

## BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM WASHINGTON, DC 20551

March 6, 2017

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Dear Mr. Drenttel:

This letter responds to your request dated November 7, 2016, on behalf of Citizens Bank Group, Inc. ("Citizens"), Saint James, Minnesota. The General Counsel, acting pursuant to delegated authority, and after consultation with the Director of the Division of Supervision and Regulation, has approved your request pursuant to section 19 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act<sup>1</sup> for to become a director of Citizens, and for to own up to 35 percent of the voting shares of Citizens in individual capacity and up to 100 percent of the voting shares of Citizens as part of a group acting in concert.

Approval of this request with respect to does not constitute action on any other application or notice concerning Citizens.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 12 U.S.C. § 1829.

This action is based on all the facts of record and representations made by you and to the Board in connection with the request. Any change in the facts presented could result in a different conclusion and should be reported immediately to Board staff. These representations constitute conditions imposed in writing in connection with the findings and decisions herein and, as such, may be enforced in proceedings under applicable law.

Sincerely,

Margaret McCloskey Shanks Deputy Secretary of the Board