

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Written Agreement by and between

FREEDOM BANCORPORATION, INC.
Lindstrom, Minnesota

and

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF
MINNEAPOLIS
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Docket No. 13-006-WA-HC

WHEREAS, Freedom Bancorporation, Inc., Lindstrom, Minnesota (“Freedom”), a registered bank holding company, owns and controls Lake Area Bank, Lindstrom, Minnesota (the “Bank”), a state-chartered nonmember bank, and various nonbank subsidiaries;

WHEREAS, it is the common goal of Freedom and the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (the “Reserve Bank”) to maintain the financial soundness of Freedom so that Freedom may serve as a source of strength to the Bank;

WHEREAS, Freedom and the Reserve Bank have mutually agreed to enter into this Written Agreement (the “Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2013, the board of directors of Freedom, at a duly constituted meeting, adopted a resolution authorizing and directing Gary D. Vander Vorst to enter into this Agreement on behalf of Freedom, and consenting to compliance with each and every provision

of this Agreement by Freedom and its institution-affiliated parties, as defined in sections 3(u) and 8(b)(3) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, as amended (the “FDI Act”) (12 U.S.C. §§ 1813(u) and 1818(b)(3)).

NOW, THEREFORE, Freedom and the Reserve Bank agree as follows:

Source of Strength

1. The board of directors of Freedom shall take appropriate steps to fully utilize Freedom’s financial and managerial resources, pursuant to section 38A of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1831o-1) and section 225.4(a) of Regulation Y of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the “Board of Governors”) (12 C.F.R. § 225.4(a)), to serve as a source of strength to the Bank, including, but not limited to, taking steps to ensure that the Bank complies with the Consent Order entered into with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the State of Minnesota Department of Commerce on November 28, 2012 and any other supervisory action taken by the Bank’s federal or state regulator.

Dividends and Distributions

2. (a) Freedom shall not declare or pay any dividends without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank and the Director of the Division of Banking Supervision and Regulation (the “Director”) of the Board of Governors.

(b) Freedom shall not directly or indirectly take dividends or any other form of payment representing a reduction in capital from the Bank without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank.

(c) Freedom and its nonbank subsidiaries shall not make any distributions of interest, principal, or other sums on subordinated debentures or trust preferred securities without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank and the Director.

(d) All requests for prior approval shall be received by the Reserve Bank at least 30 days prior to the proposed dividend declaration date, proposed distribution on subordinated debentures, and required notice of deferral on trust preferred securities. All requests shall contain, at a minimum, current and projected information on Freedom's capital, earnings, and cash flow; the Bank's capital, asset quality, earnings, and allowance for loan and lease losses; and identification of the sources of funds for the proposed payment or distribution. For requests to declare or pay dividends, Freedom must also demonstrate that the requested declaration or payment of dividends is consistent with the Board of Governors' Policy Statement on the Payment of Cash Dividends by State Member Banks and Bank Holding Companies, dated November 14, 1985 (Federal Reserve Regulatory Service, 4-877 at page 4-323).

Debt and Stock Redemption

3. (a) Freedom, and any nonbank subsidiary, shall not, directly or indirectly, incur, increase, or guarantee any debt without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank. All requests for prior written approval shall contain, but not be limited to, a statement regarding the purpose of the debt, the terms of the debt, and the planned source(s) for debt repayment, and an analysis of the cash flow resources available to meet such debt repayment.

(b) Freedom shall not, directly or indirectly, purchase or redeem any shares of its stock without the prior written approval of the Reserve Bank.

Compliance with Laws and Regulations

4. (a) In appointing any new director or senior executive officer, or changing the responsibilities of any senior executive officer so that the officer would assume a different senior executive officer position, Freedom shall comply with the notice provisions of

section 32 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1831i) and Subpart H of Regulation Y of the Board of Governors (12 C.F.R. §§ 225.71 *et seq.*).

(b) Freedom shall comply with the restrictions on indemnification and severance payments of section 18(k) of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1828(k)) and Part 359 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's regulations (12 C.F.R. Part 359).

Progress Reports

5. Within 45 days after the end of each calendar quarter following the date of this Agreement, the board of directors shall submit to the Reserve Bank written progress reports detailing the form and manner of all actions taken to secure compliance with the provisions of this Agreement and the results thereof, and a parent company only balance sheet, income statement, and, as applicable, report of changes in stockholders' equity.

Communications

6. All communications regarding this Agreement shall be sent to:

(a) Mr. Mark A. Rauzi
Vice President
Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis
90 Hennepin Avenue
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480

(b) Mr. Gary D. Vander Vorst
Director
Freedom Bancorporation, Inc.
1231 Industrial Street
Hudson, Wisconsin 54016

Miscellaneous

7. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement, the Reserve Bank may, in its sole discretion, grant written extensions of time to Freedom to comply with any provision of this Agreement.

8. The provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon Freedom and its institution-affiliated parties, in their capacities as such, and their successors and assigns.

9. Each provision of this Agreement shall remain effective and enforceable until stayed, modified, terminated, or suspended in writing by the Reserve Bank.

10. The provisions of this Agreement shall not bar, estop, or otherwise prevent the Board of Governors, the Reserve Bank, or any other federal or state agency from taking any other action affecting Freedom, the Bank, any nonbank subsidiary of Freedom, or any of their current or former institution-affiliated parties and their successors and assigns.

11. Pursuant to section 50 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1831aa), this Agreement is enforceable by the Board of Governors under section 8 of the FDI Act (12 U.S.C. § 1818).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the 22nd day of April, 2013.

FREEDOM BANCORPORATION,
INC.

By: /s/ Gary D Vander Vorst
Gary D. Vander Vorst
Director

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK
OF MINNEAPOLIS

By: /s/ Mark A. Rauzi
Mark A. Rauzi
Vice President