estate	96,306,097	25%	90,904,418	24%	77,896,347	27%	66,784,183	26%	56,578,800		
Mortgage											
warehouse											
lines	119,382,078	32%	106,000,231	28%	-	0%	-	0%	-		
Loans to											
individuals	15,554,027	4%	16,797,194	5%	16,324,817	6%	16,728,025	6%	16,441,994		
Lease							_				
financing	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	21,073		
Deferred	400.000	0.64	645 653	0.64	202.010	0.64	404.054	0.64	166.670		
loan fees	489,809	0%	647,673	0%	302,818	0%	404,074	0%	466,678		
All other	220 150	0.64	227 (22	0.04	100.006	0.07	172.022	0.07	170.010		
loans	229,159	0%	227,622	0%	180,006	0%	173,933	0%	170,819		
Total	\$ 370 045 725	100%	¢ 277 2/10 /16	1000/-	\$ 204 760 719	1000/-	¢ 265 142 212	100%- 9	\$ 240,014,349		
Total	\$ 379,945,735	100%	\$ 377,348,416	100%	\$ 294,760,718	100%	\$ 265,142,313	100%	p 240,014,349		

Commercial and commercial real estate loans averaged \$140,449,945 for the year ended December 31, 2009, an increase of \$13,071,965, or 10.3%, compared to \$127,377,980 for the year ended December 31, 2008. Commercial loans consist primarily of loans to small and middle market businesses and are typically working capital loans used to finance inventory, receivables or equipment needs. These loans are generally secured by business assets of the commercial borrower. The average yield on the commercial and commercial real estate loan portfolio decreased 36 basis points to 6.94% for 2009 from 7.30% for 2008.

Construction loans averaged \$89,202,415 for the year ended December 31, 2009, a decrease of \$26,315,261, or 22.8%, compared to \$115,517,676 for the year ended December 31, 2008. Generally, these loans represent owner-occupied or investment properties and usually complement a broader commercial relationship between the bank and the borrower. Construction loans are structured to provide for advances only after work is completed and inspected by qualified professionals. The average yield on the construction loan portfolio decreased 89 basis points to 6.11% for 2009 from 7.00% for 2008.

During 2008, the Bank's Mortgage Warehouse Unit introduced a revolving line of credit that is available to licensed mortgage banking companies (the "Warehouse Line of Credit") and that has been successful since inception. The Warehouse Line of Credit is used by the mortgage banker to originate one-to-four family residential mortgage loans that are pre-sold to the secondary mortgage market, which includes state and national banks, national mortgage banking firms, insurance companies and government-sponsored enterprises, including the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation and others. On average, an advance under the Warehouse Line of Credit remains outstanding for a period of less than 30 days, with repayment coming directly from the sale of the loan into the secondary mortgage market. Interest (the spread between our borrowing cost and the rate charged to the client) and a transaction fee are collected by the Bank at the time of repayment. Additionally, customers of the Warehouse Lines of Credit are required to maintain deposit relationships with the Bank that, on average, represent 10% to 15% of the loan balances. The Bank had outstanding Warehouse Line of Credit advances of \$119,382,078 at December 31, 2009 and \$106,000,231 at December 31, 2008.

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The following table provides information concerning the interest rate sensitivity of the commercial and commercial real estate loans and construction loans at December 31, 2009.

	N	Maturity Range		
		After One		
	Within	But	After	
	One	Within	Five	
Туре	Year	Five Years	Years	Total
Commercial & commercial real estate	\$ 35,661,773	\$ 36,961,743	\$81,607,973	\$ 154,231,489
Construction	72,979,941	5,899,341	925,996	79,805,278
Total	\$ 108,641,714	\$42,861,084	\$82,553,969	\$ 234,036,767
Fixed rate loans	\$ 4,761,909	\$ 18,580,941	\$13,783,655	\$ 37,126,505
Floating rate loans	103,879,805	24,280,143	68,750,314	196,910,262
Total	\$ 108,641,714	\$42,861,084	\$82,553,969	\$ 234,036,767

Non-Performing Assets

Non-performing assets consist of non-performing loans and other real estate owned. Non-performing loans are composed of (1) loans on a non-accrual basis, (2) loans which are contractually past due 90 days or more as to interest and principal payments but have not been classified as non-accrual, and (3) loans whose terms have been restructured to provide a reduction or deferral of interest on principal because of a deterioration in the financial position of the borrower.

The Bank's policy with regard to non-accrual loans is that generally, loans are placed on a non-accrual status when they are 90 days past due, unless these loans are well secured and in the process of collection or, regardless of the past due status of the loan, when management determines that the complete recovery of principal or interest is in doubt. Consumer loans are generally charged off after they become 120 days past due. Subsequent payments on loans in non-accrual status are credited to income only if collection of principal is not in doubt.

Non-performing loans increased by \$955,749 to \$4,307,526 at December 31, 2009, from \$3,351,777 at December 31, 2008 as the disruptions in the financial system and the real estate market during those two years have negatively affected certain of the Bank's construction borrowers. The major segments of non-accrual loans consist of land designated for residential development where the required approvals to begin construction have been received, commercial loans which are in the process of collection and residential real estate which is either in foreclosure or under contract to close after December 31, 2009. The table below sets forth non-performing assets and risk elements in the Bank's portfolio for the years indicated.

As the table demonstrates, non-performing loans to total loans increased to 1.13% at December 31, 2009 from 0.89% at December 31, 2008. Loan quality is still considered to be sound. This was accomplished through quality loan underwriting, a proactive approach to loan monitoring and aggressive workout strategies.

In addition to the foregoing, in the fourth quarter of 2009, the Bank acquired a property, via deed in lieu of foreclosure, securing a \$2,606,677 loan, which will be used in the Bank's operations. This property is included in premises and equipment at December 31, 2009.

At December 31, 2009, the Bank had two loans that totaled \$145,898 in loans that were 90 days or more past due and still accruing interest income. The Bank had no loans that were 90 days or more past due and still accruing income at December 31, 2008.

Non-performing assets decreased by \$1,978,166 to \$5,670,147 at December 31, 2009 from \$7,648,313 at December 31, 2008. Other real estate owned decreased by \$2,933,915 to \$1,362,621 at December 31, 2009 from \$4,296,536 at December 31, 2008. During 2009, the Bank acquired other real estate owned securing loans in the principal amount of \$1,828,687 in full satisfaction of loans in foreclosure. During 2009, management was successful in selling \$5,241,431 of real estate owned properties without incurring any losses. The Bank continues to complete the remaining units from an 18-unit condominium project for which it has, as of December 31, 2009, commitments from individual buyers to purchase. Non-performing assets represented 0.84% of total assets at December 31, 2009 and 1.40% at December 31, 2008.

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The Bank had no loans classified as restructured loans at December 31, 2009 or 2008.

Non-Performing Assets and Loans	2000	2000	2007	2006	2005
	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Non-Performing loans:					
Loans 90 days or more past due and					
still accruing	\$ 145,898	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 209
Non-accrual loans	4,161,628	3,351,777	2,036,858	4,193,209	833,150
Total non-performing loans	4,307,526	3,351,777	2,036,858	4,193,209	833,359
Other real estate owned:	1,362,621	4,296,536	2,960,727	0	0
Total non-performing assets	\$ 5,670,147	\$ 7,648,313	\$ 4,997,585	\$ 4,193,209	\$ 833,359
Non-performing loans to total loans	1.13%	0.89%	0.67%	1.50%	0.32%
Non-performing assets to total assets	0.84%	1.40%	1.16%	1.07%	0.22%

Management takes a proactive approach in addressing delinquent loans. The Company's President meets weekly with all loan officers to review the status of credits past-due ten days or more. An action plan is discussed for any delinquent loans to determine the steps necessary to induce the borrower to cure the delinquency and restore the loan to a current status. Also, delinquency notices are system generated when loans are five days past-due and again at 15 days past-due.

In most cases, the Company's collateral is real estate and when the collateral is foreclosed upon, the real estate is carried at the lower of fair market value less the estimated selling costs, or the initially recorded amount. The amount, if any, by which the recorded amount of the loan exceeds the fair market value of the collateral is a loss which is charged to the allowance for loan losses at the time of foreclosure or repossession. Resolution of a past-due loan can be delayed if the borrower files a bankruptcy petition because a collection action cannot be continued unless the Company first obtains relief from the automatic stay provided by the bankruptcy code.

Allowance for Loan Losses and Related Provision

The allowance for loan losses is maintained at a level sufficient to absorb estimated credit losses in the loan portfolio as of the date of the financial statements. The allowance for loan losses is a valuation reserve available for losses incurred or inherent in the loan portfolio and other extensions of credit. The determination of the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses is a critical accounting policy of the Company.

The Company's primary lending emphasis is the origination of commercial and commercial real estate loans. Based on the composition of the loan portfolio, the inherent primary risks are deteriorating credit quality, a decline in the economy, and a decline in New Jersey real estate market values. Any one or a combination of these events may adversely affect the loan portfolio and may result in increased delinquencies, loan losses and increased future provision levels.

