

# From the Chairman



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Dear Fellow Shareholders:

In my message to you last year, I made a promise to repay you for the faith you had shown in us. I am pleased to report that in 2014, your company acted decisively to deliver on that promise.

#### **Financial Performance**

The strategic initiatives that were put in place over the last few years began to produce superior results in 2014. We are proud of our accomplishments, and are pleased with their impact on shareholder value.

- Our stock price increased over 30%, significantly outpacing the KBW Bank Index and the Nasdaq Composite Index.
- Your board of directors reinstated a dividend in 2014, further signifying our commitment to shareholder total return.
- Net income for the year increased by 82% over the prior year. Asset quality continued to dramatically
  improve, with credit quality costs declining by 49%. Commercial loans grew by 27%, noninterestbearing deposits increased 21%, and our insurance subsidiary reported an increase in pretax
  earnings of almost 15%.

We interpret these results as an affirmation of our long-term strategies, and we believe that our financial performance and market share position will continue to improve.

#### **Looking Forward**

We've taken great strides in numerous directions to ensure that the positive momentum that has been created is not a temporary phenomenon. In accordance with our philosophy that superior results cannot be achieved without a superior team, we've added people to all levels of our organization throughout the year. Much of the credit for our success goes to our employees, who display a relentless focus on providing our customers a great experience, day in and day out. As we continue to grow, we will add people who demonstrate the ability to deliver on our strategies and fulfill the needs of our customers. This will be easier to accomplish than it has been, as we are now viewed as a company of choice by those in the marketplace.

I am extremely proud of the group of professionals who constitute your board of directors. We are a cohesive team with diverse backgrounds and abilities. As chairman, it is a tremendous benefit to have such an esteemed faculty available to assist me with the governing process. We are fortunate to have a group of individuals who are heavily invested in a myriad of ways with the company they serve. Their discipline and focus on the task at hand makes my job easier, and their passionate commitment is a driving force behind the success of your company. Personally, I am humbled to lead such a talented group.

### A Legacy of Leadership

I am honored to be only the second chairman in the 39-year history of this company. When I succeeded Don Kovach back in 2012, I was fortunate enough to do so with his blessing and was pleased with his decision to remain on our board. His presence during my chairmanship has been invaluable to me, evidenced by the countless times I've imposed on him for advice and guidance. Don has decided to retire from the board, effective with the 2015 annual shareholders meeting. To say that he will be missed would be a colossal understatement. Those of us remaining will honor his legacy of leadership by continuing to follow the tenets of his stewardship. We take great pride in knowing that he has selected us as the caretakers of this company. Our entire organization wishes him well, we thank him for his vision and his commitment to the company, and we pledge to make him proud of what is yet to come.

#### **Our Commitment to You**

We understand that future achievements will be a function of how we treat our customers, employees, and shareholders. We embrace that credo, and we will strive to retain your confidence in us by conducting our business with integrity, reliability, and commitment each and every day.

As always, we have much more to accomplish, and we will take nothing for granted.

Sincerely.

Edward J. Leppert Chairman of the Board

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#### From the President and CEO



ur results this year prove that we have a strong plan, and as we continue to achieve our milestones, we come closer to being a top performing Company.

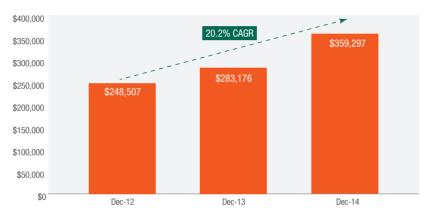
The operating environment we faced in 2014 was arguably as challenging, if not more, than I described in last year's message. However, our Company overcame these pressures and produced some outstanding results. We continue to compete and win in the markets we serve, producing outstanding organic growth in our commercial loan book and our noninterest-bearing demand accounts, as well as in our insurance business. The growth in our business lines, along with a reduction in credit costs, has produced an 82% increase in net income over the prior year. We also continue to create value for our shareholders, which is evidenced by delivering a total return of 31.8% for 2014 that significantly surpassed the SNL U.S. Bank index of 11.8% for the same time period.

We continue to build value because we have a sound business plan and have leaders who can collaborate and adapt to overcome many challenges, while remaining true to our guiding principles.

#### **FINANCIAL RESULTS**

As we continue to build our businesses, we are seeing positive momentum in our financial results. For 2014, net income was \$2.6 million, up 82.1% from 2013, and our earnings per share were \$0.57 per share, up 54.1% over the prior year. Strong growth in our principal business lines continues to drive the improvement in our operating performance. Our commercial loan group closed \$113 million in new loans, resulting in 26.9% growth over the prior year. Our success in organically growing our commercial loan book can be largely attributed to our ability to attract and retain talented lending and business development teams. We have made great strides in transforming our Company's loan portfolio. As of year-end 2014, approximately 73% of our loan portfolio was originated over the past five years utilizing the improved credit standards of the new management team.

#### **Commercial Loan Growth**

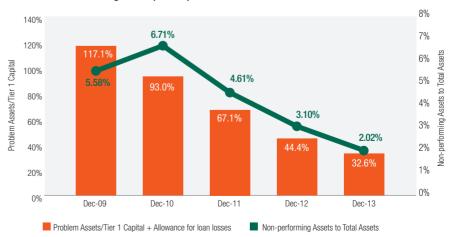


Our Retail group is focused on building core deposits, and as such, grew noninterest-bearing demand accounts 21.1%, which improved our overall deposit composition. In addition, our subsidiary, Tri-State Insurance Agency, Inc. ("Tri-State"), continues to build its business and this year reported net income before taxes of \$501 thousand, a 14.4% increase over the prior year. In 2014, the insurance commissions and fees produced by Tri-State represented 52.7% of the Company's Other Income. Tri-State is now producing a very respectable return on investment, which was 13.6% after tax at year-end 2014.

We reduced Non-performing assets ("NPAs") by 27.3% compared to year-end 2013. This improvement brought the Company's ratio of NPAs to total assets down to 2.0% from the historical high of 6.7% at year-end 2011. Since our high-water mark in 2011, we have averaged a decrease in NPAs of 30.2% annually as illustrated by the chart below.

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#### Problem & Non-Performing Assets ("NPAs")



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#### **SHAREHOLDER VALUE**

Our capital remains strong. Our leverage, Tier I and risk-based capital ratios were 10.19%, 12.79% and 14.02%, respectively, well in excess of the ratios required to be deemed "well capitalized." We continue to deliver outstanding value to our shareholders. As the legacy asset quality issues recede, the benefit of growing our businesses is having a positive impact on our earnings and the performance of our stock. As of February 25, 2015, our stock price has increased approximately 34% and 142% from year-end 2013 and 2011, respectively. Since January 1, 2010, our total return is 215.2%, far outpacing the SNL U.S. Bank index of 76.7%. At February 25, 2015, our price-to-tangible book value is 100.7%, compared to 34.4% at January 1, 2010.

# Sussex Bancorp - Total Return (percentage)



#### COMMUNITY

We remain committed to being a good corporate citizen by giving back and helping the communities we serve through numerous donations, charitable giving and volunteerism. The Company, its subsidiaries and our SB Foundation increased these efforts in 2014. In addition to our volunteerism, we made donations of over \$91,000, a more than 44% increase over last year.

### **LOOKING AHEAD**

The slow economic recovery, low interest rates, intensified competition, and rising regulatory demands persist; therefore, we remain in a challenging operating environment. Banking is also experiencing a rapid paradigm shift in how products and services are delivered to customers, including from nonbank competition. To that end, while we have made changes to our delivery channels, more changes need to be made. We are implementing what we term our "Digital Bank," which is aimed at enhancing the customer experience through digital delivery channels. We will do so by working to ensure that our digital channels have best-in-class functionality to remove hassles and make it simple, fast, and easy for our customers to bank with us anytime and from anyplace.

In March 2015, we will be opening a new location in Astoria, Queens, that will have a branch office and space for regional lenders. The new branch model is meaningfully different from the traditional branch model. It will be much smaller, have a new staffing model and utilize more technology.

I remain confident about our Team. We will adapt to the new challenges and continue to deliver value to our shareholders. I would like to thank our board of directors, our shareholders, our customers, and our employees for their confidence and support. We look forward to continuing our positive momentum by building on our success.

Anthony Labozzetta President and CEO

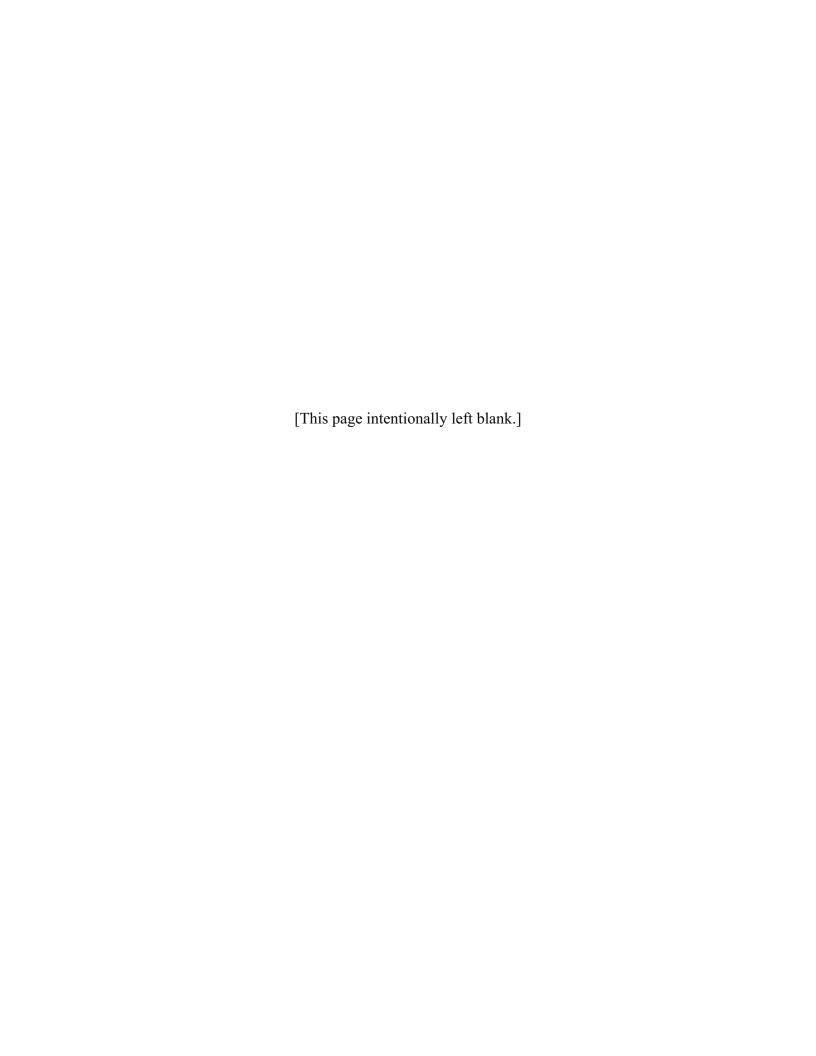
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# **FORM 10-K**

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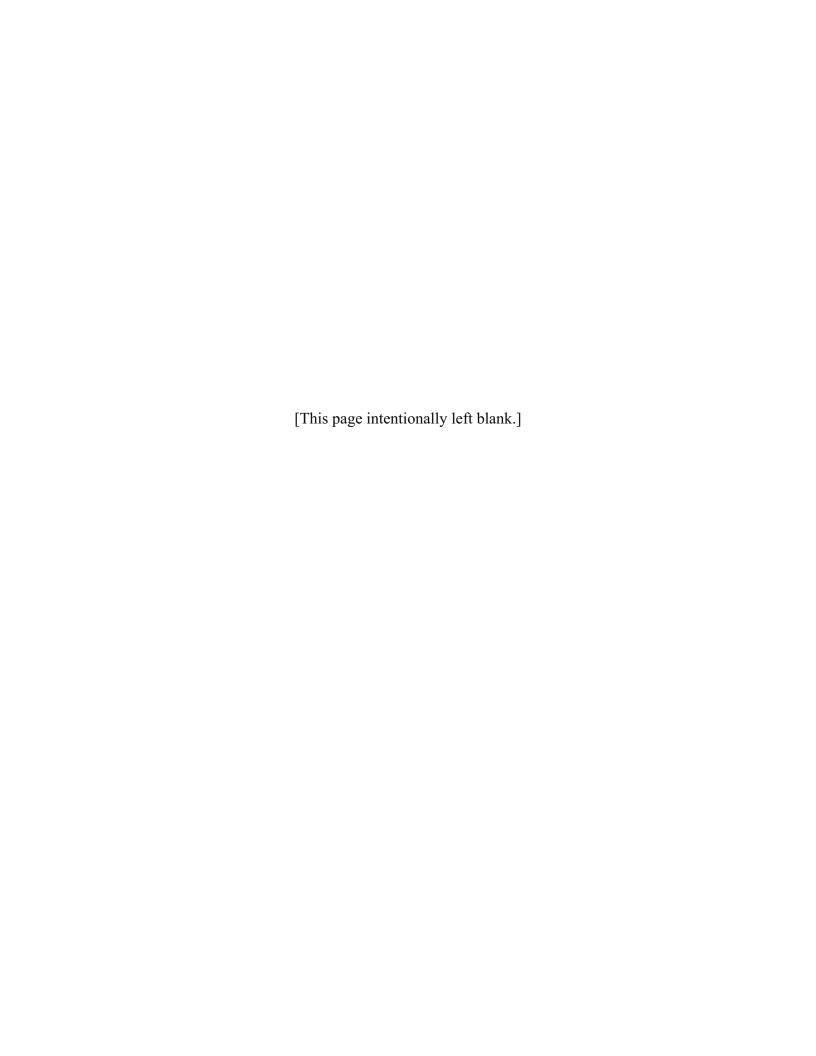
# DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the Proxy Statement for the 2015 Annual Meeting of Shareholders are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The Proxy Statement will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission within 120 days of the registrant's fiscal year ended December 31, 2014.



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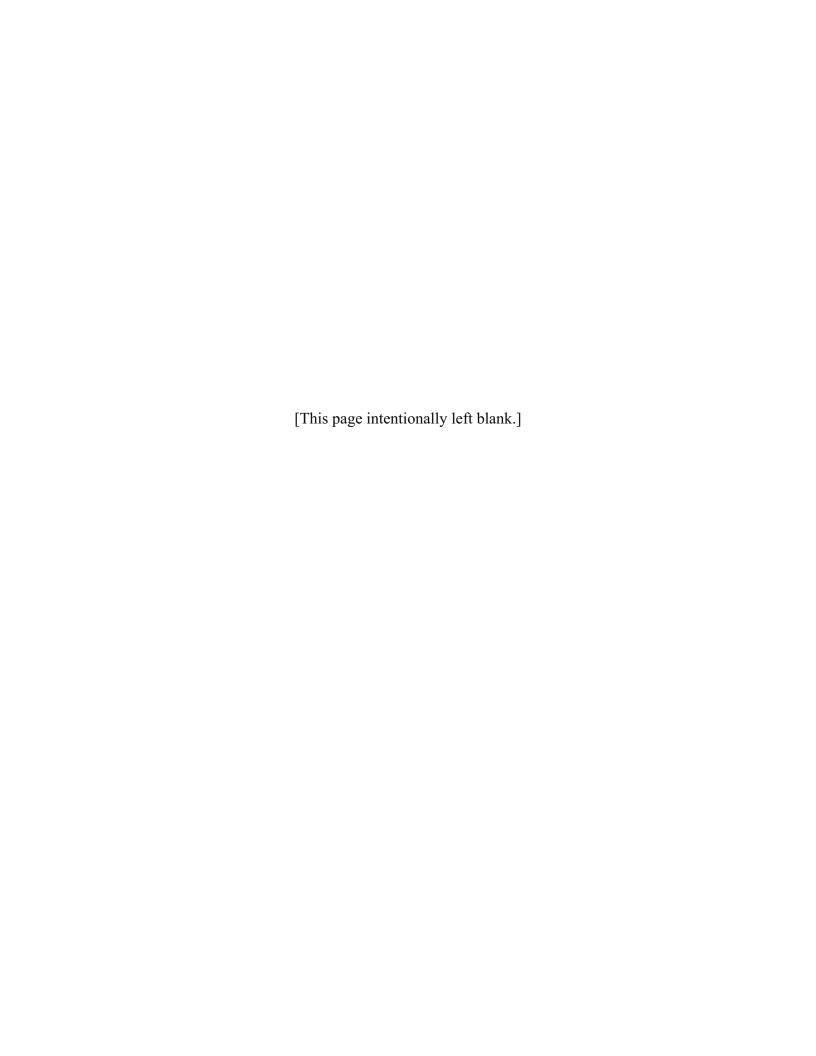
#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

We may, from time to time, make written or oral "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements contained in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), our reports to stockholders and in other communications by us. This Annual Report on Form 10-K contains "forward-looking statements," which may be identified by the use of such words as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "should," "planned," "estimated," and "potential." Examples of forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, estimates with respect to our financial condition, results of operation and business that are subject to various factors which could cause actual results to differ materially from these estimates. These factors include, but are not limited to:

- changes to interest rates, the ability to control costs and expenses;
- our ability to integrate new technology into our operations;
- general economic conditions;
- the success of our efforts to diversify our revenue base by developing additional sources of noninterest income while continuing to manage our existing fee based business;
- the impact on us of the changing statutory and regulatory requirements; and
- the risks inherent in commencing operations in new markets.

Any or all of our forward-looking statements in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, and in any other public statements we make may turn out to be wrong. They can be affected by inaccurate assumptions we might make or by known or unknown risks and uncertainties. Consequently, no forward-looking statements can be guaranteed. We disclaim any obligation to subsequently revise any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of such statements, or to reflect the occurrence of anticipated or unanticipated events.

Unless the context indicates otherwise, all references in this Annual Report on Form 10-K to "Sussex Bancorp," "we," "us," "our" and "the Company" refer to Sussex Bancorp and its subsidiaries. References to the "Bank" are to Sussex Bank, our wholly owned bank subsidiary.



### ITEM 1. BUSINESS

#### General

Sussex Bancorp is a bank holding company incorporated under the laws of the State of New Jersey in January 1996 and the parent company of Sussex Bank (the "Bank"). Pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended (the "BHC Act") and the New Jersey Banking Act of 1948, as amended (the "Banking Act"), and pursuant to approval of the Board of Directors of the Bank and stockholders of the Bank, Sussex Bancorp acquired the Bank and became its holding company on November 20, 1996. The only significant asset of Sussex Bancorp is its investment in the Bank. At December 31, 2014, the Company had consolidated total assets of \$595.9 million, gross loans of \$472.0 million, deposits of \$458.3 million and stockholders' equity of \$51.2 million.

The Bank is a commercial bank formed under the laws of the State of New Jersey in 1975 and is regulated by the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance (the "Department"). The Bank's wholly owned subsidiaries are SCB Investment Company, Inc., SCBNY Company, Inc., ClassicLake Enterprises, LLC, Wheatsworth Properties Corp., PPD Holding Company, LLC and Tri-State Insurance Agency, Inc. ("Tri-State"). SCB Investment Company, Inc. and SCBNY Company, Inc. hold portions of the Bank's investment portfolio. ClassicLake Enterprises, LLC, PPD Holding Company, LLC and Wheatsworth Properties Corp. hold certain foreclosed properties. Tri-State provides insurance agency services mostly through the sale of property and casualty insurance policies.

The corporate office of the Company is located at 100 Enterprise Drive, Suite 700, Rockaway, New Jersey, 07866, and the telephone number is (844) 256-7328.

#### **Our Business**

Our primary business is ownership and supervision of the Bank. Through the Bank, we conduct a traditional commercial banking business, and offer services including personal and business checking accounts and time deposits, money market accounts and savings accounts. We structure our specific services and charges in a manner designed to attract the business of the small and medium sized business and professional community as well as that of individuals residing, working and shopping in the northern New Jersey and New York markets. We engage in a wide range of lending activities and offer commercial, consumer, mortgage, home equity and personal loans.

Through the Bank's subsidiary, Tri-State, we operate a full service general insurance agency, offering both commercial and personal lines of insurance.

We have two business segments, banking and financial services and insurance services. For financial data on the segments see Note 2 of our consolidated financial statements located elsewhere in this report.

# Market Area

Our service area primarily consists of Sussex, Morris and Bergen Counties in New Jersey and Orange County, New York; although we make loans throughout New Jersey and the New York metropolitan markets. We operate from our corporate office in Rockaway, New Jersey, our ten branch offices located in Andover, Augusta, Franklin, Hackettstown, Montague, Newton, Sparta, Vernon, and Wantage, New Jersey, and in Port Jervis, New York, our regional office and corporate center in Wantage, New Jersey, our regional lending office in Rochelle Park, New Jersey, and our insurance agency offices in Augusta and Rochelle Park, New Jersey. On December 18, 2013 we permanently closed our Warwick, New York branch location and during the first and third quarters of 2014 we opened a corporate office and a regional office and corporate center in Rockaway and Wantage, New Jersey, respectively. We also opened a new branch location in Astoria, New York during the first quarter of 2015. Our market area is among the most affluent in the nation.

#### Competition

We operate in a highly competitive environment competing for deposits and loans with commercial banks, thrifts and other financial institutions, many of which have greater financial resources than us. Many large financial

institutions in New York City and other parts of New Jersey compete for the business of customers located in our service area. Many of these institutions have significantly higher lending limits than us and provide services to their customers which we do not offer.

Management believes we are able to compete on a substantially equal basis with our competitors because we provide responsive personalized services through management's knowledge and awareness of our service area, customers and business.

#### Personnel

At December 31, 2014, we employed 113 full-time employees and 23 part-time employees. None of these employees are covered by a collective bargaining agreement and we believe that our employee relations are good.

### **Regulation and Supervision**

The Company and the Bank are subject to extensive regulation under federal and state laws. The regulatory framework applicable to bank holding companies and their insured depository institution subsidiaries is intended to protect depositors, federal deposit insurance funds, consumers and the banking system as a whole, and not necessarily investors in bank holding companies such as the Company. Insurance agencies licensed in New Jersey are regulated under state law by the Department.

Set forth below is a description of the significant elements of the laws and regulations applicable to the Company and the Bank. To the extent that the following information describes statutory and regulatory provisions, it is qualified in its entirety by reference to the particular statutory and regulatory provisions. Any change in the applicable law or regulation may have a material effect on the business and prospects of the Company and the Bank.

### Recent Regulatory Changes

The past four years have resulted in a significant increase in regulation and regulatory oversight for U.S. financial services firms, primarily resulting from the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Dodd-Frank Act"), enacted on July 21, 2010. The Dodd-Frank Act is extensive, complicated and comprehensive legislation that impacts practically all aspects of a banking organization and represents a significant overhaul of many aspects of the regulation of the financial services industry. The Dodd-Frank Act implements numerous and far-reaching changes that affect financial companies, including bank holding companies and banks such as the Company and the Bank. Certain provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act applicable to the Company and the Bank are discussed herein.

In July 2013, the federal banking agencies approved final rules (the "New Capital Rules") establishing a new comprehensive capital framework for U.S. banking organizations. The New Capital Rules generally implement the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision's (the "Basel Committee") December 2010 final capital framework referred to as "Basel III" for strengthening international capital standards. The New Capital Rules substantially revise the risk-based capital requirements applicable to bank holding companies and their depository institution subsidiaries, including the Company and the Bank, as compared to the current U.S. general risk-based capital rules. The New Capital Rules revise the definitions and the components of regulatory capital, as well as address other issues affecting the numerator in banking institutions' regulatory capital ratios. The New Capital Rules also address asset risk weights and other matters affecting the denominator in banking institutions' regulatory capital ratios and replace the existing general risk-weighting approach, which was derived from the Basel Committee's 1988 "Basel I" capital accords, with a more risk-sensitive approach based, in part, on the "standardized approach" in the Basel Committee's 2004 "Basel II" capital accords. In addition, the New Capital Rules implement certain provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act, including the requirements of Section 939A to remove references to credit ratings from the federal Banking agencies' rules. The New Capital Rules are effective for the Company on January 1, 2015, subject to phase-in periods for certain of their components and other provisions.

In December, 2013, the federal banking agencies jointly adopted final rules implementing Section 619 of the Dodd-Frank Act, commonly known as the Volcker Rule. The Volcker Rule restricts the ability of banking entities, such as the Company, to engage in proprietary trading or to own, sponsor or have certain relationships with hedge funds or private equity funds—so-called "Covered Funds." The final rule definition of Covered Fund includes certain investments such as collateralized loan obligation and collateralized debt obligation securities.

Compliance is generally required by July 21, 2015. However, the Federal Reserve Board has granted extensions to the compliance period under certain circumstances for investments in Covered Funds.

Many of the provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act are subject to further rulemaking, guidance and interpretation by the applicable federal banking agencies and the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. It is difficult to predict at this time what specific impact certain provisions and yet to be finalized implementing rules and regulations will have on the Company, including any regulations promulgated by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau ("CFPB"). Financial reform legislation and rules could have adverse implications on the financial industry, the competitive environment, and our ability to conduct business. Management will have to apply resources to ensure compliance with all applicable provisions of the regulatory reform including the Dodd-Frank Act and any implementing rules, which may increase our costs of operations and adversely impact our earnings.

### **Bank Holding Company Regulation**

*General.* As a bank holding company registered under the BHC Act, we are subject to the regulation and supervision of the Federal Reserve Board. We are required to file with the Federal Reserve Board annual reports and other information regarding our business operations and those of our subsidiaries.

The BHC Act requires, among other things, the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board in any case where a bank holding company proposes to (i) acquire all or substantially all of the assets of any other bank, (ii) acquire direct or indirect ownership or control of more than 5% of any class of voting stock of any bank (unless it owns a majority of such bank's voting shares) or (iii) merge or consolidate with any other bank holding company. The Federal Reserve Board will not approve any acquisition, merger, or consolidation that would have a substantially anti-competitive effect, unless the anti-competitive impact of the proposed transaction is clearly outweighed by a greater public interest in meeting the convenience and needs of the community to be served. When reviewing acquisitions or mergers, the Federal Reserve Board also considers, among other factors, capital adequacy and the financial and managerial resources and future prospects of the companies and the banks concerned, the convenience and needs of the community to be served and the effectiveness of the companies and the banks in combatting money laundering.

The BHC Act also generally prohibits a bank holding company, with certain limited exceptions, from (i) acquiring or retaining direct or indirect ownership or control of more than 5% of the outstanding voting stock of any company which is not a bank or bank holding company; or (ii) engaging directly or indirectly in activities other than those of banking, managing or controlling banks, or performing services for its subsidiaries, unless such non-banking business is determined by the Federal Reserve Board to be so closely related to banking or managing or controlling banks as to be properly incident thereto. In making such determinations, the Federal Reserve Board is required to weigh the expected benefits to the public, such as, greater convenience, increased competition or gains in efficiency, against the possible adverse effects, such as, undue concentration of resources, decreased or unfair competition, conflicts of interest or unsound banking practices.

Bank holding companies whose subsidiary banks meet certain capital, management and Community Reinvestment Act ("CRA") standards, and which elect to become "financial holding companies," are permitted to engage in a substantially broader range of non-banking financial activities than is otherwise permissible for bank holding companies under the BHC Act. These activities include certain insurance, securities and merchant banking activities. As our business is currently limited to activities permissible for a bank holding company, we have not elected to become a financial holding company.

Source of Strength Doctrine. Federal Reserve Board policy requires bank holding companies to act as a source of financial and managerial strength to their subsidiary insured depository institutions. The Dodd-Frank Act codified the requirement that bank holding companies act as a source of financial strength. As a result, the Company is expected to commit resources to support the Bank, including at times when the Company may not be in a financial position to provide such resources. Any capital loans by a bank holding company to any of its subsidiary depository institutions are subordinate in right of payment to deposits and to certain other indebtedness of such subsidiary depository institution. In the event of a bank holding company's bankruptcy, any commitment by the bank holding company to a federal banking agency to maintain the capital of a subsidiary insured depository institution will be assumed by the bankruptcy trustee and entitled to priority of payment.

