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PROSPECTUS

1,320,000 Shares Common Stock

PATRIOT NATIONAL BANCORP, INC.

We are offering shares of our common stock. Our common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol "PNBK." On September 25, 2006, the last reported sale price of our common stock was \$25.60 per share. The public offering price of our common stock to be sold in this offering was determined based on negotiations with our underwriter.

Investing in our common stock involves risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 8.

| | Per | Share | Total | | |
|---|-----|-------|-------|------------|--|
| Price to public | \$ | 22.00 | \$ | 29,040,000 | |
| Underwriting discount(1) | \$ | 1.32 | \$ | 1,742,400 | |
| Proceeds, before expenses, to Patriot National Bancorp, Inc.(1) | \$ | 20.68 | \$ | 27,297,600 | |

The underwriting discount is \$1.32 per share for all shares to be sold in this offering, except with respect to an aggregate of 279,780 shares offered hereby that have been reserved for sale to our executive officers, directors and employees and an advisor to our chairman. The underwriting discount for these shares is \$0.44 per share, which will result in approximately \$246,206 of additional proceeds to us.

We have granted the underwriter a 30-day option to purchase up to 180,000 additional shares of common stock at the public offering price, less the underwriting discount, to cover over-allotments, if any.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

These securities are not savings accounts, deposits or other obligations of any bank and are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency.

The underwriter expects to deliver the shares to purchasers against payment in New York, New York on or about September 29, 2006, subject to customary closing conditions.

Sandler O'Neill + Partners, L.P.

The date of this prospectus is September 26, 2006.

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As a prospective investor, you should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. We have not, and the underwriter has not, authorized anyone to provide prospective investors with information different from that contained in this prospectus. If anyone provides you with additional, different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. This prospectus is not an offer to sell nor is it seeking an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should not assume that the information included in this prospectus is accurate as of any date other than the date of this prospectus. Our business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows and/or future prospects may have changed since that date.

In this prospectus we rely on and refer to information and statistics regarding the banking industry, Fairfield County, Connecticut, Westchester County, New York and the greater New York City metropolitan area. We obtained this market data from independent publications or other publicly available information. Although we believe these sources are reliable, we have not independently verified and do not guarantee the accuracy and completeness of this information.

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Prospectus Summary

This summary highlights only some of the information contained in this prospectus and does not contain all the information you should consider in making your investment decision. You should read carefully the entire prospectus, including the "Risk Factors" section and the financial statements and notes to those financial statements appearing elsewhere in this prospectus, before making an investment decision. Unless otherwise indicated, all information in this prospectus assumes that the underwriter will not exercise its option to purchase additional shares to cover over-allotments.

In this prospectus, we frequently use the terms "we," "our" and "us" to refer to Patriot National Bancorp, Inc. and our subsidiary, Patriot National Bank

Our Company

We are the bank holding company for Patriot National Bank, the largest publicly-held commercial bank headquartered in Fairfield County, Connecticut. We conduct our operations solely through the Bank. We and the Bank are headquartered at our main office in Stamford, Connecticut, approximately 40 miles east of New York City. The Bank began operations in 1994 and was reorganized as our subsidiary in 1999. The Bank has ten branch office locations serving customers located in the Fairfield County communities of Stamford, Greenwich, Old Greenwich, Norwalk, Wilton, Darien and Southport. In addition, we have loan production offices in Stamford, Connecticut, Melville (Long Island), New York and New York City, New York. During the fourth quarter of this year, we plan to open four additional branch offices in the Connecticut communities of Fairfield, Fairfield Center, Milford and Trumbull. In addition, in July 2006, we entered into an agreement to acquire a small bank branch office in New York City, New York. As of July 21, 2006, this branch had deposits of approximately \$4.1 million. Although this branch is located in New York City, the primary reason for this acquisition is to permit us to expand our branch locations into Westchester County, New York, which is adjacent to Fairfield County, Connecticut. We do not anticipate further branch office expansion in New York City.

The Bank offers a broad range of commercial and consumer banking services with an emphasis on serving the needs of small and medium-sized businesses, commercial real estate investors and builders, professionals such as accountants and attorneys, as well as individuals. The Bank offers commercial real estate and construction loans to area businesses and developers, commercial loans to area businesses, as well as one- to four-family residential mortgage loans, home improvement loans and home equity lines of credit to individuals. The Bank offers consumer and commercial deposit accounts such as checking accounts, insured money market accounts, time certificates of deposit, and savings accounts. As of June 30, 2006, on a consolidated basis, we had total assets of \$559.0 million, net loans of \$450.5 million, total deposits of \$472.6 million and total shareholders' equity of \$31.7 million.

Investment Highlights

Growth

The strategic and operational leadership of our management team has resulted in significant growth in our assets, loans, deposits and net income over the past four and one half years. From December 31, 2001 through June 30, 2006, we have grown:

Total assets from \$202.6 million to \$559.0 million;

Net loans from \$135.7 million to \$450.5 million;

Total deposits from \$183.3 million to \$472.6 million; and

Non-interest bearing deposits from \$17.0 million to \$50.9 million.

During this period of growth, we have also emphasized the importance of a disciplined credit culture and have been successful in maintaining strong asset quality. Net loan charge-offs from December 31, 2001 to June 30, 2006 totaled \$5,000. We had an aggregate of \$5.2 million of

non-performing loans at June 30, 2006, which constituted 0.9% of total assets at such date. These non-performing loans included two loans in the aggregate amount of \$3.4 million that were adequately collateralized and in the process of collection, and one loan in the amount of \$1.1 million that was adequately collateralized and current as to principal and interest payments. The Bank is considered a well-capitalized institution under applicable regulations, with a total risk-based capital ratio of 10.70% and a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of 9.45% at June 30, 2006.

Market Overview

Our market is located within the greater New York City metropolitan area, and is highly dependent on the economy of New York City. Our primary market area encompasses the Fairfield County communities where our branches are located. From these branches, we also provide lending services in adjoining areas of Fairfield County and neighboring Westchester County, New York. In addition, we have established loan production offices in Melville (Long Island) and New York City, New York.

In 2005, the population of Fairfield County was estimated to be approximately 903,000 people, which represents approximately 25% of the population of Connecticut. The estimated median household income in 2004 was over \$73,000, more than 50% higher than the estimated median household income for the United States of approximately \$44,700. In June 2006, unemployment in Fairfield County was reported to be 3.9% compared to 4.1% for Connecticut and 4.6% for the United States.

Westchester County, New York shares similar demographics with neighboring Fairfield County. In 2005, the population of Westchester County was estimated to be approximately 941,000 people, which represents approximately 5% of the population of the greater New York City metropolitan area. The estimated median household income in 2004 was approximately \$70,100 compared to approximately \$44,700 estimated in the United States. In June 2006, unemployment in Westchester County was reported to be 3.9% compared to 4.9% for New York City, 4.6% for New York State and 4.6% for the United States.

As of June 30, 2006, the Bank had \$472.6 million of total deposits. As of June 30, 2005, the most recent date such information is available, the Bank had approximately 1.62% of the approximately \$22.7 billion of total deposits within Fairfield County. As of June 30, 2005, total deposits within Westchester County exceeded \$27.8 billion. Consequently, there are substantial opportunities for the Bank to continue to grow its market share of deposits within its primary market area.

Fairfield and Westchester Counties are home to a large number of Fortune 500 corporate headquarters, including Pitney Bowes, Clairol, Xerox, GE Capital and Time Warner Cable in Connecticut, and IBM Corporation, Pepsico Incorporated, New York Life Insurance and Snapple Beverage Group/Motts, Inc. in New York. Many senior executives and employees of these and other businesses based in the greater New York City metropolitan area reside within our market area. Our market is also characterized by a large number of small and medium-sized businesses that have developed to meet the needs of the community. We are focused on serving these individuals and small to medium-size businesses.

Experienced Management Team

Our growth since 2001 is primarily due to our experienced team of banking executives:

Angelo De Caro, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, is a former partner and senior financial officer of Goldman Sachs & Co. Mr. De Caro served on the executive committees of Goldman Sachs Swiss Private Bank and Goldman Sachs Trust Services. Mr. De Caro has extensive experience in financial management and risk analysis and his responsibilities at

Goldman Sachs included auditing, tax and financial controls. He has focused us on our strategic growth objectives with respect to both our loan portfolio and core deposits.

Charles F. Howell, our President, and the Chief Executive Officer of the Bank, has over 30 years of banking experience in Fairfield County, including prior service as the president of a bank and as the chief operating officer and chief lending officer at another bank.

Robert F. O'Connell, our Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, has experience as a CPA in a major national accounting firm and has served as a senior executive officer and CFO of four other banks over a 30-year period. He also has responsibility for operations, retail banking and human resources.

Philip W. Wolford, our Chief Operating Officer, has over 30 years of banking experience and has been a senior executive officer of three banks. Mr. Wolford served as the controller of a large New York City savings bank and has had responsibility for operations, information technology, compliance, retail banking and loan operations. He has been with the Bank since it opened in 1994.

Our other four senior officers have over 100 years of combined banking and mortgage banking experience. We have also hired several senior commercial lenders with considerable experience and business relationships from other banks and financial institutions in our market area, and we expect to hire additional experienced lenders as we continue to grow.

Growth Strategy

We continue to attract new customers by providing a targeted line of commercial and consumer financial services while maintaining our reputation for excellent service, professionalism and integrity. Our goal is to maintain our growth strategy from our base in Fairfield County, Connecticut. We will continue to emphasize growth over profitability for the foreseeable future as we pursue this strategy. We believe that by continuing to grow through branch expansion, we will be able to create long-term value for our shareholders. Our strategy for achieving our growth objectives includes the following:

Expand our geographical footprint. We are the largest, independently owned commercial bank headquartered in Fairfield County. We believe that Fairfield County and neighboring areas of Connecticut with similar demographics continue to offer attractive opportunities for additional branch expansion. Our management is very familiar with Fairfield County and regularly evaluates opportunities to establish new bank branches by reviewing market demographics with a view towards loan and deposit growth, customer accessibility, proximity to competitors, renovation costs, and suitability. Financial institution consolidation within Fairfield County in recent years has confused brand loyalties, disrupted banking relationships and inconvenienced customers with branch office relocations and consolidations. In some cases, we have been able to lease existing bank branch buildings, which is an efficient and cost-effective alternative to building new facilities. We have received regulatory approval to open four additional branches, three in Fairfield County and one in the neighboring town of Milford, in New Haven County, Connecticut, all of which we plan to bring into service during the fourth quarter of this year.