All, or part, of the principal balance of commercial and commercial real estate loans, and construction loans are charged off to the allowance as soon as it is determined that the repayment of all, or part, of the principal balance is highly unlikely. Consumer loans are generally charged off no later than 120 days past due on a contractual basis, earlier in the event of bankruptcy, or if there is an amount deemed uncollectible. Because all identified losses are immediately charged off, no portion of the allowance for loan losses is restricted to any individual loan or groups of loans, and the entire allowance is available to absorb any and all loan losses.

Management reviews the adequacy of the allowance on at least a quarterly basis to ensure that the provision for loan losses has been charged against earnings in an amount necessary to maintain the allowance at a level that is adequate based on management's assessment of probable estimated losses. The Company's methodology for assessing the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses consists of several key elements. These elements may include a specific reserve for doubtful or high risk loans, an allocated reserve, and an unallocated portion.

The Company consistently applies the following comprehensive methodology. During the quarterly review of the allowance for loan losses, the Company considers a variety of factors that include:

General economic conditions.
 Trends in charge-offs.
 Trends and levels of delinquent loans.

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• Trends and levels of non-performing loans, including loans over 90 days delinquent.

• Trends in volume and terms of loans.

• Levels of allowance for specific classified loans.

Credit concentrations.

A specific reserve for high risk loans is established for commercial loans, commercial real estate loans, and construction loans which have been identified by management as being high risk or impaired loans. A high risk or impaired loan is assigned a doubtful risk rating grade because the loan has not performed according to payment terms and there is reason to believe that repayment of the loan principal in whole, or in part, is unlikely. The specific portion of the allowance is the total amount of potential unconfirmed losses for such individual doubtful loans. To assist in determining the fair value of loan collateral, the Company often utilizes independent third party qualified appraisal firms which, in turn, employ their own criteria and assumptions that may include occupancy rates, rental rates, and property expenses, among others.

The second category of reserves consists of the allocated portion of the allowance. The allocated portion of the allowance is determined by taking pools of loans outstanding that have similar characteristics and applying historical loss experience for each pool. This estimate represents the potential unconfirmed losses within the portfolio. Individual loan pools are created for commercial and commercial real estate loans, construction loans, and various types of loans to individuals. The historical estimation for each loan pool is then adjusted to account for current conditions, current loan portfolio performance, loan policy or management changes, or any other factor which may cause future losses to deviate from historical levels.

During the quarterly reviews, the Company may determine that an unallocated allowance is appropriate. The unallocated allowance is used to cover any factors or conditions which may cause a potential loan loss but are not specifically identifiable. It is prudent to maintain an unallocated portion of the allowance because no matter how detailed an analysis of potential loan losses is performed, these estimates inherently lack precision. Management must make estimates using assumptions and information which is often subjective and changing rapidly. At December 31, 2009, management believed that the allowance for loan losses was adequate.

While management uses the best information available to make such evaluations, future additions to the allowance may be necessary based on changes in economic conditions. In addition, various regulatory agencies, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review the Bank's allowance for loan losses. Such agencies may require the Bank to recognize additions to the allowance based on their judgments of information available to them at the time of their examination.

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The following table presents, for the years indicated, an analysis of the allowance for loan losses and other related data.

Allowance for Loan Losses					
	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 3,684,764	\$ 3,348,080	\$ 3,228,360	\$ 2,361,375	\$ 2,005,10
Provision charged to operating expenses	2,553,000	640,000	130,000	893,500	405,00
Loans charged off:					
Construction loans	(1,226,754)	(53,946)	-	-	
Residential real estate loans	-	(31,865)	-	_	
Commercial and commercial real					
estate loans	(511,791)	(220,565)	(88,891)	(11,154)	(39,1:
Loans to individuals	(1,973)	- ,	(1,614)	(18,314)	(13,6
Lease financing	-	-	(478	-	
All other loans	-	-	-	-	
	(1,740,518)	(306,376)	(90,983)	(29,468)	(52,80
Recoveries:					
Construction loans	-	-	75,000	-	
Residential real estate loans	-	-	-	-	
Commercial and commercial real					
estate loans	2,575	3,060	-	153	1,49
Loans to individuals	5,566	-	5,703	2,800	2,5
Lease financing	_	-	-	-	
All other loans	-	-	-	-	
	8,141	3,060	80,703	2,953	4,00
Net (charge offs) / recoveries	(1,732,377)	(303,316)	(10,280)	(26,515)	(48,79
Delawar and of year	\$ 4,505,387	\$ 3,684,764	\$ 3,348,080	\$ 3,228,360	\$ 2,361,3
Balance, end of year	\$ 4,303,367	\$ 3,084,704	\$ 3,348,080	\$ 3,228,360	\$ 2,301,3
Loans (excluding held for sale loans):					
At year end	\$ 379,945,735	\$ 377,348,416	\$ 294,760,718	\$ 265,142,313	\$ 240,014,34
Average during the year	384,314,052	340,666,744	281,176,955	259,397,578	220,475,4
Net (charge offs) recoveries to average					
loans outstanding	(0.45%	(0.09%)	0.00%	6 (0.01%)	(0.0
Allowance for loan losses to:					
Total loans at year end	1.19%	0.98%	1.14%	6 1.22%	0.9
Non-performing loans	104.59%	109.93%	164.37%	76.99%	283.3

Management considers a complete review of the following specific factors in determining the provisions for loan losses: historical losses by loan category, non-accrual loans, problem loans as identified through internal classifications, collateral values, and the growth and size of the loan portfolio. In addition to these factors, management takes into consideration current economic conditions and local real estate market conditions. Using this evaluation process, the Company's provision for loan losses was \$2,553,000 for the year ended December 31, 2009 and \$640,000 for the year ended December 31, 2008. While the risk profile of the loan portfolio was reduced by a change in its composition via a \$14,358,719 reduction in higher risk construction loans, non-performing loans increased by \$955,749 and the total loan portfolio grew by \$2,597,319 from December 31, 2008 to December 31, 2009. This increase in both the loan portfolio and non-performing loans as well as the adverse economic conditions

that resulted in depreciation of collateral values securing construction and commercial loans necessitated the increased provision. Also, management replenished the reserves to compensate for the current period net charge-offs. Net charge offs/recoveries amounted to a net charge-off of \$1,732,377 for the year ended December 31, 2009.

At December 31, 2009, the allowance for loan losses was \$4,505,387 compared to \$3,684,764 at December 31, 2008, an increase of \$820,623, or 22.3%. The ratio of the allowance for loan losses to total loans at December 31, 2009 and 2008 was 1.19% and 0.98%, respectively. The allowance for loan losses as a percentage of non-performing loans was 104.59% at December 31, 2009, compared to 109.93% at December 31, 2008. Management believes the quality of the loan portfolio remains sound and that the allowance for loan losses is adequate in relation to credit risk exposure levels.

The following table describes the allocation of the allowance for loan losses among the various categories of loans and certain other information as of the dates indicated. The allocation is made for analytical purposes and is not necessarily indicative of the categories in which future losses may occur. The total allowance is available to absorb losses from any segment of loans.

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Allocation of the Allowance for Loan Losses

De	cember 31, 2009	December	31, 2008	December	31, 2007	December	31, 2006	Decemb
			% of		% of		% of	
	% of		loans		loans		loans	
	loans in	1	in		in		in	
	each		each		each		each	
	categor	y	category	7	category	,	category	
	to tota	l	to total		to total		to total	
A	mount loans	Amount	loans	Amount	loans	Amount	loans	Amou
Balance at end of period applicable	to:							

Domestic:

	Domestic.									
	Commercial and commercial									
ļ	real estate loans	\$ 1,486,659	40%	\$ 1,477,550	39%	\$1,671,059	46%	\$ 1,131,266	44% 5	\$ 1,393,
	Construction loans	1,739,332	21%	1,478,520	25%	1,308,651	45%	1,696,175	47%	578,
	Mortgage warehouse lines	537,219	32%	477,001	28%	-	0%	-	0%	
	Residential real estate loans	72,718	3%	71,087	3%	104,326	3%	61,634	3%	141,
	Loans to individuals	145,542	4%	149,386	5%	154,437	6%	139,055	6%	236,
	Lease financing	-	0%	-	0%	_	0%	-	0%	4,
	Unallocated	523,917		31,220		109,607		200,230		7,
		\$4,505,387	100%	\$3,684,764	100%	\$3,348,080	100%	\$3,228,360	100% \$	\$ 2,361.

Deposits

Deposits, which include demand deposits (interest bearing and non-interest bearing), savings and time deposits, are a fundamental and cost-effective source of funding. The flow of deposits is influenced significantly by general economic conditions, changes in market interest rates and competition. The Bank offers a variety of products designed to attract and retain customers, with the Bank's primary focus being on the building and expanding of long-term relationships. Deposits in the year ended December 31, 2009 averaged \$516,411,668, an increase of \$130,146,213, or 33.7%, compared to \$386,265,455 in the year ended December 31, 2008. At December 31, 2009, total deposits were \$572,155,354, an increase of \$157,470,623, or 38.0%, from \$414,684,731 at December 31, 2008. Management believes that the primary cause of this increase for the year ended December 31, 2009 was the reluctance of investors to maintain funds in the stock market due to the uncertain economic conditions and instead to deposit funds in FDIC insured deposit products such as savings accounts. The average rate paid on the Bank's interest-bearing deposit balances for 2009 was 2.24%, decreasing from the 3.20% average rate for 2008. Average interest bearing deposits increased by \$121,464,534, or 38.4%, to \$437,822,941 for 2009 from \$316,358,407 for 2008.