Capital Adequacy Guidelines for Bank Holding Companies. The Federal Reserve Board has adopted risk-based and leverage capital guidelines for bank holding companies similar to the capital requirements developed for banks discussed below. The risk-based capital guidelines are designed to make regulatory capital requirements sensitive to differences in risk profiles among banks and bank holding companies, to account for off-balance sheet exposure and to minimize disincentives for holding liquid, low-risk assets. The capital guidelines apply on a consolidated basis to bank holding companies with consolidated assets of \$500 million or more, and to certain bank holding companies with less than \$500 million in assets if they are engaged in substantial non-banking activity or meet certain other criteria. Under Federal Reserve Board reporting requirements, a bank holding company that reaches \$500 million or more in total consolidated assets as of June 30 of the preceding year must begin reporting its consolidated capital beginning in March of the following year. As of June 30, 2012, Sussex Bancorp's total assets exceeded \$500 million. Therefore, the Company began reporting its consolidated capital in March of 2013. The Dodd-Frank Act also requires depository institution holding companies with assets greater than \$500 million to be subject to capital requirements at least as stringent as to those applicable to insured depository institutions, meaning, for instance, that such holding companies will no longer be able to count trust preferred securities issued on or after May 19, 2010 as Tier 1 capital. However, the Dodd-Frank Act allows for trust preferred securities issued before May 19, 2010, by depository institution holding companies with total consolidated assets of less than \$15 billion as of year-end 2009 to continue to count as Tier 1 capital. Our trust preferred securities were issued prior to May 19, 2010.

The New Capital Rules: (i) introduce a new capital measure called "Common Equity Tier 1" ("CET1") and related regulatory capital ratio of CET1 to risk-weighted assets; (ii) specify that Tier 1 capital consists of CET1 and "Additional Tier 1 capital" instruments meeting certain revised requirements; (iii) mandate that most deductions/adjustments to regulatory capital measures be made to CET1 and not to the other components of capital; and (iv) expand the scope of the deductions from and adjustments to capital as compared to existing regulations. Under the New Capital Rules, for most banking organizations, including the Company, the most common form of Additional Tier 1 capital is non-cumulative perpetual preferred stock and the most common forms of Tier 2 capital are subordinated notes and a portion of the allocation for loan and lease losses, in each case, subject to the New Capital Rules' specific requirements.

Pursuant to the New Capital Rules, the minimum capital ratios as of January 1, 2015 will be as follows:

- 4.5% CET1 to risk-weighted assets;
- 6.0% Tier 1 capital (that is, CET1 plus Additional Tier 1 capital) to risk-weighted assets;
- 8.0% Total capital (that is, Tier 1 capital plus Tier 2 capital) to risk-weighted assets; and
- 4.0% Tier 1 capital to average consolidated assets as reported on consolidated financial statements (known as the "leverage ratio").

The New Capital Rules also introduce a new "capital conservation buffer," composed entirely of CET1, on top of these minimum risk-weighted asset ratios. The capital conservation buffer is designed to absorb losses during periods of economic stress. Banking institutions with a ratio of CET1 to risk-weighted assets above the minimum but below the capital conservation buffer will face constraints on dividends, equity and other capital instrument repurchases and compensation based on the amount of the shortfall. Thus, when fully phased-in on January 1, 2019, the capital standards applicable to the Company will include an additional capital conservation buffer of 2.5% of CET1, effectively resulting in minimum ratios inclusive of the capital conservation buffer of (i) CET1 to risk-weighted assets of at least 7%, (ii) Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets of at least 8.5%, and (iii) Total capital to risk-weighted assets of at least 10.5%.

The New Capital Rules provide for a number of deductions from and adjustments to CET1. These include, for example, the requirement that mortgage servicing rights, deferred tax assets arising from temporary differences that could not be realized through net operating loss carrybacks and significant investments in non-consolidated financial entities be deducted from CET1 to the extent that any one such category exceeds 10% of CET1 or all such items, in the aggregate, exceed 15% of CET1.

In addition, under the current general risk-based capital rules, the effects of accumulated other comprehensive income or loss ("AOCI") items included in stockholders' equity (for example, marks-to-market of securities held in the available-for-sale portfolio) under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") are reversed for the purposes of determining regulatory capital ratios. Pursuant to the New Capital Rules, the effects of certain AOCI items are not excluded; however, non-advanced approaches banking organizations, including the Company, may make a one-time permanent election to continue to exclude these items. This election must be made concurrently with the first filing of certain of the Company's periodic regulatory reports in the beginning of 2015.

Implementation of the deductions and other adjustments to CET1 will begin on January 1, 2015 and will be phased-in over a 4-year period (beginning at 40% on January 1, 2015 and an additional 20% per year thereafter). The implementation of the capital conservation buffer will begin on January 1, 2016 at the 0.625% level and increase by 0.625% on each subsequent January 1, until it reaches 2.5% on January 1, 2019.

The New Capital Rules prescribe a new standardized approach for risk weightings that expand the risk-weighting categories from the current four Basel I-derived categories (0%, 20%, 50% and 100%) to a larger and more risk-sensitive number of categories, depending on the nature of the assets, generally ranging from 0% for U.S. government and agency securities, to 600% for certain equity exposures, and resulting in higher risk weights for a variety of asset classes.

We believe that the Company will be able to comply with the targeted capital ratios upon implementation of the finalized requirements.

#### **Bank Regulation**

As a New Jersey-chartered commercial bank, the Bank is subject to the regulation, supervision, and enforcement authority of the Department and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"). The regulations of the FDIC and the Department impact virtually all activities of the Bank, including the minimum level of capital the Bank must maintain, the ability of the Bank to pay dividends, the ability of the Bank to expand through new branches or acquisitions and various other matters, including, but not limited to, those described below.

# **Insurance of Deposits**

The deposits of the Bank are insured up to the applicable limits by the Deposit Insurance Fund ("DIF") of the FDIC and are subject to the deposit insurance premium assessments to maintain the DIF. Under the Dodd-Frank Act, the standard deposit insurance amount has been permanently increased to \$250,000. The FDIC currently maintains a risk-based assessment system under which assessment rates vary based on the level of risk posed by the institution to the DIF.

On February 7, 2011 the FDIC announced the approval of the assessment system mandated by the Dodd-Frank Act. Dodd-Frank required that the base on which deposit insurance assessments are charged be revised from one based on domestic deposits to one based on assets. The FDIC's rule to base the assessment base on average total consolidated assets minus average tangible equity instead of domestic deposits lowered assessments for many community banks with less than \$10 billion in assets and reduced the Company's costs.

The Bank's FDIC deposit insurance assessment expenses totaled \$607 thousand, \$698 thousand and \$681 thousand, for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2013, and 2012, respectively. FDIC insurance expense includes deposit insurance assessments and Financing Corporation ("FICO") assessments related to outstanding FICO bonds. The FICO is a mixed-ownership government corporation established by the Competitive Equality Banking Act of 1987, whose sole purpose was to function as a financing vehicle for the now defunct Federal Savings & Loan Insurance Corporation.

Under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (the "FDIA"), the FDIC may terminate deposit insurance upon a finding that the institution has engaged in unsafe and unsound practices, is in an unsafe or unsound condition to continue operations, or has violated any applicable law, regulation, rule, order or condition imposed by the FDIC. The Company's management is not aware of any practice, condition or violation that might lead to the termination of deposit insurance.

# **Depositor Preference**

The FDIA provides that, in the event of the "liquidation or other resolution" of an insured depository institution, the claims of depositors of the institution, including the claims of the FDIC as subrogee of insured depositors, and certain claims for administrative expenses of the FDIC as a receiver, will have priority over other general unsecured claims against the institution. If an insured depository institution fails, insured and uninsured depositors, along with the FDIC, will have priority in payment ahead of unsecured, non-deposit creditors, including the parent bank holding company, with respect to any extensions of credit they have made to such insured depository institution.

# **Dividend Rights**

The principal source of the Company's liquidity is dividends from the Bank. As a New Jersey-chartered bank, the Bank may declare and pay dividends only if, after payment of the dividend, the capital stock of the Bank will be unimpaired and either the Bank will have a surplus of not less than 50% of its capital stock or the payment of the dividend will not reduce the Bank's surplus.

# **Reserve Requirements**

Federal Reserve Board regulations require insured depository institutions to maintain non-interest-earning reserves against their transaction accounts (primarily interest-bearing and regular checking accounts). The Bank's required reserves can be in the form of vault cash and, if vault cash does not fully satisfy the required reserves, in the form of a balance maintained with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. For 2014, The Federal Reserve Board regulations required that reserves be maintained against aggregate transaction accounts except for transaction accounts up to \$13.3 million, which are exempt. Transaction accounts greater than \$13.3 million up to \$89.0 million have a reserve requirement of 3%, and those greater than \$89.0 million have a reserve requirement of \$2.3 million plus 10% of the amount over \$89.0 million. The Federal Reserve Board generally makes annual adjustments to the tiered reserves. The Bank is in compliance with these requirements.

#### **Transactions with Affiliates**

Under federal law, transactions between insured depository institutions and their affiliates are governed by Sections 23A and 23B of the Federal Reserve Act ("FRA"). In a holding company context, at a minimum, the parent holding company of an insured depository institution, and any companies which are controlled by such parent holding company, are affiliates of the institution. Generally, sections 23A and 23B are intended to protect insured depository institutions from losses arising from transactions with non-insured affiliates, by limiting the extent to which a depository institution or its subsidiaries may engage in covered transactions with any one affiliate and with all affiliates of the depository institution in the aggregate, and by requiring that such transactions be on terms that are consistent with safe and sound banking practices.

# **Loans to Insiders**

Section 22(h) of the FRA restricts loans to directors, executive officers, and principal stockholders ("insiders"). Under Section 22(h), loans to insiders and their related interests may not exceed, together with all other outstanding loans to such persons and affiliated entities, the insured depository institution's total capital and surplus. Loans to insiders above specified amounts must receive the prior approval of the board of directors. Further, under Section 22(h), loans to directors, executive officers and principal stockholders must be made on terms substantially the same as offered in comparable transactions to other persons, except that such insiders may receive preferential loans made under a benefit or compensation program that is widely available to the bank's employees and does not give preference to the insider over the employees. Section 22(g) of the FRA places additional limitations on loans to executive officers.

# **Capital and Prompt Corrective Action**

The federal banking agencies have established by regulation, for each capital measure, the levels at which an insured institution is "well-capitalized," "adequately capitalized," "undercapitalized," "significantly

undercapitalized" or "critically undercapitalized." Regulations require the Bank to meet the following standards in order to be "adequately capitalized":

- (1) have a total risk-based capital ratio of 8.0 percent or greater;
- (2) have a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of 4.0 percent or greater; and
- (3) have a leverage ratio of 4.0 or greater or a leverage ratio of 3.0 percent or greater if the Bank is rated composite 1 under the CAMELS rating system in the most recent examination of the Bank and is not experiencing or anticipating significant growth.

The federal banking agencies are required to take prompt corrective action with respect to insured institutions that fall below the "adequately capitalized" level. For example, generally, a bank is considered "well-capitalized" if it has a total risk-based capital ratio of 10%, a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of 6%, and a leverage ratio of 5%, and is not subject to any written agreement, order, capital directive, or prompt corrective action directive to meet and maintain a specific capital level for any capital measure. As of December 31, 2014, Bank's capital exceeded well-capitalized levels.

As with the Company, the Bank will be subject to the New Capital Rules on the same phase-in schedule. We believe that the Bank similarly will be able to comply with the targeted capital ratios upon implementation of the revised requirements, as finalized

The New Capital Rules, effective January 1, 2015, also revise the "prompt corrective action" ("PCA") regulations adopted pursuant to Section 38 of the FDIA, by: (i) introducing a CET1 ratio requirement at each PCA category (other than critically undercapitalized), with the required CET1 ratio being 6.5% for well-capitalized status; (ii) increasing the minimum Tier 1 capital ratio requirement for each category, with the minimum Tier 1 capital ratio for well-capitalized status being 8% (as compared to the current 6%); and (iii) eliminating the current provision that provides that a bank with a composite supervisory rating of 1 may have a 3% leverage ratio and still be adequately capitalized. The New Capital Rules do not change the total risk-based capital requirement for any PCA category.

# **Anti-Money-Laundering**

Under Title III of the USA PATRIOT Act, all financial institutions are required to take certain measures to identify their customers, prevent money laundering, monitor customer transactions and report suspicious activity to U.S. law enforcement agencies. Financial institutions also are required to respond to requests for information from federal banking agencies and law enforcement agencies. Information sharing among financial institutions for the above purposes is encouraged by an exemption granted to complying financial institutions from the privacy provisions of Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act and other privacy laws. Financial institutions that hold correspondent accounts for foreign banks or provide private banking services to foreign individuals are required to take measures to avoid dealing with certain foreign individuals or entities, including foreign banks with profiles that raise money laundering concerns, and are prohibited from dealing with foreign "shell banks" and persons from jurisdictions of particular concern. The primary federal banking agencies and the Secretary of the Treasury have adopted regulations to implement several of these provisions. Financial institutions also are required to establish internal anti-money laundering programs. The effectiveness of institutions in combating money laundering activities is a factor to be considered in any application submitted by an insured depository institution under the Bank Merger Act. The Company and the Bank have in place a Bank Secrecy Act and USA PATRIOT Act compliance program and engage in very few transactions of any kind with foreign financial institutions or foreign persons.

# Office of Foreign Assets Control Regulation

The United States has imposed economic sanctions that affect transactions with designated foreign countries, nationals and others. These are typically known as the "OFAC" rules based on their administration by the U.S. Treasury Department Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC"). The OFAC-administered sanctions targeting countries take many different forms. Generally, the sanctions contain one or more of the following elements: i) restrictions on trade with or investment in a sanctioned country, including prohibitions against direct or indirect imports from and exports to a sanctioned country and prohibitions on "U.S. persons" engaging in financial transactions relating to making investments in, or providing investment-related advice or assistance to, a sanctioned country; and ii) a blocking of assets in which the government or specially designated nationals of the sanctioned country have an interest, by prohibiting transfers of property subject to U.S. jurisdiction (including property in the

possession or control of U.S. persons). Blocked assets (e.g., property and bank deposits) cannot be paid out, withdrawn, set off or transferred in any manner without a license from OFAC. Failure to comply with these sanctions could have serious legal and reputational consequences.

#### **Consumer Compliance**

The Bank is subject to a number of federal and state laws designed to protect borrowers and promote lending to various sectors of the economy and population. These laws include the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the Truth in Lending Act, the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act, the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, various state law counterparts, and the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010, which constitutes part of the Dodd-Frank Act and established the CFPB.

On January 10, 2013, the CFPB issued a final rule implementing the ability-to-repay and qualified mortgage ("QM") provisions of the Truth in Lending Act, as amended by the Dodd-Frank Act (the "QM Rule"). The ability-to-repay provision requires creditors to make reasonable, good faith determinations that borrowers are able to repay their mortgages before extending the credit based on a number of factors and consideration of financial information about the borrower from reasonably reliable third-party documents. Under the Dodd-Frank Act and the QM Rule, loans meeting the definition of "qualified mortgage" are entitled to a presumption that the lender satisfied the ability-to-repay requirements. The presumption is a conclusive presumption/safe harbor for prime loans meeting the QM requirements, and a rebuttable presumption for higher-priced/subprime loans meeting the QM requirements. The definition of a "qualified mortgage" incorporates the statutory requirements, such as not allowing negative amortization or terms longer than 30 years. The QM Rule also adds an explicit maximum 43% debt-to-income ratio for borrowers if the loan is to meet the QM definition, though some mortgages that meet GSE, FHA and VA underwriting guidelines may, for a period not to exceed seven years, meet the QM definition without being subject to the 43% debt-to-income limits. The QM Rule became effective January 10, 2014.

### **Community Reinvestment**

Under the CRA, the Bank has a continuing and affirmative obligation, consistent with safe and sound banking practices, to help meet the credit needs of its entire community, including low-and moderate-income neighborhoods. The CRA does not establish specific lending requirements or programs for insured depository 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, so long as such practices are consistent with the CRA. The CRA requires that regulators, in connection with their examination of banks, assess each institution's record of meeting the credit needs of its community and to take such record into account in evaluating certain applications by those banks. The Bank's failure to comply with the provisions of the CRA could, at a minimum, result in regulatory restrictions on its activities and the activities of the Company.

The Bank received a "Satisfactory" CRA rating in its most recent examination.

#### **Financial Privacy Laws**

Federal law and certain state laws currently contain client privacy protection provisions. These provisions limit the ability of banks and other financial institutions to disclose non-public information about consumers to affiliated companies and non-affiliated third parties. These rules require disclosure of privacy policies to clients and, in some circumstance, allow consumers to prevent disclosure of certain personal information to affiliates or non-affiliated third parties by means of "opt out" or "opt in" authorizations. Pursuant to the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act and certain state laws, companies are required to notify clients of security breaches resulting in unauthorized access to their personal information.

# **Incentive Compensation**

The Dodd-Frank Act requires publicly traded companies to give stockholders a non-binding vote on executive compensation at least every three years and on so-called "golden parachute" payments in connection with approvals of mergers and acquisitions. The legislation also authorizes the SEC to promulgate rules that would allow stockholders to nominate their own candidates using a company's proxy materials. Additionally, the Dodd-Frank Act directs the federal banking regulators to promulgate rules requiring the reporting of incentive-based compensation and prohibiting excessive incentive-based compensation paid to executives of depository institutions

and their holding companies with assets in excess of \$1.0 billion, regardless of whether the company is publicly traded or not. In April 2011, the Federal Reserve Board, along with other federal banking agencies, issued a joint notice of proposed rulemaking implementing those requirements. The Dodd-Frank Act gives the SEC authority to prohibit broker discretionary voting on elections of directors, executive compensation matters and any other significant matter.

#### **Available Information**

We file annual reports, quarterly reports, proxy statements and other documents with the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). The public may read and copy any materials that we file with the SEC at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 F. Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. The public may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. Also, the SEC maintains a website that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC. The public can obtain any documents that we file with the SEC at www.sec.gov.

We maintain a website at www.sussexbank.com. Through a link to our Investor Relations section of our website, we make available, free of charge, copies of each of our filings with the SEC, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K, our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, our Current Reports on Form 8-K, and, if applicable, any amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to the Exchange Act as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the SEC.

#### ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

### Our allowance for loan losses may not be adequate to cover actual losses.

Like all financial institutions, we maintain an allowance for loan losses to provide for loan defaults and nonperformance. Our allowance for loan losses may not be adequate to cover actual losses, and future provisions for loan losses could materially and adversely affect the results of our operations. In addition to periodic reviews by an independent loan review function, risks within the loan portfolio are analyzed on a continuous basis by management and by the Board of Directors. A risk system, consisting of multiple-grading categories, is utilized as an analytical tool to assess risk and the appropriate level of loss reserves. Along with the risk system, management further evaluates risk characteristics of the loan portfolio under current economic conditions and considers such factors as the financial condition of the borrowers, past and expected loan loss experience and other factors management feels deserve recognition in establishing an adequate reserve. This risk assessment process is performed at least quarterly and any necessary adjustments are realized in the periods in which they become known. The amount of future losses is susceptible to changes in economic, operating and other conditions, including changes in interest rates that may be beyond our control, and these losses may exceed current estimates. State and federal regulatory agencies, as an integral part of their examination process, review our loans and allowance for loan losses and have in the past required an increase in our allowance for loan losses. Although we believe that our allowance for loan losses is adequate to cover probable and reasonably estimated losses, we cannot assure you that we will not further increase the allowance for loan losses or that our regulators will not require us to increase this allowance. Either of these occurrences could adversely affect our earnings.

# If our non-performing assets increase, our earnings will be negatively impacted.

At December 31, 2014, our non-performing assets ("NPAs") (which consist of non-accrual loans, loans 90 days or more delinquent, performing troubled debt restructurings and foreclosed real estate assets) totaled \$12.0 million, which was a decrease of \$4.5 million or 27.3% from December 31, 2013. However, we can give no assurance that our NPAs will continue to decrease and we may experience increases in NPAs in the future. Our NPAs adversely affect our net income in various ways. We do not record interest income on non-accrual loans or real estate owned. We must reserve for estimated credit losses, which are established through a current period charge to the provision for loan losses, and from time to time, if appropriate, we must write down the value of properties in our other real estate owned portfolio to reflect changing market values. Additionally, there are legal fees associated with the resolution of problem assets as well as carrying costs, including taxes, insurance and maintenance related to our other real estate owned. Further, the resolution of NPAs requires the active involvement of management, potentially distracting them from the overall supervision of our operations and other income-producing activities.

Our earnings may not grow if we are unable to successfully attract core deposits and lending opportunities and exploit opportunities to generate fee-based income.

We have experienced growth, and our future business strategy is to continue to expand. Historically, the growth of our loans and deposits has been the principal factor in our increase in net-interest income. In the event that we are unable to execute our business strategy of continued growth in loans and deposits, our earnings could be adversely impacted. Our ability to continue to grow depends, in part, upon our ability to expand our market share, to successfully attract core deposits and identify loan and investment opportunities, as well as opportunities to generate fee-based income. Our ability to manage growth successfully will also depend on whether we can continue to efficiently fund asset growth and maintain asset quality and cost controls, as well as on factors beyond our control, such as economic conditions and interest-rate trends.

We do not have any control over the commissions our insurance business expects to earn on the sale of insurance products, which are based on premiums and commission rates set by insurers and the conditions prevalent in the insurance market.

The revenues of our fee-based insurance business are derived primarily from commissions from the sale of insurance policies, which commissions are generally calculated as a percentage of the policy premium. Commission rates and premiums can change based on the prevailing economic and competitive factors that affect insurance underwriters. In addition, the insurance industry has been characterized by periods of intense price competition due to excessive underwriting capacity and periods of favorable premium levels due to shortages of capacity. We cannot predict the timing or extent of future changes in commission rates or premiums or the effect any of these changes will have on the operations of our insurance business.

# Changes in interest rates could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition.

Our profitability, like that of most financial institutions, depends substantially on our net interest income, which is the difference between the interest income earned on our interest-earning assets and the interest expense paid on our interest-bearing liabilities. Increases in interest rates may decrease loan demand and make it more difficult for borrowers to repay adjustable rate loans. In addition, as market interest rates rise, we will have competitive pressures to increase the rates we pay on deposits, which will result in a decrease of our net interest income.

We also are subject to reinvestment risk associated with changes in interest rates. Changes in interest rates may affect the average life of loans and mortgage-related securities. Decreases in interest rates can result in increased prepayments of loans and mortgage-related securities as borrowers refinance to reduce borrowing costs. Under these circumstances, we are subject to reinvestment risk to the extent that we are unable to reinvest the cash received from such prepayments at rates that are comparable to the rates on existing loans and securities.

#### Certain of our intangible assets may become impaired in the future.

Intangible assets are tested for impairment on a periodic basis. Impairment testing incorporates the current market price of our common stock, the estimated fair value of our assets and liabilities, and certain information of similar companies. It is possible that future impairment testing could result in a decline in value of our intangibles, which may be less than the carrying value, which may adversely affect our financial condition. If we determine that impairment exists at a given point in time, our earnings and the book value of the related intangibles will be reduced by the amount of the impairment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the results of impairment testing on our intangible assets have no impact on our tangible book value or regulatory capital levels.

# We are subject to extensive government regulation and supervision.

We are subject to extensive federal and state regulation and supervision. Banking regulations are primarily intended to protect depositors' funds, federal deposit insurance funds, consumers and the banking system as a whole, not stockholders. These regulations affect our lending practices, capital structure, investment practices, dividend policy and growth, among other things. Congress, the State of New Jersey and federal regulatory agencies continually review banking and insurance laws, regulations and policies for areas warranting changes. Changes to statutes, regulations or regulatory policies, including changes in interpretation or implementation of statutes,

regulations or policies, could affect us in substantial and unpredictable ways. Such changes could subject us to additional costs, limit the types of financial services and products we may offer and/or increase the ability of non-banks to offer competing financial services and products, among other things. Failure to comply with laws, regulations or policies could result in sanctions by regulatory agencies, civil money penalties, private lawsuits, and/or reputation damage, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. While we have policies and procedures designed to prevent any such violations, there can be no assurance that such violations will not occur. See the section captioned "Regulation and Supervision" in Item 1. Business, which is located elsewhere in this report.

# Compliance with the Dodd-Frank Act will alter the regulatory regime to which we are subject, and may increase our costs of operations and adversely impact our business.

The Dodd-Frank Act represented a significant overhaul of many aspects of the regulation of the financial-services industry. Among other things, the Dodd-Frank Act created a new federal CFPB, tightened capital standards, imposed clearing and margining requirements on many derivatives activities, and generally increased oversight and regulation of financial institutions and financial activities.

The CFPB began operations on July 21, 2011. It has broad authority to write regulations regarding consumer financial products and services. These regulations will apply to numerous types of entities, including insured depository institutions, such as the Bank, and mortgage servicing providers. It is impossible to predict at this time the content or number of such regulations.

In addition to the self-implementing provisions of the statute, the Dodd-Frank Act calls for over 200 administrative rulemakings by various federal agencies to implement various parts of the legislation. Many of the provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act are subject to further rulemaking, guidance and interpretation by the applicable federal banking agencies. It is difficult to predict what specific impact certain provisions and yet to be finalized implementing rules and regulations will have on us. We will have to apply resources to ensure that we are in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act and implementing rules, which may increase our costs of operations and adversely impact our earnings.

The Dodd-Frank Act and any implementing rules that are ultimately issued could have adverse implications on the financial industry, the competitive environment, and our ability to conduct business.

# We cannot predict the effect on our operations of any future legislative or regulatory initiatives.

We cannot predict what, if any, additional legislative or regulatory initiatives any governmental entity may undertake in the future, and what, if any, effects such initiatives may have on our operations. The U.S. federal, state and foreign governments have taken or are considering extraordinary actions in an attempt to ameliorate the worldwide financial crisis and the severe decline in the global economy, and to make further reforms to the U.S. financial services system. Further, there can be no assurance that any initiative enacted or adopted in response to the ongoing economic crisis will be effective at dealing with the ongoing economic crisis and improving economic conditions globally, nationally or in our markets, or that any such initiative will not have adverse consequences to us.

#### There is a risk that we may not be repaid in a timely manner, or at all, for loans we make.

The risk of non-payment (or deferred or delayed payment) of loans is inherent in commercial banking. Such non-payment, or delayed or deferred payment of loans to us, if they occur, may have a material adverse effect on our earnings and overall financial condition. Additionally, in compliance with applicable banking laws and regulations, we maintain an allowance for loan losses created through charges against earnings. As of December 31, 2014, our allowance for loan losses was \$5.6 million. Our marketing focus on small to medium-size businesses may result in the assumption by us of certain lending risks that are different from or greater than those which would apply to loans made to larger companies. We seek to minimize our credit risk exposure through credit controls, which include evaluation of potential borrowers' available collateral, liquidity and cash flow. However, there can be no assurance that such procedures will actually reduce loan losses.

# We are in competition with many other financial service providers, including larger commercial banks which have greater resources than us.

