

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

In the Matter of: Norberto Sanchez Former Director United Americas Bank, N.A. Atlanta, Georgia))))))	AA-EC-2015-25
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CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, the Comptroller of the Currency of the United States of America (“Comptroller” or “OCC”) intends to initiate civil money penalty proceedings against Norberto Sanchez (“Respondent”) pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i) on the basis of Respondent’s activities while serving as Director of United Americas Bank, N.A., Atlanta, Georgia (“Bank”);

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 consent to the issuance of this Consent Order (“Order”) issued pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i);

NOW, THEREFORE, it is stipulated by and between the Comptroller, through his duly authorized representative, and Respondent that:

ARTICLE I

JURISDICTION

(1) The Bank is a former 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.*

(2) The Bank is a former “insured depository institution” as that term is defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(c)(2).

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(3) Respondent is a former Director of 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 of this Order (*see* 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i)(3)).

(4) 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 of the Bank. Therefore, Respondent is subject to the authority of the Comptroller to initiate and maintain a civil money penalty action against him pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i).

ARTICLE II

COMPTROLLER’S FINDINGS

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

(1) During the period from about 2002 to about 2010, while Respondent was a Director of the Bank, Respondent and his related interests regularly incurred and maintained overdrafts in their accounts. These overdrafts involved more than the normal risk of repayment and presented other unfavorable features and the Bank did not obtain approval of a majority of the entire Board of Directors prior to paying the overdrafts.

(2) On or about January 11, 2010, the Bank extended a \$3 million loan to Respondent. This loan involved more than the normal risk of repayment and presented other unfavorable features.

(3) By reason of the foregoing conduct, Respondent engaged in violations of law or regulation, including 12 U.S.C. §§ 375b(2)(A) and (3) and 12 C.F.R. §§ 215.4(a) and (b), and breached his fiduciary duty to the Bank; which violations and breaches were part of a pattern of misconduct and resulted in pecuniary gain or other benefit to Respondent.

ARTICLE III

ORDER FOR CIVIL MONEY PENALTY

Respondent consents to, and it is ORDERED that:

(1) Respondent shall pay a civil money penalty in the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), which shall be paid in full upon Respondent's execution of this Order.

(2) Respondent shall make payment in full by cashier's or certified check 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 (AA-EC-2015-25) shall be entered on the submitted payment.

(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 IV

CLOSING

- (1) By executing this Order, Respondent waives:
- (a) the right to a Notice of Civil Money Penalty Assessment under 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i);
 - (b) all rights to a hearing and a final agency decision pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i) 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 of the Bank) to incur, directly or indirectly, any expense relative to the negotiation and issuance of this Order except as permitted by 12 C.F.R. § 7.2014 and Part 359. In addition, Respondent shall not, directly or indirectly, obtain or accept any indemnification (or other reimbursement) from the Bank (or any subsidiary or affiliate of the Bank) with respect to such amounts except as permitted by 12 C.F.R. § 7.2014 and Part 359; provided, however, Respondent may not obtain or accept such indemnification with respect to payment of the civil money penalty.

(3) Respondent acknowledges that he 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, or 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.

(4) This Order constitutes a settlement of any proceedings arising out of the facts, omissions, or violations described in the Comptroller's Findings (Article II of this Order). The Comptroller agrees not to institute the proceedings referenced in the first whereas clause of this Order for the specific acts, omissions, or violations described in Article II of this Order unless such acts, omissions, or violations reoccur. However, the specific acts, omissions, or violations described in Article II may be used by the Comptroller in future enforcement actions to establish a pattern of misconduct or the continuation of a pattern of misconduct.

(5) This Order shall not be construed as an adjudication on the merits and, except as set forth in paragraph (4) above, 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.

(6) Nothing in this Order shall preclude any proceedings brought by the Comptroller to enforce the terms of this Order, and nothing in this Order 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.

(7) This Order is intended to be, and shall be construed to be, a final order issued pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818, and expressly does not form, and may not be construed to form, a contract binding the Comptroller or the United States. Respondent expressly acknowledges that no officer or employee of the Comptroller has statutory or other authority to bind the United States, the United States Treasury Department, the Comptroller, or any other federal bank regulatory agency or entity, or any officer or employee of those entities, to a contract affecting the Comptroller's exercise of his supervisory responsibilities.

(8) This Order is "issued with the consent of . . . the institution-affiliated party concerned," pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(h)(2).

(9) The terms of this Order, including this paragraph, are not subject to amendment or modification by any extraneous expression, prior agreements, or prior arrangements between the parties, whether oral or written.

(10) The provisions of this Order are effective upon issuance by the Comptroller through his authorized representative whose hand appears below, and shall remain effective and enforceable, except to the extent that, and until such time as, any provisions of this Order shall have been amended, suspended, waived, or terminated in writing by the Comptroller, through his authorized representative.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand.

s/Norberto Sanchez

Norberto Sanchez

4/23/15

Date

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Henry Fleming

Henry Fleming
Director for Special Supervision

5/8/15

Date