The significant contributors to the increased level of deposit growth in the year ended December 31, 2009 were an increase in average savings deposits, followed by increases in certificates of deposit of \$100,000 or more, and other time deposits.

Time deposits consist primarily of retail certificates of deposit and certificates of deposit of \$100,000 or more. Time deposits at December 31, 2009 were \$170,783,163, a decrease of \$5,876,264, or 3.3%, from \$176,659,427 at December 31, 2008. The retail certificates of deposit component of time deposits increased by \$7,199,879, or 9.4%, to an average of \$84,121,374 for 2009 from an average of \$76,921,495 for 2008. The average cost of these deposits decreased by 111 basis points to 2.92% for 2009 from 4.03% for 2008. Certificates of deposit of \$100,000 or more

increased by \$23,615,874 to an average of \$93,913,185 for 2009 from an average of \$70,297,311 for 2008. Certificates of deposit of \$100,000 or more are a less stable funding source and are used primarily as an alternative to other sources of borrowed funds. For information concerning time deposits of \$100,000 or more by time remaining until maturity, see Note 9 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Average non-interest bearing demand deposits increased by \$8,681,679, or 12.4%, to \$78,588,727 for the year ended December 31, 2009 from \$69,907,048 for the year ended December 31, 2008. At December 31, 2009, non-interest bearing demand deposits totaled \$82,473,328, an increase of 14.9% compared to \$71,772,486 at December 31, 2008. Non-interest bearing demand deposits made up 14.4% and 17.3% of total deposits at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and represent a stable, interest-free source of funds.

Savings accounts, helped by higher FDIC deposit insurance limits that will remain until the end of 2013, increased by \$109,959,235, or 131.8%, to \$193,369,640 at December 31, 2009 from \$83,410,405 at December 31, 2008. The average balance of savings accounts for 2009 increased by \$74,396,601 to \$154,261,417 compared to an average balance of \$79,864,816 for 2008.

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Interest bearing demand deposits, which include interest-bearing checking, money market and the Bank's premier money market product, 1st Choice account, increased by \$16,252,180, or 18.2%, to an average of \$105,526,965 for 2009 from an average of \$89,274,785 in 2008. The average cost of interest bearing demand deposits decreased 54 basis points to 1.88% for 2009 compared to 2.42% for 2008.

The following table illustrates the components of average total deposits for the dates indicated.

	2009			2008			2007		
		Average Balance	Percentage of Total	Average Balance	Percentage of Total		Average Balance	Percentage of Total	
Non-interest bearing demand									
deposits	\$	78,588,727	15%	\$ 69,907,048	18%	\$	60,892,433	18%	
Interest bearing									
demand deposits		105,526,965	21%	89,274,785	23%		83,597,940	25%	
Savings deposits		154,261,417	30%	79,864,816	21%		64,408,442	19%	
Certificates of deposit of \$100,000									
or more		93,913,185	18%	70,297,311	18%		54,252,087	16%	
Other certificates									
of deposit		84,121,374	16%	76,921,495	20%		67,236,813	20%	
Total	\$	516,411,668	100%	\$ 386,265,455	100%	\$	330,387,715	100%	

Borrowings

Borrowings are mainly comprised of Federal Home Loan Bank ("FHLB") borrowings and overnight funds purchased. These borrowings are primarily used to fund asset growth not supported by deposit generation. The average balance of other borrowed funds decreased by \$7,585,037, or 20.4%, to \$29,526,575 for the year ended December 31, 2009 from the average balance of \$37,111,612 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The average cost of other borrowed funds increased 39 basis points to 4.58% for 2009 compared to 4.19% for 2008.

The balance of borrowings was \$22,500,000 at December 31, 2009, consisting entirely of long-term FHLB borrowings. The balance of borrowings at December 31, 2008 was \$51,500,000 and consisted of FHLB borrowings of \$30,500,000 and overnight funds purchased of \$21,000,000.

The Bank has four ten-year fixed rate convertible advances from the FHLB that total \$22,500,000 in the aggregate. These advances, in the amounts of \$2,500,000, \$5,000,000, \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000 bear interest at the rates of 5.50%, 5.34%, 5.06%, and 4.08%, respectively. These advances may be called by the FHLB quarterly at the option of the FHLB if rates rise and the rate earned by the FHLB is no longer a "market" rate. These advances are fully secured by marketable securities.

Shareholders' Equity and Dividends

Shareholders' equity increased by \$1,781,401, or 3.2%, to \$57,401,053 at December 31, 2009, from \$55,619,652 at December 31, 2008. Tangible book value per common share increased by \$0.16, or 1.6%, to \$10.03 at December 31, 2009 from \$9.88 at December 31, 2008. The ratio of shareholders' equity to total assets was 9.15%, 10.18% and 9.55% at December 31, 2009, December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, respectively. The increase in shareholders' equity from December 31, 2008 to December 31, 2009 was primarily the result of net income of \$2,560,761.

On December 23, 2008, pursuant to the TARP CPP under the EESA, the Company entered into a Letter Agreement, including the Securities Purchase Agreement – Standard Terms, with the Treasury pursuant to which the Company issued and sold, and the Treasury purchased (i) 12,000 shares of the Company's Preferred Stock Series B and (ii) a ten-year warrant to purchase up to 200,222 shares of the Company's common stock, no par value, at an initial exercise price of \$8.99 per share, for aggregate cash consideration of \$12 million. As a result of the 5% stock dividends paid on February 3, 2010 and February 2, 2009, the shares of common stock underlying the warrant were adjusted to 220,744.76 shares and the exercise price was adjusted to \$8.154 per share.

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The Preferred Stock Series B pays quarterly cumulative dividends at a rate of 5% per year for the first five years and thereafter at a rate of 9% per year and has a liquidation preference of \$1,000 per share. The warrant provides for the adjustment of the exercise price and the number of shares of the Company's common stock issuable upon exercise pursuant to customary anti-dilution provisions, such as upon stock splits or distributions of securities or other assets to holders of the Company's common stock, and upon certain issuances of the Company's common stock at or below a specified price relative to the initial exercise price. The warrant is immediately exercisable and expires ten years from the issuance date. In addition, the Treasury has agreed not to exercise voting power with respect to any shares of common stock issued upon exercise of the warrant.

The Company is subject to restrictions contained in the agreement between the Treasury and the Company related to the sale of the Preferred Stock Series B which among other things restricts the payment of cash dividends or making other distributions by the Company on its common stock or the repurchase of its shares of common stock or other capital stock or other equity securities of any kind of the Company or any of its or its affiliates' trust preferred securities until the third anniversary of the purchase of the Preferred Stock Series B by the Treasury with certain exceptions without approval of the Treasury and the Company is prohibited by the terms of the Preferred Stock Series B from paying dividends on the common stock of the Company or redeeming or otherwise acquiring its common stock or certain other of its equity securities unless all dividends on the Preferred Stock Series B have been declared and either paid in full or set aside with certain limited exceptions.

In addition, EESA, as amended by The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (the "Stimulus Package Act"), and guidance issued by the Treasury with respect to this legislation limit executive compensation, require the reporting of information to the Treasury and others, limit the deductibility for Federal income tax purposes of compensation paid to certain executives in excess of \$500,000 per year, limit the payment of certain severance and change in control payments to certain executives, limit the type and amount of compensation paid to our highest paid executive (our chief executive officer) of the Company or the Bank, impose a claw back of certain compensation paid to certain executives of the Company or the Bank and impose new corporate governance requirements on the Company, including the inclusion of a non-binding "say to pay" proposal in the Company's annual proxy statement.

The Federal Reserve Board has issued a supervisory letter to bank holding companies that contains guidance on when the board of directors of a bank holding company should eliminate or defer or severely limit dividends including for example when net income available for shareholders for the past four quarters net of previously paid dividends paid during that period is not sufficient to fully fund the dividends. The letter also contains guidance on the redemption of stock by bank holding companies which urges bank holding companies to advise the Federal Reserve of any such redemption or repurchase of common stock for cash or other value which results in the net reduction of a bank holding company's capital at the beginning of the quarter below the capital outstanding at the end of the quarter.

In lieu of cash dividends, the Company (and its predecessor the Bank) has declared a stock dividend every year since 1992 and has paid such dividends every year since 1993. 5% stock dividends were declared in 2009 and 2008 and paid in 2010 and 2009, respectively. A 6% stock dividend was declared in 2007 and paid in 2008

The Company's common stock is quoted on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol "FCCY".