The banking industry within our trade area is highly competitive. Our principal market area is also served by branch offices of large commercial banks and thrift institutions. In addition, in 1999, the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Financial Modernization Act of 1999 was passed into law. The Modernization Act permits other financial entities, such as insurance companies and securities firms, to acquire or form financial institutions, thereby further increasing competition. A number of our competitors have substantially greater resources than we do to expend upon advertising and marketing, and their substantially greater capitalization enables them to make much larger loans. Our success depends upon our ability to serve small business clients in a more responsive manner than the large and mid-size financial institutions against whom we compete in our principal market area. In addition to competition from larger institutions, we also face competition for individuals and small businesses from recently formed banks seeking to compete as "home town" institutions. Most of these new institutions have focused their marketing efforts on the smaller end of the small business market we serve.

# The laws that regulate our operations are designed for the protection of depositors and the public, but not our stockholders.

The federal and state laws and regulations applicable to our operations give regulatory authorities extensive discretion in connection with their supervisory and enforcement responsibilities and generally have been promulgated to protect depositors and the deposit insurance funds and to foster economic growth and not for the purpose of protecting stockholders. These laws and regulations can materially affect our future business. Laws and regulations now affecting us may be changed at any time, and the interpretation of such laws and regulations by bank regulatory authorities is also subject to change. We can give no assurance that future changes in laws and regulations or changes in their interpretation will not adversely affect our business.

# We depend on our executive officers and key personnel to continue the implementation of our long-term business strategy and could be harmed by the loss of their services.

We believe that our continued growth and future success will depend in large part upon the skills of our management team. The competition for qualified personnel in the financial services industry is intense, and the loss of our key personnel or an inability to continue to attract, retain and motivate key personnel could adversely affect our business. We cannot assure you that we will be able to retain our existing key personnel or attract additional qualified personnel. We have employment agreements and/or change in control agreements with our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Chief Technology Officer, Chief Lending Officer, Chief Retail Officer and Chief Executive Officer of Tri-State, and the loss of the services of one or more of our executive officers and key personnel could impair our ability to continue to develop our business strategy.

# Changes in local economic conditions could adversely affect our loan portfolio.

Our success depends to a great extent upon the general economic conditions of the local markets that we serve. Unlike larger banks that are more geographically diversified, we provide banking and financial services primarily to customers in the New Jersey and New York markets in which we have branches, so any decline in the economy of this specific region could have an adverse impact on us.

The ability of our borrowers to repay their loans, our financial results, the credit quality of our existing loan portfolio, and the ability to generate new loans with acceptable yield and credit characteristics may be adversely affected by changes in prevailing economic conditions, including declines in real estate values, changes in interest rates, adverse employment conditions and the monetary and fiscal policies of the federal government. We cannot assure you that negative trends or developments would not have a significant adverse effect on us.

# We cannot predict how changes in technology will impact our business.

The financial services market, including banking services, is increasingly affected by advances in technology, including developments in telecommunications, data processing, automation, internet-based banking, telephone banking, and debit cards and so-called "smart cards."

Our ability to compete successfully in the future will depend on whether we can anticipate and respond to technological changes. To develop these and other new technologies, we will likely have to make additional capital investments. Although we continually invest in new technology, we cannot assure you that we will have sufficient resources or access to the necessary proprietary technology to remain competitive in the future.

# Our information systems may experience an interruption or breach in security.

We rely heavily on communications and information systems to conduct our business. Any failure, interruption or breach in security of these systems could result in failures or disruptions in our customer-relationship management, general ledger, deposit, loan and other systems. While we have policies and procedures designed to prevent or limit the effect of the failure, interruption or security breach of our information systems, there can be no assurance that any such failures, interruptions or security breaches will not occur, or, if they do occur, that they will be adequately addressed. The occurrence of any failures, interruptions or security breaches of our information systems could damage our reputation, result in a loss of customer business, subject us to additional regulatory scrutiny or expose us to civil litigation and possible financial liability, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

#### ITEM 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

Not applicable.

#### ITEM 2. PROPERTIES

We conduct our business through our corporate office in Rockaway, New Jersey, our regional office and corporate center in Wantage, New Jersey, our regional lending office in Rochelle Park, New Jersey, our insurance agency offices in Augusta and Rochelle Park, New Jersey, and our ten branch offices. The following table sets forth certain information regarding our properties as of December 31, 2014. We believe that our existing facilities are sufficient for our current needs. All properties are adequately covered by insurance.

LOCATION	LEASED OR OWNED	DATE OF LEASE EXPIRATION			
28-21 Astoria Blvd					
Astoria, New York	Leased	November, 2019			
399 Route 23		27/4			
Franklin, New Jersey	Owned	N/A			
7 Church Street Vernon, New Jersey	Owned	N/A			
266 Clove Road	o whea	11/11			
Montague, New Jersey	Leased	March, 2017			
96 Route 206		,			
Augusta, New Jersey	Leased	July, 2017			
378 Route 23					
Wantage, New Jersey	Owned	N/A			
455 Route 23					
Wantage, New Jersey	Owned (1)	N/A			
15 Boulder Hills Blvd.					
Wantage, New Jersey	Leased	June, 2020			
15 Trinity Street	0 1	NT/A			
Newton, New Jersey	Owned	N/A			
165 Route 206 Andover, New Jersey	Owned	N/A			
·	Owned	IN/A			
100 Route 206 Augusta, New Jersey	Owned	N/A			
33 Main Street	o whea	11/11			
Sparta, New Jersey	Owned	N/A			
100 Enterprise Drive, Suite 700					
Rockaway, New Jersey	Leased	January, 2020			
20-22 Fowler Street					
Port Jervis, New York	Leased	June, 2016			
430 Schooley's Mtn. Road					
Hackettstown, New Jersey	Leased	June, 2017			
201 West Passaic Street					
Rochelle Park, New Jersey	Leased	September, 2015			

<sup>(1)</sup> We own the building housing our former Wantage branch. The land on which the building is located is leased pursuant to a ground lease which runs until December 31, 2020, and contains an option for us to extend the lease for an additional 25 year term.

# ITEM 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We are periodically involved in various legal proceedings as a normal incident to our business. In the opinion of management no material loss is expected from any such pending lawsuit.

# ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

#### PART II

# ITEM 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

#### **Market Information**

Our common stock trades on the NASDAQ Global Market, under the symbol "SBBX." As of December 31, 2014, we had approximately 585 holders of record.

The following table shows the high and low sales price during the periods indicated, as well as dividends declared:

2014	High	Low	Cash Dividends Declared
Fourth Quarter ended December 31	\$10.75	\$9.67	\$0.03
Third Quarter ended September 30	\$10.55	\$8.96	\$0.03
Second Quarter ended June 30	\$9.50	\$8.53	\$0.03
First Quarter ended March 31	\$9.40	\$7.53	-
			Cash Dividends
2013	High	Low	Declared
Fourth Quarter ended December 31	\$8.05	\$6.60	-
Third Quarter ended September 30	\$7.21	\$6.00	-
Second Quarter ended June 30	\$7.50	\$6.00	-
First Quarter ended March 31	\$7.65	\$5.23	

# **Dividend Policy**

The payment of dividends depends upon our debt and equity structure, earnings, financial condition, need for capital in connection with possible future acquisitions and other factors, including economic conditions, regulatory restrictions and tax considerations. We cannot guarantee the payment of dividends.

The only funds available for the payment of dividends on our capital stock will be cash and cash equivalents held by us, dividends paid to us by the Bank, and borrowings. The Bank is prohibited from paying cash dividends to us to the extent that any such payment would reduce the Bank's capital below required capital levels. See "Bank Holding Company Regulation – Capital Adequacy Guidelines for Bank Holding Companies" and "Bank Regulation" for a discussion of these restrictions. For additional information see Note 19 in our consolidated financial statements contained elsewhere in this report.

### **Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities**

There were no sales by us of unregistered securities during the year ended December 31, 2014.

# Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer and Affiliated Purchasers

There were no purchases made by or on behalf of us of our common stock during the fourth quarter of 2014.

#### ITEM 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

The following selected financial data as of December 31 for each of the five years presented should be read in conjunction with our audited consolidated financial statements and the accompanying notes.

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data))	As of and for the Year Ended December 31									
		2014		2013		2012	_	2011		2010
SUMMARY OF INCOME:										
Interest income	\$	21,300	\$	19,642	\$	19,967	\$	21,340	\$	22,028
Interest expense		3,294		3,201		3,800		4,427		5,613
Net interest income		18,006		16,441		16,167		16,913		16,415
Provision for loan losses  Net interest income after provision for loan losses		1,537		2,745		4,330		3,306		3,280
		16,469		13,696		11,837		13,607		13,135
Other income		5,961		6,093		7,001		5,321		4,593
Other expenses		18,829	_	18,228	_	18,432	_	15,821	_	15,010
Income before income tax expense		3,601		1,561		406		3,107		2,718
Income tax expense (benefit)		1,001	_	133	_	(329)		637	_	542
Net income	\$	2,600	\$	1,428	\$	735	\$	2,470	\$	2,176
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF SHARES: (1)										
Basic		4,541,305		3,781,562		3,261,809		3,256,183		3,249,706
Diluted		4,580,350		3,816,904		3,287,017		3,327,379		3,299,369
PER SHARE DATA:										
Basic earnings per share	\$	0.57	\$	0.38	\$	0.23	\$	0.76	\$	0.67
Diluted earnings per share		0.57		0.37		0.22		0.74		0.66
Cash dividends (2)		0.09		-		-		-		-
BALANCE SHEET:										
Loans, net	\$	466,332	\$	386,981	\$	342,760	\$	332,495	\$	331,837
Total assets		595,915		533,911		514,734		506,953		474,024
Total deposits		458,270		430,297		432,436		425,376		385,967
Total stockholders' equity		51,229		46,425		40,372		39,902		36,666
Average assets		559,885		529,152		510,565		483,627		477,739
Average stockholders' equity		49,494		42,382		40,720		38,369		35,999
PERFORMANCE RATIOS:										
Return on average assets		0.46%		0.27%		0.14%		0.51%		0.46%
Return on average stockholders' equity		5.25%		3.37%		1.81%		6.44%		6.04%
Average equity/average assets		8.84%		8.01%		7.98%		7.93%		7.54%
Net interest margin		3.49%		3.41%		3.52%		3.87%		3.81%
Efficiency ratio (3)		78.56%		80.89%		79.56%		71.16%		71.45%
Other income to net interest income plus other income		24.87%		27.04%		30.22%		23.93%		21.86%
Dividend payout ratio		15.79%		-		-		-		-
CAPITAL RATIOS: (4)										
Tier I capital to average assets		10.19%		10.38%		9.27%		9.29%		9.04%
Tier I capital to total risk-weighted assets		12.79%		14.21%		12.88%		13.05%		12.37%
Total capital to total risk-weighted assets		14.02%		15.47%		14.13%		14.31%		13.63%
ASSET QUALITY RATIOS:										
Non-accrual loans to total loans		1.26%		3.03%		5.14%		7.15%		6.71%
Non-performing assets to total assets (5)		2.02%		3.10%		4.61%		6.71%		5.58%
Net loan charge-offs to average total loans		0.33%		0.65%		3.70%		0.73%		0.72%
Allowance for loan losses to total loans at period end		1.20%		1.38%		1.43%		2.12%		1.89%
Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans (6)		74.23%		39.73%		26.93%		26.03%		26.60%

<sup>(1)</sup> The weighted average number of shares outstanding was computed based on the average number of shares outstanding during each period as adjusted for subsequent stock dividends.

(2) Cash dividends per common share are based on the actual number of common shares outstanding on the dates of record as adjusted for

subsequent stock dividends, if any.

- (3) Efficiency ratio is total other expenses divided by net interest income and total other income.
- (4) Bank capital ratios.
- (5) NPAs include non-accrual loans, loans past due 90 days and still accruing, troubled debt restructured loans still accruing and foreclosed real estate
- (6) Non-performing loans include non-accrual loans, loans past due 90 days and still accruing and troubled debt restructured loans still accruing.

# ITEM 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

#### Overview

We are a bank holding company of a community bank primarily operating in northern New Jersey and New York that provides diversified financial services to both consumer and business customers. Our primary source of revenues, approximately 75%, is derived from net interest income which represents the difference between the interest we earn on our assets, principally loans and investment securities, and interest we pay on our deposits and borrowings. Net interest income expressed as a percentage of average interest-earning assets is referred to as net interest margin. Our net interest margin was positively impacted during the year ended December 31, 2014 due to an improvement in our asset mix. The impact resulted in interest earning asset yields increasing faster than interest bearing deposits rates, which increased our net interest margin by 8 basis points to 3.49% for the year ended 2014 compared to 3.41% for the year ended 2013.

We augment our primary revenue source through non-interest income sources that include insurance commissions from our wholly owned subsidiary, Tri-State, service charges on deposits, bank-owned life insurance ("BOLI") income and commissions on mutual funds and annuities. In addition, we from time to time may recognize income on gains on sales of securities; however, we do not consider this a primary source of income.

We made significant progress in 2014 towards reducing our problem assets, which was one of our primary goals. For 2014, we had a 27.3% improvement in NPAs and our total problem assets, which consists of foreclosed real estate and criticized and classified loans, declined by 19.3% as compared to 2013. In addition, the ratio of NPAs to total assets improved to 2.0% at December 31, 2014 from 3.1% at December 31, 2013.

For 2014, our net income increased to \$2.6 million, or \$0.57 per diluted share as compared to \$1.4 million, or \$0.37 per diluted share, for the year ended December 31, 2013. Our operating results for 2014 were positively impacted by decreasing levels of credit quality costs (loan collection costs, expenses and write-downs related to foreclosed real estate and provision for loan losses), which decreased \$2.3 million compared to 2013.

Total loans receivable, net of unearned income, increased \$79.5 million, or 20.5%, to \$472.0 million at December 31, 2014, from \$392.4 million at year-end 2013. This increase was primarily attributed to growth in the commercial loan portfolio. Our total deposits increased \$28.0 million, or 6.5%, to \$458.3 million at December 31, 2014, from \$430.3 million at December 31, 2013. The increase in deposits was due to increases in both interest bearing deposits of \$15.7 million, or 4.2%, and non-interest bearing deposits of \$12.3 million, or 21.1%, for December 31, 2014, as compared to December 31, 2013.

At December 31, 2014, our total stockholders' equity was \$51.2 million, an increase of \$4.8 million when compared to December 31, 2013. The increase was largely due to net income for the year ended December 31, 2014 and an improvement in AOCI relating to a reduction in the net unrealized losses on available for sale securities. At December 31, 2014, the leverage, Tier I risk-based capital and total risk-based capital ratios for the Bank were 10.19%, 12.79% and 14.02%, respectively, all in excess of the ratios required to be deemed "well-capitalized."

#### **Management Strategy**

Our goal is to serve as a community-oriented financial institution serving northern New Jersey and the New York marketplace. While offering traditional community bank loan and deposit products and services, we obtain significant non-interest income through Tri-State's insurance brokerage operations. We report the operations of Tri-State as a separate segment from our commercial banking operations. See Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements contained elsewhere in this report for additional information regarding our two segments.

### **Critical Accounting Policies**

Our accounting policies are fundamental to understanding Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. Our accounting policies are more fully described in Note 1 to our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this report. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions about future events that affect the amounts reported in our consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes. Since future events and their effect cannot be determined with absolute certainty, actual results may differ from those estimates. Management makes adjustments to its assumptions and judgments when facts and circumstances dictate. The amounts currently estimated by us are subject to change if different assumptions as to the outcome of future events are subsequently made. We evaluate our estimates and judgments on historical experience and on various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Management believes the following critical accounting policies encompass the more significant judgments and estimates used in preparation of our consolidated financial statements.

Allowance for Loan Losses. The allowance for loan losses reflects the amount deemed appropriate by management to provide for known and inherent losses in the existing loan portfolio. Management's judgment is based on the evaluation of the past loss experience of individual loans, the assessment of current economic conditions, and other relevant factors. Loan losses are charged directly against the allowance for loan losses and recoveries on previously charged-off loans are added to the allowance. Management uses significant estimates to determine the allowance for loan losses. Consideration is given to a variety of factors in establishing these estimates, including current economic conditions, diversification of the loan portfolio, delinquency statistics, borrowers' perceived financial and managerial strengths, the adequacy of underlying collateral, if collateral dependent, or present value of future cash flows, and other relevant factors. Since the sufficiency of the allowance for loan losses is dependent to a great extent on conditions that may be beyond our control, it is possible that management's estimates of the allowance for loan losses and actual results could differ in the near term. Although we believe that we use the best information available to establish the allowance for loan losses, future additions to the allowance may be necessary if certain future events occur that cause actual results to differ from the assumptions used in making the evaluation. For example, a downturn in the local economy could cause increases in nonperforming loans. Additionally, a decline in real estate values could cause some of our loans to become inadequately collateralized. In either case, this may require us to increase our provisions for loan losses, which would negatively impact earnings. Additionally, a large loss could deplete the allowance and require increased provisions to replenish the allowance, which would negatively impact earnings. Finally, regulatory authorities, as an integral part of their examination, periodically review the allowance for loan losses. They may require additions to the allowance for loan losses based upon their judgments about information available to them at the time of examination. Future increases to our allowance for loan losses, whether due to unexpected changes in economic conditions or otherwise, could adversely affect our future results of operations.

Appraisal Policy. We have a detailed policy covering the real estate appraisal process, including the selection of qualified appraisers, review of appraisal reports upon receipt, and complying with the federal regulatory standards that govern the minimum requirements for obtaining appraisals or evaluations to support the determination of the allowance for loan losses. Appraisals and evaluations are considered to be current when the valuation date is within 12 months of a new loan or 24 months of any renewal of an existing loan, provided that certain conditions are met. The appraisal is not considered to be current if there has been a substantial change in value, demand, supply or competitive factors.

The following types of transactions require a real estate appraisal:

- Non-residential transactions when the transaction value exceeds \$250,000.
- Loan transactions in which real estate is used as the primary security for the loan, regardless of the type of loan (commercial, installment or mortgage), including:

- New loans, loan modifications, loan extensions and renewals, provided that certain conditions are met.
- The purchase, sale, exchange or investment in real property or an interest in real property where the "transaction value" of the real property interest exceeds \$250,000.
- The long-term lease of real estate, which is the economic equivalent of a purchase or sale where the "transaction value" of the real property interest exceeds \$250,000.
- Purchase of a loan or pool of loans, or participation therein, or of an interest in real property, providing that any individual loan or property interest exceeds \$250,000, and further provided that a satisfactory appraisal of the property relating to that loan or interest has not been made available to the Bank by another party to the transaction.

The need for real estate appraisals applies to initial loan underwriting and subsequently when the value of the real estate collateral might be materially affected by changing market conditions, changes in the occupancy of the property, changes in cash flow generated by the property, changes in the physical conditions of the property, or other factors. These factors include changes in the sales prices of comparable properties, absorption rates, capitalization rates, effective rental rates and current construction costs.

Real estate appraisals are not required for the following transactions:

- New loans, loan modifications, loan extensions and renewals with real property interest value of \$250,000 or less.
- Purchase, sale, exchange, long-term lease or investment in real property where the "transaction value" of the real property interest does not exceed \$250,000.
- Renewal or extension of an existing loan in excess of \$250,000 provided that certain conditions are met
- Purchase of a loan or pool of loans, or participation therein, or of an interest in real property where a satisfactory appraisal of the property relating to that loan or interest has been made available to the Bank by another federally insured depository institution that is subject to Title XI of Financial Institutions Reform Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989.

While real estate appraisals are not required for transactions of \$250,000 or less, we will consider obtaining one if the orderly liquidation of the collateral is the primary source of repayment. To the extent that an appraisal is not required for a real estate collateralized transaction, we will obtain for its credit files another acceptable form of valuation (i.e. equalized value with a reasonable market relevance or evaluation).

Additionally, real estate appraisals are not required on transactions over \$250,000 when taking a lien on real property as collateral solely through an "abundance of caution," and where the terms of the transaction have not been made more favorable than would have been in the absence of the mortgage lien. In determining whether an appraisal can be waived due to this reason, approval must be obtained from our Chief Credit Officer.

Generally, we obtain updated appraisals for real estate loan renewals and modifications or certain classified loans depending on the age of the last appraisal, volatility of the local market, and other factors. In certain circumstances, if we can support an appraisal that is greater than one year old with an evaluation, utilizing current information, including, but not limited to, current comparable sales, independent appraisal, consultant data or tax assessment values, then we may continue to use the existing appraisal. For classified/criticized loans, when it is determined that a deficiency exists utilizing the above evaluation methods, a new appraisal will be ordered.

Stock Compensation Plans. We currently have a stock plan in place for our employees and directors. We account for stock-based compensation under the accounting guidance of Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 718, Compensation-Stock Compensation, which requires that the compensation cost relating to share-based payment transactions be recognized in financial statements. Several critical estimates are required to be made to determine the stock compensation. The stock compensation accounting guidance requires that compensation cost for all stock awards be calculated and recognized over predefined vesting periods.

Income Taxes. Management considers accounting for income taxes as a critical accounting policy due to the subjective nature of certain estimates that are involved in the calculation and evaluation of the timing and recognition of resulting tax assets and liabilities. Management uses the asset liability method of accounting for income taxes in which deferred tax assets and liabilities are established for the temporary differences between the financial reporting basis and the tax basis of our assets and liabilities. Deferred tax expense is the result of changes between deferred tax assets and liabilities. The principal types of differences between assets and liabilities for financial statement and tax return purposes are allowance for loan losses, deferred compensation and securities available for sale. Significant estimation is required to determine if a valuation allowance for deferred tax assets is required.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets. We have recorded goodwill of \$2.8 million at December 31, 2014, primarily related to the acquisition of Tri-State in October of 2001. FASB ASC 350, Intangibles-Goodwill and Others, requires that goodwill is not amortized to expense, but rather be tested for impairment at least annually. We periodically assess whether events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts of goodwill require additional impairment testing. We perform our annual impairment test on the goodwill of Tri-State in the fourth quarter of each calendar year. If the fair value of the reporting unit exceeds the book value, no write-downs of goodwill are necessary. If the fair value is less than the book value, an additional test is necessary to assess the proper carrying value of goodwill. We determined that no impairment write-offs were necessary during 2014 and 2013.

Reporting unit valuation is inherently subjective, with a number of factors based on assumptions and management judgments. Among these are future growth rates, discount rates and earnings capitalization rates. Changes in assumptions and results due to economic conditions, industry factors and reporting unit performance could result in different assessments of the fair value and could result in impairment charges in the future.

Investment Securities Impairment Evaluation. The Company periodically evaluates the security portfolio to determine if a decline in the fair value of any security below its cost basis is other-than-temporary. The Company's evaluation of other-than-temporary impairment considers the duration and severity of the impairment, the company's intent and ability to hold the securities and our assessments of the reason for the decline in value and the likelihood of a near-term recovery. If a determination is made that a debt security is other-than-temporarily impaired, the Company will estimate the amount of the unrealized loss that is attributable to credit and all other non-credit related factors. The credit related component will be recognized as an other-than-temporary impairment charge in non-interest income. The non-credit related component will be recorded as an adjustment to AOCI, net of tax. For held to maturity securities, the amount of an other-than-temporary impairment recorded in other comprehensive income for the noncredit portion of a previous other-than-temporary impairment should be amortized prospectively over the remaining life of the security on the basis of the timing of future estimated cash flows of the security. No available for sale and held to maturity securities at December 31, 2014 or December 31, 2013 were deemed to be impaired.

# COMPARISON OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AT YEAR-END DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013

*General.* At December 31, 2014, we had total assets of \$595.9 million compared to total assets of \$533.9 million at December 31, 2013, an increase of \$62.0 million, or 11.6%. Gross loans increased \$79.5 million, or 20.5%, to \$472.0 million at December 31, 2014, from \$392.4 million at December 31, 2013. Total deposits increased 6.5% to \$458.3 million at December 31, 2014, from \$430.3 million at December 31, 2013.

*Cash and Cash Equivalents.* Our cash and cash equivalents decreased \$7.4 million, or 55.8%, at December 31, 2014 to \$5.8 million from \$13.2 million at December 31, 2013. This decrease was predominantly due to funding loan growth.

Securities Portfolio. Our securities portfolio is designed to provide interest income, including tax-exempt income, and also provide a source of liquidity, diversify the earning assets portfolio, allow for management of interest rate risk, and provide collateral for public fund deposits and borrowings. Securities are classified as either, available for sale or held to maturity. The portfolio is composed primarily of obligations of U.S. government agencies and government sponsored entities, including collateralized mortgage obligations issued by such agencies and entities, and tax-exempt municipal bonds.

We periodically conduct reviews to evaluate whether unrealized losses on our investment securities portfolio are deemed temporary or whether an other-than-temporary impairment has occurred. Various inputs to

economic models are used to determine if an unrealized loss is other-than-temporary. All of our debt and equity securities in an unrealized loss position have been evaluated as of December 31, 2014, and we do not consider any security to be other-than-temporarily impaired. We evaluated the prospects of the issuers in relation to the severity and the duration of the unrealized losses. Our securities in unrealized loss positions are mostly driven by wider credit spreads and changes in interest rates. Based on that evaluation we do not intend to sell any security in an unrealized loss position, and it is more likely than not that we will not have to sell any of our securities before recovery of its cost basis.

Our available for sale securities are carried at fair value while securities held to maturity are carried at cost, adjusted for amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts. Unrealized gains and losses on securities available for sale are excluded from results of operations, and are reported as a separate component of stockholders' equity net of taxes. Securities classified as available for sale include securities that may be sold in response to changes in interest rates, changes in prepayment risk, the need to increase regulatory capital or other similar requirements. Management determines the appropriate classification of securities at the time of purchase.

The following table shows the carrying value of our available for sale security portfolio as of December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012.

			Dec	ember 31,	
(Dollars in thousands)		2014		2013	2012
U.S. government agencies	\$	7,858	\$	5,380	\$ -
State and political subdivisions		26,384		25,875	27,741
Mortgage-backed securities					
U.S. government-sponsored enterprises		43,724		58,937	90,709
Equity securities-financial services industries and other		10		484	431
Total available for sale	\$	77,976	\$	90,676	\$ 118,881

Our securities, available for sale, decreased by \$12.7 million, or 14.0%, to \$78.0 million at December 31, 2014 from \$90.7 million at December 31, 2013. During 2014 we purchased \$24.4 million in new securities, \$27.6 million in securities were sold and \$11.7 million in securities matured, were called or were repaid. There was a \$3.9 million increase in the fair value of the available for sale portfolio resulting in a net unrealized gain position at December 31, 2014 and a \$289 thousand net realized gain on the sale of available for sale securities.

We had \$6.0 million of our security portfolio classified as held to maturity at December 31, 2014, a decrease of \$68 thousand from December 31, 2013. Held to maturity securities, carried at amortized cost, consist of the following at December 31, 2014, 2013 and 2012.

(Dollars in thousands)	2014		2013	2012
State and political subdivisions	\$	6,006 \$	6,074	\$ 5,221
Total held to maturity securities	\$	6,006 \$	6,074	\$ 5,221

The securities portfolio contained no high-risk securities or derivatives as of December 31, 2014.

The contractual maturity distribution and weighted average yield of our available for sale securities, except our equity securities, at December 31, 2014, are summarized in the following table. Securities available for sale are carried at amortized cost in the table for purposes of calculating the weighted average yield received on such securities. Weighted average yield is calculated by dividing income within each maturity range by the outstanding amount of the related investment and has not been tax-effected on the tax-exempt obligations.

	Due und	er 1 Year	Due 1-5	Years	Due 5-10	Years	Due over 1	0 Years
(Dollars in thousands)	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield
Available for sale:								
U.S. Government agencies	\$	%	\$ -	- %	\$ -	- % \$	7,873	1.10%
State and political subdivisions		%	-	- %	1,369	2.98%	25,063	2.88%
Mortgage-backed securities -								
U.S. government-sponsored enterprises		%	-	- %	3,397	1.25%	39,985	1.33%
Equity securities-financial services industries and								
other				- %		- %	8	- %
Total Available for Sale	\$	%	\$ -	- %	\$ 4,766	1.75%\$	72,921	1.83%

The contractual maturity distribution and weighted average yield of our securities held to maturity, at cost, at December 31, 2014, are summarized in the following table. Weighted average yield is calculated by dividing income within each maturity range by the outstanding amount of the related investment and has not been taxeffected on the tax-exempt obligations.

