

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY

In the Matter of:)	
Eric Wheeler)	
Former Small Business Relationship Manager)	AA-EC-10-72
)	
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.)	
Columbus, OH)	

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, the Comptroller of the Currency of the United States of America (“Comptroller”) intends to initiate this prohibition and civil money penalty proceeding against Eric Wheeler (“Respondent”), former Small Business Relationship Manager of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Columbus, OH (“Bank”), pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818 (e) and (i) on the basis of Respondent’s activities while employed at the Bank in 2006;

WHEREAS, in the interest of cooperation and to avoid the costs associated with future administrative and judicial proceedings with respect to the above matter, Respondent, without admitting or denying any wrongdoing, desires to enter into this Consent Order (“Order”) issued pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e) and (i);

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the above premises, it is stipulated by and between the Comptroller, through his duly authorized representative, and Respondent that:

Article I

JURISDICTION

(1) The Bank is a national banking association, chartered and examined by the Comptroller, pursuant to the National Bank Act of 1864, as amended, 12 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.

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Accordingly, the Bank is an “insured depository institution” as that term is defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(c)(2).

(2) Respondent served as a Small Business Relationship Manager for the Bank and is an “institution-affiliated party” of the Bank as that term is defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(u), having served in such capacity within six (6) years from the date hereof (see 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i)(3)).

(3) Pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1813(q), the Comptroller is the “appropriate Federal banking agency” to maintain an enforcement proceeding against institution-affiliated parties. Therefore, Respondent is subject to the authority of the Comptroller to initiate and maintain prohibition and civil money penalty proceedings against him pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818.

Article II

COMPTROLLER’S FINDINGS

The Comptroller finds, and Respondent neither admits nor denies, the following:

(1) During 2006 Respondent worked as a Small Business Relationship Manager at the Salt Lake City Broadway branch of the Bank.

(2) During 2006 Respondent falsified information that borrowers supplied on their loan applications in order for the applications to meet the Bank’s underwriting criteria. Respondent did not notify the applicants that he altered the information on their applications.

(3) Respondent personally benefitted from his misconduct. Respondent’s bonuses were based in large part upon the volume of loans generated. Respondent received higher bonuses and the Bank suffered losses as a result of his falsification of loan applications.

(4) By reason of the foregoing, Respondent violated the law, engaged in a recklessly unsafe or unsound practice, and exhibited personal dishonesty or willful disregard for the safety or soundness of the Bank that resulted in financial gain or other benefit.

Article III

ORDER OF PROHIBITION

(1) With respect to the institutions and agencies set forth in paragraph (2) of this Article, Respondent hereby agrees that he shall not:

- (a) participate in any manner in the conduct of their affairs;
- (b) solicit, procure, transfer, attempt to transfer, vote, or attempt to vote any proxy, consent, or authorization with respect to any voting rights;
- (c) violate any voting agreement previously approved by the “appropriate Federal banking agency,” as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(q) (as amended);
or
- (d) vote for a director, or serve or act as an “institution-affiliated party,” as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(u) (as amended).

(2) The prohibitions in paragraph (1) of this Article apply to the following institutions and agencies:

- (a) any insured depository institution, as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(c);
- (b) any institution treated as an insured depository institution under 12 U.S.C. §§ 1818(b)(3), (b)(4) or (b)(5), including, but not limited to, any subsidiary of such institution, or treated as a savings and loan holding company or subsidiary under 12 U.S.C. § 1818(b)(9) (as amended);
- (c) any insured credit union under the Federal Credit Union Act;
- (d) any institution chartered under the Farm Credit Act of 1971;
- (e) any appropriate Federal depository institution regulatory agency; and

(f) the Federal Housing Finance Board and any Federal Home Loan Bank.

(3) The prohibitions of paragraphs (1) and (2) of this Article shall cease to apply with respect to a particular institution if Respondent obtains the prior written consent of both the Comptroller and the institution's "appropriate Federal financial institutions regulatory agency," as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e)(7)(D) (as amended).

(4) This Order shall be enforceable to the same extent and in the same manner as an effective and outstanding order that has been issued and has become final pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818.