The Company and the Bank are subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. For information on regulatory capital, see Note 18 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

The following table shows the amounts and expected maturities of significant commitments as of December 31, 2009. Further discussion of these commitments is included in Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

	One Year	One to Three	Three to	Over Five	
	or Less	Years	Five Years	Years	Total
Standby letters of credit	\$ 3,387,018	\$ () \$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 3,387,018
Commitments to extend credit	\$216,651,774	\$ () \$ 0	\$ 0	\$216,651,774
Commitments to sell residential loans	\$ 21,514,785	\$ () \$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 21,514,785
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Liquidity

At December 31, 2009, the amount of liquid assets remained at a level management deemed adequate to ensure that contractual liabilities, depositors' withdrawal requirements, and other operational and customer credit needs could be satisfied.

Liquidity management refers to the Company's ability to support asset growth while satisfying the borrowing needs and deposit withdrawal requirements of customers. In addition to maintaining liquid assets, factors such as capital position, profitability, asset quality and availability of funding affect a bank's ability to meet its liquidity needs. On the asset side, liquid funds are maintained in the form of cash and cash equivalents, Federal funds sold, investment securities held to maturity maturing within one year, securities available for sale and loans held for sale. Additional asset-based liquidity is derived from scheduled loan repayments as well as investment repayments of principal and interest from mortgage-backed securities. On the liability side, the primary source of liquidity is the ability to generate core deposits. Short-term borrowings are used as supplemental funding sources when growth in the core deposit base does not keep pace with that of earnings assets.

The Bank has established a borrowing relationship with the FHLB and a correspondent bank which further supports and enhances liquidity. At December 31, 2009, the Bank maintained an Overnight Line of Credit at the FHLB in the amount of \$58,584,800 plus a One-Month Overnight Repricing Line of Credit of \$58,584,800. Advances issued under these programs are subject to FHLB stock level and collateral requirements. Pricing of these advances may fluctuate based on existing market conditions. The Bank also maintains an unsecured federal funds line of \$20,000,000 with a correspondent bank.

The Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows present the changes in cash from operating, investing and financing activities. At December 31, 2009, the balance of cash and cash equivalents was \$25,854,285.

Net cash used in operating activities totaled \$14,015,564 for the year ended December 31, 2009 compared to net cash provided by operations of \$8,336,322 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The primary source of funds is net income from operations adjusted for activity related to loans originated for sale, the provision for loan losses, depreciation expenses, and net amortization of premiums on securities.

Net cash used in investing activities decreased by \$12,264,165 to \$102,649,885 for the year ended December 31, 2009 from \$114,914,050 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The decrease in cash usage for 2009 compared to 2008 resulted from decreased lending activity during 2009 plus increased volume of securities repayments during 2009.

Net cash provided by financing activities increased by \$14,823,870 to \$128,186,615 for the year ended December 31, 2009 from \$113,362,745 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The cash provided in 2009 resulted primarily from an increase in demand, savings and time deposits partially offset by decreased borrowings.

The securities portfolios are also a source of liquidity, providing cash flows from maturities and periodic repayments of principal. For the year ended December 31, 2009, prepayments and maturities of investment securities totaled \$103,889,952. Another source of liquidity is the loan portfolio, which provides a flow of payments and maturities.

Interest Rate Sensitivity Analysis

The largest component of the Bank's total income is net interest income, and the majority of the Bank's financial instruments are composed of interest rate-sensitive assets and liabilities with various terms and maturities. The primary objective of management is to maximize net interest income while minimizing interest rate risk. Interest rate risk is derived from timing differences in the repricing of assets and liabilities, loan prepayments, deposit withdrawals,

and differences in lending and funding rates. Management actively seeks to monitor and control the mix of interest rate-sensitive assets and interest rate-sensitive liabilities.

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The following tables set forth certain information relating to the Bank's financial instruments that are sensitive to changes in interest rates, categorized by expected maturity or repricing and the fair value of such instruments at December 31, 2009.

Interest Rate Sensitivity Analysis at December 31, 2009

(\$ in thousands)	Interest Sensitivity Period						Total Within		One Year to Five		Ove Five	
	30 Day		90 Day	180 Day		365 Day		Year		Years		Year
Assets:	•		•	•		•						,
Cash and due from banks	\$13,962	\$	S-	\$-		\$-	\$13	,962		\$-		\$-
Federal funds sold	11		-	-		-	11			-		-
Investment securities	4,560		6,937	10,653		24,734	46	,884		41,223		139,6
Loans held for sale	21,515		-	-		-		,515		-		-
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses	263,571		6,656	9,882		12,457	29'	2,566	5	19,391		67,98
Other assets	-		_	-		-	-			-		-
	\$303,619	\$	313,593	\$20,535		\$37,191	\$37	4,938	3	\$60,614		\$207,6
Sources of Funds:												1
Demand deposits - noninterest bearing	\$-	\$) –	\$-		\$-	\$-			\$-		\$-
Demand deposits - interest bearing	55,252		-	-		-	55	,252		59,376		10,90
Savings deposits	135,920		-	-		31	13	5,961	l	23,913		33,49
Time deposits	21,986		40,953	38,671		40,532	14′	2,132	2	28,651		_
Borrowings	-		-	-		12,500	12	,500		-		10,00
Redeemable subordinated debentures	-		-	-		-	-			18,557		- '
Non-interest-bearing sources	-		-	-		-	-			-		-
	\$213,158	\$	840,953	\$38,671		\$53,063	\$34	5,845	5	\$130,497		\$54,39
Asset (Liability) Sensitivity Gap:												
Period Gap	\$90,461	\$	8(27,360)	\$(18,136)	<i>i</i>)	\$(15,872)	\$29	,093		\$(69,883)	\$153,2
Cumulative Gap	\$90,461	\$	663,101	\$44,965		\$29,093	\$29	,093		\$(40,790)	\$112,4
Cumulative Gap to Total Assets	13.4	%	9.3	% 6.6	%	4.3	% 4.3	3	%	(6.0)%	-

The Bank continually evaluates interest rate risk management opportunities, including the use of derivative financial instruments. Management believes that hedging instruments currently available are not cost-effective, and therefore has focused its efforts on increasing the Bank's spread by attracting lower-cost retail deposits.

In addition to utilizing the gap ratio for interest rate risk assessment, management utilizes simulation analysis whereby the model estimates the variance in net income with a change in interest rates of plus or minus 200 basis points over 12 and 24 month periods. Given recent simulations, net interest income would be within policy guidelines regardless of the direction of market rates.

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Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

Not required.

Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.

Reference is made to Item 15(a)(1) and (2) on page F-1 for a list of financial statements and supplementary data required to be filed pursuant to this Item 8. The information required by this Item 8 is provided beginning on page F-1 hereof.

Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements With Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.

None.

Item 9A. Controls and Procedures.

The Company has established disclosure controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that the Company files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in SEC rules and forms and is accumulated and communicated to management, including the principal executive officer and principal financial officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

The Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer, with the assistance of other members of the Company's management, have evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of the end of the period covered by this annual report. Based upon such evaluation, the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective as of the end of the period covered by this annual report.

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act. The Company's internal control over financial reporting is designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that:

- pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the Company;
 - provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that the receipts and expenditures of the Company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of its management and directors; and
- provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Company's assets that could have a material effect on its financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with policies or procedures may deteriorate.

A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the company's annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those responsible for oversight of the company's financial reporting.

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The Company's management assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2009. In making this assessment, management used the criteria set forth in Internal Control-Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission ("COSO"). Based on their assessment using those criteria, management concluded that, as of December 31, 2009, the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective.

The Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer have also concluded that there was no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the Exchange Act) that occurred during the quarter ended December 31, 2009 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Attestation Report

This annual report does not include an attestation report of the Company's registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by the Company's registered public accounting firm pursuant to temporary rules of the SEC that permit the Company to provide only management's report in this annual report.

Item 9B. Other Information.

None.

PART III

Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance.

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2010 Annual Meeting of Shareholders under the captions "Directors and Executive Officers" and "Corporate Governance".

Item 11. Executive Compensation.

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2010 Annual Meeting of Shareholders under the caption "Executive Compensation."

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Shareholder Matters.

Equity Compensation Plan Information

The following table provides information about the Company's common stock that may be issued upon the exercise of options, warrants and rights under all of the Company's equity compensation plans as of December 31, 2009. The information in the table has been adjusted for the 5% stock dividend declared December 17, 2009 and paid February 3, 2010 to shareholders of record on January 19, 2010.

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Plan category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights (a)	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights (b)	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a)) (c)
Equity compensation plans approved by security holders (1)	139,282	\$ 11.58	272,888
Equity compensation plans not approved by	15 400	6 14	
security holders (2) Total	15,428 154,710	\$ 6.14 \$ 11.04	272,888

⁽¹⁾ Includes the Company's 2000 Employee Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan, 2005 Equity Incentive Plan and 2006 Directors Stock Plan.

The Company's 2000 Employee Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan was adopted by the Board of the Company and approved by the shareholders in April 2000, the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan was adopted by the Board of the Company on February 17, 2005 and approved by the shareholders in May 2005 and the Company's 2006 Directors Stock Plan was adopted by the Board of the Company on March 23, 2006 and approved by the shareholders in May 2006.