	Due under 1 Year		Due 1-5 Years		Due 5-10 Years		Due over 10 Years		
(Dollars in thousands)	A	mount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield	Amount	Yield
Held to maturity:									
State and political subdivisions	\$	2,099	1.02%	\$ -	- % \$	2,851	3.74%	1,056	4.51%
Total held to maturity	\$	2,099	1.02%	\$ -	- % \$	2,851	3.74%	1,056	4.51%

We held \$3.9 million in Federal Home Loan Bank of New York ("FHLBNY") stock at December 31, 2014 that we do not consider an investment security. Ownership of this restricted stock is required for membership in the FHLBNY.

**Loans.** The loan portfolio comprises the largest component of our earning assets. Total loans receivable, net of unearned income, at December 31, 2014, increased \$79.5 million, or 20.5%, to \$472.0 million from \$392.4 million at December 31, 2013. During the year ended December 31, 2014, new originations have exceeded payoffs both through scheduled maturities and prepayments. Loan growth for 2014 occurred primarily in commercial real estate loans (an increase of \$65.7 million, or 25.2%) and commercial and industrial loans (an increase of \$5.3 million, or 35.1%).

The following table summarizes the composition of our loan portfolio by type as of December 31,2010 through 2014:

	 December 31,								
(Dollars in thousands)	 2014	2013	2012	2011	2010				
Commercial and industrial	\$ 20,552	\$ 15,205	\$ 16,158	\$ 13,711	\$ 15,045				
Construction	12,379	7,307	7,004	8,520	20,862				
Commercial real estate	326,366	260,664	225,345	216,191	204,407				
Residential real estate	111,499	107,992	98,301	100,175	96,659				
Consumer and other loans	 1,665	1,617	1,255	1,336	1,395				
Total gross loans	\$ 472,461	\$ 392,785	\$ 348,063	\$ 339,933	\$ 338,368				

The increase in loans was funded during 2014 by an increase in our borrowings, deposits and securities repayments.

The maturity ranges of the loan portfolio and the amounts of loans with predetermined interest rates and floating rates in each maturity range, as of December 31, 2014, are presented in the following table.

	December 31, 2014							
		<b>Due Under</b>		<b>Due 1-5</b>		<b>Due Over</b>		
(Dollars in thousands)		1 Year		Years		5 Years		
Commercial and industrial	\$	5,968	\$	8,641	\$	5,943		
Construction		6,531		1,533		4,315		
Commercial real estate		18,343		10,801		297,222		
Residential real estate		1,432		5,468		104,599		
Consumer and other		542		375		748		
Total loans	\$	32,816	\$	26,818	\$	412,827		
Interest rates:								
Fixed or predetermined	\$	29,898	\$	23,537	\$	107,536		
Floating or adjustable		2,918		3,281		305,291		
Total loans	\$	32,816	\$	26,818	\$	412,827		

**Loan and Asset Quality.** NPAs consist of non-accrual loans, loans over 90 days delinquent and still accruing interest, troubled debt restructured loans still accruing and foreclosed real estate. Total NPAs decreased by \$4.5 million, or 27.3%, to \$12.0 million at year-end 2014 from \$16.6 million at year-end 2013. The ratio of NPAs to total assets for December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013 were 2.0% and 3.1%, respectively.

Our non-accrual loan balance decreased \$6.0 million, or 50.2%, to \$5.9 million at December 31, 2014, from \$11.9 million at December 31, 2013. Troubled debt restructured loans still accruing has remained flat at \$1.6 million for December 31, 2014, and December 31, 2013. Foreclosed assets increased \$1.5 million to \$4.4 million at December 31, 2014, from \$2.9 million at December 31, 2013.

Management continues to monitor our asset quality and believes that the non-accrual loans are adequately collateralized and anticipated material losses have been adequately reserved for in the allowance for loan losses.

The following table provides information regarding risk elements in the loan and securities portfolio as of December 31, 2010 through 2014.

	December 31,									
(Dollars in thousands)		2014	2013	2012	2011	2010				
Non-accrual loans:										
Commercial and industrial	\$	94 \$	- \$	27 5	\$ 32 \$	78				
Construction		-	-	2,462	2,458	6,430				
Commercial real estate		3,936	9,700	12,062	19,311	14,930				
Residential real estate		1,893	2,192	3,315	2,482	1,244				
Consumer and other		1		1		-				
Total nonaccrual loans		5,924	11,892	17,867	24,283	22,682				
Loans past due 90 days and still accruing		85	123	208	803	49				
Troubled debt restructured loans still										
accruing		1,590	1,628	608	3,411	1,318				
Total non-performing loans		7,599	13,643	18,683	28,497	24,049				
Foreclosed real estate		4,449	2,926	5,066	5,509	2,397				
Total non-performing assets	\$	12,048 \$	16,569 \$	23,749	\$ 34,006 \$	26,446				
Non-accrual loans to total loans		1.26%	3.03%	5.14%	7.15%	6.71%				
Non-performing assets to total assets Interest income received on nonaccrual		2.02%	3.10%	4.61%	6.71%	5.58%				
loans	\$	138 \$	122 \$	301 5	\$ 408 \$	463				
Interest income that would have been recorded under the original terms of the										
loans	\$	301 \$	774 \$	996 9	\$ 1,509 \$	1,323				

In addition to monitoring non-performing loans we continue to monitor our portfolio for potential problem loans. Potential problem loans are defined as loans which cause management to have serious concerns as to the ability of such borrowers to comply with the present loan repayment terms and which may cause the loan to be placed on non-accrual status. As of December 31, 2014, we had six loans totaling \$1.9 million that we deemed potential problem loans. Management is actively monitoring these loans.

Future increases in the allowance for loan losses may be necessary based on the growth of the loan portfolio, the change in composition of the loan portfolio, possible future increases in non-performing loans and charge-offs, and the impact of deterioration of the real estate and economic environments in our lending region. Although we use the best information available, the level of allowance for loan losses remains an estimate that is subject to significant judgment and short-term change. For additional information, see Critical Accounting Policies above and as more fully described in Note 1 to our consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this report.

Allowance for Loan Losses. The allowance for loan losses consists of general and specific components. The specific component relates to loans that are classified as impaired. For those loans that are classified as impaired, an allowance is established when the discounted cash flows, collateral value or observable market price of the impaired loan is lower than the carrying value of that loan. The general component covers all other loans and is based on historical loss experience adjusted for qualitative factors. Other adjustments may be made to the allowance for pools of loans after an assessment of internal or external influences on credit quality that are not fully reflected in the historical loss or risk rating data.

Management regularly assesses the appropriateness and adequacy of the loan loss reserve in relation to credit exposure associated with individual borrowers, overall trends in the loan portfolio and other relevant factors, and believes the reserve is reasonable and adequate for each of the periods presented.

At December 31, 2014, the allowance for loan losses was \$5.6 million, an increase of \$220 thousand, or 4.1%, from \$5.4 million at December 31, 2013. The provision for loan losses was \$1.5 million and there were \$1.4 million in charge-offs and \$70 thousand in recoveries during 2014. The allowance for loan losses as a percentage of total loans was 1.20% at December 31, 2014 compared to 1.38% at December 31, 2013.

The table below presents information regarding our provision and allowance for loan losses for each of the periods presented.

Voor Ended December 21

	Year Ended December 31,								
(Dollars in thousands)		2014	2013	2012	2011	2010			
Balance at beginning of year	\$	5,421 \$	4,976	\$ 7,210	\$ 6,397	\$ 5,496			
Provision charged to operating expenses		1,537	2,745	4,330	3,306	3,280			
Recoveries of loans previously charged-off:									
Commercial and industrial		17	122	2	6	126			
Construction		-	-	-	516	-			
Commercial real estate		39	450	78	8	2			
Residential real estate		4	112	-	-	-			
Consumer and other		10	12	27	19	19			
Total recoveries		70	696	107	549	147			
Loans charged-off:									
Commercial and industrial		1	55	169	24	241			
Construction		-	350	1,538	909	768			
Commercial real estate		1,168	2,317	3,904	2,057	1,462			
Residential real estate		181	246	998	12	-			
Consumer and other		37	28	62	40	55			
Total charge-offs		1,387	2,996	6,671	3,042	2,526			
Net charge-offs		1,317	2,300	6,564	2,493	2,379			
Balance at end of year	\$	5,641 \$	5,421	\$ 4,976	\$ 7,210	\$ 6,397			
Net charge-offs to average loans outstanding		0.33%	0.62%	3.70%	0.73%	0.72%			
Allowance for loan losses total loans at yearend		1.20%	1.38%	1.43%	2.12%	1.89%			

The table below presents details concerning the allocation of the allowance for loan losses to the various categories for each of the periods presented. The allocation is made for analytical purposes and it is not necessarily indicative of the categories in which future credit losses may occur. The total allowance is available to absorb losses from any category of loans.

		Allowance for Loans Losses at December 31,							
		2014	<u> </u>	2013	<u> </u>	2012			
			Percent		Percent		Percent		
			of Loans		of Loans		of Loans		
			in Each		in Each		in Each		
			Category		Category		Category		
			to Total		to Total		to Total		
(Dollars in thousands)		Amount	Loans	Amount	Loans	Amount	Loans		
Commercial and industrial	\$	231	4.3% \$	222	3.9% \$	271	4.6%		
Construction		383	2.6%	308	1.8%	223	2.0%		
Commercial real estate		3,491	69.1%	3,399	66.4%	3,395	64.7%		
Residential real estate		903	23.6%	941	27.5%	869	28.3%		
Consumer and other loans		19	0.4%	16	0.4%	38	0.4%		
Unallocated	_	614		535		180			
Total	\$	5,641	100.0% \$	5,421	100.0% \$	4,976	100.0%		

	 All	lowance for Loans L	osses at December 31,		
	 2011		2010	1	
		Percent		Percent	
		of Loans		of Loans	
		in Each		in Each	
		Category		Category	
		to Total		to Total	
(Dollars in thousands)	 Amount	Loans	Amount	Loans	
Commercial and industrial	\$ 304	4.0%	\$ 436	4.4%	
Construction	294	3.1%	1,183	6.2%	
Commercial real estate	4,833	63.2%	3,760	60.4%	
Residential real estate	987	29.3%	798	28.6%	
Consumer and other loans	9	0.4%	56	0.4%	
Unallocated	783	-	164	-	
Total	\$ 7,210	100.0%	\$ 6,397	100.0%	

**Premises and Equipment.** Net premises and equipment increased by \$1.8 million, or 25.5%, from \$6.9 million at December 31, 2013 to \$8.7 million at December 31, 2014 primarily due to a technology upgrade completed in 2014.

*Bank-owned Life Insurance.* Our BOLI carrying value increased to \$12.2 million at December 31, 2014 from \$11.9 million at December 31, 2013. The increase was principally the result of \$322 thousand in net earnings on BOLI policies in 2014.

**Deposits.** Total deposits increased \$28.0 million, or 6.5%, to \$458.3 million at December 31, 2014, from \$430.3 million at December 31, 2013. The increase in deposits was due to increases in non-interest bearing deposits of \$12.3 million, or 21.1%, interest bearing deposits of \$8.0 million, or 2.9%, and time deposits of \$7.7 million, or 7.6%, for December 31, 2014, as compared to December 31, 2013. Our funding mix continued to improve as non-interest deposits increased.

Total average deposits increased \$9.6 million from \$436.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 to \$446.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, a 2.2% increase. Average NOW accounts increased \$5.4 million, or 4.7%, from \$113.5 million for 2013 to \$118.9 million for 2014. Average demand accounts increased \$9.4 million, or 16.6% from \$56.4 million for 2013 to \$65.7 million for 2014. Average time deposits increased \$6.7 million, or 6.8%, from \$99.0 million for 2013 to \$105.7 million for 2014. Average savings accounts decreased \$9.4 million or 6.1%, from \$153.3 million for 2013 to \$144.0 million for 2014. Average money market balances decreased \$2.5 million, or 17.4% from \$14.4 million for 2013 to \$11.9 million for 2014. Increases to average NOW accounts and demand deposits were partly offset by the aforementioned decreases in other deposit categories.

The average balances and weighted average rates paid on deposits for 2014, 2013 and 2012 are presented below.

	 Year Ended December 31,										
	2014 Avei	rage	2013 Ave	rage	2012 Average						
(Dollars in thousands)	Balance	Rate	Balance	Rate	Balance	Rate					
Demand, non-interest bearing	\$ 65,720	- % \$	56,361	- % \$	47,180	- %					
NOW	118,913	0.15%	113,535	0.14%	96,432	0.17%					
Money market	11,901	0.14%	14,409	0.20%	16,110	0.34%					
Savings	143,965	0.21%	153,322	0.23%	162,052	0.37%					
Time	 105,748	1.09%	99,025	1.31%	106,372	1.57%					
Total deposits	\$ 446,247	0.37% \$	436,652	0.42% \$	428,146	0.58%					

The remaining maturity for certificates of deposit accounts of \$100,000 or more as of December 31, 2014 is presented in the following table.

(Dollars in thousands)	
3 months or less	\$ 4,975
3 to 6 months	9,560
6 to 12 months	6,900
Over 12 months	 16,470
Total	\$ 37,905

**Borrowings.** Borrowings may consist of short and long-term advances from the FHLBNY and a line of credit at Atlantic Central Bankers Bank. The FHLBNY advances are secured under terms of a blanket collateral agreement by a pledge of qualifying residential and commercial mortgage loans. At December 31, 2014, we had \$46.0 million in long-term advances outstanding at a weighted average interest rate of 3.02%.

The following table summarizes short-term borrowings and weighted average interest rates paid during the past three years.

	 Year E	nded December	31,	
(Dollars in thousands)	2014	2013	2012	
Average daily amount of short-term borrowings outstanding during the period	\$ 2,657 \$	3,964	\$	53
Weighted average interest rate on average daily short-term borrowings	0.34%	0.38%	0.4	42%
Maximum short-term borrowings outstanding at any month-end	\$ 23,500 \$	17,500	\$ 1,:	500
Short-term borrowings outstanding at period end	\$ 23,500 \$	-	\$	
Weighted average interest rate on short-term borrowings at period end	0.39%	- %		- %

*Junior Subordinated Debentures.* On June 28, 2007, we raised \$12.9 million in capital through the issuance of junior subordinated debentures to a non-consolidated statutory trust subsidiary. The subsidiary in turn issued \$12.5 million in variable rate capital trust pass through securities to investors in a private placement. The

interest rate is based on the three-month LIBOR plus 144 basis points and adjusts quarterly. The rate at December 31, 2014 was 1.68%. The capital securities are currently redeemable by us at par in whole or in part. These trust preferred securities must be redeemed upon final maturity on September 15, 2037. The proceeds of these trust preferred securities, which have been contributed to the Bank, are included in the Bank's capital ratio calculations and treated as Tier I capital.

In accordance with FASB ASC 810, *Consolidation*, our wholly owned subsidiary, Sussex Capital Trust II, is not included in our consolidated financial statements. For regulatory reporting purposes, the Federal Reserve Board allows trust preferred securities to continue to qualify as Tier I capital subject to specified limitations.

*Equity.* Stockholders' equity inclusive of AOCI, net of income taxes, was \$51.2 million at December 31, 2014, an increase of \$4.8 million, from the \$46.4 million at year-end 2013. The increase in stockholders' equity was due to \$2.6 million in net income in 2014, and a \$2.3 million increase in unrealized gains on securities available for sale, net of tax at December 31, 2014 as compared to December 31, 2013.

#### COMPARISON OF OPERATING RESULTS FOR YEAR-END DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013

**Results of Operations.** Our net income is impacted by five major components and each of them is reviewed in more detail in the following discussion:

- net interest income, or the difference between interest income earned on loans and investments and interest expense paid on deposits and borrowed funds;
- provision for loan losses, or the amount added to the allowance for loan losses to provide reserves for inherent losses on loans;
- non-interest income, which is made up primarily of certain loan and deposit fees, insurance commissions and gains and losses from sales of securities or other transactions;
- non-interest expense, which consists primarily of salaries, employee benefits, credit collection and write-off costs and other operating expenses; and
- income taxes.

For the year ended December 31, 2014, the Company reported net income of \$2.6 million, or \$0.57 per basic and diluted share, as compared to net income of \$1.4 million, or \$0.38 per basic and \$0.37 per diluted share, for the same period last year. The increase in net income for the year ended December 31, 2014 was primarily attributed to a decrease in credit quality costs of \$2.3 million, or 49.3%, and an increase in net interest income of \$1.6 million, which were partially offset by increases in certain non-interest expenses.

**Net Interest Income**. Net interest income is the most significant component of our income from operations. Net interest income is the difference between interest earned on total interest-earning assets (primarily loans and investment securities), on a fully taxable equivalent basis, where appropriate, and interest paid on total interest-bearing liabilities (primarily deposits and borrowed funds). Fully taxable equivalent basis represents income on total interest-earning assets that is either tax-exempt or taxed at a reduced rate, adjusted to give effect to the prevailing incremental federal tax rate, and adjusted for nondeductible carrying costs and state income taxes, where applicable. Yield calculations, where appropriate, include these adjustments. Net interest income depends on the volume and interest rate earned on interest-earning assets and the volume and interest rate paid on interest-bearing liabilities.

<u>Comparative Average Balance and Average Interest Rates.</u> The following table presents, on a fully taxable equivalent basis, a summary of our interest-earning assets and their average yields, and interest-bearing liabilities and their average costs for each of the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013. The average balances of loans include non-accrual loans, and associated yields include loan fees, which are considered adjustment to yields.

					Year End	ed Decem	ber 31,			
(Dollars in thousands)	_		2014			2013			2012	
		Average		Average	Average		Average	Average		Average
Earning Assets:	_	Balance	Interest	Rate (2)	Balance	Interest	Rate (2)	Balance	Interest	Rate (2)
Securities:										
Tax exempt (3)	\$	31,079 \$	1,362	4.38%\$	30,758 \$	1,535	4.99%\$	31,397 \$	1,724	5.49%
Taxable		59,774	854	1.43%	87,155	603	0.69%	86,456	1,148	1.33%
Total securities		90,853	2,216	2.44%	117,913	2,138	1.81%	117,853	2,872	2.44%
Total loans receivable (1) (4)		429,320	19,512	4.54%	372,894	18,007	4.83%	339,927	17,646	5.19%
Other interest-earning assets		8,519	11	0.13%	6,488	16	0.25%	18,154	35	0.19%
Total earning assets		528,692	21,739	4.11%	497,295	20,161	4.05%	475,934	20,553	4.32%
Non-interest earning assets		36,881			37,620			41,795		
Allowance for loan losses		(5,688)		_	(5,763)		<u> </u>	(7,164)		
Total Assets	\$	559,885		\$	529,152		\$	510,565		
Sources of Funds:										
Interest bearing deposits:										
NOW	\$	118,913 \$	184	0.15%\$	113,535 \$	154	0.14%\$	96,432 \$	164	0.17%
Money market		11,901	17	0.14%	14,409	29	0.20%	16,110	54	0.34%
Savings		143,965	296	0.21%	153,322	351	0.23%	162,052	606	0.37%
Time		105,748	1,151	1.09%	99,025	1,293	1.31%	106,372	1,670	1.57%
Total interest bearing deposits		380,527	1,648	0.43%	380,291	1,827	0.48%	380,966	2,494	0.65%
Borrowed funds		48,246	1,434	2.97%	34,526	1,157	3.35%	26,053	1,065	4.09%
Junior subordinated debentures		12,887	212	1.65%	12,887	217	1.68%	12,887	241	1.87%
Total interest bearing liabilities		441,660	3,294	0.75%	427,704	3,201	0.75%	419,906	3,800	0.90%
Non-interest bearing liabilities:										
Demand deposits		65,720			56,361			47,180		
Other liabilities		3,011		_	2,705		_	2,759		
Total non-interest bearing liabilities		68,731			59,066			49,939		
Stockholders' equity		49,494			42,382			40,720		
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$	559,885		\$	529,152		\$	510,565		
Net Interest Income and Margin (5)			18,445	3.49%		16,960	3.41%		16,753	3.52%
Tax-equivalent basis adjustment			(439)			(519)			(586)	
Net Interest Income		\$	18,006		\$	16,441		\$	16,167	

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes loan fee income

Net interest income on a fully tax equivalent basis increased \$1.5 million, or 8.8%, to \$18.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 as compared to \$17.0 million for same period in 2013. The increase in net interest income was largely due to an increase in average interest earning assets of \$31.4 million or 6.3%, and by the net interest margin increasing 8 basis points to 3.49% for the year ended December 31, 2014 compared to the same period last year. The increase in average interest earning assets was driven by growth in average total loans receivable of \$56.4 million, offset by a decrease in average securities of \$27.1 million. The increase in the net interest margin was mostly due to an improvement in asset mix, which resulted in an increase in the average rate paid on interest earning assets of 6 basis points to 4.11% for the year ended December 31, 2014 from 4.05% for the same period in 2013.

<sup>(2)</sup> Average rates on securities are calculated on amortized costs

<sup>(3)</sup> Full taxable equivalent basis, using a 39% effective tax rate and adjusted for TEFRA (Tax and Equity Fiscal Responsibility Act) interest expense disallowance

<sup>(4)</sup> Loans outstanding include non-accrual loans

<sup>(5)</sup> Represents the difference between interest earned and interest paid, divided by average total interest-earning assets

Interest Income. Total interest income, on a fully taxable equivalent basis, increased \$1.6 million, or 7.8%, to \$21.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 compared to \$20.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. The increase in interest income was largely due to an increase in the average balance on interest earning assets, which increased \$31.4 million in 2014 as compared to 2013. The increase in the average balance on interest earning assets was primarily due to an increase in the average balance on loans of \$56.4 million in 2014 as compared to 2013, which was partially offset by a decrease in the average balance on securities of \$27.1 million in 2014 as compared to 2013.

Interest income from securities, on a fully taxable equivalent basis, increased \$78 thousand, or 3.6%, for the year ended December 31, 2014 compared to the same period in 2013. The increase was due to an increase in the average rate of 63 basis points to 2.44% for 2014 from 1.81% for 2013. The increase in average rate was partially offset by a decrease in the average balance of the securities portfolio of \$27.1 million, or 23%, for the year ended December 31, 2014 as compared to the same period in 2013.

Interest income from the loan portfolio increased by \$1.5 million, or 8.4%, to \$19.5 million for 2014 from \$18.0 million for 2013. The increase was due to an increase in the average balance on loans, which increased \$56.4 million, or 15.1%, for the year ended December 31, 2014 as compared to the same period in 2013. The increase in the average balance on loans was partially offset by a decrease of 29 basis points in the average rate on the loan portfolio for the year ended December 31, 2014 as compared to the same period in 2013.

Interest Expense. Total interest expense increased \$93 thousand, or 2.9%, to \$3.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2014 from \$3.2 million for the same period in 2013. The increase was principally due to an increase in the average balance of borrowings of \$13.7 million in 2014 compared to 2013. The increase in the average balance of borrowings was partially offset by a decrease in rates paid on time and money markets deposits of 22 and 6 basis points, respectively, for 2014 compared to 2013.

The following table reflects the impact on net interest income from changes in the volume of earning assets and interest bearing liabilities and changes in rates earned and paid by us on such assets and liabilities. For purposes of this table, nonaccrual loans have been included in the average loan balance. Changes due to both volume and rate have been allocated in proportion to the relationship of the dollar amount change in each.

	December 31, 2014 v. 2013					December 31, 2013 v. 2012					
		Increa	ase (decrease	)	Increase (decrease)						
		Due t	o changes in:	<u>:                                    </u>	Due to changes in:						
(Dollars in thousands)	Vo	lume	Rate	Total		/olume	Rate	Total			
Securities:											
Tax exempt (1)	\$	16 \$	(189) \$	(173)	\$	(34) \$	(155) \$	(189)			
Taxable		(235)	486	251		9	(554)	(545)			
Total securities		(219)	297	78		(25)	(709)	(734)			
Total loans receivable (2)		2,609	(1,104)	1,505		1,642	(1,281)	361			
Other interest-earning assets		4	(9)	(5)		(27)	8	(19)			
Total net change in income on interest-											
earning assets		2,394	(816)	1,578		1,590	(1,982)	(392)			
Interest bearing deposits:											
NOW		7	23	30		26	(36)	(10)			
Money market		(5)	(7)	(12)		(5)	(20)	(25)			
Savings		(20)	(35)	(55)		(31)	(224)	(255)			
Time		84	(226)	(142)		(109)	(268)	(377)			
Total interest bearing deposits		66	(245)	(179)		(119)	(548)	(667)			
Borrowed funds		420	(143)	277		306	(214)	92			
Junior subordinated debentures			(5)	(5)			(24)	(24)			
Total net change in expense on interest-											
bearing liabilities		486	(393)	93		187	(786)	(599)			
Change in net interest income	\$	1,908 \$	(423) \$	1,485	\$	1,403 \$	(1,196) \$	207			

<sup>(1)</sup> Fully taxable equivalent basis, using 39% effective tax rate and adjusted for TEFRA (Tax and Equity Fiscal Responsibility Act) interest expense disallowance

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes loan fee income

Provision for Loan Losses. Provision for loan losses decreased \$1.2 million to \$1.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, as compared to \$2.7 million for the same period in 2013. The decrease in the provision for loan losses for the year-ended December 31, 2014 was largely attributed to a decrease in charge-offs related to the resolution of problem loans. The provision for loan losses reflects management review, analysis and judgment of the credit quality of the loan portfolio for 2014 and the effects of current economic environment and changes in real estate collateral values from the time the loans were originated. Our non-accrual loans decreased \$6.0 million, or 50.2%, to \$5.9 million at December 31, 2014 from \$11.9 million at December 31, 2013. We believe these loans are adequately provided for in our loan loss allowance or are sufficiently collateralized at December 31, 2014. The provision for loan losses reflects management's judgment concerning the risks inherent in our existing loan portfolio and the size of the allowance necessary to absorb the risks, as well as the activity in the allowance during the periods. Management reviews the adequacy of its allowance on an ongoing basis and will provide additional provisions, as deemed necessary. Also see Note 6 to our consolidated financial statements herein for further discussion.

**Non-Interest Income.** Non-interest income consists of all income other than interest and dividend income and is principally derived from: service charges on deposits; insurance commission income; commissions on sales of annuities and mutual funds; ATM and debit card income; BOLI income; and net gains on sale of securities and loans. We recognize the importance of supplementing net interest income with other sources of income as we continue to explore new opportunities to generate non-interest income.

Non-interest income decreased \$132 thousand, or 2.2%, to \$6.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, as compared to the same period last year. The decrease in non-interest income was largely due to decreases in other non-interest income of \$105 thousand, gains on securities transactions of \$104 thousand, service fees on deposit accounts of \$88 thousand and investments and brokerage fees of \$62 thousand, which were partially offset by an increase in insurance commissions and fees of \$237 thousand.

Non-Interest Expense. Total non-interest expense increased \$601 thousand, or 3.3%, to \$18.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2014, as compared to the same period last year. The increase for the year ended December 31, 2014, as compared to the same period in 2013, was largely due to increases in salaries and employee benefits of \$755 thousand, data processing fees of \$438 thousand, other expenses of \$193 thousand, occupancy expenses of \$160 thousand, and furniture and equipment expenses of \$142 thousand, which were partially offset by decreases in expenses and write-downs related to foreclosed real estate of \$1.1 million and FDIC assessment fees of \$91 thousand. Non-interest expenses for the year ended December 31, 2014 were affected by increases in salaries and employee benefits expense and data processing fees, which were related to a technology upgrade that occurred in the third and fourth quarters of 2014. These additional costs were incurred primarily due to additional staffing requirements, de-conversion expenses and other technology upgrade costs. The majority of these increases are not expected to recur in 2015. In addition, the increase in salaries and employee benefits expense was also partly due to an increase in commercial lending staff.