Fairfield County shares similar demographics with neighboring Westchester County, New York. We have provided lending services in Westchester County for many years from our base in Connecticut. We now intend to open full service branch locations in Westchester County. In July 2006, we entered into an agreement with another financial institution to acquire a small branch office and assume the lease at 45 West End Avenue, New York, New York. This acquisition, which we expect to complete before the end of 2006, subject to receipt of all required regulatory approvals, will allow us to establish additional bank branch offices in Westchester County, our primary reason for the New York City branch acquisition. We do not anticipate further branch office expansion in New York City. We have signed a letter of intent to lease a facility in Bedford, in Westchester County, New York. Initially, we plan to

operate this facility as a loan production office. Following the completion of our acquisition of the New York City bank branch office, we plan to apply during the first quarter of 2007 for regulatory approval to operate the Bedford loan production office as a full service bank branch office.

We typically establish loan production offices in areas where we have the opportunity to acquire lenders with a local following. We currently have loan production offices in Melville (Long Island) and New York City, New York. We may open additional loan production offices in other areas of metropolitan New York in the future. Except for the acquisition of a mortgage brokerage business in 1999 and our current agreement to acquire the small branch office in New York City, we have not historically supplemented our growth through acquisitions.

Increase our deposit balances. We focus on increasing our core deposits, which consist of non-interest-bearing demand accounts, NOW accounts, savings accounts, money market deposit accounts and certificates of deposit in amounts less than \$100,000. We have grown our core deposits from \$157.9 million at December 31, 2001 to \$351.6 million at June 30, 2006 with a weighted average interest rate of 2.8% as of June 30, 2006. We intend to continue to increase our core deposits by capturing deposits from new and existing loan customers, and by attracting new depositors who seek a high level of personalized banking services. We believe that our personalized service and our role in providing commercial real estate and construction loans in the local business community distinguishes us from most of our competitors, many of which are larger banks and other institutions with a regional or national focus.

Increase the number and size of our loans. We seek to expand and attract new lending relationships, particularly residential construction, commercial real estate and commercial business loans. Additional capital will allow us to retain a greater portion of loans originated and to better meet the lending needs of our borrowers. Our growth strategy is to continue to maintain a strong loan-to-deposit ratio.

Attract and retain experienced lending professionals. Our senior management team includes individuals with extensive experience and business contacts in the Fairfield County and metropolitan New York City areas. We seek to hire additional experienced commercial lenders with strong business relationships and knowledge of our market areas both to enhance our presence in existing markets as well as in new locations as we continue to grow. We also consider the availability of experienced lenders in connection with our plans to establish new branch locations. This strategy will be particularly important as we expand on our current lending operations in Westchester County with investments in new branch office locations. During the six months ended June 30, 2006, we hired four experienced lenders from local competitors, and a fifth lender joined us in August, 2006. All of these new employees are from our market area and have extensive lending experience, business contacts and relationships in the region. We intend to identify similarly credentialed individuals as we open new branch offices in Westchester County. We have also increased our credit analysis and administrative functions to support the current and anticipated expansion of our lending sales staff.

Office and Other Information

Our principal executive offices are located at 900 Bedford Street, Stamford, Connecticut 06901, and our telephone number is (203) 324-7500. Our Internet address is www.pnbk.com. The information contained on our web site is not part of this prospectus.

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The Offering

| Common stock offered by us | 1,320,000 shares. ⁽¹⁾ |
|--|---|
| Common stock to be outstanding immediately after this offering | 4,559,494 shares. ⁽²⁾ |
| Net proceeds | The net proceeds from this offering are expected to be approximately \$26.8 million without giving effect to any exercise of the underwriter's over-allotment option. |
| Use of proceeds | We currently intend to contribute substantially all of the net proceeds of this offering to the Bank. The Bank intends to utilize the proceeds to enhance capital to further its branch expansion program and for general corporate purposes. We believe that by continuing to grow the Bank, we will be able to create long-term value for our shareholders. The net proceeds of this offering will be invested initially in primarily short-term investments. |
| Dividend policy | We historically have paid cash dividends. In the quarter ended June 30, 2006, we declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.045 per share of common stock. We intend to continue to pay dividends, but our payment of dividends in the future will depend on a number of factors. We cannot assure you that we will continue to pay dividends or that the amount of dividends we pay will not be reduced in the future. See "Dividend Policy." |
| NASDAQ symbol | Our common stock is traded on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol "PNBK." |

- Certain of our executive officers, directors and employees and an advisor to our chairman have indicated an intention to purchase 279,780 of the shares to be sold in this offering at the public offering price. At our request, the underwriter has advised us that it will reserve shares for this purpose. Any reserved shares which are not purchased will be offered by the underwriter to the general public on the same basis as the other shares offered by this prospectus.
- The number of shares of common stock that will be outstanding after this offering includes 3,239,494 shares outstanding as of September 25, 2006, but does not include (i) 180,000 shares of common stock issuable pursuant to the underwriter's over-allotment option; and (ii) 65,000 shares of common stock reserved for issuance upon exercise of stock options with a weighted-average exercise price of \$10.13, which have been granted and remained outstanding as of September 25, 2006.

Risk Factors

Before investing you should carefully consider the matters set forth under "Risk Factors" beginning on page 8 of this prospectus for a discussion of risks related to an investment in our common stock.

Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data

We have derived the selected consolidated financial and other data for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 from our audited consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus. We have derived the selected consolidated financial and other data for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 from our audited consolidated financial statements that are not included in this prospectus. The selected consolidated financial data as set forth below as of June 30, 2006 and 2005, and for the six months ended June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2005, have been derived from our unaudited financial statements which are included elsewhere in this prospectus. We have prepared the unaudited financial statements on a basis consistent with our audited annual financial statements. In our opinion, the unaudited financial statements include all normal recurring adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of our results of operations and financial condition for such periods. Our operating results for the six months ended June 30, 2006 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the entire year ending December 31, 2006. You should read the selected consolidated financial information below in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and our consolidated financial statements and notes related to those financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

| | Si | ix Months E | nded J | ıne 30, | Years Ended December 31, | | | | | | | | |
|--|----|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|------------------------------|------|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | | 2006 | 20 |)05 | | 2005 | | 2004 | | 2003 20 | | 2002 | 2001 |
| | | | | (dol | llars i | in thousand | ls, e | except shar | e an | d per share | dat | ta) | |
| Selected Operating Data: | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Interest and dividend income Interest expense | \$ | 17,193 7,614 | \$ | 11,403 4,495 | | 25,149 10,270 | \$ | 18,678 7,009 | | 15,21 5,58 | | 12,605 4,765 | \$ 13,723 6,867 |
| Net interest income Provision for loan losses Noninterest income | | 9,579 924 1,212 | | 6,908 360 1,532 | | 14,879 1,110 3,229 | | 11,670 550 2,700 | 5 | 9,62 56 4,81 | 3 | 7,840 468 4,114 | 6,856 250 3,510 |
| Noninterest income Notiniterest expense Net income | | 8,434 907 | | 7,008 638 | | 14,634 1,407 | | 12,25 | 7 | 11,65 1,34 | 9 | 9,813 1,052 | 8,676 876 |
| Per Share Data: | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Basic income per share Diluted income per share | \$ | 0.28 0.28 | \$ | 0.26 0.25 | | 0.52 0.51 | \$ | 0.38 | | 0.5 0.5 | 6 \$ 5 | 0.44 | \$ 0.37 0.36 |
| Dividends per share Weighted average shares outstanding Basi | | 0.085 3,230,649 | | 0.075 488,247 | | 0.155 2,696,676 | | 0.133 2,449,679 |) | 0.11 2,400,87 | 9 | 0.095 2,400,525 | 0.060 2,400,488 |
| Weighted average shares outstanding Dilu Common shares outstanding at end of period Book value per share | | 3,257,349 3,230,649 9,82 | | 537,133 489,391 8.06 | | 2,738,718 3,230,649 9,71 | | 2,502,69 2,486,39 7.99 | 1 | 2,443,23 2,408,60 7.8 | 7 | 2,427,314 2,400,525 7.73 | 2,426,501 2,400,525 7.25 |
| Tangible book value per share(1) | | 9.54 | | 7.69 | | 9.42 | | 7.5 | 7 | 7.4 | 1 | 7.34 | 6.86 |
| | | | 20 | | | | | As | of D | ecember 3 | 1, | | |
| | | _ | ne 30, 2006 | _ | 200 | 5 | 2 | 004 | | 2003 | | 2002 | 2001 |
| Balance Sheet Data: | | | | | | | | | | | | _ | |
| Cash and due from banks | | \$ | 8,54 | 42 \$ | | 7,221 \$ | | 6,670 | \$ | 4,024 | \$ | 5,386 | \$ 7,544 |
| Federal funds sold Short term investments | | | 13,60 | 00 59 | | 6,500 2,247 | | 37,500 11,460 | | 15,000 10,431 | | 3,000 3,349 | 12,700 6,789 |
| Investment securities | | | 75,89 | | | 30,991 | | 78,259 | | 92,331 | | 61,721 | 35,817 |
| Loans, net | | | 450,4 | | | 54,244 | | 263,875 | | 214,421 | | 170,795 | 135,680 |
| Total assets | | | 559,00 | | | 70,641 | | 405,047 | | 342,469 | | 248,497 | 202,569 |
| Total deposits | | | 472,62 | | | 19,075 | | 367,005 | | 289,992 | | 217,911 | 183,264 |
| Total borrowings | | | 51,2 | | | 17,248 | | 16,248 | | 31,301 | | 10,293 | 839 |
| Total shareholders' equity | | | 31,73 | 35 | 6 | 31,375 | | 19,756 | | 18,780 | | 18,545 | 17,406 |