Article IV

ORDER FOR CIVIL MONEY PENALTY

(1) Respondent hereby consents to the payment of a civil money penalty in the amount of sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000), which shall be paid no later than the following schedule: An initial payment of \$4,000 by August 31, 2010; four additional payments of \$3000, the first of which is due by December 31, 2010; the second payment of \$3,000 is due by March 31, 2011; the third payment of \$3,000 is due by June 30, 2011; and the fourth and final payment of \$3,000 is due by September 31, 2011.

(2) Respondent shall make these payments by certified check or money order made payable to the Treasurer of the United States and shall deliver the payment to: Comptroller of the Currency, P.O. Box 979012, St. Louis, Missouri 63197-9000. The docket number of this case shall be entered on all checks. Respondent shall send a copy of each check to the Director, Enforcement and Compliance Division, 250 E St., SW, Washington, DC 20219.

(3) This Order shall be enforceable to the same extent and in the same manner as an effective and outstanding order that has been issued and has become final pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818.

Article V

BANKRUPTCY

(1) If Respondent files for bankruptcy protection prior to making payment in full of the civil money penalty required by this Order, Respondent shall notify the Director, Enforcement and Compliance Division, 250 E St., SW, Washington, DC 20219, within ten (10) days of the filing and shall provide a copy of the filing to the Director.

(2) In any bankruptcy proceeding in which it is or may be contended that Respondent's obligation to pay the civil money penalty pursuant to this Order is subject to discharge, Respondent will in no manner contest the assertion of the Comptroller or any agent, officer or representative of the United States, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 523(a) or otherwise, that the civil money penalty obligation in the Order arises out of acts which result in claims not dischargeable in bankruptcy.

Article VI

WAIVERS

- (1) By executing this Order, Respondent waives:
- (a) the right to the issuance of a Notice of Charges under 12 U.S.C. § 1818;
 - (b) all rights to a hearing and a final agency decision pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818 and 12 C.F.R. Part 19;
 - (c) all rights to seek judicial review of this Order;

- (d) all rights in any way to contest the validity of this Order; and
- (e) any and all claims for fees, costs or expenses against the Comptroller, or any of his agents or employees, related in any way to this enforcement matter or this Order, whether arising under common law or under the terms of any statute, including, but not limited to, the Equal Access to Justice Act, 5 U.S.C. § 504 and 28 U.S.C. § 2412.

(2) Respondent shall not cause, participate in or authorize the Bank (or any subsidiary or affiliate thereof) to incur, directly or indirectly, any expense for any legal (or other professional) expense relative to the negotiation and issuance of this Order except as permitted by 12 C.F.R. § 7.2014 and Part 359; and Respondent shall not, directly or indirectly, obtain or accept any indemnification (or other reimbursement) from the Bank (or any subsidiary or affiliate thereof) with respect to such amounts except as permitted by 12 C.F.R. § 7.2014 and Part 359.

(3) Any failure by Respondent to comply with this Order shall be subject to enforcement for the longer of (a) the period allowed by the applicable statute of limitations, or (b) five (5) years following the failure to comply.

(4) Respondent has read and understands the premises and obligations of this Order and declares that no separate promise or inducement of any kind has been made by the Comptroller, his agents or employees to cause or induce Respondent to agree to consent to the issuance of this Order and/or to execute this Order.

(5) This Order constitutes a settlement of the prohibition and civil money penalty proceeding contemplated by the Comptroller and arising out of the specific acts, omissions, or violations described in Article II of this Order. However, the specific acts, omissions or

violations described in Article II of this Order may be used by the Comptroller in future enforcement actions to establish a pattern or practice of misconduct or the continuation of a pattern or practice of misconduct.

(6) The provisions of this Order shall not be construed as an adjudication on the merits and, except as set forth above in paragraph (5), shall not inhibit, estop, bar, or otherwise prevent the Comptroller from taking any action affecting Respondent if, at any time, he deems it appropriate to do so to fulfill the responsibilities placed upon him by the several laws of the United States of America.

(7) Respondent understands that nothing herein shall preclude any proceedings brought by the Comptroller to enforce the terms of this Order, and that nothing herein constitutes, nor shall Respondent contend that it constitutes, a waiver of any right, power, or authority of any other representatives of the United States or agencies thereof, including the Department of Justice, to bring other actions deemed appropriate.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto set their hands.

/s/Grace E. Dailey
Grace E. Dailey
Deputy Comptroller
Large Bank Supervision

8/30/10
Date

/s/Eric Wheeler
Eric Wheeler

8/8/10
Date