(2) Directors Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan.

The Company's Directors Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan was adopted by the Board, and became effective, on April 22, 1999, prior to the listing of the Company's common stock on the Nasdaq National Market System. The plan provides for grants of non-qualified stock options and restricted stock awards to directors of the Company and its subsidiaries. Participants in the plan may be granted non-qualified stock options or restricted stock. All stock option grants have an exercise price per share of no less than the fair market value per share of common stock on the grant date and may have a term of no longer than 10 years after the grant date.

The additional information required by this item is incorporated by reference from the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2010 Annual Meeting of Shareholders under the caption "Stock Ownership of Management and Principal Shareholders."

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Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence.

This information required by this item is incorporated by reference from the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2010 Annual Meeting of Shareholders under the captions "Certain Transactions With Management" and "Director Independence".

Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services.

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2010 Annual Meeting of Shareholders under the caption "Principal Accounting Fees and Services."

PART IV

Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules.

(a) Financial Statements and Financial Statement Schedules

The following documents are filed as part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K:

1. Financial Statements of 1st Constitution Bancorp.

Consolidated Balance Sheets – December 31, 2009 and 2008.

Consolidated Statements of Income – For the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008.

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity – For the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008.

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows – For the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

These statements are incorporated by reference to the Company's Annual Report to Shareholders for the year ended December 31, 2009.

2. All schedules are omitted because either they are inapplicable or not required, or because the information required therein is included in the Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes thereto.

3. Exhibits

Ex	khibit No.	Description
3	(i)(A)	Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (conformed copy) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3(i)(A) to the Company's Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 27, 2009)
3	(i)(B)	Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation increasing the number of shares designated as Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on December 23,

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		2008)
3	(i)(C)	Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation establishing the terms of the Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series B (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on December 23, 2008)
3	(ii)(A)	Bylaws of the Company (conformed copy) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3(ii)(A) to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 22, 2007)
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Exhi	ibit No.	Description
3	(ii)(B)	Amendment No. 2 to By-laws of the Company (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3(ii)(B) to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 22, 2007)
4.1		Specimen Share of Common Stock (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Form 10-KSB (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on March 22, 2002)
4.2		Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust of 1st Constitution Capital Trust I dated as of April 10, 2002 among the Registrant, as sponsor, Wilmington Trust Company, as Delaware and institutional trustee, and the Administrators named therein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Company's Form 10-QSB (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on May 8, 2002)
4.3		Indenture dated as of April 10, 2002 between the Registrant, as issuer, and Wilmington Trust Company, as trustee, relating to the Floating Rate Junior Subordinated Debt Securities due 2032 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 to the Company's Form 10-QSB (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on May 8, 2002)
4.4		Guarantee Agreement dated as of April 10, 2002 between the Registrant and the Wilmington Trust Company, as guarantee trustee (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.4 to the Company's Form 10-QSB (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on May 8, 2002)
4.5		Rights Agreement, dated as of March 18, 2004, between 1st Constitution Bancorp and Registrar and Transfer Company, as Rights Agent, (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.5 to the Company's Form 8-A12G (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on March 18, 2004)
4.6		Warrant, dated December 23, 2008, to purchase shares of 1st Constitution Bancorp common stock (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.3 to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on December 23, 2008)
10.1	#	1st Constitution Bancorp Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, dated as of October 1, 2002 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 10-QSB (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on November 13, 2002)
10.2	#	Amended and Restated 1st Constitution Bancorp Directors' Insurance Plan, effective as of June 16, 2005 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10 to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 24, 2006)
10.3	#	1st Constitution Bancorp Form of Executive Life Insurance Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Company's Form 10-QSB (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on November 13, 2002)
10.4	#	2000 Employee Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 6.3 to the Company's Form 10-SB (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on June 15, 2001)
10.5	#	

		Directors Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 6.4 to the Company's Form 10-SB (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on June 15, 2001)
10.6	#	Employment Agreement between the Company and Robert F. Mangano dated April 22, 1999 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 6.5 to the Company's Form 10-SB (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on June 15, 2001)

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Exhibit No.		Description
10.7	#	Amendment No. 1 to 1st Constitution Bancorp Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, effective January 1, 2004 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.12 to the Company's Form 10-Q (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on August 11, 2004)
10.8	#	Change of Control Agreement, effective as of April 1, 2004, by and between the Company and Joseph M. Reardon (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.13 to the Company's Form 10-Q (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on August 11, 2004)
10.9	#	Form of Stock Option Agreement under the 1st Constitution Bancorp Employee Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.14 to the Company's Form 8-K (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on December 22, 2004)
10.10	#	Form of Restricted Stock Agreement under the 1st Constitution Bancorp Employee Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.15 to the Company's Form 8-K (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on December 22, 2004)
10.11	#	Employment Agreement between the Company and Robert F. Mangano dated February 22, 2005 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit No. 10.16 to the Company's Form 8-K (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on February 24, 2005)
10.12	#	The 1st Constitution Bancorp 2005 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Appendix A of the Company's proxy statement filed with the SEC on April 15, 2005)
10.13	#	Form of Restricted Stock Agreement under the 1st Constitution Bancorp 2005 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.18 to the Company's Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 8, 2005)
10.14	#	Form of Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement under the 1st Constitution Bancorp 2005 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.19 to the Company's Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 8, 2005)
10.15	#	Form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement under the 1st Constitution Bancorp 2005 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20 to the Company's Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 8, 2005)
10.16	#	1st Constitution Bancorp 2006 Directors Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 19, 2006)
10.17	#	Form of Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement under the 1st Constitution Bancorp 2006 Directors Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 19, 2006)
10.18	#	Form of Restricted Stock Agreement under the 1st Constitution Bancorp 2006 Directors Stock Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 19, 2006)

Amended and Restated Declaration of Trust of 1st Constitution Capital Trust II, dated as of June 15, 2006, among 1st Constitution Bancorp, as sponsor, the Delaware and institutional trustee named therein, and the administrators named therein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 16, 2006)

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Exhibit No.		Description
10.20		Indenture, dated as of June 15, 2006, between 1st Constitution Bancorp, as issuer, and the trustee named therein, relating to the Floating Rate Junior Subordinated Debt Securities due 2036 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 16, 2006)
10.21		Guarantee Agreement, dated as of June 15, 2006, between 1st Constitution Bancorp and the guarantee trustee named therein (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 16, 2006)
10.22	#	Amendment No. 2 to 1st Constitution Bancorp Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, effective as of December 31, 2004 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.24 to the Company's Form 10-K filed with the SEC on April 15, 2008)
10.23	#	1st Constitution Bancorp 2005 Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, effective as of January 1, 2005 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on December 28, 2006)
10.24		Letter Agreement, dated December 23, 2008, including Securities Purchase Agreement – Standard Terms incorporated by reference therein, between 1st Constitution Bancorp and the U.S. Department of the Treasury (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10 to the Company's Form S-3 filed with the SEC on January 29, 2009)
10.25	#	Form of Waiver, executed by each of Messrs. Robert Mangano and Joseph M. Reardon (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on December 23, 2008)
10.26	#	Form of Senior Executive Officer Agreement, executed by each of Messrs. Robert Mangano and Joseph M. Reardon (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Form 8-K filed with the SEC on December 23, 2008)
10.27	#*	Letter Agreement with Robert F. Mangano dated November 5, 2009 and executed by Mr. Mangano on November 7, 2009
10.28	#*	Letter Agreement with Joseph M. Reardon dated November 5, 2009 and executed by Mr. Reardon on November 7, 2009
14		Code of Business Conduct and Ethics (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 14 to the Company's Form 10-K (SEC File No. 000-32891) filed with the SEC on March 25, 2004)
21	*	Subsidiaries of the Company
23	*	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm
31.1	*	Certification of the principal executive officer of the Company, pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a)

- * Certification of the principal financial officer of the Company, pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rule 13a-14(a)
- * Certifications pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, signed by the principal executive officer and the principal financial officer of the Company

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Exhibit No.		Description
99.1	*	Certification of principal executive officer of the Company, pursuant to Section 111(b) (4) of the Emergency Economic Stability Act of 2008, as amended by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
99.2	*	Certification of principal financial officer of the Company, pursuant to Section 111(b) (4) of the Emergency Economic Stability Act of 2008, as amended by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

^{*} Filed herewith.

(b) Exhibits.