At or for the Six Months Ended June 30,

At or for the Year Ended December 31,

| 2006 | 2005 | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
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| Selected Financial Ratios and Other Data(2): | | | | | | | |
|---|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| Return on average assets | 0.36% | 0.31% | 0.33% | 0.26% | 0.46% | 0.47% | 0.46% |
| Return on average equity | 5.67 | 6.36 | 6.00 | 4.74 | 7.09 | 5.82 | 5.10 |
| Interest rate spread(3) | 3.30 | 3.08 | 3.13 | 3.02 | 3.10 | 3.31 | 3.11 |
| Net interest margin(4) | 3.83 | 3.45 | 3.54 | 3.35 | 3.41 | 3.67 | 3.75 |
| Non-interest expense to average assets | 3.31 | 3.42 | 3.41 | 3.52 | 4.13 | 4.59 | 4.75 |
| Efficiency ratio(5) | 78.16 | 83.03 | 80.82 | 85.28 | 80.74 | 82.09 | 83.69 |
| Tangible capital to tangible assets(6) | 5.52 | 4.61 | 6.48 | 4.66 | 5.23 | 7.12 | 8.17 |
| Regulatory Capital Ratios(7): | | | | | | | |
| Tier I capital to average total assets | 7.53% | 6.44% | 8.56% | 6.79% | 7.51% | 6.99% | 8.15% |
| Tier I capital to total risk-weighted assets | 9.59 | 8.86 | 11.45 | 9.04 | 10.00 | 9.13 | 9.61 |
| Total capital to total risk-weighted assets | 10.84 | 10.49 | 12.70 | 10.70 | 11.87 | 10.39 | 10.74 |
| Asset Quality Ratios: | | | | | | | |
| Non-performing loans(8) as a percent of gross loans | 1.14% | 0.82% | 0.60% | 1.51% | 0.14% | 0.79% | 2.14% |
| Non-performing assets as a percent of total assets | 0.93 | 0.60 | 0.47 | 1.00 | 0.09 | 0.56 | 1.46 |
| Allowance for loan losses as a percent of gross loans | 1.21 | 1.26 | 1.25 | 1.31 | 1.35 | 1.37 | 1.38 |
| Allowance for loan losses as a percent of total | | | | | | | |
| non-performing loans | 106.06 | 153.27 | 207.60 | 86.12 | 931.43 | 172.76 | 64.12 |
| Number of full-service customer facilities | 10 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 7 | 4 | 4 |

- (1) Represents the result of total shareholders' equity minus goodwill, divided by the number of shares outstanding
- (2) All ratios are annualized where appropriate.
- (3)

 Represents the difference between the weighted average yield on interest-earning assets and the weighted average cost of interest-bearing liabilities.
- (4) Represents net interest income as a percent of average interest-earning assets.
- (5)

 Represents non-interest expense divided by the sum of net interest income and noninterest income.
- (6)

 Represents total consolidated common equity, less intangibles, divided by total consolidated assets, less intangibles.
- (7)

 See note 14 to our audited consolidated financial statements for additional information about our regulatory capital positions and requirements and the regulatory capital positions and requirements of the Bank.
- (8) Consists of loans past due 90 days or more and still accruing, and loans placed on non-accrual status.

Risk Factors

An investment in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the risks described below before making an investment decision. You should also refer to the other information in this prospectus, including our financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. The risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial also may impair our business operations. If any of the following risks actually occur, our business, results of operations and financial condition could suffer. In that event, the trading price of our common stock could decline, and you may lose all or part of your investment in our common stock. The risks discussed below also include forward-looking statements, and our actual results may differ substantially from those discussed in these forward-looking statements.

The shares of common stock offered through this prospectus are not savings accounts, deposits or other obligations of a bank and are not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or FDIC, or any other governmental agency.

Risks Related to our Business

We intend to continue our emphasis on growth over earnings for the foreseeable future.

We have actively sought growth of our institution in recent years, by opening additional branches, initiating internal growth programs, completing one acquisition of a mortgage brokerage company and contracting to acquire a small branch office in New York City. We may not be able to sustain our historical rate of growth or may not even be able to continue to grow at all. Various factors, such as economic conditions and competition, may impede or prohibit us from opening new branches. In addition, we may not be able to obtain the financing necessary to fund additional growth and we may not be able to find suitable candidates for acquisition.

Sustaining our growth has placed significant demands on our management as well as on our administrative, operational and financial resources. We have received regulatory approval to open four new branch offices, which we currently plan to bring into service during the fourth quarter of 2006. We expect our acquisition of the small branch office in New York City, which had deposits of approximately \$4.1 million at July 21, 2006, will close before the end of 2006, subject to receipt of all required regulatory approvals. We expect to open additional branch offices in Connecticut and Westchester County, New York in the near future. In August 2006, we signed a letter of intent to lease a facility in Bedford, New York. Integrating these new branch offices, particularly the four branch offices scheduled to open during the fourth quarter of 2006, will place increased demands on the time and resources of our management, and may temporarily distract management's attention from our day-to-day business. We cannot assure you that we will successfully integrate new branch offices into our operations, or that we will achieve anticipated benefits from opening new branch offices or achieve earnings results in the future similar to those that we have achieved in the past.

For us to continue to manage our growth, we must continue to:

| attract and retain qualified management and experienced bankers; |
|--|
| find suitable markets for expansion; |
| find suitable, affordable branch office locations; |
| attract funding to support additional growth; |
| maintain our asset quality; |
| maintain adequate regulatory capital; and |
| maintain adequate controls. |

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Although we believe that our earnings will increase as we build our franchise, earnings are expected to continue to be adversely affected by the costs of opening new branches and the time necessary to build a customer base at each new branch.

If we are unable to continue our historical levels of growth, or if our growth comes at greater financial expense than has been incurred in the past, we may not be able to achieve our financial goals and our profitability may be adversely affected.

We will be expanding into a new geographic market in which our current senior management has limited experience.

We intend to expand into Westchester County and the surrounding counties in New York State. In July 2006, we entered into an agreement with another financial institution to acquire a small branch office in New York City, New York, which had deposits of approximately \$4.1 million at July 21, 2006. We expect this acquisition will close before the end of 2006, subject to receipt of all required regulatory approvals. This acquisition will allow us to establish additional bank branch offices in Westchester County, New York, which is the primary reason for the acquisition. We do not anticipate further branch expansion in New York City. We have signed a letter of intent to lease a facility in Bedford, in Westchester County, New York. Initially, we plan to operate this facility as a loan production office. Following the completion of our acquisition of the New York City bank branch office, we plan to apply during the first quarter of 2007 for regulatory approval to operate the Bedford loan production office as a full service bank branch office.

The vast majority of our current deposits and loans are derived from and made to customers who live and work in Fairfield County, Connecticut. Although we believe that the demographics for Westchester County, New York closely resemble those of Fairfield County, Connecticut, we do not currently conduct significant deposit activity in New York State. Our senior management team includes several individuals with substantial banking experience in Connecticut, but with less experience in New York. Our ability to compete effectively in New York State will depend in part on our ability to hire and retain key employees who know the Westchester County market better than we do.

We have no experience opening bank branch offices in Westchester County, New York.

Historically, our investment in capital equipment to open a new branch office has ranged between \$315,000 and \$450,000. However, total branch operating costs also include a variety of variable costs, including the prevailing rental rates in the local branch office area, the size of the branch, the availability of facilities that are ready to be operated as bank branches, and the number of employees. We have not opened branches in Westchester County in the past and we may not be able to estimate accurately the variable costs associated with opening branch offices in this area. If we underestimate these variable costs, then the branches that we establish in these areas may prove to be more costly than anticipated and, as a further consequence, our branch expansion program may be delayed or reduced in scope, or both, which may have an adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

Because we intend to increase our commercial real estate, construction and commercial business loan originations, our lending risk will increase, and downturns in the real estate market could adversely affect our earnings.

Commercial real estate, construction and commercial business loans generally have more risk than residential mortgage loans. Both commercial real estate and construction loans, for example, often involve larger loan balances concentrated with single borrowers or groups of related borrowers as compared to single-family residential loans. Construction loans are secured by the property under construction, the value of which is uncertain prior to completion. Thus, it is more difficult to evaluate accurately the total loan funds required to complete a project and the related loan-to-value ratios.

Speculative construction loans involve additional risk because the builder does not have a contract for the sale of the property at the time of construction.

Because the repayment of commercial real estate, construction and commercial business loans depends on the successful management and operation of the borrower's properties or related businesses, repayment of such loans can be affected by adverse conditions in the real estate market or the local economy. As of June 30, 2006, 76.3% of our total loan portfolio was secured by real estate located in Fairfield County, Connecticut and Westchester County, New York. As a result, a downturn in the real estate market, especially within our market area, could adversely impact the value of properties securing these loans. Our ability to recover on defaulted loans by selling the underlying real estate would be diminished, and we would be more likely to suffer losses on defaulted loans. As our commercial real estate, construction and commercial business loan portfolios increase, the corresponding risks and potential for losses from these loans may also increase. The additional capital provided through the net proceeds of this offering will enable the Bank to increase the size of individual and relationship loans, which may exacerbate these risks.

Our business is subject to various lending and other economic risks that could adversely impact our results of operations and financial condition.

Changes in economic conditions, particularly an economic slowdown in Fairfield County, Connecticut and the New York metropolitan area, could hurt our financial performance. Our business is directly affected by political and market conditions, broad trends in industry and finance, legislative and regulatory changes, changes in governmental monetary and fiscal policies, and inflation, all of which are beyond our control. A deterioration in economic conditions, in particular an economic slowdown within Fairfield County, Connecticut and/or the New York metropolitan area, could result in the following consequences, any of which may hurt our business materially:

loan delinquencies may increase;

problem assets and foreclosures may increase;

demand for our products and services may decline; and

assets and collateral associated with our loans, especially real estate, may decline in value, thereby reducing a customer's borrowing power.

We may suffer losses in our loan portfolio despite our underwriting practices. We seek to mitigate the risks inherent in our loan portfolio by adhering to specific underwriting practices. These practices include analysis of a borrower's prior credit history, financial statements, tax returns and cash flow projections, valuation of collateral based on reports of independent appraisers and verification of liquid assets. Although we believe that our underwriting criteria are appropriate for the various kinds of loans we make, we may incur losses on loans that meet our underwriting criteria, and these losses may exceed the amounts set aside as reserves in our allowance for loan losses.

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 non-performance. Our allowance for loan losses may not be adequate to cover actual loan losses, and future provisions for loan losses could materially and adversely affect our operating results. Our allowance for loan losses is based on an evaluation of the risks associated with our loans receivable as well as our prior experience. A substantial portion of our loans are unseasoned and lack an established record of performance. To date, we have experienced negligible losses. 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. Federal regulatory agencies, as an integral part of their examination process, review our loans and assess the adequacy of

the allowance for loan losses. While we believe that our allowance for loan losses is adequate to cover current losses, we cannot assure you that we will not need to increase our allowance for loan losses or that regulators will not require us to increase this allowance. Either of these occurrences could materially and adversely affect our earnings and profitability.