*Income Taxes.* The provision for income taxes was \$1.0 million and \$133 thousand for 2014 and 2013, respectively. Our effective tax rate was 27.8% and 8.5% for 2014 and 2013, respectively. The increase in income tax expense for the year ended December 31, 2014 was primarily attributable to growth in pre-tax income from taxable sources. See Notes 1 and 16 to our consolidated financial statements for further discussion on income taxes.

#### **Operational Risk**

We are exposed to a variety of operational risks that can affect each of our business activities, particularly those involving processing and servicing of loans. Operational risk is defined as the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people or systems from external events. The risk of loss also includes losses that may arise from potential legal actions that could result from operational deficiencies or noncompliance with contracts, laws or regulations. We monitor and evaluate operational risk on an ongoing basis through systems of internal control, formal corporate-wide policies and procedures, and an internal audit function.

#### Liquidity, Capital Resources and Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

*Liquidity.* A fundamental component of our business strategy is to manage liquidity to ensure the availability of sufficient resources to meet all financial obligations and to finance prospective business opportunities. Liquidity management is critical to our stability. Our liquidity position over any given period of time is a product of

our operating, financing and investing activities. The extent of such activities is often shaped by such external factors as competition for deposits and loan demand.

On August 5, 2013, we completed a rights offering resulting in the issuance of 1,198,300 shares of common stock to existing stockholders. Each shareholder was granted one subscription right to purchase 0.35 share of our common stock at a subscription price of \$6.00 per whole share for every share owned on the record date. The rights offering was fully subscribed and resulted in net proceeds totaling \$6.9 million, which represented gross proceeds of \$7.2 million offset by offering costs of \$294 thousand.

Traditionally, financing for our loans and investments is derived primarily from deposits, along with interest and principal payments on loans and investments. At December 31, 2014, total deposits amounted to \$458.3 million, an increase of \$28.0 million, or 6.5%, over the prior comparable year. At December 31, 2014, advances from the FHLBNY and subordinated debentures totaled \$82.4 million and represented 13.8% of total assets as compared to \$53.9 million and 10.1% of total assets, at December 31, 2013.

Loan production continued to be our principal investing activity. Net loans at December 31, 2014 amounted to \$466.3 million, an increase of \$79.4 million, or 20.5%, compared to the same period in 2013.

Our most liquid assets are cash and cash equivalents. At December 31, 2014, the total of such assets amounted to \$5.9 million, or 1.0%, of total assets, compared to \$13.2 million, or 2.5%, of total assets at year-end 2013. Another significant liquidity source is our available for sale securities. At December 31, 2014, available for sale securities amounted to \$78.0 million compared to \$90.7 million at year-end 2013.

In addition to the aforementioned sources, we have available various other sources of liquidity, including federal funds purchased from other banks and the Federal Reserve Board discount window. The Bank also has the capacity to borrow an additional \$58.2 million through its membership in the FHLBNY and \$10.0 million line of credit at Atlantic Central Bankers Bank at December 31, 2014. Management believes that our sources of funds are sufficient to meet our present funding requirements.

Capital Resources. The Bank's regulators have classified and defined bank capital as consisting of Tier I capital, which includes tangible stockholders' equity for common stock and certain preferred stock and other hybrid instruments, and Total risk based capital. Total risk based capital includes Tier I capital and Tier II capital, which includes a portion of the allowance for loan losses, certain qualifying long-term debt and preferred stock which does not qualify for Tier I capital.

The Bank's regulators have implemented risk-based guidelines which require banks to maintain certain minimum capital as a percent of such assets and certain off-balance sheet items adjusted for predefined credit risk factors (risk-adjusted assets). Banks are required to maintain Tier I capital as a percent of risk-adjusted assets of 4.0% and Total risk based capital as of risk-adjusted assets of 8.0% at a minimum. At December 31, 2014, the Bank's Tier I and Total risk based capital ratios were 12.79% and 14.02%, respectively.

In addition to the risk-based guidelines discussed above, the Bank's regulators require that banks, which meet the regulators' highest performance and operational standards, maintain a minimum leverage ratio (Tier I capital as a percent of tangible assets) of 4.0%. For those banks with higher levels of risk or that are experiencing or anticipating growth, the minimum will be proportionately increased. Minimum leverage ratios for each bank and bank holding company are established and updated through the ongoing regulatory examination process. As of December 31, 2014, the Bank had a leverage ratio of 10.19%.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements. Our consolidated financial statements do not reflect off-balance sheet arrangements that are made in the normal course of business. These off-balance sheet arrangements consist of unfunded loans and letters of credit made under the same standards as on-balance sheet instruments. These unused commitments at December 31, 2014 totaled \$61.1 million, which consisted of \$20.2 million in commitments to grant commercial and residential loans, \$40.0 million in unfunded commitments under lines of credit and \$910 thousand in outstanding letters of credit. These instruments have fixed maturity dates, and because many of them will expire without being drawn upon, they do not generally present any significant liquidity risk to us. Management believes that any amounts actually drawn upon can be funded in the normal course of operations.

#### Market Risk

Market risk is generally described as the sensitivity of income to adverse changes in interest rates, foreign currency exchange rates, commodity prices, and other relevant market rates or prices. Market rate sensitive instruments include: financial instruments such as investments, loans, mortgage-backed securities, deposits, borrowings and other debt obligations; derivative financial instruments, such as futures, forwards, swaps and options; and derivative commodity instruments, such as commodity futures, forwards, swaps and options that are permitted to be settled in cash or another financial instrument.

We do not have any material exposure to foreign currency exchange rate risk or commodity price risk. We did not enter into any market rate sensitive instruments for trading purposes nor did we engage in any trading or hedging transactions utilizing derivative financial instruments during 2014. Our real estate loan portfolio, concentrated largely in northern New Jersey, is subject to risks associated with the local and regional economies. Our primary source of market risk exposure arises from changes in market interest rates ("interest rate risk").

# **Interest Rate Risk**

Interest rate risk is generally described as the exposure to potentially adverse changes in current and future net interest income resulting from: fluctuations in interest rates, product spreads, and imbalances in the repricing opportunities of interest-rate-sensitive assets and liabilities. Therefore, managing our interest rate sensitivity is a primary objective of our senior management. Our Asset/Liability Committee ("ALCO") is responsible for managing the exposure to changes in market interest rates. We review a variety of strategies that project changes in asset or liability mix and the impact of those changes on projected net interest income and net income.

Current and future sensitivity to changes in interest rates are measured through the use of balance sheet and income simulation models. The analyses capture changes in net interest income using flat rates as a base, a most likely rate forecast and rising and declining interest rate forecasts. Changes in net interest income and net income for the forecast period, generally twelve to twenty-four months, are measured and compared to policy limits for acceptable change. There are a variety of reasons that may cause actual results to vary considerably from the predictions presented below which include, but are not limited to, the timing, magnitude, and frequency of changes in interest rates, interest rate spreads, prepayments, and actions taken in response to such changes. Specific assumptions used in the simulation model include instantaneous and permanent yield curve shifts for market rates and current asset and liability spreads to market interest rates are fixed.

The following table sets forth our interest rate risk profile at December 31, 2014 and 2013. The interest rate sensitivity of our assets and liabilities and the impact on net interest income illustrated in the following table would vary substantially if different assumptions were used or if actual experience differs from that indicated by the assumptions.

		Net I	Portf	olio Value <sup>(2</sup>	2)	Net interest Income					
(Dollars in thousands) Change in Interest Rates	Est	Estimated		Estimated Increase (Decrease)			timated Interest	Estimated Increase (Decrease)			
(basis points)	N	PV(1)	A	mount	Percent	Income (3)		Income (3) Amo		Percent	
December 31, 2014											
+200bp	\$	65,759	\$	(12,719)	(16.2)%	\$	19,160	\$	(144)	(0.7)%	
0bp	\$	78,478		-	-	\$	19,304		-	-	
-100bp	\$	66,834	\$	(11,644)	(14.8)%	\$	18,232	\$	(1,072)	(5.6)%	
December 31, 2013											
+200bp	\$	66,236	\$	(26,506)	(28.9)%	\$	17,081	\$	400	2.4%	
0bp	\$	92,742		-	-	\$	16,681		-	-	
-100bp	\$	85,596	\$	(7,146)	(7.7)%	\$	15,410	\$	(1,271)	(7.6)%	

- (1) Assumes an instantaneous and parallel shift in interest rates at all maturities.
- (2) NPV, also referred to as economic value of equity, is the discounted present value of expected cash flows from assets, liabilities and off-balance sheet contracts.
- (3) Assumes a gradual change in interest rates over a one year period at all maturities.

Certain shortcomings are inherent in the methodologies used in the above interest rate risk measurements. Modeling changes in net interest income requires the making of certain assumptions regarding prepayment and deposit decay rates, which may or may not reflect the manner in which actual yields and costs respond to changes in market interest rates. While management believes such assumptions are reasonable, there can be no assurance that assumed prepayment rates and decay rates will approximate actual future loan prepayment and deposit withdrawal activity. Moreover, the net interest income table presented assumes that the composition of interest sensitive assets and liabilities existing at the beginning of a period remains constant over the period being measured and also assumes that a particular change in interest rates is reflected uniformly across the yield curve regardless of the duration to maturity or repricing of specific assets and liabilities. Accordingly, although the net interest income table provides an indication of our interest rate risk exposure at a particular point in time, such measurement is not intended to and does not provide a precise forecast of the effect of changes in market interest rates on net interest income and will differ from actual results. Furthermore, the simulation does not reflect actions that ALCO might take in response to anticipated changes in interest rates or competitive conditions in the market place.

# **Impact of Inflation and Changing Prices**

Unlike most industrial companies, virtually all of the assets and liabilities of a financial institution are monetary in nature. As a result, the level of interest rates has a more significant impact on a financial institution's performance than general levels of inflation. Interest rates do not necessarily move in the same direction or change with the same magnitude as the price of goods and services, which are affected by inflation. Accordingly, the liquidity, interest rate sensitivity and maturity characteristics of our assets and liabilities are more indicative of our ability to maintain acceptable performance levels. Management monitors and seeks to mitigate the impact of interest rate changes by attempting to match the maturities of assets and liabilities, thus seeking to minimize the potential effect of inflation.

## ITEM 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Not Applicable.

#### ITEM 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

Our consolidated financial statements and related notes thereto may be found beginning on page F-1 of this report.

# ITEM 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None.

#### ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

#### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Management, including our President and Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based upon that evaluation, our President and Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports we file and submit under the Exchange Act (i) is recorded, processed, summarized and reported as and when required and (ii) accumulated and communicated to our management including our President and Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely discussion regarding required disclosure.

We regularly assess the adequacy of our internal control over financial reporting and enhance our controls in response to internal control assessments and internal and external audit and regulatory requirements. There have

been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation that occurred during our last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or that is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rules 13A-15 (f) and 15d-15 (f) of the Exchange Act. Our internal control system was designed to provide reasonable assurance to our management and Board of Directors as to the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with GAAP. Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements, errors or fraud. Also, projections of any evaluations of effectiveness 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 the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Management, including our President and Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, assessed the effectiveness of our internal controls over financial reporting as of December 31, 2014. In making this assessment, management used criteria set forth in 1992 by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) in *Internal Control-Integrated Framework*. Based on this assessment, management concluded that as of December 31, 2014, our internal control over financial reporting is operating as designed and is effective based on the COSO criteria. Currently, our independent public accounting firm is not required to audit our internal control over financial reporting and therefore do not offer an opinion on its effectiveness.

#### ITEM 9B. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

#### PART III

#### ITEM 10. DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The information included in our Definitive Proxy Statement for the 2015 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the "Proxy Statement") under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference: "Proposal 1- Election of Directors," "Information About Our Board of Directors," "Information About Our Executive Officers Who Are Not Directors," "Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance," "Corporate Governance – Code of Ethics and Corporate Governance Guidelines," "Corporate Governance – Committees of the Board of Directors – Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee" and "Corporate Governance - Committees of the Board of Directors – Audit Committee."

#### ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information included in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference: "Executive Compensation" and "Director Compensation."

# ITEM 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information included in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference: "Securities Authorized For Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans" and "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management."

# ITEM 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

The information included in the Proxy Statement under the following captions is incorporated herein by reference: "Transactions with Related Persons" and "Corporate Governance – Board of Directors Independence."

#### ITEM 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT FEES AND SERVICES

The information included in the Proxy Statement under the following caption is incorporated herein by reference: "Proposal 2 – Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm - Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Fees and Services."

#### **PART IV**

# ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

#### (a)(1) Financial Statements

Reference is made to the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in Item 8 of Part II hereof.

# (a)(2) Financial Statement Schedules

Consolidated financial statement schedules have been omitted because the required information is not present, or not present in amounts sufficient to require submission of the schedules, or because the required information is provided in the consolidated financial statements or notes thereto.

# (a)(3) Exhibits

The exhibits required to be filed as part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K are listed in the Exhibit Index attached hereto and are incorporated herein by reference.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

#### SUSSEX BANCORP

/s/ Anthony Labozzetta

Anthony Labozzetta President and Chief Executive Officer Dated: March 20, 2015

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose individual signature appears below hereby authorizes and appoints Anthony Labozzetta and Steven M. Fusco, and each of them, with full power of substitution and resubstitution and full power to act without the other, as his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent to act in his or her name, place and stead and to execute in the name and on behalf of each person, individually and in each capacity stated below, and to file any and all amendments to this Annual Report on Form 10-K, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing, ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or any of them or their or his substitute or substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities indicated on March 20, 2015.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
	President and Chief Executive Officer
/s/ Anthony Labozzetta	(Principal Executive Officer)
Anthony Labozzetta	
	Chief Financial Officer and Senior Executive Vice President
/s/ Steven M. Fusco	(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)
Steven M. Fusco	-
/s/ Patrick Brady	Director
Patrick Brady	
/s/ Richard Branca	Director
Richard Branca	
/s/ Katherine H. Caristia	Director
Katherine H. Caristia	
/s/ Mark J. Hontz	Director
Mark J. Hontz	
/s/ Donald L. Kovach	Director
Donald L. Kovach	
/s/ Edward J. Leppert	Director
Edward J. Leppert	-
/s/ Timothy Marvil	Director
Timothy Marvil	-

/s/ Robert McNerney	Director
Robert McNerney	
/s/ Charles Musilli	Director
Charles Musilli	
	Director
/s/ John E. Ursin	Director
John E. Ursin	



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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Board of Directors and Stockholders Sussex Bancorp

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Sussex Bancorp and its subsidiary (the "Company") as of December 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related consolidated statements of income and comprehensive income (loss), stockholders' equity and cash flows for the year then ended. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit.

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 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 Sussex Bancorp and its subsidiary at December 31, 2014, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

BDO USA, LLP

Woodbridge, New Jersey March 20, 2015

# SUSSEX BANCORP CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Dollars in Thousands)	Decen	nber 31, 2014	<b>December 31, 2013</b>	
ASSETS Cash and due from banks	\$	2,953	¢	5,521
Interest-bearing deposits with other banks	Ф	2,933	Ф	7,725
Cash and cash equivalents		5,859		13,246
Interest bearing time deposits with other banks		100		100
		77,976		
Securities available for sale, at fair value Securities held to maturity, at amortized cost (fair value of \$6,190 and		//,9/0		90,676
\$6,060 at December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively)		6,006		6,074
Federal Home Loan Bank Stock, at cost		3,908		2,705
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Loans receivable, net of unearned income		471,973		392,402
Less: allowance for loan losses		5,641		5,421
Net loans receivable		466,332		386,981
Foreclosed real estate		4,449		2,926
Premises and equipment, net		8,650		6,892
Accrued interest receivable		1,796		1,642
Goodwill		2,820		2,820
Bank-owned life insurance		12,211		11,889
Other assets	_	5,808	-	7,960
Total Assets	\$	595,915	\$	533,911
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Liabilities: Deposits:				
Non-interest bearing	\$	70,490	\$	58,210
Interest bearing		387,780		372,087
Total deposits		458,270		430,297
Short-term borrowings		23,500		-
Long-term borrowings		46,000		41,000
Accrued interest payable and other liabilities		4,029		3,302
Junior subordinated debentures		12,887		12,887
Total Liabilities		544,686		487,486
Stockholders' Equity:				
Preferred stock, no par value, 1,000,000 shares authorized; none issued		-		-
Common stock, no par value, 10,000,000 shares authorized;				
4,673,789 and 4,640,296 shares issued and 4,662,606 and 4,629,113 shares				
outstanding at December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively		35,553		35,249
Treasury stock, at cost, 11,183 shares		(59)		(59)
Retained earnings		15,566		13,386
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		169		(2,151)
Total Stockholders' Equity		51,229		46,425
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$	595,915	\$	533,911
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# SUSSEX BANCORP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

		Year Ended Decen	ıber 31,	
(Dollars in thousands except per share data)		2014	2013	
INTEREST INCOME	¢.	10.512 ft	10.007	
Loans receivable, including fees	\$	19,512 \$	18,007	
Securities: Taxable		0.5.4	(02	
		854 923	603	
Tax-exempt			1,016	
Interest bearing deposits		11	16	
Total Interest Income		21,300	19,642	
INTEREST EXPENSE		1.640	1.027	
Deposits		1,648	1,827	
Borrowings		1,434	1,157	
Junior subordinated debentures		212	217	
Total Interest Expense	_	3,294	3,201	
Net Interest Income		18,006	16,441	
PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES		1,537	2,745	
Net Interest Income after Provision for Loan Losses OTHER INCOME		16,469	13,696	
Service fees on deposit accounts		1,047	1,135	
ATM and debit card fees		726	699	
Bank-owned life insurance		322	353	
Insurance commissions and fees		3,139	2,902	
Investment brokerage fees		108	170	
Net gain on sales of securities		289	393	
Net (loss) gain on sale of premises and equipment		(5)	1	
Other		335	440	
Total Other Income		5,961	6,093	
OTHER EXPENSES				
Salaries and employee benefits		10,079	9,324	
Occupancy, net		1,624	1,464	
Data processing		1,714	1,276	
Furniture and equipment		729	587	
Advertising and promotion		281	260	
Professional fees		737	748	
Director fees		475	455	
FDIC assessment		607	698	
Insurance		288	270	
Stationary and supplies		221	191	
Loan collection costs		380	347	
Net expenses and write-downs related to foreclosed real estate		432	1,538	
Amortization of intangible assets		-	1	
Other		1,262	1,069	
Total Other Expenses		18,829	18,228	
Income before Income Taxes	-	3,601	1,561	
EXPENSE FOR INCOME TAXES		1,001	133	
Net Income OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS):		2,600	1,428	
Unrealized gains (losses) on available for sale securities arising during the period		4,155	(3,785)	
Reclassification adjustment for net gain on securities transactions included in net income		(289)	(393)	
Income tax related to items of other comprehensive income (loss)		(1,546)	1,671	
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of income taxes		2,320	(2,507)	
Comprehensive income (loss), net of income taxes	\$	4,920 \$	(1,079)	
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EARNINGS PER SHARE  Pagin	¢.	0.57 0	0.20	
Basic	\$ \$	0.57 \$	0.38	
Diluted  See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements		0.57 \$	0.37	

# SUSSEX BANCORP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

				Accumulated		
	Number of			Other		Total
	Shares	Common	Retained	Comprehensive	Treasury	Stockholders'
(Dollars in Thousands)	Outstanding	Stock	Earnings	Income (Loss)	Stock	Equity
Balance December 31, 2012	3,397,873 \$	28,117 \$	5 11,958	\$ 356 \$	(59)	\$ 40,372
Net income	5,591,615 \$	20,117 4	1,428	φ 330 ¢	(39)	1,428
- 101 101	-	-	1,420	(2.507)	-	
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	(2,507)	-	(2,507)
Restricted stock granted	32,940	-	-	-	-	-
Stock issued in rights offering	1,198,300	6,896	-	=	-	6,896
Compensation expense related to stock option and restricted stock						
grants	_	236	_	_	_	236
Balance December 31, 2013	4,629,113	35,249	13,386	(2,151)	(59)	46,425
Net income	-	-	2,600	-	-	2,600
Other comprehensive income	_	-	-	2,320	-	2,320
Restricted stock granted	36,043	-	-	· -	_	-
Restricted stock forfeited	(2,550)	-	-	-	-	-
Compensation expense related to stock option and restricted stock						
grants	-	304	-	-	-	304
Dividends declared on common						
stock		-	(420)	-	-	(420)
Balance December 31, 2014	4,662,606 \$	35,553 \$	5 15,566	\$ 169 \$	(59)	\$ 51,229
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# SUSSEX BANCORP CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

		ıber 31,	
(Dollars in thousands)		2014	2013
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Net income	\$	2,600 \$	1,428
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities	:		
Provision for loan losses		1,537	2,745
Depreciation and amortization		797	669
Net amortization of securities premiums and discounts		1,711	3,057
Net realized gain on sale of securities		(289)	(393)
Net realized loss (gain) on sale of premises and equipment		5	(1)
Net realized gain on sale of foreclosed real estate		(10)	(17)
Write-downs of and provisions for foreclosed real estate		222	1,177
Deferred income tax (benefit) expense		(925)	1,135
Earnings on bank-owned life insurance		(322)	(353)
Compensation expense for stock options and stock awards		304	236
(Increase) decrease in assets:			
Accrued interest receivable		(154)	99
Other assets		1,531	(940)
Decrease in accrued interest payable and other liabilities		727	263
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		7,734	9,105
Cash Flows from Investing Activities	-		
Securities available for sale:			
Purchases		(24,437)	(32,388)
Sales		27,905	15,125
Maturities, calls and principal repayments		11,721	38,672
Securities held to maturity:		,	,
Purchases		(2,099)	(2,122)
Maturities, calls and principal repayments		2,122	1,223
Net increase in loans		(83,498)	(51,203)
Proceeds from the sale of foreclosed real estate		875	5,629
Purchases of bank premises and equipment		(2,586)	(1,508)
Proceeds from the sale of premises and equipment		26	13
Increase in Federal Home Loan Bank stock		(1,203)	(725)
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities		(71,174)	(27,284)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities		(/1,1/1)	(27,201)
Net increase (decrease) in deposits		27,973	(2,139)
Increase in short-term borrowed funds		23,500	(2,137)
Proceeds of long-term borrowings		10,000	15,000
Repayment of long-term borrowings		·	13,000
		(5,000)	6,896
Net proceeds from issuance of common stock		(420)	0,890
Dividends paid, net of reinvestments		(420)	10.757
Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities		56,053	19,757
Net (Decrease) Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents		(7,387)	1,578
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning	Φ.	13,246	11,668
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Ending	\$	5,859 \$	13,246
Supplementary Cash Flows Information			
Interest paid	\$	3,286 \$	3,239
Income taxes paid	\$ \$	1,064 \$	46
Supplementary Schedule of Noncash Investing and Financing Activities			
Foreclosed real estate acquired in settlement of loans	\$	2,610 \$	4,237
Foreclosed real estate transferred to fixed assets	\$	- \$	412

#### NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Principles of Consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Sussex Bancorp (the "Company") and its wholly owned subsidiary, Sussex Bank (the "Bank"). The Bank's wholly owned subsidiaries are SCB Investment Company, Inc., SCBNY Company, Inc., ClassicLake Enterprises, LLC, Wheatsworth Properties Corp., PPD Holding Company, LLC and Tri-State Insurance Agency, Inc. ("Tri-State"). All intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated in consolidation.

#### Organization and Nature of Operations

The Company's business is conducted principally through the Bank. The Bank is a New Jersey state chartered bank and provides full banking services. The Bank generates commercial, mortgage and consumer loans and receives deposits from customers at its eight branches located in Sussex County, New Jersey, one branch in Warren County, New Jersey and one branch in Orange County, New York. As a state bank, the Bank is subject to regulation by the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The Company is subject to regulation by the Federal Reserve Board. SCB Investment Company, Inc. and SCBNY Company, Inc. hold portions of the Bank's investment portfolio. Tri-State provides insurance agency services mostly through the sale of property and casualty insurance policies. ClassicLake Enterprises, LLC, PPD Holding Company, LLC and Wheatsworth Properties Corp. hold certain foreclosed properties. The Company opened a loan production and insurance agency satellite office in Rochelle Park, New Jersey during the fourth quarter of 2011, a corporate office in Rockaway, New Jersey during the first quarter of 2014, and a regional office and corporate center in Wantage, New Jersey during the third quarter of 2014.

#### Estimates

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("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 consolidated 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 other-than-temporary impairment, allowance for loan losses, valuation of foreclosed real estate, valuation of goodwill and intangible assets, the valuation of deferred tax assets and the fair value of financial instruments.

#### Significant Group Concentrations of Credit Risk

Most of the Company's activities are with customers located within Sussex County, New Jersey and adjacent counties in the states of New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. Notes 3 and 4 discuss the types of securities that the Company invests in. The types of lending that the Company engages are included in Note 5. Although the Company has a diversified loan portfolio, its debtors' ability to honor their contracts is influenced by the region's economy. The Company does not have any significant concentrations in any one industry or customer.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the consolidated statements of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include highly liquid instruments with original maturities of less than 90 days, primarily, balances due from banks, interest bearing deposits with banks and federal funds sold. Generally, federal funds are purchased and sold for one-day periods.

#### Securities

Securities are designated at the time of acquisition as available for sale or held to maturity. Securities that the Company will hold for indefinite periods of time and that might be sold in the future as part of efforts to manage interest rate risk or in response to changes in interest rates, changes in prepayment risk, changes in market conditions or changes in economic factors are classified as available for sale. Securities available for sale are carried at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses excluded from earnings and reported in other comprehensive (loss) income, net of related deferred tax effect. Securities that the Company has the positive intent and ability to hold to maturity are designated as held to maturity regardless of changes in market conditions, liquidity needs or changes in general economic conditions and carried at amortized cost.

Purchase premiums and discounts are recognized in interest income using the level yield method over the contractual terms of the securities. Gains and losses realized on sales of securities are determined on the specific identification method and are reported in non-interest income.

The Company periodically evaluates the security portfolio to determine if a decline in the fair value of any security below its cost basis is other-than-temporary. The Company's evaluation of other-than-temporary impairment considers the duration and severity of the impairment, the company's intent and ability to hold the securities and our assessments of the reason for the decline in value and the likelihood of a near-term recovery. If a determination is made that a debt security is other-than-temporarily impaired, the Company will estimate the amount of the unrealized loss that is attributable to credit and all other non-credit related factors. The credit related component will be recognized as an other-than-temporary impairment charge in non-interest income. The non-credit related component will be recorded as an adjustment to accumulated other comprehensive income ("AOCI"), net of tax.

#### Federal Home Loan Bank Stock

Federal law requires a member institution of the Federal Home Loan Bank ("FHLB") system to hold stock of its district FHLB according to a predetermined formula. Based on redemption provisions of the FHLB, the stock has no quoted market value and is carried at cost. The FHLB stock was carried at \$3.9 million and \$2.7 million for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

#### Loans Receivable

Loans receivable that management has the intent and ability to hold for the foreseeable future or until maturity or payoff are stated at their outstanding unpaid principal balances, net of an allowance for loan losses and any deferred fees or costs. Interest income is accrued on the unpaid principal balance. Loan origination fees, net of certain direct origination costs, are deferred and recognized as an adjustment of the yield (interest income) of the related loans. The Bank is generally amortizing these amounts over the contractual life of the loan.

