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Preliminary Prospectus Supplement Dated December 1, 2016

PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

(To Prospectus dated March 4, 2015)

\$200,000,000

Common Stock

We are offering shares of our common stock, par value \$1.00 per share.

Our common stock is listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market (NASDAQ) under the symbol IBKC . On November 30, 2016, the last reported sale price of our common stock as reported on NASDAQ was \$82.85 per share.

Investing in our common stock involves risks. See Risk Factors beginning on page S-6 of this prospectus supplement and page 1 of the accompanying prospectus, as well beginning on page 13 of our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K.

| | Per Share | Total(1) |
|--|------------------|-----------------|
| Public offering price | \$ | \$ |
| Underwriting discounts and commissions | \$ | \$ |
| Proceeds, before expenses, to us | \$ | \$ |

(1) Assumes no exercise of the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares described below. The underwriters may also purchase up to an additional _____ shares in the aggregate from us at the public offering price, less underwriting discounts and commissions, within 30 days from the date of this prospectus supplement, to cover the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares, if exercised.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission, any state securities commission, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System nor any other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus is truthful or complete. 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 underwriters expect to deliver the common stock to purchasers against payment therefor on or about December _____, 2016.

Joint Book-Running Managers

Goldman, Sachs & Co.

Citigroup

Sandler O'Neill + Partners, L.P.

Stephens, Inc.

UBS Investment Bank

The date of this prospectus supplement is December _____, 2016.

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

You should rely only on the information contained in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or in any free writing prospectus prepared by or on behalf of us or to which we have referred you. We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized any other person to provide you with different or inconsistent information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are not, and the underwriters are not, making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer and sale is not permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and any free writing prospectus is accurate only as of their respective dates. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since those dates.

This document is in two parts. The first part is this prospectus supplement, which describes the specific terms of this offering of our common stock and also adds to and updates information contained in the accompanying prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference into the accompanying prospectus. The second part, the accompanying prospectus, provides more general information. Generally, when we refer to this prospectus, we are referring to both parts of this document combined. To the extent there is a conflict between the information contained in this prospectus supplement and the information contained in the accompanying prospectus or any document incorporated by reference therein filed prior to the date of this prospectus supplement, you should rely on the information in this prospectus supplement. If any statement in one of these documents is inconsistent with a statement in another document having a later date for example, a document incorporated by reference in the accompanying prospectus the statement in the document having the later date modifies or supersedes the earlier statement.

This prospectus supplement is not a prospectus for the purposes of the Directive 2003/71/EC (and any amendments thereto) as implemented in member states of the European Economic Area (the Prospectus Directive). This prospectus supplement has been prepared on the basis that all offers of common stock offered hereby made to persons in the European Economic Area will be made pursuant to an exemption under the Prospectus Directive from the requirement to produce a prospectus in connection with offers of such common stock.

In the United Kingdom, this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus are being distributed only to, and are directed only at, persons who are qualified investors (as defined in the Prospectus Directive) who are (i) persons having professional experience in matters relating to investments falling within Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005 (the Order), or (ii) high net worth entities falling within Article 49(2)(a) to (d) of the Order, or (iii) persons to whom it would otherwise be lawful to distribute them, all such persons together being referred to as Relevant Persons. The common stock is only available to, and any invitation, offer or agreement to subscribe, purchase or otherwise acquire such common stock will be engaged in only with, Relevant Persons. This prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and their contents are confidential and should not be distributed, published or reproduced (in whole or in part) or disclosed by any recipients to any other person in the United Kingdom. Any person in the United Kingdom that is not a Relevant Person should not act or rely on this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus or their contents.

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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT SUMMARY

*This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in, or incorporated by reference into, this prospectus supplement. Because this is a summary, it may not contain all the information that may be important to you. Therefore, you should also read the more detailed information set forth in this prospectus supplement, our financial statements and documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, before making a decision to invest in our common stock. See *Where You Can Find Additional Information*. Unless we indicate otherwise, the words *we*, *our*, *us* and *Company* refer to IBERIABANK Corporation and its wholly owned subsidiaries.*

IBERIABANK Corporation

Company Overview. IBERIABANK Corporation, a Louisiana corporation, is a financial holding company. We are the holding company for IBERIABANK, a Louisiana banking corporation headquartered in Lafayette, Louisiana; Lenders Title Company, an Arkansas-chartered title insurance and closing services agency headquartered in Little Rock, Arkansas (Lenders Title); IBERIA Capital Partners, LLC, a corporate finance services firm (ICP); 1887 Leasing, LLC, a holding company for our aircraft; IBERIA Asset Management, Inc. (IAM), which provides wealth management and trust services to high net worth individuals, pension funds, corporations and trusts; 840 Denning, LLC, which invests in a commercial rental property; IBERIA CDE L.L.C. (CDE), which invests in purchased tax credits; and IBERIABANK Mortgage Company, a subsidiary of IBERIABANK (IMC), which originates, funds and sells one-to-four family residential mortgage loans. As of September 30, 2016, we operated 304 combined offices, including 199 bank branch offices and three loan production offices in Louisiana, Arkansas, Tennessee, Alabama, Texas, Florida, and Georgia, 24 title insurance offices in Arkansas and Louisiana, and mortgage representatives in 69 locations in 10 states. The Company has eight locations with representatives of IBERIA Wealth Advisors in four states, and one IBERIA Capital Partners L.L.C. office in New Orleans. As of September 30, 2016, we had total consolidated assets of \$20.8 billion, total deposits of \$16.5 billion and shareholders' equity of \$2.7 billion.