Our business is subject to interest rate risk and variations in interest rates may negatively affect our financial performance.

| inflation; |
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| recession; |
| a rise in unemployment; |
| tightening money supply; and |
| domestic and international disorder and instability in domestic and foreign financial markets. |

We are unable to predict fluctuations of market interest rates, which are affected by many factors, including:

Changes in the interest rate environment may reduce our profits. We realize income from the differential or "spread" between the interest earned on loans, securities and other interest-earning assets, and interest paid on deposits, borrowings and other interest-bearing liabilities. Net interest spreads are affected by the difference between the maturities and repricing characteristics of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. We are vulnerable to a decrease in interest rates because our interest-earning assets generally have shorter durations than our interest-bearing liabilities. As a result, material and prolonged decreases in interest rates would decrease our net interest income. In contrast, an increase in the general level of interest rates may adversely affect the ability of some borrowers to pay the interest on and principal of their obligations. Accordingly, changes in levels of market interest rates could materially and adversely affect our net interest spread, asset quality, levels of prepayments and cash flow as well as the market value of our securities portfolio and overall profitability.

Fee income derived from mortgage brokerage activities is also affected by interest rate fluctuations. Generally, increases in interest rates often lead to decreases in home refinancing activity, thus reducing the number of mortgage loans we originate.

Our investment portfolio includes securities which are sensitive to interest rates and variations in interest rates may adversely impact our profitability.

At June 30, 2006, our securities portfolio aggregated \$72.1 million, all of which was classified as available-for-sale, and was comprised of mortgage-backed securities which are insured or guaranteed by U.S. government agencies or government-sponsored enterprises, U.S. government agency securities and money market preferred equity securities. These securities amounted to approximately 12.9% of our total assets and are sensitive to interest rate fluctuations. The unrealized gains or losses in our available-for-sale portfolio are reported as a separate component of shareholders' equity. As a result, future interest rate fluctuations may impact shareholders' equity, causing material fluctuations from quarter to quarter. Failure to hold our securities until payments are received on mortgage-backed securities or until maturity on other investments or until market conditions are favorable for a sale could adversely affect our earnings and profitability.

We are dependent on our management team, and the loss of our senior executive officers or other key employees could impair our relationship with our customers and adversely affect our business and financial results.

Our success is dependent upon the continued services and skills of Angelo De Caro, Charles F. Howell, Robert F. O'Connell, Philip W. Wolford and other senior officers including Martin G. Noble, our chief lender, Marcus Zavattaro, our residential lending sales manager, and John Kantzas, a founder and an executive vice president. While we have employment agreements containing non-competition provisions with Messrs. Howell, O'Connell and Zavattaro, these agreements do not prevent any of them from terminating their employment with us. The unexpected loss of services of one or more of these key personnel could have an adverse impact on our business because of their skills, knowledge of our market, years of industry experience and the difficulty of promptly finding qualified replacement personnel.

Our success also depends, in part, on our continued ability to attract and retain experienced commercial lenders and residential mortgage originators, as well as other management personnel. The loss of the services of several of such key personnel could adversely affect our growth strategy and prospects to the extent we are unable to replace such personnel. In the past year, we have hired several experienced commercial loan officers who have strong business relationships in order to expand and enhance our current deposit and commercial banking operations. Competition for commercial lenders and residential mortgage originators is strong within the commercial banking and mortgage banking industries, and we may not be successful in retaining or attracting additional personnel necessary to maintain our growth plans.

A breach of information security could negatively affect our earnings.

Increasingly, we depend upon data processing, communication and information exchange on a variety of computing platforms and networks, and over the internet to conduct our business. We cannot be certain that all of our systems are entirely free from vulnerability to attack, despite safeguards we have instituted. In addition, we rely on the services of a variety of vendors to meet our data processing and communication needs. If information security is breached, information can be lost or misappropriated, resulting in financial loss or costs to us or damages to others. These costs or losses could materially exceed the amount of insurance coverage, if any, which would have an adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition. In addition, the Bank's reputation could be harmed, which also could materially adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Changing regulation of corporate governance and public disclosure.

Recently enacted laws, regulations and standards relating to corporate governance and public disclosure, including the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, new SEC regulations and NASDAQ Global Market rules, are adding to the responsibilities that companies such as ours have. These laws, regulations and standards are subject to varying interpretations, and as a result, their application in practice may evolve over time as new guidance is provided by regulatory and governing bodies, which could make compliance more difficult and result in higher costs due to ongoing revisions to disclosure and governance practices. We are committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance and public disclosure. As a result, our efforts to comply with evolving laws, regulations and standards have resulted in, and are likely to continue to result in, increased general and administrative expenses and a diversion of management time and attention from revenue-generating activities to compliance activities. In addition, during our fiscal year ending December 31, 2007, we will be required to comply with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the related regulations regarding our required assessment of our internal controls over financial reporting and our external auditors' audit of that assessment. In order to prepare for this, we will need to commit significant financial and managerial

resources beginning in 2006. If we do not effectively comply with these laws, regulations and standards, our reputation may be harmed.

Risks Related to the Offering

We are selling the shares of common stock in this offering at a price below the recent trading price of our common stock and, as a result, the market price of our common stock may decline after the stock offering.

The price per share at which we sell our common stock in this offering may be less than the market price of our common stock on the date the offering is completed. The last reported sale price of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Market on September 25, 2006 was \$25.60. Since the public offering price is less than the current market price for our common stock, some purchasers in this offering may be inclined to immediately sell shares of common stock to try to realize a profit. Any such sales, depending on the volume and timing, is likely to cause the market price of our common stock to decline. Also, because stock prices generally fluctuate over time, we cannot assure you that you will be able to sell shares after this offering at a price equal to or greater than the actual purchase price. You should consider these possibilities in deciding whether to purchase shares of common stock in this offering and the timing of any sale of those shares after the offering.

The trading volume in our common stock has been low, and the sale of a substantial number of shares in the public market could depress the price of our stock and make it difficult for you to sell your shares.

Our common stock has traded on the NASDAQ Global Market since August 29, 2006. Previously, it was traded on the NASDAQ Capital Market. Our common stock is thinly traded. Thinly traded stock can be more volatile than stock trading in an active public market. We cannot predict the extent to which an active public market for our common stock will develop or be sustained after this offering. In recent years, the stock market has experienced a high level of price and volume volatility, and market prices for the stock of many companies have experienced wide price fluctuations that have not necessarily been related to operating performance.

We cannot predict what effect future sales of our common stock in the market, or the availability of shares of our common stock for sale in the market, will have on the market price of our common stock. So, we cannot assure you that sales of substantial amounts of our common stock in the market, or the potential for large amounts of market sales, would not cause the price of our common stock to decline.

We have broad discretion in the use of proceeds of this offering.

We have not designated the anticipated net proceeds of this offering for specific uses. Accordingly, our management will have considerable discretion in the application of the net proceeds of this offering and you will not have the opportunity, as part of your investment decision, to assess whether the proceeds are being used appropriately. See "Use of Proceeds."

Future common stock offerings may reduce the ownership percentage of our current shareholders.

In certain circumstances, our board of directors has the authority, without any vote of our shareholders, to issue shares of our authorized but unissued stock, as we are doing in this offering. In the future, we may issue additional securities, through public or private offerings, in order to raise additional capital. Any such issuance would dilute the percentage of ownership interest of existing shareholders.

Risks Related to the Ownership of our Common Stock

We may be unable to pay dividends in the future.

Our shareholders may receive dividends out of legally available funds if, and when, they are declared by our board of directors. Our policy has been to pay dividends out of cash in excess of the needs of the business. Our most recent quarterly cash dividend was at a rate of \$0.045 per share.

Federal Reserve Board policy restricts our ability to pay dividends, and we cannot assure you that we will pay dividends on our common stock in the future. Federal Reserve Board policy states that bank holding companies should pay cash dividends on common stock only out of net income available over the past year and only if prospective earnings retention is consistent with the organization's expected future needs and financial condition. The policy provides that a bank holding company should not maintain a level of cash dividends that undermines its ability to serve as a source of strength to its banking subsidiaries. In addition, the terms of the junior subordinated debt we issued in connection with the issuance of trust preferred securities by a statutory trust formed by us contains restrictions on our ability to pay dividends. We may incur additional indebtedness in the future that may prohibit or further restrict our ability to declare and pay dividends. Our ability to declare and pay dividends on the common stock may be restricted in the future due to state corporation laws, our financial condition and results of operations, capital requirements, covenants contained in our various financing agreements, management's assessment of future capital needs and other factors considered by our board of directors.

Our principal source of funds to pay dividends is cash dividends that we receive from Patriot National Bank. The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency regulates the Bank's dividend payments and must approve dividend payments in advance if the total of all dividends declared by the Bank's board of directors in any year will exceed (1) the total of the Bank's net profits for that year, plus (2) the Bank's retained net profits of the preceding two years, less any required net transfers to surplus. See "Supervision and Regulation Payment of Dividends."

Our executive officers, directors and advisors to our Chairman own sufficient shares of our common stock to significantly affect the results of any shareholder vote.

Our executive officers and directors beneficially own approximately 31.5% of our common stock. After giving effect to the proposed purchase by certain executive officers and directors of 45,280 shares of our common stock to be sold in this offering, our executive officers and directors will beneficially own 23.4% of our common stock after completion of this offering. Mr. De Caro, our chairman, beneficially owns approximately 22.9% of our common stock. After giving effect to his proposed purchase of 10,000 shares of our common stock to be sold in this offering, Mr. De Caro will beneficially own 16.5% of our common stock after completion of this offering. In addition, two shareholders who serve as advisors to our chairman beneficially own 5.8% and 4.6%, respectively, of our common stock. One of these shareholders. Donald C. Opatrny, has indicated an intention to purchase 227,000 shares of our common stock to be sold in this offering. After completion of this offering, and after giving effect to Mr. Opatrny's proposed purchase, Mr. Opatrny will beneficially own 8.3% of our common stock, and the other advisor will beneficially own 4.1% of our common stock. As a result, our executive officers, directors and advisors to the chairman have the ability to significantly influence the outcome of matters requiring a shareholder vote, including the election of our board of directors, amendments to our organizational documents, or approval of any merger, sale of assets or other major corporate transaction. The interests of these individuals may differ from yours and these individuals may be able to delay or prevent us from entering into transactions that would result in a change in control, including transactions in which our shareholders might otherwise receive a premium over the then current market price for their shares. See "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management" and "Description of Capital Stock."