The loans receivable portfolio is segmented into commercial and residential and consumer loans. Commercial loans consist of the following classes: commercial and industrial, commercial real estate, and construction loans. Residential and consumer loans consist of the following classes: residential real estate and consumer and other loans.

For all classes of loans, the accrual of interest is discontinued when the contractual payment of principal or interest has become 90 days past due or management has serious doubts about further collectability of principal or interest, even though the loan is currently performing. A loan may remain on accrual status if it is in the process of collection and is either guaranteed or well secured. When a loan is placed on nonaccrual status, unpaid interest credited to income in the current year is reversed and unpaid interest accrued in prior years is charged against the allowance for loan losses. Interest received on nonaccrual loans including impaired loans generally are either applied against principal or reported as interest income, according to management's judgment as to the collectability of principal. Generally, loans are restored to accrual status when the obligation is brought current, has performed in accordance with the contractual terms for a reasonable period of time (generally six months) and the ultimate collectability of the total contractual principal and interest is no longer in doubt. The past due status of all classes of loans receivable is determined based on contractual due dates for loan payments.

#### Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses represents the amount, which, in management's judgment, will be adequate to absorb credit losses inherent in the loan portfolio as of the balance sheet date. The adequacy of the allowance is determined by management's evaluation of the loan portfolio based on such factors as the differing economic risks associated with each loan category, the current financial condition of specific borrowers, the economic environment in which borrowers operate, the level of delinquent loans, the value of any collateral and, where applicable, the existence of any guarantees or indemnifications.

The allowance for loan losses is established through provisions for loan losses charged against income. Loans deemed to be uncollectible are charged against the allowance for loan losses, and subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance for loan losses. The allowance for loan losses consists of specific and general components. The specific component relates to loans that are classified as impaired. For such loans, an allowance is established when the discounted cash flows, collateral value or observable market price is lower than the carrying value for that

loan. The general component covers all other loans and is based on historical loss factors adjusted for general economic factors and other qualitative risk factors such as changes in delinquency trends, industry concentrations and local/national economic trends.

A loan is considered impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that the Company will be unable to collect the scheduled payments of principal or interest when due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Factors considered by management in determining impairment include payment status, collateral value and the probability of collecting scheduled principal and interest payments when due. Loans that experience insignificant payment delays and payment shortfalls generally are not classified as impaired.

Management determines the significance of payment delays and payment shortfalls on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration all of the circumstances surrounding the loan and the borrower, including the length of the delay, the reasons for the delay, the borrower's prior payment record and the amount of the shortfall in relation to the principal and interest owed. Impairment is measured on a loan by loan basis for commercial and industrial, commercial real estate and construction loans by either the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate, the loan's observable market price or the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent.

#### Troubled Debt Restructurings ("TDR")

A modification to the terms of a loan is generally considered a TDR if the Company grants a concession to the borrower that it would not otherwise consider for economic or legal reasons related to the debtor's financial difficulties. A TDR may include, but is not necessarily limited to, the modification of loan terms such as a temporary or permanent reduction of the loan's stated interest rate, extension of the maturity date and/or reduction or deferral of amounts owed under the terms of the loan agreement.

All restructured loans that qualify as TDRs are placed on nonaccrual status for a period of no less than six months after restructuring, irrespective of the borrower's adherence to a TDR's modified repayment terms during which time TDRs continue to be adversely classified and reported as impaired. TDRs may be returned to accrual status if (1) the borrower has performed in accordance with the terms of the restructured loan agreement for no less than six consecutive months after restructuring, and (2) the Company expects to receive all principal and interest owed in accordance with the terms of the restructured loan agreement. If these conditions are met the loan may also be returned to a non-adverse classification while retaining its impaired status.

#### Transfers of Financial Assets

Transfers of financial assets are accounted for as sales when control over the assets has been surrendered. Control over transferred assets is deemed to be surrendered when (1) the assets have been isolated from the Company, (2) the transferred obtains the right (free of conditions that constrain it from taking advantage of that right) to pledge or exchange the transferred assets, and (3) the Company does not maintain effective control over the transferred assets through an agreement to repurchase them before their maturity.

#### Foreclosed Real Estate

Foreclosed real estate is primarily comprised of property acquired through a foreclosure proceeding or acceptance of a deed-in-lieu of foreclosure. Foreclosed real estate is initially recorded at fair value, less cost to sell at the date of foreclosure, establishing a new cost basis. Subsequent to foreclosure, valuations are periodically performed by management and the assets are carried at the lower of carrying amount or fair value less costs to sell. Revenues and expenses from operations and changes in the valuation allowance are included in expenses related to foreclosed real estate.

# **Premises and Equipment**

Land is carried at cost. Premises and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed on the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives of the related assets:

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Buildings and building improvements	20 - 40
Leasehold improvements	5 - 10
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	5 – 10
Computer equipment and software	3 - 5

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#### Bank-owned Life Insurance ("BOLI")

BOLI is carried at the amount that could be realized under the Company's life insurance contracts as of the date of the consolidated balance sheets and is classified as a non-interest earning asset. BOLI involves purchasing life insurance by the Company on a chosen group of employees in order to fund certain employee and director benefits. The Company is the owner and beneficiary of the policies. Increases in the carrying value are recorded as non-interest income in the consolidated statements of income and insurance proceeds received are generally recorded as a reduction of the carrying value. The carrying value consists of cash surrender value of \$12.2 million at December 31, 2014 and \$11.9 million at December 31, 2013.

#### Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair market value of net assets acquired. At December 31, 2014 and 2013, the Company has recorded goodwill totaling \$2.8 million, primarily as a result of the acquisition of an insurance agency in 2001. In accordance with current accounting standards, goodwill is not amortized, but evaluated at least annually for impairment. Any impairment of goodwill results in a charge to income. The Company periodically assesses whether events and changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amounts of goodwill and intangible assets may be impaired. The estimated fair value of the reporting segment exceeded its book value; therefore, no write-down of goodwill was required. The goodwill related to the insurance agency is not deductible for tax purposes.

#### Advertising Costs

The Company follows the policy of charging the costs of advertising to expense as incurred.

#### **Income Taxes**

The Company accounts for income taxes under the asset/liability method in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification 740, *Income Taxes*. The income tax guidance results in two components of income tax expense: current and deferred. Current income tax expense reflects taxes to be paid or refunded for the current period by applying the provisions of the enacted tax law to the taxable income or excess of deductions over revenues. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases, as well as operating loss and tax credit carryforwards. 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 tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period in which they occur. A valuation allowance is established against deferred tax assets when, in the judgment of management, it is more likely than not that such deferred tax assets will not become available. Because the judgment about the level of future taxable income is dependent to a great extent on matters that may, at least in part, be beyond the Company's control, it is at least reasonably possible that management's judgment about the need for a valuation allowance for deferred taxes could change in the near term.

In connection with the accounting guidance related to accounting for uncertainty in income taxes, which sets out a consistent framework to determine the appropriate level of tax reserves to maintain for uncertain tax positions, the Company has evaluated its tax positions as of December 31, 2014. A tax position is recognized as a benefit only if it is "more likely than not" that the tax position would be sustained in a tax examination, with a tax examination being presumed to occur. The amount recognized is the largest amount of the tax benefit that has more than a 50 percent likelihood of being realized on examination. For tax positions not meeting the "more likely than not" test, no tax benefit is recorded. Under the "more likely than not" threshold guidelines, the Company believes no significant uncertain tax positions exist, either individually or in the aggregate, that would give rise to the non-recognition of an existing tax benefit. As of December 31, 2014 the Company had no material unrecognized tax benefits or accrued interest or penalties. The Company's policy is to account for interest as a component of interest expense and penalties as a component of other expense. The Company and its subsidiaries file a consolidated federal income tax return as well as income tax returns in the States of New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. The Company's federal and state income tax returns subsequent to 2011 remain subject to examination by respective tax authorities.

#### Off-Balance Sheet Financial Instruments

In the ordinary course of business, the Bank has entered into off-balance sheet financial instruments consisting of commitments to extend credit and letters of credit. Such financial instruments are recorded in the balance sheet when they are funded.

#### Stock Compensation Plans

The Company currently has several stock plans in place for employees and directors of the Company. U.S. GAAP requires that the compensation cost relating to share-based payment transactions be recognized in financial statements. The share-based compensation accounting guidance requires that compensation cost for all stock awards be calculated and recognized over a defined vesting period. For awards with graded-vesting, compensation cost is recognized on a straight-line basis over the requisite vesting period for the entire award. A Black-Scholes model is used to estimate the fair value of stock options, while the market price of the Company's common stock at the date of grant is used for restricted stock awards.

#### Earnings per Share

Basic earnings per share represents net income available to common stockholders divided by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during the period. The weighted-average common shares outstanding include the weighted-average number of shares of common stock outstanding less the weighted average number of unvested shares of restricted stock. Diluted earnings per share reflect additional common shares that would have been outstanding if dilutive potential common shares had been issued, as well as any adjustment to income that would result from the assumed issuance. Potential common shares that may be issued by the Company relate to outstanding stock options and non-vested restricted stock grants. Potential common shares related to stock options are determined using the treasury stock method.

#### Treasury Stock

Repurchases of shares of Company common stock are recorded at cost as a reduction of stockholders' equity. Reissuances of shares of treasury stock are recorded at average cost.

#### Segment Reporting

The Company acts as an independent community financial services provider and offers traditional banking and related financial services to individual, business and government customers. Through its branch and automated teller machine networks, the Bank offers a full array of commercial and retail financial services, including taking of time, savings and demand deposits; the making of commercial, consumer and mortgage loans; and the providing of other financial services. Management does not separately allocate expenses, including the cost of funding loan demand, between the commercial, retail, trust and mortgage banking operations of the Bank. As such, discrete financial information is not available and segment reporting would not be meaningful. The Company's insurance agency is managed separately from the traditional banking and related financial services that the Company offers. The insurance operations provides primarily property and casualty coverage. See Note 2 for segment reporting of insurance operations.

## **Insurance Agency Operations**

Tri-State is a retail insurance broker operating in the State of New Jersey. The insurance agency's primary source of revenue is commission income, which is earned by placing insurance coverage for its customers with various insurance underwriters. The insurance agency places basic property and casualty, life and health coverage with about fifteen different insurance carriers. There are two main billing processes, direct billing (currently accounts for approximately 90% of revenues) and agency billing.

Under the direct billing arrangement, the insurance carrier bills and collects from the customer directly and remits the brokers' commission to Tri-State on a monthly basis. For direct bill policies, Tri-State records commissions as revenue when the customer is billed. On a monthly basis, Tri-State receives notification from each insurance carrier of total premiums written and collected during the month, and the broker's net commission due for their share of business produced by them.

Under the agency billing arrangement, the broker bills and collects from the customer directly, retains their commission, and remits the net premium amount to the insurance carrier. Virtually all agency-billed policies are billed and collected on an installment basis (the number of payments varies by policy). Tri-State records revenues

for the first installment as of the policy effective date. Revenues from subsequent installments are recorded at the installment due date. Tri-State records its commission as a percentage of each installment due.

## Subsequent Events

The Company has evaluated events and transactions occurring subsequent to the balance sheet date of December 31, 2014 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.

#### Reclassifications

Certain amounts in the 2013 consolidated financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2014 consolidated financial statement presentation.

#### New Accounting Standards

In January 2014, FASB issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2014-04, *Receivables - Troubled Debt Restructurings by Creditors*. This ASU clarifies that an in substance repossession or foreclosure occurs, and a creditor is considered to have received physical possession of residential real estate property collateralizing a consumer mortgage loan, upon either (1) the creditor obtaining legal title to the residential real estate property upon completion of a foreclosure or (2) the borrower conveying all interest in the residential real estate property to the creditor to satisfy that loan through completion of a deed in lieu of foreclosure or through a similar legal agreement. Additionally, the amendments require interim and annual disclosure of both (1) the amount of foreclosed residential real estate property held by the creditor and (2) the recorded investment in consumer mortgage loans collateralized by residential real estate property that are in the process of foreclosure according to local requirements of the applicable jurisdiction. For public entities, the guidance is effective for annual periods, and interim periods within those annual periods, beginning after December 15, 2014. We do not expect the adoption of this guidance to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In May 2014, FASB issued ASU 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*. The ASU's core principle is built on the contract between a vendor and a customer for the provision of goods and services. It attempts to depict the exchange of rights and obligations between the parties in the pattern of revenue recognition based on the consideration to which the vendor is entitled. To accomplish this objective, the standard requires five basic steps: i) identify the contract with the customer, (ii) identify the performance obligations in the contract, (iii) determine the transaction price, (iv) allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract, and (v) recognize revenue when (or as) the entity satisfies a performance obligation. For public entities, the guidance is effective for annual periods, and interim periods within those annual periods, beginning after December 15, 2016. We do not expect the adoption of this guidance to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In June 2014, FASB issued ASU 2014-11, *Repurchase-to-Maturity Transactions, Repurchase Financings, and Disclosures*, to change the accounting for repurchase-to-maturity transactions and certain linked repurchase financings. This will result in accounting for both types of arrangements as secured borrowings on the balance sheet, rather than sales. Additionally, the ASU introduces new disclosures to (i) increase transparency about the types of collateral pledged in secured borrowing transactions and (ii) enable users to better understand transactions in which the transferor retains substantially all of the exposure to the economic return on the transferred financial asset throughout the term of the transaction. For public entities, the disclosure for repurchase agreements, securities lending transactions, and repurchase-to-maturity transactions accounted for as secured borrowings is required to be presented for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2014, and for interim periods beginning after March 15, 2015. All other accounting and disclosure amendments in the ASU are effective for public business entities for the first interim or annual period beginning after December 15, 2014. We do not expect the adoption of this guidance to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

In June 2014, FASB issued ASU 2014-12, Accounting for Share-Based Payments When the Terms of an Award Provide That a Performance Target Could Be Achieved after the Requisite Service Period (a consensus of the FASB Emerging Issues Task Force), to clarify that a performance target in a share-based compensation award that could be achieved after an employee completes the requisite service period should be treated as a performance condition that affects the vesting of the award. As such, the performance target should not be reflected in estimating the grant-date fair value of the award. For all entities, the amendments are effective for annual periods and interim periods within

those annual periods beginning after December 15, 2015. Earlier adoption is permitted. We do not expect the adoption of this guidance to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

#### **NOTE 2 – SEGMENT REPORTING**

Segment information for 2014 and 2013 is as follows:

Segment information for 2014 and 2013 is as	follows:				
(Dollars in thousands)	Banking and Financial Services	Insurance Services	Total		
Year Ended December 31, 2014:					
Net interest income from external sources S	\$ 18,004	\$ 2	\$ 18,006		
Other income from external sources	2,787	3,174	5,961		
Depreciation and amortization	776	21	797		
Income before income taxes	3,100	501	3,601		
Income tax expense (1)	801	200	1,001		
Total assets	591,192	4,723	595,915		
Year Ended December 31, 2013:					
Net interest income from external sources S	\$ 16,438	\$	\$ 16,441		
Other income from external sources	3,161	2,932	6,093		
Depreciation and amortization	656	13	669		
Income before income taxes	1,123	438	1,561		
Income tax (benefit) expense (1)	(42)	175	133		
Total assets	530,925	2,986	533,911		

<sup>(1)</sup> Calculated at statutory tax rate of 40%.

#### NOTE 3 - FAIR VALUE OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Management uses its best judgment in estimating the fair value of the Company's financial instruments; however, there are inherent weaknesses in any estimation technique. Therefore, for substantially all financial instruments, the fair value estimates herein are not necessarily indicative of the amounts the Company could have realized in a sale transaction on the dates indicated. The fair value amounts have been measured as of their respective year-ends, and have not been re-evaluated or updated for purposes of these financial statements subsequent to those respective dates. As such, the fair values of these financial instruments subsequent to the respective reporting dates may be different than the amounts reported at each year-end.

In accordance with U.S. GAAP, the Company uses a hierarchical disclosure framework associated with the level of pricing observability utilized in measuring assets and liabilities at fair value. The three broad levels defined by the hierarchy are as follows:

Level I - Quoted prices are available in active markets for identical assets or liabilities as of the reported date.

Level II - Pricing inputs are other than quoted prices in active markets, which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reported date. The nature of these asset and liabilities include items for which quoted prices are available but traded less frequently, and items that are fair valued using other financial instruments, the parameters of which can be directly observed.

Level III - Assets and liabilities that have little to no pricing observability as of reported date. These items do not have two-way markets and are measured using management's best estimate of market participants' estimate of fair value, where the inputs into the determination of fair value require significant management judgment or estimation.

The following table summarizes the fair value of the Company's financial assets measured on a recurring basis by the above pricing observability levels as of December 31, 2014 and 2013:

(Dollars in thousands)	Fair Value Measurements	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level I)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level II)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level III)
December 31, 2014				
U.S. government agencies	\$ 7,858	\$ -	\$ 7,858	\$ -
State and political subdivisions	26,384	-	26,384	-
Mortgage-backed securities -				
U.S. government-sponsored enterprises	43,724	-	43,724	-
Equity securities-financial services industry	,			
and other	10	10	-	-
December 31, 2013				
U.S. government agencies	\$ 5,380	\$ -	\$ 5,380	\$ -
State and political subdivisions	25,875	-	25,875	-
Mortgage-backed securities -				
U.S. government-sponsored enterprises	58,937	-	58,937	-
Equity securities-financial services industry and other	484	484		

The Company's available for sale securities portfolio contains investments which are all rated within the Company's investment policy guidelines; and upon review of the entire portfolio, all securities are marketable and have observable pricing inputs.

For assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis, the fair value measurements by level within the fair value hierarchy used at December 31, 2014 and 2013 are as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	N	Fair Value Measurements	A	oted Prices in ctive Markets for Identical Assets (Level I)	Significan Other Observab Inputs (Level II	le	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level III)
December 31, 2014							
Impaired loans	\$	1,087	\$	- :	\$	- \$	1,087
Foreclosed real estate		761		-		-	761
December 31, 2013							
Impaired loans	\$	5,483	\$	- :	\$	- \$	5,483
Foreclosed real estate		1,008		-		-	1,008

The following table presents additional qualitative information about assets measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis and for which Level III inputs were used to determine fair value:

	Qualitative Information about Level III Fair Value Measurements									
		Fair Value	Valuation	Unobservable	Range (Weighted					
(Dollars in thousands)	E	stimate	<b>Techniques</b>	Input	Average)					
December 31, 2014										
Impaired loans	\$	1,087	Appraisal of	Appraisal	0% to -66.2%					
			collateral	adjustments (1)	(-10.6%)					
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Foreclosed real estate		761	Appraisal of	Selling						
			collateral	expenses (1)	-7.0% (-7.0%)					
December 31, 2013										
Impaired loans	\$	5,483	Appraisal of	Appraisal	0% to -67.9%					
			collateral	adjustments (1)	(-7.8%)					
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Foreclosed real estate		1,008	Appraisal of	Selling						
			collateral	expenses (1)	-7.0% (-7.0%)					

<sup>(1)</sup> Appraisals may be adjusted by management for qualitative factors such as economic conditions and estimated selling expenses. The range and weighted average of selling expenses and other appraisal adjustments are presented as a percent of the appraisal.

The following information should not be interpreted as an estimate of the fair value of the entire Company since a fair value calculation is only provided for a limited portion of the Company's assets and liabilities. Due to a wide range of valuation techniques and the degree of subjectivity used in making the estimates, comparisons between the Company's disclosures and those of other companies may not be meaningful. The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of the Company's financial instruments presented below at December 31, 2014 and 2013:

Cash and Cash Equivalents (Carried at Cost): The carrying amounts reported in the balance sheet for cash and cash equivalents approximate those assets' fair value.

**Deposits (Carried at Cost):** Fair value for fixed-rate time certificates of deposit are estimated using a discounted cash flow calculation that applies interest rates currently being offered in the market on certificates to a schedule of aggregated expected monthly maturities on time deposits. The Company generally purchases amounts below the insured limit, limiting the amount of credit risk on these time deposits.

Securities: The fair value of securities, available for sale (carried at fair value) and securities held to maturity (carried at amortized cost) are determined by obtaining quoted market prices on nationally recognized securities exchanges (Level I), or matrix pricing (Level II), which is a mathematical technique used widely in the industry to value debt securities without relying exclusively on quoted market prices for the specific securities but rather by relying on the securities' relationship to other benchmark quoted prices. For certain securities which are not traded in active markets or are subject to transfer restrictions, valuations are adjusted to reflect illiquidity and/or non-transferability, and such adjustments are generally based on available market evidence (Level III). In the absence of such evidence, management's best estimate of market participants' estimate is used. Management's best estimate consists of both internal and external support on certain Level III measurements. Internal cash flow models using a

present value formula that includes assumptions market participants would use along with indicative exit pricing obtained from broker/dealers (where available) were used to support fair values of certain Level III investments.

Federal Home Loan Bank Stock (Carried at Cost): The carrying amount of restricted investment in bank stock approximates fair value and considers the limited marketability of such securities.

Loans Receivable (Carried at Cost): The fair values of loans, other than collateral dependent impaired loans, are estimated using discounted cash flow analyses, using the market rates at the balance sheet date that reflect the credit and interest rate-risk inherent in the loans. Projected future cash flows are calculated based upon contractual maturity or call dates, projected repayments and prepayments of principal. Generally, for variable rate loans that reprice frequently and with no significant change in credit risk, fair values are based on carrying values.

*Impaired Loans (Carried at Lower of Cost or Fair Value):* Fair value of impaired loans is generally determined based upon independent third-party appraisals of the properties, or discounted cash flows based upon the expected proceeds. These assets are included in Level III fair values, based upon the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurements. At December 31, 2014 and 2013, the fair value consists of the loan balances of \$1.1 million and \$5.5 million, net of valuation allowance of \$279 thousand and \$485 thousand, respectively.

**Deposit Liabilities (Carried at Cost):** The fair values disclosed for demand, savings and money market accounts are, by definition, equal to the amount payable on demand at the reporting date (i.e., their carrying amounts). Fair values for fixed-rate certificates of deposit are estimated using a discounted cash flow calculation that applies interest rates currently being offered in the market on certificates to a schedule of aggregated expected monthly maturities on time deposits.

**Borrowings (Carried at Cost):** Fair values of FHLB advances are estimated using discounted cash flow analysis, based on quoted prices for new FHLB advances with similar credit risk characteristics, terms and remaining maturity. These prices obtained from this active market represent a market value that is deemed to represent the transfer price if the liability were assumed by a third party.

*Junior Subordinated Debentures (Carried at Cost):* Fair values of junior subordinated debt are estimated using discounted cash flow analysis, based on market rates currently offered on such debt with similar credit risk characteristics, terms and remaining maturity.

Accrued Interest Receivable and Accrued Interest Payable (Carried at Cost): The carrying amounts of accrued interest receivable and payable approximate its fair value.

Off-Balance Sheet Instruments (Disclosed at Cost): Fair values for the Company's off-balance sheet financial instruments (lending commitments and letters of credit) are based on fees currently charged in the market to enter into similar agreements, taking into account, the remaining terms of the agreements and the counterparties' credit standing.

The fair values of the Company's financial instruments at December 31, 2014 and 2013 were as follows:

	ъ. т	21 2014	Quoted Prices in Active Markets	Other	Significant		
	Carrying	er 31, 2014 Fair	for Identical Assets	Observable Inputs	Unobservable Inputs		
(Dollars in thousands)	Amount	Value	(Level I)	(Level II)	(Level III)		
Financial assets:							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,859	\$ 5,859	\$ 5,859	\$ -	\$ -		
Time deposits with other banks	100	100	-	100	-		
Securities available for sale	77,976	77,976	10	77,966	-		
Securities held to maturity	6,006	6,190	-	6,190	-		
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	3,908	3,908	=	3,908	-		
Loans receivable, net of allowance	466,332	462,984	-	-	462,984		
Accrued interest receivable	1,796	1,796	-	1,796	_		
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Financial liabilities:							
Non-maturity deposits	351,653	351,653	-	351,653	-		
Time deposits	106,617	107,011	-	107,011	-		
Borrowings	46,000	47,766	-	47,766	-		
Junior subordinated debentures	12,887	9,361	-	9,361	-		
Accrued interest payable	243	243	-	243	-		

			Quoted Prices in Active Markets	Other	Significant
		er 31, 2013	for Identical	Observable	Unobservable
	Carrying	Fair	Assets	Inputs	Inputs
(Dollars in thousands)	Amount	Value	(Level I)	(Level II)	(Level III)
Financial assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 13,246	\$ 13,246	\$ 13,246	\$ -	\$ -
Time deposits with other banks	100	100	-	100	-
Securities available for sale	90,676	90,676	484	90,192	-
Securities held to maturity	6,074	6,060	-	6,060	-
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	2,705	2,705	-	2,705	-
Loans receivable, net of					
allowance	386,981	383,269	-	-	383,269
Accrued interest receivable	1,642	1,642	-	1,642	-
Financial liabilities:					
Non-maturity deposits	331,350	331,350	-	331,350	-
Time deposits	98,947	99,925	-	99,925	-
Borrowings	41,000	43,149	-	43,149	-
Junior subordinated debentures	12,887	7,710	-	7,710	-
Accrued interest payable	235	235	-	235	-

#### **NOTE 4 – SECURITIES**

#### Available for Sale

The amortized cost and fair value of securities available for sale as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 are summarized as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)		Amortized Cost		Gross Unrealized Gains		Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
December 31, 2014							
U.S. government agencies	\$	7,873	\$	17	\$	(32) \$	7,858
State and political subdivisions	•	26,432	•	158	•	(206)	26,384
Mortgage-backed securities -		ĺ				,	ĺ
U.S. government-sponsored enterprises		43,382		500		(158)	43,724
Equity securities-financial services industry and other		8		2		`	10
	\$	77,695	\$	677	\$	(396) \$	77,976
December 31, 2013							
U.S. government agencies	\$	5,421	\$	8	\$	(49) \$	5,380
State and political subdivisions  Mortgage-backed securities -		28,788		3		(2,916)	25,875
U.S. government-sponsored enterprises		59,640		272		(975)	58,937
Equity securities-financial services industry and other		412		85		(13)	484
	\$	94,261	\$	368	\$	(3,953) \$	90,676

Securities with a carrying value of approximately \$32.8 million and \$37.2 million at December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively, were pledged to secure public deposits and for other purposes required or permitted by applicable laws and regulations.

The amortized cost and fair value of securities available for sale at December 31, 2014 are shown below by contractual maturity. Actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities as issuers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties. Investments which pay principal on a periodic basis are not included in the maturity categories.

(Dollars in thousands)	 Amortized Cost	Fair Value
Due in one year or less	\$ -	\$
Due after one year through five years	-	-
Due after five years through ten years	1,369	1,385
Due after ten years	 25,063	24,999
Total bonds and obligations	26,432	26,384
U.S. government agencies	7,873	7,858
Mortgage-backed securities:		
U.S. government-sponsored enterprises	43,382	43,724
Equity securities-financial services industry and other	8	10
Total available for sale securities	\$ 77,695	\$ 77,976

Gross gains on sales of securities available for sale were \$478 thousand and \$407 thousand and gross losses were \$189 thousand and \$14 thousand for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

## Temporarily Impaired Securities

The following table shows our investments' gross unrealized losses and fair values with unrealized losses that are not deemed to be other than temporarily impaired, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual available for sale securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position, at December 31, 2014 and 2013.

