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## BANK M&A: THE COMING WAVE

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# I. Introduction

- The Dodd-Frank Act – A catalyst
  - Revenue effects
  - Cost effects
  - Psychological effects
- Dodd-Frank Regulations
  - More than 3,500 Federal Register pages of rules and rule proposals so far
  - 62% of the 387 rules required have not been proposed yet
  - 21 Rules finished

# I. Introduction (cont'd)

- Industry Demographics

Commercial Banks 6,529

Savings Institutions 1,128

Total FDIC-insured institutions 7,657

Institutions down 1,176  
(13.3%) from 12/31/2005

- The Industry by Size of Bank

| Asset Size            | No. of Institutions | % of Total |
|-----------------------|---------------------|------------|
| ≤ \$100 mil.          | 2,622               | 34.2%      |
| \$100 mil. - \$1 bil. | 4,368               | 57.0       |
| \$1 bil. - \$10 bil.  | 560                 | 7.3        |
| ≥ \$10 bil.           | 107                 | 1.4        |

# I. Introduction (cont'd)

- For 2010, the industry had:
  - ROA 0.66
  - ROE 5.99
  - 197 mergers
  - 157 failed banks
  - 11 new charters

# I. Introduction (cont'd)

- Estimated 2,700 and 4,000 regulatory enforcement actions against banks and their holding companies
- 884 problem banks (CAMELS 4 or 5) with \$390 billion of assets, compared to 252 with \$159 billion of assets at December 31, 2008
- Institutions with TARP and deferred trust preferred dividends
- Aging shareholder bases

## II. Why M&A Should Increase

- Dodd-Frank as a catalyst
  - Revenue restrictions - Volcker Rule and Durbin Amendment
  - Capital – The Collins Amendment (DFA § 171) and Basel III
  - Basel III and Interagency Liquidity Requirements
  - FDIC insurance costs and assessments based on assets *less* tangible equity
  - Incentive Compensation
    - SEC’s say on pay rules, including golden parachutes
    - SEC’s proxy access rules
  - Heightened compliance and other costs
  - Uncertain, but far reaching, scope of the CFPB
  - Annual Federal Reserve stress test for BHCs and financial companies with \$10 billion or more in assets

## II. Why M&A Should Increase (cont'd)

- An increasing imperative to improve returns through revenue growth and cost savings
- Banks that have limited options
- Regulatory enforcement actions
- Limited or no dividends under Federal Reserve SR 09-4 or CCAR
- Little or no ability to expand organically or by acquisition
- Deferrals or omitted distributions on trust preferred securities and preferred stock
- Banks in geographic markets that are under economic stress, are overbanked and have poor prospects
- The need for geographic and product diversification consistent with the Dodd-Frank Act
- Regulatory pressures to rely more on credit spread products
- Management and board fatigue
- Inability to access the capital markets

## II. Why M&A Should Increase (cont'd)

- Recapitalized banks where the PE and other investors seek a liquidity event
- Divestitures
  - Branches
  - Lines of businesses
    - Proprietary trading
    - Hedge funds
    - PE funds
    - Wealth management due to conflicts with investment banking
    - Other non-core businesses and locations



# III. Impediments to Consolidation

- Low stock prices
- Unrealistic seller price expectations
- Balance sheet risks, especially credit risks
- Uncertainty
  - Economic
  - Fiscal
  - Regulation
- Unfilled regulatory positions (OCC, FDIC, etc.)
- Regulatory staff workloads
  - Consolidated entity must be in “safe and sound condition” at merger closing

# III. Impediments to Consolidation (cont'd)

- Dodd-Frank Act
  - New regulation
  - Heightened consumer compliance
  - Systemic risk must be considered by regulators in merger
  - Interest
  - Collins Amendment and Capital
  - Limits on Change of Control of nonbank banks
  - Annual Stress Tests for \$10 billion and larger banks
  - “Well capitalized” and “well managed” now required for interstate acquisitions as opposed to “adequately capitalized and managed”
- Applications to Federal Reserve required for any acquisitions of \$10 billion of assets or more, and Hart-Scott-Rodino Act filings