Anti-takeover provisions in our certificate of incorporation, our shareholder rights plan, and employment and change of control agreements may adversely affect the price of our common stock.

We have in place several measures that could have the effect of discouraging take-over attempts. Several senior executive officers have employment agreements or change of control agreements that require lump sum payments and the immediate vesting of unvested stock grants and stock options upon a change of control. Our certificate of incorporation allows our board to issue, without shareholder approval, preferred stock having such voting rights, preferences and special rights as the board may determine. The issuance of such preferred stock could make it more difficult for a third party to acquire us. In addition, in April 2004, our board adopted a shareholder rights plan that could make it more difficult for a person to acquire a controlling interest in our common stock. Under the shareholder rights plan, a dividend of one common stock purchase right was distributed on each outstanding share of our common stock. Each right entitles a shareholder to buy 8.152 shares of our common stock at a price of \$60. The rights remain attached to the common stock until they become exercisable upon certain triggering events, including the acquisition of more than 15% of our common stock by any person or the commencement of a tender offer or exchange offer for our common stock. We are entitled to redeem the rights at \$0.001 per right at any time before the trigger date. These measures could make it more difficult for a third party to acquire control of our company, even if the change in control might be beneficial to our shareholders. This could discourage potential takeover attempts and could adversely affect the market price of our common stock.

Your shares are not an insured deposit.

Your investment in our common stock will not be a bank deposit and will not be insured or guaranteed by the FDIC or any other government agency. Your investment will be subject to investment risk, and you must be capable of affording the loss of your entire investment.

Risks related to our industry

Strong competition within our market area may limit our growth and profitability.

Competition in the banking and financial services industry is intense. The Fairfield County, Connecticut and the greater New York City metropolitan areas, including the Westchester County area, have a high concentration of financial institutions including large money center and regional banks, community banks and credit unions. Some of our competitors offer products and services that we currently do not offer, such as private banking and trust services. Many of these competitors have substantially greater resources and lending limits than we do and may offer certain services that we do not or cannot provide. Price competition for loans and deposits might result in us earning less on our loans and paying more on our deposits, which reduces net interest income. We expect competition to increase in the future as a result of legislative, regulatory and technological changes. Our profitability depends upon our continued ability to successfully compete in our market area.

Government regulation may have an adverse effect on our profitability and growth.

We are subject to extensive regulation, supervision and examination by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, or the OCC, as our chartering authority, by the FDIC, as insurer of deposits, and by the Federal Reserve Board as regulator of our holding company. Changes in state and federal banking laws and regulations or in federal monetary policies could adversely affect our ability to maintain profitability and continue to grow. For example, new legislation or regulation could limit the manner in which we may conduct our business, including our ability to obtain financing, attract deposits, make loans and achieve satisfactory interest spreads. Many of these regulations are intended to protect depositors, the public and the FDIC, not shareholders. In addition, the burden imposed by federal and state regulations may place us at a competitive disadvantage compared to competitors who

are less regulated. The laws, regulations, interpretations and enforcement policies that apply to us have been subject to significant, and sometimes retroactively applied, changes in recent years, and may change significantly in the future. Future legislation or government policy may also adversely affect the banking industry or our operations.

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward Looking Statements

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a safe harbor for forward-looking statements made by us or on our behalf. The presentations, and certain of the other disclosure in this prospectus and in the documents incorporated by reference, including any statements preceded by, followed by or which include the words "may," "could," "should," "will," "would," "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "intend," "plan," "assume" or similar expressions constitute forward-looking statements.

These forward-looking statements, implicitly and explicitly, include the assumptions underlying the statements and other information with respect to our beliefs, plans, objectives, goals, expectations, anticipations, estimates, intentions, financial condition, results of operations, future performance and business, including our expectations and estimates with respect to our revenues, expenses, earnings, return on equity, return on assets, efficiency ratio, asset quality and other financial data and capital and performance ratios.

Although we believe that the expectations reflected in our forward-looking statements are reasonable, these statements involve risks and uncertainties which are subject to change based on various important factors (some of which are beyond our control). The following factors, among others, could cause our financial performance to differ materially from our goals, plans, objectives, intentions, expectations, and other forward-looking statements:

The effects of opening new branches;

Adverse changes in the economic condition of Fairfield County or the greater New York City metropolitan area;

Adverse changes in the local real estate market, as most of our loans are concentrated in Fairfield County, Connecticut and Westchester County, New York, and the substantial majority of these loans have real estate as collateral;

The strength of the United States economy in general and the strength of the regional and local economies in which we conduct operations;

Geopolitical conditions, including acts or threats of terrorism, actions taken by the United States or other governments in response to acts or threats of terrorism and/or military conflicts which could impact business and economic conditions in the United States and abroad:

The effects of, and changes in, trade, monetary and fiscal policies and laws, including interest rate policies of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System;

Inflation, interest rate, market and monetary fluctuations;

Our timely development of new products and services in a changing environment, including the features, pricing and quality compared to the products and services of our competitors;

The effects of any decision by us to engage in any business in which we have not historically been permitted to engage;

The willingness of users to substitute competitors' products and services for our products and services;

| The impact of changes in fir | nancial services policie | s, laws and regulations, | including laws, | regulations a | and policies |
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| concerning taxes, banking, s | securities and insurance | e, and the application th | ereof by regulate | ory bodies; | |

Technological changes;

Changes in consumer spending and savings habits;

Regulatory or judicial proceedings; and

The other risks set forth under "Risk Factors."

If one or more of the factors affecting our forward-looking information and statements proves incorrect, then our actual results, performance or achievements could differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, forward-looking information and statements contained in this prospectus. Therefore, we caution you not to place undue reliance on our forward-looking information and statements.

We do not intend to update our forward-looking information and statements, whether written or oral, to reflect change. All forward looking statements attributable to us are expressly qualified by these cautionary statements.

Use of Proceeds

We estimate that the net proceeds from the sale of our common stock in this offering will be approximately \$26.8 million after deducting the underwriting discount and our estimated offering expenses. If the underwriter exercises its over-allotment option in full, we estimate that our net proceeds will be approximately \$30.5 million.

We currently intend to contribute substantially all of the net proceeds of this offering to the Bank. The Bank intends to utilize the proceeds to enhance capital to further its branch expansion program and for general corporate purposes.

Our management will retain broad discretion in the allocation of the net proceeds of this offering. Until we designate the use of net proceeds, we will invest them temporarily in liquid short-term investments. The precise amounts and timing of our use of the net proceeds will depend upon market conditions and the availability of other funds, among other factors. From time to time, we may engage in additional capital financings as we determine to be appropriate based upon our needs and prevailing market conditions. These additional capital financings may include the sale of other securities.

Dividend Policy

Our policy has been to pay dividends out of funds in excess of the needs of the business. We have declared cash dividends to our shareholders on a quarterly basis since the second quarter of 2001 and have increased the cash dividends paid per share from time to time. In the second quarter of 2006, our board of directors increased the quarterly cash dividend to \$0.045 per share.

Our ability to pay future dividends on our common stock depends on the Bank's ability to pay dividends to us. In accordance with OCC rules and regulations, the Bank may continue to pay dividends only if the total amount of all dividends that will be paid, including the proposed dividend, by the Bank in any calendar year does not exceed the total of the Bank's retained net income of that year to date, combined with the retained net income of the preceding two years, unless the proposed dividend is approved by the OCC. In addition, the OCC and/or the FDIC may impose further restrictions on dividends. We currently intend to continue to pay cash dividends, subject to compliance with Federal Reserve Board policy, OCC rules and regulations, state corporation laws, our financial condition and results of operations, capital requirements, covenants contained in our various financing

agreements, management's assessment of future capital needs and other factors considered by our board of directors.

Market Price of Common Stock

The following table sets forth, for the fiscal quarters indicated, the high and low sales prices of our common stock, as reported on the NASDAQ Capital Market and the NASDAQ Global Market, and the cash dividends declared. Our common stock has traded on the NASDAQ Global Market since August 29, 2006. Previously, it was traded on the NASDAQ Capital Market.

High and Low

| | Sales Prices Common Stock | | | | Cash | |
|--|------------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-----------------------|-------|
| | High | | Low | | Dividends Declared | |
| Fiscal Year 2004 | | | | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ | 16.25 | \$ | 12.26 | \$ | 0.030 |
| Second Quarter | | 15.25 | | 14.03 | | 0.035 |
| Third Quarter | | 14.99 | | 13.51 | | 0.035 |
| Fourth Quarter | | 18.60 | | 13.64 | | 0.035 |
| Fiscal Year 2005 | | | | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ | 18.40 | \$ | 17.00 | \$ | 0.035 |
| Second Quarter | | 19.96 | | 18.05 | | 0.040 |
| Third Quarter | | 19.45 | | 18.01 | | 0.040 |
| Fourth Quarter | | 21.64 | | 18.50 | | 0.040 |
| Fiscal Year 2006 | | | | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ | 26.05 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | 0.040 |
| Second Quarter | | 30.24 | | 23.75 | | 0.045 |
| Third Quarter (Through September 25, 2006) | | 30.50 | | 23.50 | | N/A |

On September 25, 2006, there were approximately 670 holders of record of our common stock. On September 25, 2006, the most recent practicable date before the date of this prospectus, the high and low sales prices per share of our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Market were \$25.60 and \$23.50, respectively.