	<b>Less Than 12 Months</b>			12 Month	or More		Total					
(Dollars in thousands)		Fair Value	Į	Gross Unrealized		Fair Value	U	Gross Inrealized		Fair Value		Gross nrealized
(Dollars in thousands)	_	vaiue		Losses	_	vaiue		Losses	_	value		Losses
December 31, 2014												
U.S. government agencies	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,905	\$	(32)	\$	2,905	\$	(32)
State and political subdivisions		7,603		(112)		5,713		(94)		13,316		(206)
Mortgage-backed securities -												
U.S. government-sponsored enterprises		15,679		(94)		3,432		(64)		19,111		(158)
Total temporarily impaired					_				_			
securities	\$	23,282	\$	(206)	\$	12,050	\$	(190)	\$	35,332	\$	(396)
December 31, 2013												
U.S. government agencies	\$	3,246	\$	(49)	\$	-	\$	-	\$	3,246	\$	(49)
State and political subdivisions		19,610		(2,046)		6,065		(870)		25,675		(2,916)
Mortgage-backed securities -												
U.S. government-sponsored enterprises		30,830		(694)		9,147		(281)		39,977		(975)
Equity securities-financial services industry and other		-				130		(13)		130		(13)
Total temporarily impaired securities	\$	53,686	\$	(2,789)	\$	15,342	\$	(1,164)	\$	69,028	\$	(3,953)

As of December 31, 2014, we reviewed our investment portfolio for indications of impairment. This review includes analyzing the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been lower than the cost, the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, including any specific events which may influence the operations of the issuer and the intent and likelihood of selling the security. The intent and likelihood of sale of debt securities is evaluated based upon our investment strategy for the particular type of security and our cash flow needs, liquidity position, capital adequacy and interest rate risk position. For each security (including but not limited to those whose fair value is less than their amortized cost basis), a review is conducted to determine if an other-than-temporary impairment has occurred.

## U.S. Government Agencies

At December 31, 2014 and 2013, the decline in fair value and the unrealized losses for our U.S. government agencies securities were primarily due to changes in spreads and market conditions and not credit quality. At December 31, 2014, there were two securities with a fair value of \$2.9 million that had an unrealized loss that amounted to \$32 thousand. As of December 31, 2014, we did not intend to sell and it was not more-likely-than-not that we would be required to sell any of these securities before recovery of their amortized cost basis. Therefore, none of the U.S. government agency securities at December 31, 2014, were deemed to be other-than-temporarily impaired.

At December 31, 2013, there were two securities with a fair value of \$3.2 million that had an unrealized loss that amounted to \$49 thousand.

#### State and Political Subdivisions

At December 31, 2014 and 2013, the decline in fair value and the unrealized losses for our state and political subdivisions securities were caused by changes in interest rates and spreads and were not the result of credit quality. At December 31, 2014, there were 22 securities with a fair value of \$13.3 million that had an unrealized loss that amounted to \$206 thousand. These securities typically have maturity dates greater than 10 years and the fair values are more sensitive to changes in market interest rates. As of December 31, 2014, we did not intend to sell and it was not more-likely-than-not that we would be required to sell any of these securities before recovery of their amortized cost basis. Therefore, none of our state and political subdivision securities at December 31, 2014, were deemed to be other-than-temporarily-impaired.

At December 31, 2013, there were 52 securities with a fair value of \$25.7 million that had an unrealized loss of \$2.9 million.

#### Mortgage-Backed Securities

At December 31, 2014 and 2013, the decline in fair value and the unrealized losses for our mortgaged-backed securities guaranteed by U.S. government-sponsored enterprises were primarily due to changes in spreads and market conditions and not credit quality. At December 31, 2014, there were 13 securities with a fair value of \$19.1 million that had an unrealized loss of \$158 thousand. As of December 31, 2014, we did not intend to sell and it was not more-likely-than-not that we would be required to sell any of these securities before recovery of their amortized cost basis. Therefore, none of our mortgage-backed securities at December 31, 2014, were deemed to be other-than-temporarily impaired.

At December 31, 2013, there were 32 securities with a fair value of \$40.0 million that had an unrealized loss of \$975 thousand.

# Equity Securities

Our marketable equity securities portfolio consists primarily of common stock of entities in the financial services industry. At December 31, 2014, we did not have any securities in an unrealized loss position.

At December 31, 2013, there was one security with a fair value of \$130 thousand that had an unrealized loss of \$13 thousand.

We continue to closely monitor the performance of the securities we own as well as the impact from any further deterioration in the economy or in the financial services industry that may adversely affect these securities. We will continue to evaluate them for other-than-temporary impairment, which could result in a future non-cash charge to earnings.

#### Held to Maturity Securities

The amortized cost and fair value of securities held to maturity as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 are summarized as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	 Amortized Cost	 Gross Unrealized Gains	 Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
<b>December 31, 2014</b>				
State and political subdivisions	\$ 6,006	\$ 189	\$ (5) \$	6,190
December 31, 2013				
State and political subdivisions	\$ 6,074	\$ 78	\$ (92) \$	6,060

The amortized cost and fair value of securities held to maturity at December 31, 2014 are shown below by contractual maturity. Actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities as issuers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

(Dollars in thousands)	Aı	mortized Cost	Fair Value
Due in one year or less	\$	2,099 \$	2,099
Due after one year through five years		-	-
Due after five years through ten years		2,851	2,926
Due after ten years		1,056	1,165
Total held to maturity securities	\$	6,006 \$	6,190

#### Temporarily Impaired Securities

The following table shows our held to maturity investments' gross unrealized losses and fair value with unrealized losses that are not deemed to be other than temporarily impaired, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual held to maturity securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position, at December 31, 2014 and 2013.

	Le	ess Than	han 12 Months			12 Month	s o	r More	Total				
(Dollars in thousands)	_	Fair Value		Gross nrealized Losses		Fair Value		Gross Unrealized Losses		Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses		
December 31, 2014													
State and political subdivisions	\$	-	\$	_	\$	811	\$	(5)	\$	811	\$ (5)		
December 31, 2013													
State and political subdivisions	\$	2,080	\$	(45)	\$	780	\$	(47)	\$	2,860	\$ (92)		

As of December 31, 2014, we reviewed our held to maturity investment portfolio for indications of impairment. This

review includes analyzing the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been lower than the cost, the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, including any specific events which may influence the operations of the issuer and the intent and likelihood of selling the security. The intent and likelihood of sale of debt securities is evaluated based upon our investment strategy for the particular type of security and our cash flow needs, liquidity position, capital adequacy and interest rate risk position. For each security whose fair value is less than their amortized cost basis, a review is conducted to determine if an other-than-temporary impairment has occurred.

#### State and Political Subdivisions

At December 31, 2014 and 2013, the decline in fair value and the unrealized losses for our state and political subdivisions securities were caused by changes in interest rates and spreads and were not the result of credit quality. At December 31, 2014, there were two securities with a fair value of \$811 thousand that had an unrealized loss of \$5 thousand. These securities typically have maturity dates greater than 10 years and the fair values are more sensitive to changes in market interest rates. As of December 31, 2014, we did not intend to sell and it was not more-likely-than-not that we would be required to sell any of these securities before recovery of their amortized cost basis. Therefore, none of our state and political subdivision securities at December 31, 2014, were deemed to be other-than-temporarily impaired.

At December 31, 2013, there were five securities with a fair value of \$2.9 million that had an unrealized loss of \$92 thousand.

#### **NOTE 5 – LOANS**

The composition of net loans receivable at December 31, 2014 and 2013 is as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	 December 31, 2014	<b>December 31, 2013</b>				
Commercial and industrial loans	\$ 20,549	\$	15,205			
Construction	12,379		7,307			
Commercial real estate	326,370		260,664			
Residential real estate	111,498		107,992			
Consumer and other	1,665		1,617			
	472,461		392,785			
Unearned net loan origination fees	(488)		(383)			
Allowance for loan losses	(5,641)		(5,421)			
Net loans receivable	\$ 466,332	\$	386,981			

Mortgage loans serviced for others are not included in the accompanying balance sheets. The total amount of loans serviced for the benefit of others was approximately \$475 thousand and \$546 thousand at December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Mortgage servicing rights were immaterial at December 31, 2014 and 2013.

# NOTE 6 – ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES AND CREDIT QUALITY OF FINANCING RECEIVABLES

The following table presents changes in the allowance for loan losses disaggregated by the class of loans receivable for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013:

	Commercial and		(	Commercial Real	F	Residential Real		Consumer and			
(Dollars in thousands)	 Industrial	Construction		Estate	_	Estate	_	Other	Unallocated	_	Total
Year Ended:											
December 31, 2014											
Beginning balance	\$ 222	\$ 308	\$	3,399	\$	941	\$	16	\$ 535	\$	5,421
Charge-offs	(1)		-	(1,168)		(181)		(37)	-		(1,387)
Recoveries	17		-	39		4		10	-		70
Provision	(7)	75		1,221		139		30	79		1,537
Ending balance	\$ 231	\$ 383	\$	3,491	\$	903	\$	19	\$ 614	\$	5,641
December 31, 2013											
Beginning balance	\$ 271	223		3,395		869		38	180	\$	4,976
Charge-offs	(55)	(350)	)	(2,317)		(246)		(28)	-		(2,996)
Recoveries	-	122		450		112		12	-		696
Provision	6	313		1,871		206		(6)	355		2,745
Ending balance	\$ 222	\$ 308	\$	3,399	\$	941	\$	16	\$ 535	\$	5,421

The following table presents the balance in the allowance of loan losses at December 31, 2014 and 2013 disaggregated on the basis of our impairment method by class of loans receivable along with the balance of loans receivable by class disaggregated on the basis of our impairment methodology:

	Allowance for Loan Losses							Loans Receivable							
				Balance		Balance									
				Related to		Related to									
				Loans		Loans									
				Individually		Collectively				Individually		Collectively			
				Evaluated for		<b>Evaluated for</b>				Evaluated for		Evaluated for			
(Dollars in thousands)	_	Balance	_	Impairment	_	Impairment	_	Balance	Impairment			Impairment			
December 31, 2014															
Commercial and industrial	\$	231	\$	51	\$	180	\$	20,549	\$	94	\$	20,455			
Construction		383		-		383		12,379		-		12,379			
Commercial real estate		3,491		136		3,355		326,370		5,105		321,265			
Residential real estate		903		101		802		111,498		2,314		109,184			
Consumer and other loans		19		-		19		1,665		-		1,665			
Unallocated		614						_							
Total	\$	5,641	\$	288	\$	4,739	\$	472,461	\$	7,513	\$	464,948			
December 31, 2013															
Commercial and industrial	\$	222	\$	-	\$	222	\$	15,205	\$	-	\$	15,205			
Construction		308		-		308		7,307		-		7,307			
Commercial real estate		3,399		322		3,077		260,664		10,894		249,770			
Residential real estate		941		163		778		107,992		2,626		105,366			
Consumer and other loans		16		-		16		1,617		-		1,617			
Unallocated		535		-		-		=		-		_			
Total	\$	5,421	\$	485	\$	4,401	\$	392,785	\$	13,520	\$	379,265			

An age analysis of loans receivable which were past due as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 is as follows:

														Recorded
						<b>G</b>						m . 1		vestment
						Greater						Total	>	90 Days
	30-	59 Days	6	0-89 days		Than	-	Total Past			F	inancing		and
(Dollars in thousands)	Pa	ast Due	]	Past Due	9	00 Days (a)	_	Due	_	Current	R	eceivables		Accruing
December 31, 2014														
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Commercial and industrial	\$		\$	-	\$	94	\$	103	\$	20,446	\$	20,549	<b>3</b>	-
Construction		1,354		-		-		1,354		11,025		12,379		-
Commercial real estate		2,395		1,209		3,936		7,540		318,830		326,370		-
Residential real estate		555		108		1,978		2,641		108,857		111,498		85
Consumer and other		5		-	_	1		6		1,659		1,665		_
Total	\$	4,318	\$	1,317	\$	6,009	\$	11,644	\$	460,817	\$	472,461	\$	85
December 31, 2013														
Commercial and industrial	\$	13	\$	-	\$	-	\$	13	\$	15,192	\$	15,205	\$	_
Construction		-		-		-		-		7,307		7,307		-
Commercial real estate		2,139		775		9,823		12,737		247,927		260,664		123
Residential real estate		495		247		2,192		2,934		105,058		107,992		-
Consumer and other		7		1	_	-		8		1,609		1,617		_
Total	\$	2,654	\$	1,023	\$	12,015	\$	15,692	\$	377,093	\$	392,785	\$	123

<sup>(</sup>a) includes loans greater than 90 days past due and still accruing and non-accrual loans.

Loans for which the accrual of interest has been discontinued at December 31, 2014 and 2013 were:

(Dollars in thousands)	<b>December 31, 2014</b>			<b>December 31, 2013</b>
Commercial and industrial	\$	94	\$	-
Commercial real estate		3,936		9,700
Residential real estate		1,893		2,192
Consumer and other		1		-
Total	\$	5,924	\$	11,892

Loans are made to individuals as well as commercial entities. Specific loan terms vary as to interest rate, repayment, and collateral requirements based on the type of loan requested and the credit worthiness of the prospective borrower. Credit risk tends to be geographically concentrated in that a majority of the loan customers are located in the markets serviced by the Company. Loan performance may be adversely affected by factors impacting the general economy or conditions specific to the real estate market such as geographic location and/or property type. A description of the Company's different loan segments follows:

Commercial Loans: Commercial credit is extended primarily to middle market and small business customers. Commercial loans are generally made in the Company's market place for the purpose of providing working capital, financing the purchase of equipment, inventory or commercial real estate and for other business purposes. Loans will generally be guaranteed in full or for a meaningful amount by the businesses' major owners. Underwriting of

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commercial loans is based primarily on the historical and projected cash flow of the business and secondarily on the underlying collateral provided.

*Residential Mortgage and Consumer Loans:* The Company originates mortgage and consumer loans including principally residential real estate and home equity lines and loans. Each loan type is evaluated on debt to income, type of collateral and loan to collateral value, credit history and Company relationship with the borrower.

In determining the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses, the Company estimates losses based on the identification of specific problem loans through its credit review process and also estimates losses inherent in other loans on an aggregate basis by loan type. The credit review process includes the independent evaluation of the loan officer assigned risk ratings by the Chief Credit Officer and a third party loan review company. Such risk ratings are assigned loss component factors that reflect the Company's loss estimate for each group of loans. It is management's and the board of directors' responsibility to oversee the lending process to ensure that all credit risks are properly identified, monitored, and controlled, and that loan pricing, terms, and other safeguards against non-performance and default are commensurate with the level of risk undertaken and is rated as such based on a risk-rating system. Factors considered in assigning risk ratings and loss component factors include: borrower specific information related to expected future cash flows and operating results, collateral values, financial condition, payment status and other information; levels of and trends in portfolio charge-offs and recoveries; levels in portfolio delinquencies; effects of changes in loan concentrations and observed trends in the economy and other qualitative measurements.

The Company's risk-rating system as defined below is consistent with the system used by regulatory agencies and consistent with industry practices. Loan classifications of Substandard, Doubtful or Loss are consistent with the regulatory definitions of classified assets.

<u>Pass</u>: This category represents loans performing to contractual terms and conditions and the primary source of repayment is adequate to meet the obligation. The Company has five categories within the Pass classification depending on strength of repayment sources, collateral values and financial condition of the borrower.

<u>Special Mention</u>: This category represents loans performing to contractual terms and conditions; however the primary source of repayment or the borrower is exhibiting some deterioration or weaknesses in financial condition that could potentially threaten the borrowers' future ability to repay our loan principal and interest or fees due.

<u>Substandard</u>: This category represents loans that the primary source of repayment has significantly deteriorated or weakened which has or could threaten the borrowers' ability to make scheduled payments. The weaknesses require close supervision by the Company's management and there is a distinct possibility that the Company could sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected. Such weaknesses could jeopardize the timely and ultimate collection of our loan principal and interest or fees due. Loss may not be expected or evident, however, loan repayment is inadequately supported by current financial information or pledged collateral.

<u>Doubtful</u>: Loans so classified have all the inherent weaknesses of a substandard loan with the added provision that collection or liquidation in full is highly questionable and not reasonably assured. The probability of at least partial loss is high, but extraneous factors might strengthen the asset to prevent loss. The validity of the extraneous factors must be continuously monitored. Once these factors are questionable the loan should be considered for full or partial charge-off.

<u>Loss</u>: Loans so classified are considered uncollectible, and of such little value that their continuance as active assets of the Company is not warranted. Such loans are fully charged off.

The following tables illustrate the Company's corporate credit risk profile by creditworthiness category as of December 31, 2014 and 2013:

		Special				
(Dollars in thousands)	 Pass	 Mention	S	Substandard	 Doubtful	 Total
December 31, 2014						
Commercial and industrial	\$ 20,446	\$ 9	\$	94	\$ -	\$ 20,549
Construction	12,379	-		-	-	12,379
Commercial real estate	312,172	8,257		5,941	-	326,370
Residential real estate	108,587	457		2,454	-	111,498
Consumer and other	 1,527	 138			 -	 1,665
	\$ 455,111	\$ 8,861	\$	8,489	\$ 	\$ 472,461
December 31, 2013						
Commercial and industrial	\$ 15,192	\$ 13	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 15,205
Construction	7,307	-		-	-	7,307
Commercial real estate	240,204	7,378		12,917	165	260,664
Residential real estate	104,383	871		2,738	-	107,992
Consumer and other	 1,477	140		_	-	1,617
	\$ 368,563	\$ 8,402	\$	15,655	\$ 165	\$ 392,785

The following table reflects information regarding the Company's impaired loans as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 and for the years then ended:

(Dollars in thousands)	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recognized
December 31, 2014					
With no related allowance recorded:					
Commercial real estate	\$ 3,167	\$ 3,736	\$ -	\$ 3,923	\$ 41
Residential real estate	1,829	1,835	-	1,786	53
With an allowance recorded:					
Commercial and industrial	94	94	51	39	2
Commercial real estate	1,938	1,938	136	3,968	37
Residential real estate	485	489	101	567	10
Total:					
Commercial and industrial	94	94	51	39	2
Commercial real estate	5,105	5,674	136	7,891	78
Residential real estate	2,314	2,324	101	2,353	63
	\$ 7,513	\$ 8,092	\$ 288	\$ 10,283	\$ 143
		Unpaid		Average	Interest
(Dollars in thousands)	Recorded Investment	Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Recorded Investment	Income Recognized
		-		Recorded	
December 31, 2013		-		Recorded	
December 31, 2013 With no related allowance recorded:	Investment	Balance	Allowance	Recorded Investment	Recognized
December 31, 2013 With no related allowance recorded: Construction	Investment \$ -	Balance	Allowance	Recorded Investment  \$ 596	Recognized  \$ -
December 31, 2013 With no related allowance recorded: Construction Commercial real estate	<b>Investment</b> \$ -7,394	<b>Balance</b> \$ -7,967	Allowance	Recorded Investment  \$ 596 8,030	Recognized \$ - 67
December 31, 2013 With no related allowance recorded: Construction	Investment \$ -	Balance	Allowance	Recorded Investment  \$ 596	Recognized  \$ -
December 31, 2013 With no related allowance recorded: Construction Commercial real estate	<b>Investment</b> \$ -7,394	<b>Balance</b> \$ -7,967	Allowance	Recorded Investment  \$ 596 8,030	Recognized \$ - 67
December 31, 2013 With no related allowance recorded: Construction Commercial real estate Residential real estate	<b>Investment</b> \$ -7,394	<b>Balance</b> \$ -7,967	Allowance \$ -	Recorded Investment  \$ 596 8,030 2,157	Recognized \$ - 67
December 31, 2013 With no related allowance recorded: Construction Commercial real estate Residential real estate With an allowance recorded:	<b>Investment</b> \$ -7,394	<b>Balance</b> \$ 7,967 1,874	Allowance \$ -	Recorded Investment  \$ 596 8,030 2,157	Recognized \$ - 67
December 31, 2013 With no related allowance recorded: Construction Commercial real estate Residential real estate With an allowance recorded: Commercial and industrial	<b>Investment</b> \$ -7,394	<b>Balance</b> \$ 7,967 1,874	Allowance \$ -	Recorded Investment  \$ 596  8,030 2,157	Recognized \$ - 67
December 31, 2013 With no related allowance recorded: Construction Commercial real estate Residential real estate With an allowance recorded: Commercial and industrial Construction	\$ - 7,394 1,849	\$ - 7,967 1,874	\$ -	Recorded Investment  \$ 596  8,030 2,157  5 318	Recognized
December 31, 2013 With no related allowance recorded: Construction Commercial real estate Residential real estate With an allowance recorded: Commercial and industrial Construction Commercial real estate	\$ - 7,394 1,849 3,500	\$ - 7,967 1,874 - 4,595	Allowance  \$	Recorded Investment  \$ 596  8,030 2,157  5 318 3,443	Recognized  \$ - 67 49 - 10
December 31, 2013 With no related allowance recorded: Construction Commercial real estate Residential real estate With an allowance recorded: Commercial and industrial Construction Commercial real estate Residential real estate	\$ - 7,394 1,849 3,500	\$ - 7,967 1,874 - 4,595	Allowance  \$	Recorded Investment  \$ 596  8,030 2,157  5 318 3,443	Recognized  \$ - 67 49 - 10
December 31, 2013 With no related allowance recorded: Construction Commercial real estate Residential real estate With an allowance recorded: Commercial and industrial Construction Commercial real estate Residential real estate Total:	\$ - 7,394 1,849 3,500	\$ - 7,967 1,874 - 4,595	Allowance  \$	Recorded Investment  - \$ 596 - 8,030 - 2,157 - 5 - 318 - 3,443 - 978	Recognized  \$ - 67 49 - 10
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December 31, 2013 With no related allowance recorded: Construction Commercial real estate Residential real estate With an allowance recorded: Commercial and industrial Construction Commercial real estate Residential real estate Total: Commercial and industrial Construction	Investment  \$ - 7,394   1,849   - 3,500   777	\$ - 7,967 1,874 - 4,595 871	Allowance \$	Recorded Investment  - \$ 596 - 8,030 - 2,157 - 5 - 318 - 3,443 - 978 - 5 - 914 - 11,473	Recognized  \$ - 67 49 - 10 12

The average recorded investment in impaired loans is calculated using the average of impaired loans over the past five quarter-end periods. The Company recognizes income on impaired loans by recording all payments as a reduction of principal on such loans.

Impaired loans include loans modified in TDRs where concessions have been granted to borrowers experiencing financial difficulties. These concessions could include a reduction in the interest rate on the loan, payment extensions, postponement or forgiveness of principal, forbearance or other actions intended to maximize collection.

The following table presents the recorded investment in troubled debt restructured loans as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 based on payment performance status:

(Dollars in thousands)	Comm	Commercial Real Estate Res		idential Real Estate		Total
December 31, 2014 Performing	\$	1,169	s	421	S	1,590
Non-performing		2,730	Ψ	224	Ψ	2,954
Total	\$	3,899	\$	645	\$	4,544
<b>December 31, 2013</b>						
Performing	\$	1,195	\$	433	\$	1,628
Non-performing		3,000		496		3,496
Total	\$	4,195	\$	929	\$	5,124

Troubled debt restructured loans are considered impaired and are included in the previous impaired loans disclosures in this footnote. As of December 31, 2014, we have not committed to lend additional amounts to customers with outstanding loans that are classified as TDRs.

There were no TDRs that occurred during the year ended December 31, 2014. The following tables summarize TDRs that occurred during the year ended December 31, 2013:

(Dollars in thousands)	Number of Loans	Pre-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment	Post-Modification Outstanding Recorded Investment
(Dollars in thousanas)	Loans	 Investment	 Investment
<b>December 31, 2013</b>			
Commercial real estate	3	\$ 3,100	\$ 3,100
Residential real estate	2	655	548

The TDRs described above did not require an allocation of the allowance for credit losses for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013. No charge-offs were recorded subsequent to modification during the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013.

There were no TDRs for which there was a payment default within twelve months following the date of the restructuring for the year ended December 31, 2014. The following table summarizes the TDRs for which there was a payment default within twelve months following the date of the restructuring for the year ended December 31, 2013:

(Dollars in thousands)	Number of Loans	 Recorded Investment			
December 31, 2013					
Commercial real estate	3	\$ 1,302			
Residential real estate	1	269			

Loans are considered to be in payment default once they are greater than 30 days contractually past due under the modified terms. The TDRs described above that subsequently defaulted resulted in a net allocation of the allowance for credit losses of \$51 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2013. There were no charge-offs on these defaulted TDRs during the year ended December 31, 2013.

## **NOTE 7 – PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT**

The components of premises and equipment at December 31, 2014 and 2013 are as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)		2014	 2013
Land and land improvements	\$	2,049	\$ 2,080
Building and building improvements		5,953	6,301
Leasehold improvements		771	360
Furniture, fixtures and equipment		5,089	6,892
Assets in progress		175	609
		14,037	16,242
Accumulated depreciation		(5,387)	 (9,350)
Premises and equipment, net	<u>\$</u>	8,650	\$ 6,892

During the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, depreciation expense totaled \$797 thousand and \$668 thousand, respectively.

# **NOTE 8 – DEPOSITS**

The components of deposits at December 31, 2014 and 2013 are as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	 2014	 2013
Demand, non-interest bearing	\$ 70,490	\$ 58,210
Savings, money market and interest-bearing demand	281,163	273,140
Time deposits less than \$100 thousand	68,712	63,863
Time deposits \$100 thousand and over	37,905	35,084
Total deposits	\$ 458,270	\$ 430,297

At December 31, 2014, the scheduled maturities of time deposits are as follows:

## (Dollars in thousands)

Within one year	\$ 57,112
One to two years	35,353
Two to three years	7,610
Three to four years	3,971
After four years	 2,571
	\$ 106,617

# **NOTE 9 – BORROWINGS**

At December 31, 2014, the Bank had secured borrowing potential with the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York ("FHLBNY") for borrowings of up to \$124.3 million and a \$10.0 million line of credit at Atlantic Central Bankers Bank ("ACBB"). The borrowings at the FHLBNY are secured by a pledge of qualifying residential and commercial mortgage loans, having an aggregate unpaid principal balance of approximately \$168.3 million. At December 31, 2014, the Bank had the ability to borrow up to \$58.2 million at FHLBNY and \$10.0 million at ACBB.

At December 31, 2014, the Company had \$23.5 million in overnight advances at the FHLBNY, these advances are priced at the federal funds rate plus a spread (generally between 20 and 30 basis points) and re-price daily.

At December 31, 2014 and 2013 the Bank had the following long-term borrowings from the FHLBNY:

# (Dollars in thousands)

	Interest		Balance at I	December 3	Ι,
Maturity Date	Rate	_	2014		2013
D 1 7 2016	4.000/	Ф	5,000	Ф	5,000
December 7, 2016	4.00%	\$	5,000	\$	5,000
June 21, 2017	4.60%		6,000		6,000
November 3, 2017	1.31%		5,000		-
December 7, 2017	3.97%		5,000		5,000
December 26, 2017	3.66%		5,000		5,000
December 26, 2017	3.79%		5,000		5,000
January 1, 2018	1.98%		-		5,000
July 17, 2018	1.65%		5,000		5,000
September 19, 2018	1.83%		5,000		5,000
January 31, 2019	2.02%		5,000		
		\$	46,000	\$	41,000

Maturities of long-term debt in years subsequent to December 31, 2014 are as follows:

# (Dollars in thousands)

Within one year	\$ -
One to two years	5,000
Two to three years	26,000
Three to four years	10,000
Four to five years	5,000
After five years	 
	\$ 46,000

At December 31, 2014 the Company had \$46.0 million in long-term advances, of which, \$11.0 million were convertible notes that contain an option which allows the FHLBNY, at quarterly intervals, to convert the fixed convertible advance into replacement funding for the same or lesser principal amount based on any advance then offered by the FHLBNY at their current market rates.