Exhibits required by Section 601 of Regulation S-K (see (a) above)

(c) Financial Statement Schedules

See the notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

[#] Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of 1st Constitution Bancorp Cranbury, New Jersey

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of 1st Constitution Bancorp (the "Company") and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows for the years then ended. The Company's management is responsible for these consolidated financial statements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of 1st Constitution Bancorp and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

/s/ ParenteBeard LLC

Clark, New Jersey March 26, 2010

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1st CONSTITUTION BANCORP CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS December 31, 2009 and 2008

ASSETS	2009	2008
CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS	\$ 25,842,901	\$ 14,321,777
FEDERAL FUNDS SOLD / SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS	11,384	11,342
Total cash and cash equivalents	25,854,285	14,333,119
INVESTMENT SECURITIES		
Available for sale, at fair value	204,118,850	93,477,023
Held to maturity (fair value of \$24,215,530 and \$36,140,379		
at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively)	23,608,980	36,550,577
Total securities	227,727,830	130,027,600
LOANS HELD FOR SALE	21,514,785	5,702,082
LOANS	379,945,735	277 249 416
Less- Allowance for loan losses	(4,505,387)	377,348,416 (3,684,764)
Less- Allowance for loan losses	(4,303,367)	(3,064,704)
Net loans	375,440,348	373,663,652
PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT, net	4,899,091	2,302,489
ACCRUED INTEREST RECEIVABLE	2,274,087	2,192,601
BANK-OWNED LIFE INSURANCE	10,319,055	9,929,204
OTHER REAL ESTATE OWNED	1,362,621	4,296,536
OTHER ASSETS	8,604,378	3,839,246
Total assets	\$ 677,996,480	\$ 546,286,529
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
LIABILITIES:		
Deposits		
Non-interest bearing	\$ 82,473,328	\$ 71,772,486
Interest bearing	489,682,026	342,912,245
Total deposits	572,155,354	414,684,731
BORROWINGS	22,500,000	51,500,000
REDEEMABLE SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES	18,557,000	18,557,000
ACCRUED INTEREST PAYABLE	1,757,151	1,984,102
ACCRUED EXPENSES AND OTHER LIABILITIES	5,625,922	3,941,044

Total liabilities	620,595,427	490,666,877
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES		
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Preferred Stock, no par value; 5,000,000 shares authorized, of which 12,000 shares		
of		
Series B, \$1,000 liquidation preference, 5% cumulative increasing to 9%		
cumulative on		
February 15, 2014, were issued and outstanding	11,473,262	11,387,828
Common stock, no par value; 30,000,000 shares authorized; 4,526,827 and		
4,414,412 shares		
issued and 4,515,924 and 4,408,815 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2009		
and 2008,		
respectively	36,774,621	35,180,433
Retained earnings	10,307,331	9,653,923
Treasury Stock, at cost, 10,903 shares and 5,597 shares		
at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively	(73,492)	(53,331)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(1,080,669)	(549,201)
Total shareholders' equity	57,401,053	55,619,652
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 677,996,480	\$ 546,286,529
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements

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1st CONSTITUTION BANCORP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME For the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

INTEREST INCOME:	2009	2008
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Loans, including fees Securities:	\$24,390,271	\$24,288,658
Taxable	5 1/2 122	4,158,923
	5,143,123 486,652	
Tax-exempt Federal funds sold and	480,032	560,303
short-term investments	116.070	112 427
Total interest income	116,070 30,136,116	112,427 29,120,311
Total Interest income	30,130,110	29,120,311
INTEREST EXPENSE:		
Deposits	9,829,032	10,106,856
Borrowings	1,353,489	1,556,240
Redeemable subordinated debentures	1,072,827	1,069,351
Redeemable subordinated debentures	1,072,827	1,009,551
Total interest expense	12,255,348	12,732,447
Total interest expense	12,233,340	12,732,447
Net interest income	17,880,768	16,387,864
Not interest income	17,000,700	10,507,004
PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES	2,553,000	640,000
Net interest income after provision		
for loan losses	15,327,768	15,747,864
NON-INTEREST INCOME:		
Service charges on deposit accounts	885,702	883,882
Gain on sales of loans	1,325,274	1,040,916
Gain on sales of securities available for sale	1,138,655	0
Income on Bank-owned life insurance	389,851	378,852
Other-than temporary security impairment:		
Total	(864,727)	0
Less: Portion recognized in other comprehensive loss	500,944	0
Portion recognized in earnings	(363,783)	0
Other income	1,129,377	976,226
Total other income	4,505,076	3,279,876
NON-INTEREST EXPENSES:		
Salaries and employee benefits	9,352,360	8,426,729
Occupancy expense	1,783,031	1,802,723
Data processing expenses	1,085,257	896,724
FDIC insurance expense	1,193,309	196,072
Other operating expenses	3,701,844	3,706,693
Total other expenses	17,115,801	15,028,941
Income before income taxes	2,717,043	3,998,799
INCOME TAXES	156,282	1,239,341

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Net income	2,560,761	2,759,458
Dividends and accretion on preferred stock	719,601	0
Net income available to common shareholders	\$1,841,160	\$2,759,458
NET INCOME PER COMMON SHARE		
Basic	\$0.41	\$0.63
Diluted	\$0.41	\$0.62
WEIGHTED AVERAGE SHARES		
OUTSTANDING		
Basic	4,470,420	4,402,368
Diluted	4,485,628	4,425,753

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1st CONSTITUTION BANCORP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY For the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

	Preferred Stock	Common Stock	Retained Earnings		Accumulate Other Comprehensi Loss	
BALANCE, January 1, 2008	\$-	\$32,514,936	\$9,009,955	\$(18,388)	\$(533,186) \$
Cumulative effect of adoption of new accounting standard for split dollar life insurance benefit			(329,706))		
Proceeds from issuance of preferred stock and warrants, net	11,387,828	562,172				
Exercise of stock options, net and issuance of vested shares under employee benefit programs		195,325		35,584		
Share-based compensation		122,216				
Treasury Stock purchased (6,416 shares)				(70,527)		
5% stock dividend declared December 2008		1,785,784	(1,785,784))		
Comprehensive Income: Net Income - 2008			2,759,458			
Pension liability net of tax of \$23,267					33,637	
Unrealized loss on interest rate swap contract net of tax benefit of \$423,906					(635,496)
Unrealized gain on securities available for sale net of tax of \$309,759					585,844	
Comprehensive Income						
BALANCE, December 31, 2008	11,387,828	35,180,433	9,653,923	(53,331)	(549,201)
Exercise of stock options, net and issuance of vested shares under employee benefit programs		295,320		58,305		
Share-based compensation		111,116				
Treasury Stock purchased (12,353 shares)				(78,466)		

5% stock dividend declared December 2009		1,187,752	(1,187,752)			
Dividends on preferred stock			(611,667			
Preferred stock issuance costs	(22,500)				
Accretion of discount on preferred stock	107,934		(107,934			
Comprehensive Income: Net Income - 2009			2,560,761			
Pension liability net of tax of \$45,694					68,517	
Unrealized gain on interest rate swap contract net of tax benefit of \$109,976					165,374	
Unrealized loss on securities available for sale net of tax of \$235,686					(434,736)
Impairment loss on securities net of tax of \$170,321					(330,623)
Comprehensive Income						
BALANCE, December 31, 2009	\$11,473,262	\$36,774,621	\$10,307,331	\$(73,492)	\$(1,080,669	9) \$

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1st CONSTITUTION BANCORP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

For the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

,	2009		2008	
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:				
Net income	\$	2,560,761	\$	2,759,458
Adjustments to reconcile net income				
to net cash provided by operating activities-				
Provision for loan losses		2,553,000		640,000
Depreciation and amortization		628,407		698,807
Net amortization of premiums on securities		51,773		87,594
Other than temporary securities impairment loss		363,783		-
Gains on sales of securities available for sale	(1,138,655)		-
Gains on sale of equipment		-		(17,301)
Gains on sales of other real estate owned		(82,690)		(14,961)
Gains on sales of loans held for sale	(1,325,274)		(1,040,916)
Originations of loans held for sale	(15	9,468,307)	((81,465,974)
Proceeds from sales of loans held for sale	14	4,980,878		87,126,813)
Income on Bank-owned life insurance		(389,851)		(378,852)
Share-based compensation expense		255,275		334,316
Deferred tax benefit	(1,296,270)		(364,651)
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest receivable		(81,486)		303,131
(Increase) in other assets	(3,255,237)		(23,130)
Decrease in accrued interest payable		(226,951)		(8,085)
Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses and other liabilities		1,855,280		(299,927)
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	(1	4,015,564)		8,336,322
INVESTING ACTIVITIES:				
Purchases of securities -				
Available for sale	(21	5,232,453)	((43,765,333)
Held to maturity	(4,908,323)	((21,443,565)
Proceeds from maturities and repayments				
of securities -				
Available for sale	8	7,005,097		26,324,998
Held to maturity	1	6,884,855		8,368,792
Proceeds from sales of securities available for sale	1	8,102,327		-
Net Increase in loans	(8,765,060)	((84,280,195)
Proceeds from sale of equipment		-		32,049
Capital expenditures		(581,620)		(219,129)
Additional investment in other real estate owned		(396,139)		(2,104,284
Proceeds from sales of other real estate owned		5,241,431		2,172,617
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Net cash used in investing activities	(10	2,649,885)	(1	14,914,050)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES:				
Exercise of stock options and issuance of treasury stock		353,625		230,909