Capitalization

The following table shows our capitalization as of June 30, 2006 on an actual and an as adjusted basis to give effect to the receipt and application of the net proceeds from the offering. The as adjusted capitalization reflects that 1,320,000 shares of common stock are sold by us at a price per share of \$22.00 and that the net proceeds from the offering, after deducting the estimated offering expenses payable by us, are approximately \$26.8 million.

| | June 30, 2006 | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| | Actual | | | Adjusted for ne Offering | |
| | (i | | per share and a) | | |
| Borrowings: | | | | | |
| Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings | \$ | 43,000 | \$ | 43,000 | |
| Junior subordinated debt owed to unconsolidated trust | | 8,248 | | 8,248 | |
| Total borrowings(1) | \$ | 51,248 | \$ | 51,248 | |
| Shareholders' Equity: Preferred stock, no par value per share; 1,000,000 shares authorized; no shares issued and outstanding Common stock, \$2.00 par value per share; 60,000,000 shares authorized; 3,230,649 shares issued and outstanding, actual; 4,550,649 shares issued and | \$ | 6.461 | \$ | 0.101 | |
| outstanding, as adjusted(2) Additional paid-in capital | \$ | 6,461 21,709 | \$ | 9,101 45,888 | |
| Retained earnings | | 4,940 | | 4,940 | |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss net unrealized loss on available for sale securities, net of taxes | | (1,375) | | (1,375) | |
| Total shareholders' equity | \$ | 31,735 | \$ | 58,554 | |
| Bancorp capital ratios(3) | | | | | |
| Tangible capital to tangible assets(4) | | 5.52% | ó | 9.86% | |
| Tier 1 capital (to average assets) | | 7.53 | | 11.95 | |
| Tier 1 capital (to risk weighted assets) | | 9.59 | | 15.79 | |
| Total capital (to risk weighted assets) | | 10.84 | | 17.04 | |

- (1) In addition to the indebtedness reflected above, we had total deposits of \$472.6 million at June 30, 2006.
- The as adjusted number of shares of common stock to be outstanding after this offering includes the number of shares outstanding as of June 30, 2006 and reflects the sale of 1,320,000 shares of common stock in this offering. This total excludes: (i) 73,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding options as of such date, at a weighted average exercise price of \$10.13, 8,000 shares of which were issued upon exercise of stock options after June 30, 2006; and (ii) 845 shares of our common stock issued to five outside directors on July 13, 2006. As of September 25, 2006, there were 65,000 shares of our common stock issuable upon exercise of outstanding stock options and we did not have any shares available for future grant under our stock option plan.
- (3)

 See "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations Liquidity Capital" and "Supervision and Regulation." The as adjusted ratios assume the initial deployment of the net proceeds of this offering in short-term assets with a 20%

risk-weighting under applicable regulations.

(4) Represents total consolidated common equity, less intangibles, divided by total consolidated assets, less intangibles.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Summary

We are the bank holding company for the Bank, the largest publicly-held commercial bank headquartered in Fairfield County, Connecticut. We and the Bank are headquartered in Stamford, Connecticut, approximately 40 miles east of New York City. The Bank has ten branch office locations serving customers located in the Fairfield County communities of Stamford, Greenwich, Old Greenwich, Norwalk, Wilton, Darien and Southport. In addition, we have loan production offices in Stamford, Connecticut, Melville (Long Island), New York and New York City, New York.

We have received regulatory approval to open four additional branches in Fairfield, Fairfield Center and Trumbull in Fairfield County, and Milford in New Haven County, Connecticut, which we plan to bring into service during the fourth quarter of this year. Based on our experience in opening new branch offices, capital expenditures have ranged between \$315,000 and \$450,000. The capital expenditures for the new locations could be significantly higher. In addition, in July 2006, we entered into an agreement with another financial institution to acquire a small branch office and assume the lease at 45 West End Avenue, New York, New York. The acquisition of the New York City branch, which we expect to complete before the end of 2006, subject to receipt of all required regulatory approvals, will allow us to expand into Westchester County, New York by establishing new bank branches. This is the primary reason for the branch acquisition. We do not anticipate further branch expansion in New York City. We have signed a letter of intent to lease a facility in Bedford, in Westchester County, New York. Initially, we plan to operate this facility as a loan production office. Following the completion of our acquisition of the New York City bank branch office, we plan to apply during the first quarter of 2007 for regulatory approval to operate the Bedford loan production office as a full service bank branch office. We plan to continue to open additional branches in Fairfield County, Connecticut and Westchester County, New York in the future.

The Bank offers a broad range of commercial and consumer banking services with an emphasis on serving the needs of small and medium-sized businesses, commercial real estate investors and builders, professionals such as accountants and attorneys, as well as individuals. We offer consumer and commercial deposit accounts such as checking accounts, insured money market accounts, time certificates of deposit, and savings accounts and also offer commercial real estate and construction loans to area businesses and developers, commercial loans to area businesses, as well as home mortgages, home improvement loans and home equity lines of credit to individuals. The Bank also solicits and processes conventional mortgage applications from consumers on behalf of permanent investors and originates loans for sale. Revenues are generated from loan brokerage and application processing fees received from permanent investors and gains and origination fees from loans sold.

June 30, 2006 compared to December 31, 2005

Our total assets increased \$88.4 million, or 19%, to \$559.0 million at June 30, 2006 from \$470.6 million at December 31, 2005. The increase in the total assets was primarily attributable to an increase in net loans of \$86.3 million, or 24%, to \$450.5 million at June 30, 2006 from \$364.2 million at December 31, 2005, which increase resulted directly from our strategy to grow our total loan portfolio. As part of this strategy, we hired four additional lenders in the six months ended June 30, 2006, and one additional lender joined us in August, 2006. We also expect expenses to increase as a result of hiring these new lenders. The available for sale securities portfolio decreased \$6.6 million, or 8%, to \$72.1 million at June 30, 2006 from \$78.7 million at December 31, 2005. Loan growth was funded primarily through an increase in deposits and borrowings. Deposits increased \$53.5 million to \$472.6 million at June 30, 2006 from \$419.1 million at December 31, 2005. Interest-bearing deposits increased \$51.5 million, or 14%, and non-interest bearing deposits increased \$2.1 million, or 4% at June 30, 2006 as compared to December 31, 2005. Borrowings increased \$34.0 million to \$51.2 million

at June 30, 2006 from \$17.2 million at December 31, 2005. Total shareholders' equity increased \$361,000 to \$31.7 million at June 30, 2006 from \$31.4 million at December 31, 2005.

Critical Accounting Policies

In the ordinary course of business, we have made a number of estimates and assumptions relating to reporting results of operations and financial condition in preparing our financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates under different assumptions and conditions. We believe the following discussion addresses our only critical accounting policy, which is the policy that is most important to the presentation of our financial results. This policy requires management's most difficult, subjective and complex judgments, often as a result of the need to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain. We have reviewed this critical accounting policy and estimates with our Loan Committee and our Audit Committee.

We believe the allowance for loan losses is a critical accounting policy that requires the most significant judgments and estimates used in preparation of our consolidated financial statements. Refer to the discussion below under the caption "Allowance for Loan Losses" on pages 27 and 42 and note 1 to the audited consolidated financial statements on page F-9 for a detailed description of our estimation process and methodology related to the allowance for loan losses.

Financial Condition

Our total assets increased \$88.4 million, or 19%, to \$559.0 million at June 30, 2006 from \$470.6 million at December 31, 2005. Cash and cash equivalents increased \$6.3 million, or 40%, to \$22.3 million at June 30, 2006 as compared to \$16.0 million at December 31, 2005 primarily due to a high volume of customer deposits at the end of the quarter which were deposited to our correspondent accounts and invested in federal funds sold. Cash and due from banks and federal funds sold increased \$1.3 million and \$7.1 million, respectively, while short term investments decreased \$2.1 million at June 30, 2006 as compared to December 31, 2005.

Investments

The following table is a summary of the investment portfolio at fair value as of the dates indicated:

| | | June 30, 2006 | | December 31, 2005 | | |
|---|----|------------------|----------------|----------------------|--|--|
| | _ | (in | (in thousands) | | | |
| U.S. Government agency and sponsored agency Obligations | \$ | 16,318 | \$ | 16,477 | | |
| Mortgage-backed securities | | 49,828 | | 56,195 | | |
| Money market preferred equity securities | | 6,000 | | 6,000 | | |
| | | =0.446 | | | | |
| Total investments | \$ | 72,146 | \$ | 78,672 | | |
| | | | | | | |

Available for sale securities decreased \$6.6 million, or 8%, to \$72.1 million at June 30, 2006 from \$78.7 million at December 31, 2005. This decrease was due to principal payments on mortgage-backed securities.

Federal Home Loan Bank Stock

The increase in the FHLB stock of \$1.4 million is attributable to the increase in FHLB advances; the Bank's investment in FHLB stock is based partially on the amount of FHLB advances outstanding.

The following table presents the maturity distribution of available for sale investment securities at June 30, 2006 and the weighted average yield of such securities. The weighted average yields were calculated based on the amortized cost and effective yields to maturity of each security.

| | One year or less | tl | ver one nrough ve years | Over five through ten years | Over ten years | No | maturity | ŗ | Γotal(1) | Weighted Average Yield |
|---|------------------|----|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|------|----------|----|----------|------------------------------|
| | | | | (do | llars in thousa | nds) | | | | |
| U.S. Government agency and sponsored agency obligations | \$ | \$ | 17,000 | \$ | \$ | \$ | | \$ | 17,000 | 3.59% |
| Mortgage-backed securities | | | | | | | 51,365(2 |) | 51,365 | 4.33 |
| Money market preferred equity securities | | | | | | | 6,000 | | 6,000 | 3.44 |
| Total | \$ | \$ | 17,000 | \$ | \$ | \$ | 57,365 | \$ | 74,365 | 4.09% |
| Weighted average yield | | % | 3.59% | ó | % | % | 4.24% | | 4.09% | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |

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 Reflects amortized cost as opposed to fair value. See note 3 to our audited consolidated financial statements and note 2 to our unaudited consolidated financial statements.
- Our mortgage-backed securities generally have original terms to maturity of 10 or more years. However, original terms to maturity do not reflect the expected average lives of the mortgage-backed securities. We expect the average lives of our mortgage-backed securities to be substantially less than their contractual terms because of, among other things, amortization and prepayments.