# NOTE 10 – JUNIOR SUBORDINATED DEBENTURES AND MANDATORY REDEEMABLE CAPITAL DEBENTURES

On June 28, 2007, Sussex Capital Trust II, a Delaware statutory business trust and a non-consolidated wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, issued \$12.5 million of variable rate capital trust pass-through securities to investors. Sussex Capital Trust II purchased \$12.9 million of variable rate junior subordinated deferrable interest debentures from the Company. The debentures are the sole asset of the Trust. The terms of the junior subordinated debentures are the same as the terms of the capital securities. The Company has also fully and unconditionally guaranteed the obligations of the Trust under the capital securities. The variable interest rate reprices quarterly at the three month LIBOR plus 1.44% and was 1.68% at December 31, 2014 and 2013. The capital securities are currently redeemable by the Company at par in whole or in part. The capital securities must be redeemed upon final maturity of the subordinated debentures on September 15, 2037.

# NOTE 11 – LEASE COMMITMENTS AND TOTAL RENTAL EXPENSE

The Company has operating lease agreements expiring in various years through 2020. The Company has the option to extend the lease agreements for additional lease terms. The Company is responsible to pay all real estate taxes, insurance, utilities and maintenance and repairs on its leased facilities.

Future minimum payments under non-cancellable leases by year are as follows as of December 31, 2014:

(Dollars in thousands)	
2015	\$ 674
2016	651
2017	554
2018	472
2019	475
Thereafter	 90
	\$ 2,916

Rent expense was \$530 thousand and \$469 thousand for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

# NOTE 12 – EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

The Company has a 401(k) Plan and Trust (the "401(k) Plan") for its employees. Non-highly compensated employees may contribute up to the statutory limit of 75% of their salary to the 401(k) Plan. Highly compensated employees are restricted to a contribution up to 7% of their salary. The Company provides a 50% match of the employee's contribution up to 6% of the employee's annual salary. The amount charged to expense related to the 401(k) Plan for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 was \$130 thousand and \$125 thousand, respectively.

The Company also maintains nonqualified Supplemental Salary Continuation Plans (the "Supplemental Plans") covering the Company's former Chairman and a former executive officer of the Company. Under the provisions of the Supplemental Plans, the Company has executed agreements providing the officers a retirement benefit. Payments from the Supplemental Plans for the Chairman began in May of 2008 and the other executive started in April of 2010. For the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, \$62 thousand and \$66 thousand, respectively, was charged to expense in connection with the Plans. At December 31, 2014 and 2013, the carrying value of the Supplemental Plans was \$868 thousand and \$936 thousand, respectively.

In March of 2005, the Board of Directors approved an Executive Incentive and Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Incentive Plan"). The purpose of the Incentive Plan is to motivate and reward participants for achieving bank

financial and strategic goals as well as to provide specified benefits to a select group of management or highly compensated employees who contribute materially to the continued growth, development and future business success of the Company. Participants may elect to receive their award or defer compensation in a deferral account which will earn interest at the average interest rate earned by the Company in its investment portfolio, compounded monthly. At December 31, 2014 and 2013, the carrying value of deferred compensation was \$148 thousand and \$131 thousand, respectively.

In July 2006, the Board of Directors adopted a Director Deferred Compensation Agreement for both the Bank and the Company (the "DCA"). Under the terms of the DCA, a director may elect to defer all or a portion of his retainer and fees for the coming year. Under the DCA, only the payment of the compensation earned is deferred, and there is no deferral of the expense in the Company's financial statements related to the participant's deferred compensation, which will be charged to the Company's income statement as an expense in the period in which the participant earned the compensation. The deferred amounts are credited with earnings at a rate equal to the average interest rate earned by the Company on its investment portfolio or at a rate that tracks the performance of the Company's common stock. The participant's benefit will be distributed to the participant or his beneficiary upon a change in control of the Company, the termination of the DCA, the occurrence of an unforeseeable emergency, the termination of service or the participant's death or disability. Upon distribution, a participant's benefit will be paid in monthly installments over a period of ten years. At December 31, 2014 and 2013, the carrying value of the DCA was \$833 thousand and \$551 thousand, respectively.

In July 2011, the Company entered into a Supplemental Executive Retirement Agreement ("SERP"), a non-qualified defined contribution pension plan that provides supplemental retirement income for the Company's Chief Executive Officer. The SERP was effective as of January 1, 2011. Based on the attainment of certain annual performance targets, the Company will make annual contributions to the SERP. Any amounts credited to the SERP will accrue interest equal to that paid by U.S. 10-year Treasury Notes for each applicable year. The SERP provides for the benefits to be paid monthly over a 5-year period commencing the first day of the month following the later of the participant's 65<sup>th</sup> birthday, or normal retirement age, or termination of employment. At December 31, 2014 and 2013, the carrying value of the SERP was \$179 thousand and \$102 thousand, respectively.

# **NOTE 13 – COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**

Accounting principles generally require that recognized revenue, expenses, gains and losses be included in net income. Although certain changes in assets and liabilities, such as unrealized gains and losses on available for sale securities, are reported as a separate component of the equity section of the balance sheet, such items, along with net income, are components of comprehensive income.

The components of other comprehensive income (loss), both before tax and net of tax, are as follows:

	Year Ended December 31, 2014				Year Ended December 31, 2013				1, 2013			
	_	efore Tax		Tax Effect	_	Net of Tax	_	Before Tax		Tax Effect	]	Net of Tax
Other comprehensive income (loss):												
Unrealized gains (losses) on available for sale securities	\$	4,155	\$	1,662	\$	2,493	\$	(3,785)	\$	(1,514)	\$	(2,271)
Reclassification adjustment for net gains on securities transactions included in net		(200)		(116)		(172)		(202)		(157)		(226)
income		(289)		(116)	_	(173)	_	(393)		(157)		(236)
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	\$	3,866	\$	1,546	\$	2,320	\$	(4,178)	\$	(1,671)	\$	(2,507)

Reclassification adjustments for gains on securities transactions of \$289 thousand and \$393 thousand for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively, are presented in the income statement on the line item for net gain on securities transactions.

## **NOTE 14 – EARNINGS PER SHARE**

The following table sets forth the computations of basic and diluted earnings per share:

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(In thousands, except share and per share data)		ncome merator)	Shares (Denominator)	Per Share Amount				
Year Ended December 31, 2014:								
Basic earnings per share:								
Net income applicable to common stockholders	\$	2,600	4,541,305	\$	0.57			
Effect of dilutive securities:								
Nonvested stock awards			39,045					
Diluted earnings per share:								
Net income applicable to common stockholders and assumed conversions	\$	2,600	4,580,350	\$	0.57			
Year Ended December 31, 2013:								
Basic earnings per share:								
Net income applicable to common stockholders	\$	1,428	3,781,562	\$	0.38			
Effect of dilutive securities:								
Nonvested stock awards			35,342					
Diluted earnings per share:								
Net income applicable to common stockholders and assumed conversions	\$	1,428	3,816,904	\$	0.37			

There were 9,381 and 6,900 shares of unvested restricted stock awards and options outstanding during December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively, that were not included in the computation of diluted EPS because to do so would have been anti-dilutive for the periods presented.

## **NOTE 15 – STOCK INCENTIVE PLANS**

During 2005, the stockholders approved the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2004 Plan") to provide equity incentives to selected persons. Awards may be granted to employees, officers, directors, consultants and advisors of the Company or subsidiary. Awards granted under the 2004 Plan may be either stock options or restricted stock awards and are designated at the time of grant. Options granted under the 2004 Plan to directors, consultants and advisors are non-qualified stock options. Options granted to officers and other employees may be incentive stock options or non-qualified stock options. Restricted stock awards may be made to any plan participant. As of December 31, 2014, there were no authorized shares available for future grants under the 2004 Plan.

During 2013, the stockholders approved the 2013 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2013 Plan") to provide equity incentives to selected persons. Awards may be granted to employees, officers, directors, consultants and advisors of the Company or subsidiary. Awards granted under the 2013 Plan may be either stock options or restricted stock awards and are designated at the time of grant. Restricted stock awards may be made to any plan participant. As of December 31, 2014, there were 233,178 shares available for future grants under the 2013 Plan.

Information regarding the Company's restricted stock grants activity for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 are as follows:

	20	14	2013		
	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value	
Unvested restricted stock, beginning of year	125,922	4.98	123,144	\$ 4.83	
Granted	36,043	8.81	32,940	6.06	
Forfeited	(2,550)	7.20	-	-	
Vested	(46,870)	5.21	(30,162)	4.95	
Unvested restricted stock, end of period	112,545	6.06	125,922	\$ 4.98	

Total stock-based compensation related to restricted stock awards was \$300 thousand and \$236 thousand for the years ended December 31, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively. As of December 31, 2014 and 2013, there were \$439 thousand and \$438 thousand, respectively, of unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested restricted stock awards which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 1.7 years and 2.3 years.

Options granted to officers and other employees and which are incentive stock options, are subject to limitations under Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code. The option price under each such grant shall not be less than the fair market value on the date of the grant. No option will be granted for a term in excess of ten years. The Company established a vesting schedule that must be satisfied before the options may be exercised.

As of December 31, 2014, there were 10,525 options outstanding which will expire between January 2015 and October 2015.

Stock option transactions under all plans are summarized as follows:

	Number of Shares	_	Weighted Average Exercise Price per Share	Weighted Average Contractual Term	_	Aggregate Intrinsic Value
Outstanding, December 31, 2012	55,751	\$	12.48			
Options expired	(18,933)		8.93			
Options forfeited	(4,069)		14.27			
Outstanding, December 31, 2013	32,749		14.31			
Options granted	36,000		9.97			
Options expired	(22,224)		14.97			
Outstanding, December 31, 2014	46,525	\$	10.63	7.7	\$	8,280
Exercisable, December 31, 2014	10,525	\$	12.91	0.5	\$	

The following table summarizes information about stock options outstanding and exercisable at December 31, 2014:

		Weighted	
Exercise	Number	Average Remaining	Number
Price	Outstanding	Life (Years)	Exercisable
9.97	36,000	9.9	-
12.63	6,708	0.8	6,708
13.39	3,817	0.1	3,817
	46,525	7.7	10,525

There were no stock options exercised during 2014 and options outstanding and exercisable had no intrinsic value at December 31, 2014.

The following table summarizes information about stock option assumptions:

	<b>December 31, 2014</b>
Expected dividend yield	1.20%
Expected volatility	34.47%
Risk-free interest rate	1.55%
Expected option life	10.0 Years

Total stock-based compensation related to stock options was \$4 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2014.

The weighted average grant date fair value of options granted during the year ended December 31, 2014 was \$9.51 per share. Expected future expense relating to the non-vested options outstanding as of December 31, 2014 is \$131 thousand over a weighted average period of 4.9 years. Upon exercise of vested options, management expects to draw on treasury stock as the source of the shares.

## **NOTE 16 – INCOME TAXES**

The Company and its subsidiary are subject to U.S. federal and state income tax. The components of income tax expense for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 are as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	 2014		2013
Current:			
Federal	\$ 1,402	\$	(1,117)
State	524		115
	1,926		(1,002)
Deferred:			
Federal	(689)		1,000
State	(236)		135
	(925)		1,135
	\$ 1,001	\$	133

The reconciliation of the statutory federal income tax at a rate of 34% to the income tax expense included in the statements of income and comprehensive income for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 is as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)		2014		2013		
Federal income tax at statutory rate	\$	1.224	34 %	\$	531	34 %
Tax exempt interest	Ψ	(327)	(9)	Ψ	(357)	(23)
State income tax, net of federal income ta	ax	190	5		76	5
Bank-owned life insurance		(110)	(3)		(120)	(8)
Other		24	1		3	0
	\$	1,001	28 %	\$	133	8 %

The components of the net deferred tax asset at December 31, 2014 and 2013 are as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	 2014	2013		
Deferred tax assets:				
Allowance for loan losses	\$ 2,253	\$ 2,165		
Deferred compensation	679	594		
Foreclosed real estate	204	299		
AMT credit	391	-		
Intangible assets	22	28		
Restricted stock	55	143		
Other-than-temporary impairment	-	118		
Unrealized loss on securities available for sale	-	1,434		
Other	 397	266		
Total deferred tax assets	4,001	5,047		
Deferred tax liabilities:				
Depreciation	(285)	(804)		
Prepaid expenses	(143)	(161)		
Unrealized gain on securities, available for sale	 (113)			
Total deferred tax liabilities	 (541)	(965)		
Net deferred tax asset	\$ 3,460	\$ 4,082		

# NOTE 17 – TRANSACTIONS WITH EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDERS

The Company has had, and may be expected to have in the future, banking transactions in the ordinary course of business with its executive officers, directors, principal stockholders, their immediate families and affiliated companies (commonly referred to as related parties), on the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with others.

The related party loan activity for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013 is summarized as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	20	)14	2013		
Balance, beginning	\$	6,431 \$	5,325		
Disbursements		349	3,362		
Repayments and other		(644)	(2,256)		
Balance, ending	\$	6,136 \$	6,431		

Certain related parties of the Company provided legal services and appraisal services to the Company. Legal services provided by related parties totaled \$73 thousand and \$128 thousand for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Appraisal services provided by related parties totaled \$18 thousand and \$56 thousand for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Engineering services provided by related parties totaled \$26 thousand for the year ended December 31, 2014. The Company also paid rent to related parties for an office location in the amount of \$146 thousand and \$154 thousand for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

## NOTE 18 – FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS WITH OFF-BALANCE SHEET RISK

The Company is a party to financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of its customers. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit and letters of credit. Those instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit risk in excess of the amount recognized in the balance sheet.

The Company's exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the other party to the financial instrument for commitments to extend credit is represented by the contractual amount of those instruments. The Company uses the same credit policies in making commitments and conditional obligations as it does for on-balance sheet instruments.

A summary of the Company's financial instrument commitments at December 31, 2014 and 2013 is as follows:

(Dollars in thousands)	 2014	2013		
Commitments to grant loans	\$ 20,199 \$	24,070		
Unfunded commitments under lines of credit	39,968	43,406		
Outstanding standby letters of credit	910	1,466		

Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. The Company evaluates each customer's credit worthiness on a case-by-case basis. The amount of collateral obtained, if deemed necessary by the Company upon extension of credit, is based on management's credit evaluation. Collateral held varies but may include personal or commercial real estate, accounts receivable, inventory and equipment.

Outstanding letters of credit are conditional commitments issued by the Company to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. The Company's exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the other party to the financial instrument for standby letters of credit is represented by the contractual amount of those instruments. These standby letters of credit expire within twelve months, although many have automatic renewal provisions. The credit risk involved in issuing letters of credit is essentially the same as that involved in extending other loan commitments. The Company requires collateral and personal guarantees supporting these letters of credit as deemed necessary. Management believes that the proceeds obtained through a liquidation of such collateral and enforcement of personal guarantees would be sufficient to cover the maximum potential amount of future payments required under the corresponding guarantees. The current amount of the liability as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 for guarantees under standby letters of credit issued is not material.

# NOTE 19 – CAPITAL AND REGULATORY MATTERS

The Company is required to maintain cash reserve balances either in vault cash or with the Federal Reserve Bank. The total of those reserve balances was approximately \$2.3 million at December 31, 2014.

The Bank is subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by the federal banking agencies. Failure to meet the minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory and possibly additional discretionary actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material effect on the Company's financial statements. Under capital

adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, the Bank must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of the Bank's assets, liabilities and certain off-balance sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. The Bank's capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk-weightings and other factors.

Quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require the Bank to maintain minimum amounts and ratios (set forth below) of total and Tier I capital (as defined in the regulations) to risk-weighted assets, and of Tier I capital to average assets. Management believes, as of December 31, 2014, that the Bank meets all capital adequacy requirements to which they are subject.

As of December 31, 2014, the most recent notification from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation categorized the Bank as well capitalized under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. There are no conditions or events since that notification that management believes have changed the Bank's category.

To be Well Capitalized

The Bank's actual capital amounts and ratios at December 31, 2014 and 2013 are presented below:

	 Actua	ıl	F	For Capital A Purpos		under Prompt Corrective Action Provisions		
(Dollars in thousands)	 Amount	Ratio		Amount	Ratio		Amount	Ratio
As of December 31, 2014								
Total capital (to risk-weighted assets):	\$ 64,283	14.02%	\$	>36,674	>8.00%	\$	>45,843	>10.00%
Tier I capital (to risk-weighted assets):	58,640	12.79		>18,337	>4.00		>27,506	>6.00
Tier I capital (to average assets):	58,640	10.19		>23,022	>4.00		>28,778	>5.00
As of December 31, 2013								
Total capital (to risk-weighted assets):	\$ 60,659	15.47%	\$	>29,246	>8.00%	\$	>36,558	>10.00%
Tier I capital (to risk-weighted assets):	55,729	14.21		>14,623	>4.00		>21,935	>6.00
Tier I capital (to average assets):	55,729	10.38		>20,311	>4.00		>25,389	>5.00

The Bank is subject to certain restrictions on the amount of dividends that it may declare due to regulatory considerations. The State of New Jersey banking laws specify that no dividend shall be paid by the Bank on its capital stock unless, following the payment of such dividend, the capital stock of the Bank will be unimpaired and the Bank will have a surplus of not less than 50% of its capital stock or, if not, the payment of such dividend will not reduce the surplus of the Bank.

At December 31, 2014, the Bank's funds available for payment of dividends were \$54.3 million. Accordingly, \$7.5 million of the Company's equity in the net assets of the Bank was restricted as of December 31, 2014.

In addition, dividends paid by the Bank to the Company would be prohibited if the effect thereof would cause the Bank's capital to be reduced below applicable minimum capital requirements.

On August 5, 2013, we completed a rights offering resulting in the issuance of 1,198,300 shares of common stock to existing stockholders. Each shareholder was granted one subscription right to purchase 0.35 share of our common stock at a subscription price of \$6.00 per whole share for every share owned on the record date. The rights offering was fully subscribed and resulted in net proceeds totaling \$6.9 million, which represents gross proceeds of \$7.2 million offset by offering costs of \$294 thousand.

# NOTE 20 – PARENT COMPANY ONLY FINANCIAL

Condensed financial information pertaining only to the parent company, Sussex Bancorp, is as follows:

# BALANCE SHEETS

		December 31,				
(Dollars in thousands)	2014			2013		
Assets						
Cash	\$	1	\$	1,131		
Investment in subsidiary		62,016		56,772		
Securities available for sale		-		321		
Accrued interest and other assets		2,635		1,437		
Total Assets	\$	64,652	\$	59,661		
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity						
Other liabilities	\$	536	\$	349		
Junior subordinated debentures		12,887		12,887		
Stockholders' equity		51,229		46,425		
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$	64,652	\$	59,661		

# STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Year Ended December 31,			
(Dollars in thousands)	2014		2013	
Interest on investments	\$	8	\$ 11	
Net realized gain loss on sale of securities		(1)	-	
Interest expense on debentures		(212)	(217)	
Other expenses		(266)	(269)	
Loss before income tax benefit and equity in				
undistributed net income of subsidiaries		(471)	(475)	
Income tax benefit		159	161	
Loss before equity in undistributed net				
income of subsidiaries		(312)	(314)	
Equity in undistributed net income of subsidiaries		2,912	1,742	
Net Income		2,600	1,428	
Other comprehensive loss:				
Unrealized losses on available for sale securities arising during the period		(21)	(2)	
Reclassification adjustment for net gain on securities transactions included in net income		-	(2)	
Income tax expense related to other comprehensive loss		(8)	(1)	
Other comprehensive loss, net of income taxes		(29)	(5)	
Comprehensive income	\$	2,571	\$ 1,423	

# STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Year Ended December 31,					
(Dollars in thousands)		2014	2013			
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:						
Net Income	\$	2,600	\$	1,428		
	Ф	2,000	Ф	1,426		
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash (used in) provided by operating activities:						
Net change in other assets and liabilities		(718)		402		
Equity in undistributed net income of subsidiaries		(2,912)		(1,742)		
Net Cash (Used in) Provided by Operating Activities		(1,030)		88		
Cook Flores from Investing Activities						
Cash Flows from Investing Activities: Securities available for sale:						
Sales		•••		<b>-</b> 0		
		320		58		
Capital contribution to subsidiaries				(6,890)		
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Investing Activities		320		(6,832)		
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:						
Cash dividends paid		(420)		_		
Net proceeds from issuance of common stock		(120)		6,896		
Net Cash (Used in) Provided by Financing Activities		(420)	-	6,896		
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Net (Decrease) Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents		(1,130)		152		
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year		1,131		979		
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year	\$	1	\$	1,131		

# **NOTE 21 – CONTINGENCIES**

In the normal course of business, the Company is subject to various lawsuits involving matters generally incidental to its business. Management is of the opinion that the ultimate liability, if any, resulting from any pending actions or proceedings will not have a material effect on the financial condition or results of operations of the Company.

# **EXHIBIT LIST**

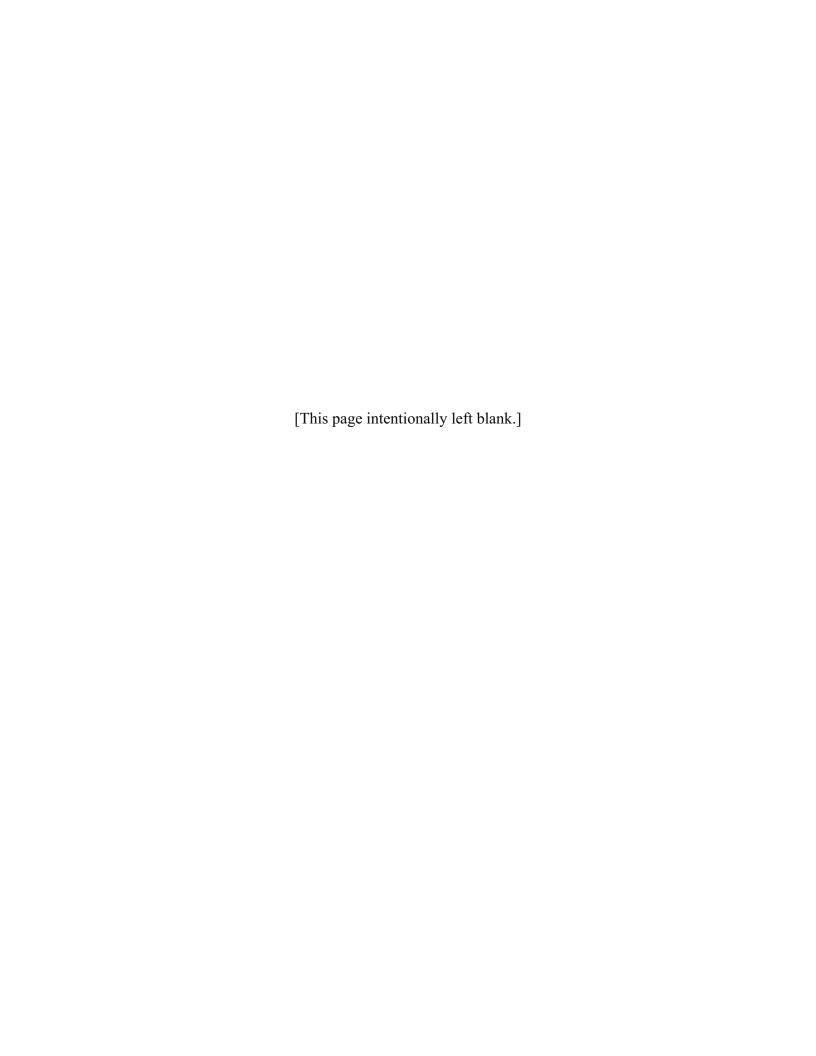
Exhibit Number	Description
3.1	Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Quarterly Report
5.1	on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on August 15, 2011).
3.2	Amended and Restated By-laws (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.II to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 3, 2014).
4.1	Specimen common stock certificate (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the SEC on June 3, 2013).
10.1*	1995 Incentive Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.6 to the Registration Statement on Form 8-B filed with the SEC on December 13, 1996).
10.2*	2001 Stock Option Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit B to the Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14-A filed with the SEC on March 19, 2001.)
10.3*	2004 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 29, 2005).
10.4*	2013 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed with the SEC on May 28, 2014).
10.5*	Form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement under 2013 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by
10.5	reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed with the SEC on May 28, 2014).
10.6*	Form of Nonqualified Stock Option Agreement under 2013 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by
	reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed with the SEC on May 28, 2014).
10.7*	Form of Restricted Stock Agreement under 2013 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed with the SEC on May 28, 2014).
10.8*	Amended and Restated Director Deferred Compensation Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on December 19, 2008).
10.9*	Amended and Restated Executive Incentive and Deferred Compensation Plan (incorporated by
	reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on January 26, 2010).
10.10*	Employment Agreement by and between the Company, the Bank and Donald L. Kovach, dated July 15, 2009 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the
10 11*	SEC on July 20, 2009).
10.11*	Salary Continuation Agreement by and between the Company and Donald L. Kovach, dated March 15, 2000 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 16, 2011).
10.12*	Amendment #1 to the Salary Continuation Agreement with Donald L. Kovach, dated June 11, 2002
10.12	(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 16, 2011).
10.13*	Amendment #2 to the Salary Continuation Agreement with Donald L. Kovach, dated January 7, 2004
	(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 23, 2004).
10.14*	Amendment #3 to the Salary Continuation Agreement with Donald L. Kovach, dated October 17, 2007 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on November 14, 2007).
10.15*	Employment Agreement by and between Tri-State Insurance Agency, Inc. and George Lista, dated September 1, 2006 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.A to the Current Report on Form 8-K
10.16*	filed with the SEC on September 7, 2006). Employment Agreement by and between the Company, the Bank and Anthony Labozzetta, dated
	January 20, 2010 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on January 26, 2010).
10.17*	Supplemental Executive Retirement Agreement by and between the Company and Anthony J. Labozzetta, dated July 20, 2011 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Current Report on
10.18*	Form 8-K filed with the SEC on July 26, 2011). Employment Agreement by and between the Company, the Bank and Steven M. Fusco, dated June

23, 2010 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the
SEC on June 29, 2010).

- 21.1 List of Subsidiaries.
- 23.1 Consent of BDO USA, LLP.
- Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- Certification of Principal Financial and Accounting Officer pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- 32.1\*\* Certifications of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- Financial statements from the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Sussex Bancorp for the year ended December 31, 2014, formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language): (i) the Consolidated Balance Sheets, (ii) the Consolidated Statements of Income and Comprehensive Income, (iii) the Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity, (iv) the Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows and (v) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

<sup>\*</sup> Management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Furnished herewith and not deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act.



## INVESTOR INFORMATION

#### Stock Information

Sussex Bancorp's Common Stock is traded on the Nasdaq Global Market using the symbol "SBBX."

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399 Route 23 Franklin, NJ 07416 973-827-2404

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15 Trinity Street Newton, NJ 07860 973-383-2211

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# DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

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#### SUSSEX BANK and SUSSEX BANCORP

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Chairman of the Board

#### Anthony Labozzetta

President and Chief Executive Officer

### Patrick Brady

Richard Branca

Katherine H. Caristia

Mark J. Hontz

Donald L. Kovach

Rev. Timothy Marvil

Robert McNerney

Charles A. Musilli

John E. Ursin

# Executive and Senior Officers:

## SUSSEX BANK

## Anthony Labozzetta

President and Chief Executive Officer

# Steven M. Fusco

Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

## Kurt Breitenstein

Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer

#### Vito Giannola

Executive Vice President and Chief Retail Officer

#### Aditya Kishore

Executive Vice President and Chief Technology Officer and Chief Operations Officer

# Neill Schreyer

Executive Vice President and Chief Credit Officer

# Barbara Muccia

Vice President and Human Resources Director

## Sarah Roskowsky

Vice President and Marketing Director/Public Relations

#### TRI-STATE INSURANCE AGENCY

## George Lista

President and Chief Executive Officer