# III. Impediments to Consolidation (cont'd)

- New BHC Act, Section 14 Concentration Limits – not to exceed 10% of the aggregate consolidated liabilities of all financial companies at the end of the preceding fiscal year
  - Fed to adopt rules after FSOC study
  - Regulatory caution
  - reviews to document the record fully
  - any issues in other subsidiaries or affiliates are likely to impede an expansion application
  - heightened consumer compliance issues
  - timing (six months may not be enough to complete a transaction
  - extended timing compounds market risk
  - Holding companies contemplating expansion are required by the Federal Reserve to hold capital well above the minimums needed to be “well-capitalized”



# IV. Types of Transactions

## A. TARP Conversion or Repayment

- Examples
  - TIB Financial Corp. / North American Financial Holdings Inc.
  - Hampton Roads Bancshares, Inc. / Carlyle Group, Anchorage Capital Group and CapGen Financial
  - Pacific Capital Bancorp. / Ford Financial Fund
  - Sterling Financial Corporation / Thomas H. Lee Partners and Warburg Pincus
  - Central Pacific Financial Corporation / Carlyle Group and Anchorage Capital Group

# IV. Types of Transactions (cont'd)

## B. New Management

- SKBHC Holdings LLC / Starbucks Bancshares, Inc.
- Northeast Bancorp / FNB Formation LLC
- Brand Banking Company

## C. Direct Investment in Bank Subsidiary

- First State Bank, Taos, New Mexico

## D. Bankruptcy

- SKBHC Holdings LLC / America West Bancorp
- Nexity Financial Corp.
- CIB Marine
- Advanta
- CIT
- MidSouth Bancorp / Jefferson Bank and Outsource Holdings, Inc.

# IV. Types of Transactions (cont'd)

## E. Bank liquidations

- Bank of Currituck

## F. Buyouts

- Management
  - First Republic Bank / ColFin FRB Investor, LLC, General Atlantic, LLC, and other private equity, institutional and management investors
  - Purchases of Divisions or Subsidiaries
    - First Republic Bank
    - Spinoffs, including sponsored spinoffs such as M&I/Metavante, are expected in the future
    - Cross-guaranty protection
- Purchases from other principal shareholders
  - PE exits must be consistent with Federal Reserve Policy

# IV. Types of Transactions (cont'd)

## G. Failed Bank Acquisitions

- Capitalization of existing banks, including “contingent capital”, to buy failed institutions from the FDIC, as receiver (East West Bancorp / United Commercial Bank; various others)
- Blind pools and “shelf charters”
  - Bond Street Holdings LLC
  - NBH Holdings Corp.
  - North American Financial Holdings, Inc.
  - Blue Ridge Holdings, Inc.
- Other new companies formed to purchase failed banks
  - OneWest
  - BankUnited

# IV. Types of Transactions (cont'd)

## H. Growth

- Inflatable charters (Flowers National Bank, Cainesville, Missouri)
- Roll-ups (GrandPoint Capital, State Bank & Trust)
- Organic growth (EverBank Financial Corp. / Sageview Partners LP, New Mountain Partners III, L.P. and TPG Funds; Private Bancorp / GTCR)
- Branch purchases (NBH Holdings / Bank Midwest, Ovation Holdings, Inc. / National Bank of Southwest Florida)
- Concurrent private / public capital raises
  - (Seacoast / CapGen Financial)



## IV. Types of Transactions (cont'd)

- Initial Buyouts (First Republic, Flowers National Bank)
- Failed bank acquisitions (BankUnited, OneWest)
- Distressed debt transactions (Interinvest / Varde / First City)
- Roll-ups (State Bank & Trust Company, Grandpoint)
- Offensive transactions (Everbank, NBH Holdings)
- Private Equity Exits
  - IPO (First Republic Bank, BankUnited and EverBank IPOs)
  - Sale in a M&A transaction

## V. Recapitalized Banks – Buyers or Sellers

- Many banks that have been recapitalized have enforcement actions and CAMELS ratings that will delay them from becoming buyers
- Fixing is first priority
- Sales of non-performing and underperforming assets are usual
- “Shrink to Grow”
- Improving regulatory confidence
- Going public – currency for acquisitions and a return to investors
- Others may seek to sell to realize their return

## VI. Markets and Targets

- Best demographics = more risk?
- Less risky, less growth markets
- Complementary balance sheets and management
- Management exits
  - Approach to people
  - Building talent
- Lines of businesses and competitive strengths
- Growth through branding or electronics – What is convenience today?