The following table presents a summary of investments for any issuer that exceeds 10% of shareholders' equity at June 30, 2006.

| | Aı | Amortized Cost | | Fair Value | |
|---|----|-------------------|--------|---------------|--|
| | | (in thou | sands) |) | |
| Available for sale securities: | | | | | |
| U.S. Government agency and sponsored agency obligations | \$ | 17,000 | \$ | 16,318 | |
| U.S. Government agency and sponsored agency mortgage backed | | | | | |
| securities | | 51,365 | | 49,828 | |
| 22 | | | | | |

Loans

The following table is a summary of the Bank's loan portfolio at the dates shown:

| | | June 30 | 0, 2006 | December 31, 2005 | | | |
|-----------------------------|----|---------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| | | Percentage of Total Loans | | Amount | Percentage of Total Loans | | |
| | | | (dollars in tho | | | | |
| Real Estate | | | | | | | |
| Commercial | \$ | 154,149 | 33.72% \$ | 129,179 | 34.95% | | |
| Residential | | 94,410 | 20.65 | 77,392 | 20.94 | | |
| Construction | | 165,889 | 36.28 | 107,233 | 29.01 | | |
| Commercial | | 15,763 | 3.45 | 15,592 | 4.22 | | |
| Consumer installment | | 1,349 | 0.30 | 1,107 | 0.30 | | |
| Consumer home equity | | 25,637 | 5.60 | 39,097 | 10.58 | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Total loans | \$ | 457,197 | 100.0% \$ | 369,599 | 100.0% | | |
| Premiums on purchased loans | | 316 | | 367 | | | |
| Net deferred fees | | (1,550) | | (1,135) | | | |
| Allowance for loan losses | | (5,511) | | (4,588) | | | |
| | | | _ | | | | |
| Loans, net | \$ | 450,452 | \$ | 364,244 | | | |
| | _ | | _ | | | | |

Our net loan portfolio increased \$86.3 million, or 24%, to \$450.5 million at June 30, 2006 from \$364.2 million at December 31, 2005 primarily due to an increase in construction loans of \$58.7 million, an increase in commercial real estate loans of \$25.0 million and an increase in residential real estate loans of \$17.0 million, partially offset by a decrease in home equity loans of \$13.5 million. These increases were primarily the result of our strategy to expand these loan categories in our total loan portfolio. Although short term interest rates have increased, the growth in loans reflects the continued strong real estate market in the Fairfield County, Connecticut and Westchester County, New York areas in which we primarily conduct our business.

At June 30, 2006, the net loan to deposit ratio was 95% and the net loan to total assets ratio was 81%. At December 31, 2005, the net loan to deposit ratio was 87% and the net loan to total assets ratio was 77%. Based on loan applications in process and the recent and planned hiring of additional loan officers, management anticipates continued loan growth during the remainder of 2006.

The Bank employs a diversified credit administration process. All loans are underwritten by a credit analyst who is not the loan originator and each loan requires at least three signatures. All loans are monitored on an on-going basis using a nine point risk rating system. The Bank engages an outside loan review company to perform annual loan reviews, with a target of reviewing loans totaling 75% of the loan portfolio. The review includes all new loans made during the year in excess of \$250,000.

Commercial Real Estate Loans. We offer adjustable-rate and fixed-rate mortgage loans secured by commercial real estate. Our commercial real estate loans are generally secured by office or retail buildings, as well as owner-occupied properties and investment one- to four-family residential properties located in our market area and used for business or residential rentals. We intend to continue to grow this segment of our loan portfolio. At June 30, 2006, we had an aggregate of \$154.1 million of commercial real estate loans outstanding, which constituted 33.7% of our total loan portfolio at that date.

We originate adjustable-rate commercial real estate loans for terms up to 25 years. Interest rates and payments on these loans typically adjust every five years after a five-year initial fixed period. Interest rates and payments on our adjustable rate loans generally are fixed at rates over the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston amortizing advance rate. There are no adjustment period or lifetime

interest rate caps. Loans are secured by first mortgages that generally do not exceed 75% of the property's appraised value. At June 30, 2006, the largest outstanding commercial real estate loan was \$3.4 million which is secured by a first mortgage on an office/warehouse facility in Norwalk, Connecticut and is performing according to its original terms as of such date.

On a very selective basis, we also originate fixed-rate commercial real estate loans. The amount of fixed-rate commercial real estate loans in our portfolio at June 30, 2006 was \$23.9 million, or 16% of total commercial real estate loans. The longest term of any fixed-rate commercial real estate loan in the portfolio was 25 years.

Loans secured by commercial real estate generally have larger balances and involve a greater degree of risk than one- to four-family residential mortgage loans. Of primary concern in commercial real estate lending is the borrower's creditworthiness and the feasibility and cash flow potential of the property. Payments on loans secured by income properties often depend on successful operation and management of the properties. As a result, repayment of such loans may be subject to adverse conditions in the real estate market or the economy. As of June 30, 2006, three loans totaling \$4.5 million, or 3% of our commercial real estate loans, were non-accrual loans.

To monitor cash flows on income properties, we require borrowers and loan guarantors, if any, to provide annual financial statements. We generally require a minimum debt service coverage ratio of 1.25. In reaching a decision on whether to make a commercial real estate loan, we consider the net operating income of the property, the borrower's expertise, credit history and profitability and the value of the underlying property. In addition, with respect to commercial real estate rental properties, we will consider the term of the leases and the quality of the tenants. Loan size for a borrower is generally limited to 85% of our legal lending limit. We require title insurance on all commercial real estate loans. An environmental survey or environmental insurance is generally required for commercial real estate loans secured by office buildings, shopping centers, or industrial properties or properties that had previous industrial uses.

One- to Four-Family Residential Loans. We originate residential mortgage loans to enable borrowers to purchase or refinance existing homes or to construct new residential dwellings in our market area. We include in our portfolio adjustable-rate mortgage loans with terms up to 30 years. Borrower demand for adjustable-rate loans versus fixed-rate loans is a function of the level of interest rates, the expectations of changes in the level of interest rates, the difference between the interest rates and loan fees offered for fixed-rate mortgage loans and the initial period interest rates and loan fees for adjustable-rate loans. The relative number of adjustable-rate versus fixed-rate mortgage loans that can be originated at any time is largely determined by the demand for each in a competitive environment and the effect each has on our interest rate risk. The loan fees charged, interest rates and other provisions of mortgage loans are determined by us on the basis of our own pricing criteria and competitive market conditions. At June 30, 2006, we had an aggregate of \$94.4 million, or 20.6% of total loans, invested in residential real estate loans.

Our adjustable-rate mortgage loans are generally based on a 30-year amortization schedule. Interest rates and payments on our adjustable-rate mortgage loans adjust annually after either of a three- or five-year initial fixed period. The maximum amount by which the interest rate may be increased or decreased is generally 2% per adjustment period and the lifetime interest rate cap is generally 6% over the initial interest rate of the loan.

While one- to four-family residential real estate loans are normally originated with up to 30-year terms; such loans typically remain outstanding for substantially shorter periods because borrowers often prepay their loans in full upon sale of the property pledged as security or upon refinancing the original loan. Therefore, average loan maturity is a function of, among other factors, the level of purchase and sale activity in the real estate market, prevailing interest rates and the interest rates payable on outstanding loans.

We generally make adjustable rate mortgage loans with a loan-to-value ratio of up to 80% only when secured by first liens on owner-occupied one- to four-family residences with a maximum debt ratio of 38%, or 42% including property taxes. We require all properties securing mortgage loans in excess of \$250,000 to be appraised by an independent appraiser. We require title insurance on all first mortgage loans. Borrowers must obtain hazard insurance, or flood insurance for loans secured by property located in a flood zone, before closing the loan.

Construction Loans. We originate loans to individuals and builders to finance the construction of residential dwellings. To a significantly lesser extent, we also make construction loans for commercial development projects, including condominiums, apartment buildings, and owner-occupied properties used for businesses. Our construction loans generally provide for the payment of interest only during the construction phase, which is usually 18 to 24 months. At the end of the construction phase, the loan generally converts to a permanent mortgage loan if owner-occupied, or is repaid upon sale if made to a builder. We generally limit the amount of a construction loan to 80% of our legal lending limit. Loans generally can be made with a maximum loan to value ratio of 65% of the "as completed" appraised value or 75% of the cost of the project, whichever is less. At June 30, 2006, we had an aggregate of \$165.9 million, or 36.3% of total loans, invested in construction. At June 30, 2006, the largest outstanding residential construction loan commitment was for \$5.5 million, of which \$3.0 million was outstanding at June 30, 2006, and is performing as to its original terms as of such date. At June 30, 2006, there were no outstanding commercial construction loans. Before making a commitment to fund a construction loan, we require an appraisal of the property by an independent licensed appraiser. We also will require additional inspections of the property before disbursement of funds during the term of the construction loan.

Construction financing is generally considered to involve a higher degree of risk of loss than long-term financing on improved, occupied real estate. Risk of loss on a construction loan depends largely upon the accuracy of the initial estimate of the property's value at completion of construction or development and the estimated cost (including interest) of construction. During the construction phase, a number of factors could result in delays and cost overruns. If the estimate of construction costs proves to be inaccurate, we may be required to advance funds beyond the amount originally committed to permit completion of the development, although we generally require that an interest reserve be established at closing. If the estimate of value proves to be inaccurate, we may be confronted, at or before the maturity of the loan, with a project having a value which is insufficient to assure full repayment. As a result of the foregoing, construction lending often involves the disbursement of substantial funds with repayment dependent, in part, on the success of the ultimate project rather than the ability of the borrower or guarantor to repay principal and interest. If we are forced to foreclose on a project before or at completion due to a default, there can be no assurance that we will be able to recover all of the unpaid balance of, and accrued interest on, the loan as well as related foreclosure and holding costs. We generally limit speculative construction loans (loans for which there is not a contract for sale at the time of construction financing) to two for any one borrower at any one time. We also have internal guidelines which limit speculative construction loans to not more than 35% of the total loan portfolio. We may exceed the guidelines from time to time due to the uncertainty of forecasting cash flows on specific loan projects. At June 30, 2006, speculative construction loans constituted 30% of the total loan portfolio.

Commercial Loans. We make commercial business loans to a variety of small businesses primarily in our market area. We offer a variety of commercial lending products, the maximum amount of which is limited by our in-house loans-to-one-borrower limit of 85% of our legal lending limit. At June 30, 2006, we had an aggregate of \$15.8 million, or 3.5% of total loans, invested in commercial loans.

Commercial loans are secured by business assets other than real estate, such as accounts receivable, business equipment and inventory. We originate lines of credit to finance the working capital needs of businesses to be repaid by seasonal cash flows or to provide a period of time during

which the business can borrow funds for planned equipment purchases. These lines of credit generally have a one-year term. We also offer time notes, stand-by letters of credit and Small Business Administration guaranteed loans. Time notes are short-term loans and will only be granted on the basis of a defined source of repayment of principal and interest from a specific foreseeable event.

When making commercial loans, we consider the financial statements of the borrower, the borrower's payment history of both corporate and personal debt, the debt service capabilities of the borrower, the projected cash flows of the business, the viability of the industry in which the borrower operates and the value of the collateral.