Purchase of treasury stock	(78,466)	(70,527)
Dividends paid on preferred stock	(536,667)	-
Preferred stock issuance costs paid	(22,500)	_
Net increase in demand, savings and time deposits	157,470,623	85,352,363
Net (decrease) increase in borrowings	(29,000,000)	15,900,000
Proceeds from issuance of preferred stock	-	11,950,000
Net cash provided by financing activities	128,186,615	113,362,745
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	11,521,166	6,785,017
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	14,333,119	7,548,102
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
AT END OF YEAR	\$ 25,854,285	\$ 14,333,119
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES		
OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:		
Cash paid during the year for -		
Interest	\$ 12,482,299	\$ 12,740,532
Income taxes	775,916	2,380,200
Non-cash investing activities		
Real estate acquired in full satisfaction of loans in foreclosure	4,435,364	1,389,181
Foreclosed real estate transferred to bank premises for bank use	2,606,677	-
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1st CONSTITUTION BANCORP NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS December 31, 2009 and 2008

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

1st Constitution Bancorp (the "Company") is a bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, and was organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey. The Company is parent to 1st Constitution Bank (the "Bank"), a state chartered commercial bank. The Bank provides community banking services to a broad range of customers, including corporations, individuals, partnerships and other community organizations in the central and northeastern New Jersey area. The Bank conducts its operations through its main office located in Cranbury, New Jersey, and operates ten additional branch offices in downtown Cranbury, Fort Lee, Hamilton Square, Hightstown, Jamesburg, Montgomery, Perth Amboy, Plainsboro, West Windsor, and Princeton, New Jersey.

The Company has evaluated events and transactions occurring subsequent to the balance sheet date of December 31, 2009 for items that should potentially be recognized or disclosed in these financial statements. The evaluation was conducted through the date these financial statements were issued.

Basis of Presentation

The accounting and reporting policies of the Company conform to accounting principals generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") and to the accepted practices within the banking industry. The following is a description of the more significant of these policies and practices.

Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiary, the Bank, and the Bank's wholly-owned subsidiaries, 1st Constitution Investment Company of Delaware, Inc., 1st Constitution Investment Company of New Jersey, Inc., FCB Assets Holdings, Inc. and 1st Constitution Title Agency, LLC. 1st Constitution Capital Trust II, a subsidiary of the Company ("Trust II"), is not included in the Company's consolidated financial statements as it is a variable interest entity and the Company is not the primary beneficiary. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation and certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation.

Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Material estimates that are particularly susceptible to significant change in the near term relate to the determination of the allowance for loan losses, other-than-temporary security impairment, the fair value of other real estate owned and the valuation of deferred tax assets.

Concentration of Credit Risk

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Company and its subsidiaries to concentrations of credit risk primarily consist of investment securities and loans. At December 31, 2009, over 79% of our investment securities consisted of U.S. Government and Agency issues, mortgage-backed securities and municipal bonds. In addition, another 17% of our portfolio consisted of highly rated collateralized mortgage obligations. The remaining 4% of our

investment securities consisted primarily of corporate debt issues and restricted stock of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York. The Bank's lending activity is primarily concentrated in loans collateralized by real estate located in the State of New Jersey. As a result, credit risk is broadly dependent on the real estate market and general economic conditions in that state.

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Interest Rate Risk

The Bank is principally engaged in the business of attracting deposits from the general public and using these deposits, together with other funds, to purchase securities and to make loans secured by real estate. The potential for interest-rate risk exists as a result of the generally shorter duration of interest-sensitive assets compared to the generally longer duration of interest-sensitive liabilities. In a volatile rate environment, assets held by the Bank will re-price faster than liabilities of the Bank, thereby affecting net interest income. For this reason, management regularly monitors the maturity structure and rate adjustment features of the Bank's assets and liabilities in order to measure its level of interest-rate risk and to plan for future volatility.

Investment Securities

Investment Securities which the Company has the intent and ability to hold until maturity are classified as held to maturity and are recorded at cost, adjusted for amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts. Investment Securities which are held for indefinite periods of time, which management intends to use as part of its asset/liability management strategy, or that may be sold in response to changes in interest rates, changes in prepayment risk, increased capital requirements or other similar factors, are classified as available for sale and are carried at fair value, except for restricted stock of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York and Atlantic Central Banker Bank, which are carried at cost. Unrealized gains and losses on such securities are recorded as a separate component of shareholders' equity. Realized gains and losses, which are computed using the specific identification method, are recognized on a trade date basis.

If the fair value of a security is less than its amortized cost, the security is deemed to be impaired. Management evaluates all securities with unrealized losses quarterly to determine if such impairments are temporary or other-than-temporary in accordance with the Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") of the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB"). Temporary impairments on available for sale securities are recognized, on a tax-effected basis, through other comprehensive income ("OCI") with offsetting adjustments to the carrying value of the security and the balance of related deferred taxes. Temporary impairments of held to maturity securities are not recorded in the consolidated financial statements; however, information concerning the amount and duration of impairments on held to maturity securities is disclosed.

Other-than-temporary impairments on all equity securities and on debt securities that the Company has decided to sell, or will, more likely than not, be required to sell prior to the full recovery of fair value to a level equal to or exceeding amortized cost, are recognized in earnings. If neither of these conditions regarding the likelihood of sale for a debt security apply, the other-than-temporary impairment is bifurcated into credit-related and noncredit-related components. Credit-related impairment generally represents the amount by which the present value of the cash flows that are expected to be collected on a debt security fall below its amortized cost. The noncredit-related component represents the remaining portion of the impairment not otherwise designated as credit-related. The Company recognizes credit-related other-than-temporary impairments in earnings. Noncredit-related other-than-temporary impairments on debt securities are recognized in OCI. For held to maturity debt securities, the amount of any other-than-temporary impairment recorded in OCI is amortized prospectively over the remaining lives of the securities based on the timing of future estimated cash flows related to those securities.

Premiums and discounts on all securities are amortized/accreted to maturity by use of the level-yield method considering the impact of principal amortization and prepayments.

Federal law requires a member institution of the Federal Home Loan Bank ("FHLB") system to hold restricted stock of its district FHLB according to a predetermined formula. The Bank's investment in the restricted stock of the FHLB of New York, while included in investment securities available for sale, is carried at cost.

Management evaluates the FHLB restricted stock for impairment in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Management's determination of whether these investments are impaired is based on their assessment of the ultimate recoverability of their cost rather than by recognizing temporary declines in value. The determination of whether a decline affects the ultimate recoverability of their cost is influenced by criteria such as (1) the significance of the decline in net assets of the FHLB as compared to the capital stock amount for the FHLB and the length of time this situation has persisted, (2) commitments by the FHLB to make payments required by law or regulation and the level of such payments in relation to the operating performance of the FHLB, and (3) the impact of legislative and regulatory changes on institutions and, accordingly, on the customer base of the FHLB. Management believes no impairment charge is necessary related to the FHLB stock as of December 31, 2009.

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Bank-Owned Life Insurance

The Company invests in bank-owned life insurance ("BOLI"). BOLI involves the purchasing of life insurance by the Company on a chosen group of employees. The Company is the owner and beneficiary of the policies. This pool of insurance, due to the advantages of the Bank, is profitable to the Company. This profitability will be used to offset a portion of future benefit costs and is intended to provide a funding source for the payment of future benefits. The Bank's deposits fund BOLI and the earnings from BOLI are recognized as non-interest income.

Loans And Loans Held For Sale

Loans that management intends to hold to maturity are stated at the principal amount outstanding, net of unearned income. Unearned income is recognized over the lives of the respective loans, principally using the effective interest method. Interest income is generally not accrued on loans, including impaired loans, where interest or principal is 90 days or more past due, unless the loans are adequately secured and in the process of collection, or on loans where management has determined that the borrowers may be unable to meet contractual principal and/or interest obligations. When it is probable that, based upon current information, the Bank will not collect all amounts due under the contractual terms of the loan, the loan is reported as impaired. Smaller balance homogenous type loans, such as residential loans and loans to individuals, which are collectively evaluated, are excluded from consideration for impairment. Loan impairment is measured based upon the present value of the expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate or the underlying fair value of collateral for collateral dependent loans. When a loan, including an impaired loan, is placed on non-accrual, interest accruals cease and uncollected accrued interest is reversed and charged against current income. Non-accrual loans are generally not returned to accruing status until principal and interest payments have been brought current and full collectibility is reasonably assured. Cash receipts on non-accrual and impaired loans are applied to principal, unless the loan is deemed fully collectible. Loans held for sale are carried at the aggregate lower of cost or market value. Realized gains and losses on loans held for sale are recognized at settlement date and are determined based on the cost, including deferred net loan origination fees and the costs of the specific loans sold.

The Bank accounts for its transfers and servicing of financial assets in accordance with ASC Topic 860, "Transfers and Servicing." The Bank originates mortgages under a definitive plan to sell those loans with servicing generally released. Mortgage loans originated and intended for sale in the secondary market are carried at the lower aggregate cost or estimated fair value. Gains and losses on sales are also accounted for in accordance with Topic 860, which requires that an entity engaged in mortgage banking activities classify the retained mortgage-backed security or other interest, which resulted from the securitizations of a mortgage loan held for sale, based upon its ability and intent to sell or hold these investments.

The Bank enters into commitments to originate loans whereby the interest rate on the loan is determined prior to funding (rate lock commitments). Rate lock commitments on mortgage loans that are intended to be sold are considered to be derivatives. Time elapsing between the issuance of a loan commitment and closing and sale of the loan generally ranges from 30 to 120 days. The Bank protects itself from changes in interest rates through the use of best efforts forward delivery contracts, whereby the Bank commits to sell a loan at the time the borrower commits to an interest rate with the intent that the buyer has assumed interest rate risk on the loan. As a result, the Bank is not exposed to losses nor will it realize significant gains related to its rate lock commitments due to changes in interest rates.

The market value of rate lock commitments and best efforts contracts is not readily ascertainable with precision because rate lock commitments and best efforts contracts are not actively traded in stand-alone markets. The Bank determines the fair value of rate lock commitments and best efforts contracts by measuring the change in the value of the underlying asset while taking into consideration the probability that the rate lock commitments will close. Due to

high correlation between rate lock commitments and best efforts contracts, no gain or loss occurs on the rate lock commitments.

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ASC Topic 460, "Guarantees," requires a guarantor entity, at the inception of a guarantee covered by the measurement provisions of the interpretation, to record a liability for the fair value of the obligation undertaken in issuing the guarantee.

Standby letters of credit are conditional commitments issued by the Bank to guarantee the financial performance of a customer to a third party. Those guarantees are primarily issued to support contracts entered into by customers. Most guarantees extend for one year. The credit risk involved in issuing letters of credit is essentially the same as that involved in extending loan facilities to customers. The Bank defines the fair value of these letters of credit as the fees paid by the customer or similar fees collected on similar instruments. The Bank amortizes the fees collected over the life of the instrument. The Bank generally obtains collateral, such as real estate or liens on customer assets for these types of commitments. The Bank's potential liability would be reduced by any proceeds obtained in liquidation of the collateral held. The Bank had standby letters of credit for customers aggregating \$3,706,974 and \$3,946,649 at December 31, 2009 and 2008, respectively. These letters of credit are primarily related to our real estate lending and the approximate value of underlying collateral upon liquidation is expected to be sufficient to cover this maximum potential exposure at December 31, 2009. The current amount of the liability related to guarantees under standby letters of credit issued was not material as of December 31, 2009 and 2008.

Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses is a valuation reserve available for losses or expected losses on extensions of credit. Management maintains the allowance for loan losses at a level that is considered adequate to absorb losses on existing loans that may become uncollectible based upon an evaluation of known and inherent risks in the portfolio. Additions to the allowance are made by charges to the provision for loan losses. The evaluation considers a complete review of the following specific factors: historical losses by loan category, non-accrual loans, problem loans as identified through internal classifications, collateral values, and the growth and size of the portfolio. Additionally, current economic conditions and local real estate market conditions are considered.

The methodology includes the segregation of the loan portfolio into loan types with a further segregation into risk rating categories, such as special mention, substandard, doubtful, and loss. This allows for an allocation of the allowance for loan losses by loan type; however, the allowance is available to absorb any loan loss without restriction. Larger balance, non-homogeneous loans representing significant individual credit exposures are evaluated individually through the internal loan review process. It is this process that produces the watch list. The borrower's overall financial condition, repayment sources, guarantors and value of collateral, if appropriate, are evaluated. Based on these reviews, an estimate of probable losses for the individual larger-balance loans are determined, whenever possible, and used to establish loan loss reserves. In general, for non-homogeneous loans not individually assessed, and for homogeneous groups, such as residential mortgages and consumer credits, the loans are collectively evaluated based on delinquency status, loan type, and industry historical losses. These loan groups are then internally risk rated.

The watch list includes loans that are assigned a rating of special mention, substandard, doubtful and loss. Loans criticized special mention have potential weaknesses that deserve management's close attention. If uncorrected, the potential weaknesses may result in deterioration of the repayment prospects. Loans classified substandard have a well-defined weakness or weaknesses that jeopardize the liquidation of the debt. They include loans that are inadequately protected by the current sound net worth and paying capacity of the obligor or of the collateral pledged, if any. Loans classified doubtful have all the weaknesses inherent in loans classified substandard with the added characteristic that collection or liquidation in full, on the basis of current conditions and facts, is highly improbable. Loans rated as doubtful in whole, or in part, are placed in nonaccrual status. Loans classified as a loss are considered uncollectible and are charged to the allowance for loan losses.

The Company also maintains an unallocated allowance. The unallocated allowance is used to cover any factors or conditions which may cause a potential loan loss but are not specifically identifiable. It is prudent to maintain an unallocated portion of the allowance because no matter how detailed an analysis of potential loan losses is performed, these estimates by definition lack precision. Management must make estimates using assumptions and information that is often subjective and changing rapidly.

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Loans are placed in a nonaccrual status when the ultimate collectibility of principal or interest in whole, or part, is in doubt. Past-due loans contractually past-due 90 days or more for either principal or interest are also placed in nonaccrual status unless they are both well secured and in the process of collection. Impaired loans are evaluated individually.

All, or part, of the principal balance of commercial and commercial real estate loans, and construction loans are charged off to the allowance as soon as it is determined that the repayment of all, or part, of the principal balance is highly unlikely. Consumer loans are generally charged off no later than 120 days past due on a contractual basis, earlier in the event of bankruptcy, or if there is an amount deemed uncollectible.

Premises and Equipment

Premises and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and amortization. Depreciation is computed primarily on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets for financial reporting purposes and using the mandated methods by asset type for income tax purposes. Building, furniture and fixtures, equipment and leasehold improvements are depreciated or amortized over the estimated useful lives of the assets or lease terms, as applicable. Estimated useful lives of building is forty years, furniture and fixtures and equipment are three to fifteen years, and three to ten years for leasehold improvements. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to expense as incurred.

The Company accounts for impairment of long lived assets in accordance with ASC Topic 360, "Property, Plant, and Equipment," which requires recognition and measurement for the impairment of long lived assets to be held and used or to be disposed of by sale. The Bank had no impaired long lived assets at December 31, 2009 and 2008.

Derivative Contracts

Derivative contracts, as required by ASC Topic 815, "Derivatives and Hedging," are carried at fair value as either assets or liabilities in the statement of financial condition with unrealized gains and losses excluded from earnings and reported in a separate component of stockholders' equity, net of related income tax effects. Gains and losses on derivative contracts are recognized upon realization utilizing the specific identification method.

Income Taxes

There are two components of income tax expense: current and deferred. Current income tax expense approximates cash to be paid or refunded for taxes for the applicable period. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized due to differences between the basis of assets and liabilities as measured by tax laws and their basis as reported in the financial statements. Deferred tax assets are subject to management's judgment based upon available evidence that future realizations are likely. If management determines that the Company may not be able to realize some or all of the net deferred tax asset in the future, a charge to income tax expense may be required to reduce the value of the net deferred tax asset to the expected realizable value. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred taxes of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. Deferred tax expense or benefit is recognized for the change in deferred tax liabilities.

The Company accounts for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in its consolidated financial statements in accordance with ASC Topic 740, "Income Taxes," which prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return, and also provides guidance on de-recognition, classification, interest and penalties, accounting in interim periods, disclosure and transition. The Company has not identified any significant income tax uncertainties through the

evaluation of its income tax positions for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, and has not recognized any liabilities for tax uncertainties as of December 31, 2009 and 2008. Our policy is to recognize interest and penalties on unrecognized tax benefits in income tax expense; such amounts were not significant during the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008. The tax years subject to examination by the taxing authorities are, for federal purposes, the year ended December 31, 2008, and for state purposes, the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006.

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Other Real Estate Owned

Other real estate owned obtained through loan foreclosures or the receipt of deeds-in-lieu of foreclosure is carried at the lower of fair value of the related property, as determined by current appraisals less estimated costs to sell, or the recorded investment in the property. Write-downs on these properties, which occur after the initial transfer from the loan portfolio, are recorded as operating expenses. Costs of holding such properties are charged to expense in the current period. Gains, to the extent allowable, and losses on the disposition of these properties are reflected in current operations.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of an acquired entity over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired in accordance with the purchase method of accounting. Goodwill is not amortized but is reviewed for potential impairment on an annual basis, or more often if events or circumstances indicated that there may be impairment, in accordance with ASC Topic 350, "Intangibles – Goodwill and Other." Goodwill is tested for impairment at the reporting unit level and an impairment loss is recorded to the extend that the carrying amount of goodwill exceeds its implied fair value. Core deposit intangibles are a measure of the value of checking and savings deposits acquired in business combinations accounted for under the purchase method. Core deposit intangibles are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated lives (ranging from five to ten years) and identifiable intangible assets are evaluated for impairment if events and circumstances indicate a possible impairment. Any impairment loss related to goodwill and other intangible assets is reflected as other non-interest expense in the statement of operations in the period in which the impairment was determines. No assurance can be given that future impairment tests will not result in a charge to earnings. See Note 8 – Goodwill and Other Intangibles for additional information.