Unlike residential mortgage loans, which generally are made on the basis of the borrower's ability to make repayment from his or her employment or other income, and which are secured by real property whose value tends to be more easily ascertainable, commercial loans are of higher risk and typically are made on the basis of the borrower's ability to make repayment from the cash flow of the borrower's business. As a result, the availability of funds for the repayment of commercial loans may depend substantially on the success of the business itself. Loans are generally made on a recourse basis with the personal guarantee of the business principal. Further, any collateral securing such loans may depreciate over time, may be difficult to appraise and may fluctuate in value.

Home Equity and Consumer Loans. We offer home equity loans and lines of credit as well as consumer loans. At June 30, 2006, we had an aggregate of \$27.0 million, or 5.9% of total loans, invested in home equity and consumer loans.

Home equity loans and lines of credit have adjustable rates of interest that are indexed to the Wall Street Journal prime rate. We offer home equity loans with maximum combined loan-to-value ratios of 75%. A home equity line of credit may be drawn down by the borrower for an initial period of ten years from the date of the loan agreement. During this period, the borrower has the option of paying, on a monthly basis, either principal and interest or only interest. If not renewed, the borrower has to pay back the amount outstanding under the line of credit over a term not to exceed 15 years, beginning at the end of the ten-year line of credit period.

We also offer consumer loans, primarily as an accommodation to existing customers. The procedures for underwriting consumer loans include an assessment of the applicant's payment history on other debts and ability to meet existing obligations and payments on the proposed loans. Although the applicant's creditworthiness is a primary consideration, the underwriting process also includes a comparison of the value of the collateral, if any, to the proposed loan amount.

Home equity loans and lines of credit, and consumer loans generally entail greater risk than do other loans, particularly in the case of consumer loans that are unsecured or secured by assets that depreciate rapidly. In such cases, repossessed collateral for a defaulted loan may not provide an adequate source of repayment for the outstanding loan and the remaining deficiency often does not warrant further substantial collection efforts against the borrower. In addition, loan collections depend on the borrower's continuing financial stability, and therefore are more likely to be adversely affected by job loss, divorce, illness or personal bankruptcy. Furthermore, the application of various federal and state laws, including federal and state bankruptcy and insolvency laws, may limit the amount which can be recovered on such loans.

Loan Approval Procedures and Authority. Our lending activities follow written, non-discriminatory, underwriting standards and loan origination procedures established by our board of directors and management. Every loan is underwritten by a credit analyst other than the loan origination officer and at least three signatures are required for every loan. The Bank's credit committee has the authority to approve loan amounts up to \$500,000. Loan amounts up to \$2.5 million must be approved by the management loan committee. Loan amounts over \$2.5 million must be approved by the loan committee

of the board of directors. We do not expect to change our approval limits following the completion of this offering.

Loans to One Borrower. The maximum amount that we may lend to one borrower and the borrower's related entities is limited, by regulation, generally to 15% of our stated capital and reserves. At June 30, 2006, our regulatory limit on loans to one borrower was \$6.7 million. At that date, our largest lending relationship with a single borrower was \$6.5 million. The relationship consists of three loans each of which is secured by a first mortgage on residential properties in Greenwich, Connecticut. The loans were performing in accordance with the original repayment terms at June 30, 2006. The contribution of substantially all of the net proceeds of the offering to the Bank will have the effect of increasing the Bank's loan to one borrower limit to approximately \$10.5 million.

Maturities and Sensitivities of Loans to Changes in Interest Rates. The following table presents the maturities of loans in the Bank's portfolio at June 30, 2006, by type of loan. The amounts are shown based on contractual terms to maturity or scheduled amortization excluding potential repayments. Loans with no stated schedule of repayment and no stated maturity are reported as due in one year or less.

| | Due in one year or less | | Due after one year through five years | | Due after five years | | Total |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|---------|--|----|-------------------------|----|---------|
| | | _ | (in thousands) | | | | |
| Commercial real estate | \$ | 27,033 | \$ 40,781 | \$ | 86,335 | \$ | 154,149 |
| Residential real estate | | 6,829 | 3,986 | | 83,595 | | 94,410 |
| Construction loans | | 89,939 | 55,565 | | 20,385 | | 165,889 |
| Commercial loans | | 8,118 | 7,141 | | 504 | | 15,763 |
| Consumer installment | | 1,221 | 128 | | | | 1,349 |
| Consumer home equity | | 36 | 4,207 | | 21,394 | | 25,637 |
| Total | \$ | 133,176 | \$ 111,808 | \$ | 212,213 | \$ | 457,197 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Fixed rate loans | \$ | 10,716 | \$ 18,217 | \$ | 2,636 | \$ | 31,569 |
| Variable rate loans | | 122,460 | 93,591 | | 209,577 | | 425,628 |
| Total | \$ | 133,176 | \$ 111,808 | \$ | 212,213 | \$ | 457,197 |

Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses is established as losses are estimated to have occurred through a provision for loan losses charged to earnings. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when management believes the uncollectibility of a loan balance is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance.

The allowance for loan losses is evaluated on a regular basis by management and is based upon management's periodic review of the collectibility of the loans in light of historical experience, the nature and volume of the loan portfolio, adverse situations that may affect the borrower's ability to repay, estimated value of any underlying collateral and prevailing economic conditions. This evaluation is inherently subjective as it requires estimates that are susceptible to significant revision as more information becomes available.

A substantial portion of our loans are unseasoned and lack an established record of performance due to product mix and the growth of the portfolio. Approximately 31% of the loans in our total loan portfolio were originated during the six months ended June 30, 2006, and 37%, 14%, and 11% were originated in the years ended 2005, 2004, and 2003, respectively. Approximately 7% of the loans in our loan portfolio were originated in periods before 2003. Our construction loans, which generally are underwritten with maturities of 18 to 24 months, represent 29.0% of gross loans at December 31, 2005

and 36.3% as of June 30, 2006. In addition, approximately 67.8% of the growth in the overall loan portfolio during 2005 and 33.0% of the growth in the first half of 2006 came from products other than construction loans with 2005 showing an increase of \$68.8 million in non-construction loans and the first half of 2006 increasing by \$28.9 million. To date, we have experienced negligible losses. We take into account the lack of seasoning in the portfolio by utilizing historical industry loss data in addition to management's assessment of current trends, economic conditions and portfolio behavioral characteristics when assigning loan loss factors in our risk rating system.

The allowance consists of specific, general and unallocated components. The specific component relates to loans that are considered impaired. A risk rating system is utilized to measure the adequacy of the general component of the allowance for loan losses. Under this system, each loan is assigned a risk rating between one and nine, which has a corresponding loan loss factor assigned, with a rating of "one" being the least risk and a rating of "nine" reflecting the most risk or a complete loss. Risk ratings are assigned based upon the recommendation of the credit analyst and the originating loan officer and confirmed by the loan committee at the initiation of the transactions and are reviewed and changed, when necessary during the life of the loan. Loan loss reserve factors are multiplied against the balances in each risk rating category to arrive at the appropriate level for the allowance for loan losses. Loans assigned a risk rating of "six" or above are monitored more closely by the credit administration officers. The unallocated portion of the allowance reflects our estimate of probable but undetected losses inherent in the portfolio; such estimates are influenced by uncertainties in economic conditions, delays in obtaining information, including unfavorable information about a borrower's financial condition, difficulty in identifying triggering events that correlate perfectly to subsequent loss rates, and risk factors that have not yet manifested themselves in loss allocation factors. Loan quality control is continually monitored by management subject to oversight by the board of directors through its members who serve on the loan committee. It is also reviewed by the full board of directors on a monthly basis. The methodology for determining the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses is consistently applied; however, revisions may be made to the methodology and assumptions based on historical information related to charge-off and recovery experience and our evaluation of the current loan portfolio.

Based upon this evaluation, management believes the allowance for loan losses of \$5.5 million at June 30, 2006, which represents 1.21% of gross loans outstanding, is adequate, under prevailing economic conditions, to absorb losses on existing loans. Nevertheless, there can be no assurance that additions to such allowance will not be necessary in future periods. At December 31, 2005, the allowance for loan losses was \$4.6 million or 1.24% of gross loans outstanding.

The accrual of interest income on loans is discontinued whenever reasonable doubt exists as to its collectibility and generally is discontinued when loans are past due 90 days, based on contractual terms, as to either principal or interest. When the accrual of interest income is discontinued, all previously accrued and uncollected interest is reversed against interest income. The accrual of interest on loans past due 90 days or more, including impaired loans, may be continued if the loan is well secured, and it is believed all principal and accrued interest income due on the loan will be realized, and the loan is in the process of collection. A non-accrual loan is restored to an accrual status when it is no longer delinquent and collectibility of interest and principal is no longer in doubt.

We consider all non-accrual loans and restructured loans to be impaired. In most cases, loan payments that are past due less than 90 days, based on contractual terms, are considered minor collection delays and the related loans are not considered to be impaired. We consider consumer installment loans to be pools of smaller balance homogeneous loans, which are collectively evaluated for impairment.

Analysis of Allowance for Loan Losses

The changes in the allowance for loan losses for the periods shown are as follows:

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| | June 30, 2006 | | June 30, 2005 | | |
|--|------------------|-------|------------------|--------|--|
| | (in thousands) | | | | |
| Balance at beginning of period | \$ | 4,588 | \$ | 3,481 | |
| Charge-offs Recoveries | | (1) | | | |
| Net charge-offs | _ | (1) | _ | | |
| Additions charged to operations | | 924 | | 360 | |
| Balance at end of period | \$ | 5,511 | \$ | 3,841 | |
| Ratio of net (charge-offs) recoveries during the period to average loans outstanding during the period | | (0.0) | % | (0.0)% | |

Allocation of the Allowance for Loan Losses

The following table sets forth the allocation of the allowance for loan losses by category at the dates shown:

| | | June 30, | 2006 | December 31, 2005 | | | |
|--|----|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| | (| Amount dollars in ousands) | Percent of loans in each category to total loans | Amount (dollars in thousands) | Percent of loans in each category to total loans | | |
| Balance at end of each period applicable to: | | | | | | | |
| Real Estate: | | | | | | | |
| Commercial | \$ | 1,892 | 33.72%\$ | 1,607 | 34.95% | | |
| Residential | | 379 | 20.65 | 511 | 20.94 | | |
| Construction | | 2,898 | 36.28 | 1,963 | 29.01 | | |
| Commercial | | 153 | 3.45 | 164 | 4.22 | | |
| Consumer installment | | 14 | 0.30 | 10 | 0.30 | | |
| Consumer home equity | | 148 | 5.60 | 260 | 10.58 | | |
| Unallocated | | 27 | N/A | 73 | N/A | | |