IBERIABANK offers commercial and retail banking products and services to customers throughout locations in seven states. IBERIABANK provides these products and services in Louisiana, Alabama, Florida, Arkansas, Tennessee, Georgia and Texas. These products and services include a broad array of commercial, consumer, mortgage, and private banking products and services, trust services, cash management, deposit and annuity products. IMC offers certain mortgage origination services in 10 states. Certain of our non-bank subsidiaries engage in financial services-related activities, including brokerage services, sales of variable annuities, and wealth management services. Lenders Title offers a full line of title insurance and closing services throughout Arkansas and Louisiana. ICP provides equity research, institutional sales and trading, and corporate finance services throughout the energy industry. 1887 Leasing, LLC, owns an aircraft used by management of the Company and its subsidiaries. IAM provides wealth management advisory services for commercial and private banking clients. CDE is engaged in the purchase of tax credits.

Our principal executive office is located at 200 West Congress Street, Lafayette, Louisiana, and our telephone number at that office is (337) 521-4003. Our website is located at www.iberiabank.com. The information contained on our website is not part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

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The following summary contains summary information about the common stock and this offering and is not intended to be complete. It does not contain all the information that you should consider before deciding whether to invest in the common stock.

| | |
|--|---|
| Issuer | IBERIABANK Corporation, a Louisiana corporation and a financial holding company. |
| Common stock we are offering | _____ shares (_____ shares if the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional shares in full) |
| Common stock to be outstanding after this offering | _____ shares (_____ shares if the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional shares in full), based on 41,160,841 shares of common stock outstanding as of November 29, 2016. |
| Public offering price per share | \$ _____ |
| Nasdaq Global Select Market Symbol | IBKC |
| Use of Proceeds | We intend to use the net proceeds of this offering for general corporate purposes, including possible future acquisitions of other financial services businesses (which may include FDIC-assisted transactions), our working capital needs and investments in our subsidiaries to support our continued growth. |
| Risk Factors | See Risk Factors beginning on page S-6 of this prospectus supplement and other information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus for a discussion of factors you should consider carefully before deciding to invest in the common stock. |
| Conflicts of Interest | IBERIA Capital Partners L.L.C., which is our wholly-owned subsidiary, may receive a brokerage commission in relation to certain shares of common stock. See Underwriting (Conflicts of Interest) Conflicts of Interest . |

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The following tables set forth selected consolidated historical financial and other data for the periods ended and as of the dates indicated. The selected consolidated financial data presented below as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 and for the years ended December 31, 2015, 2014 and 2013 is derived from our audited consolidated financial statements incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus. The selected consolidated financial data as of December 31, 2013 and as of and for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 is derived from our audited consolidated financial statements, which are not included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus. The selected consolidated financial data from the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 is derived from our unaudited consolidated financial statements incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus and should be read in conjunction with those unaudited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto. In the opinion of management, our unaudited consolidated financial statements for the nine months ended September 30, 2016 and 2015 include all normal recurring adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of results for the unaudited interim periods. Results from past periods are not necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for any future period.

This summary historical financial data should be read in conjunction with the sections entitled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, and with our consolidated financial statements and related notes incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus.

| | As of and for the | | As of and For the Year Ended December 31, | | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|------------|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | Nine Months Ended September 30, | | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2011 |
| (Dollars in thousands, except per share data) | 2016 | 2015 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2011 |
| Income Statement Data:(1) | | | | | | | |
| Interest and dividend income | \$ 536,134 | \$ 470,207 | \$ 646,858 | \$ 504,815 | \$ 437,197 | \$ 445,200 | \$ 420,327 |
| Interest expense | 48,561 | 43,609 | 59,100 | 44,704 | 46,953 | 63,450 | 82,069 |
| Net interest income | 487,573 | 426,598 | 587,758 | 460,111 | 390,244 | 381,750 | 338,258 |
| Provision for loan losses | 39,255 | 19,197 | 30,908 | 19,060 | 5,145 | 20,671 | 25,867 |
| Net interest income after provision for loan losses | 448,318 | 407,401 | 556,850 | 441,051 | 385,099 | 361,079 | 312,391 |
| Non-interest income | 180,583 | 167,890 | 220,393 | 173,628 | 168,958 | 175,997 | 131,859 |
| Non-interest expense | 415,095 | 431,330 | 570,305 | 473,614 | 472,796 | 432,185 | 373,731 |
| Income before income tax expense | 213,806 | 143,961 | 206,938 | 141,065 | 81,261 | 104,891 | 70,519 |
| Income tax expense | 72,159 | 45,524 | 64,094 | 35,683 | 16,133 | 28,496 | 16,981 |

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|--|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Net income | \$ 141,647 | \$ 98,437 | \$ 142,844 | \$ 105,382 | \$ 65,128 | \$ 76,395 | \$ 53,538 |
| Earnings per common share basic | \$ 3.27 | \$ 2.60 | \$ 3.69 | \$ 3.31 | \$ 2.20 | \$ 2.59 | \$ 1.88 |
| Earnings per common share diluted | 3.26 | 2.59 | 3.68 | 3.30 | 2.20 | 2.59 | 1.87 |
| Cash dividends declared per common share | 1.04 | 1.02 | 1.36 | 1.36 | 1.36 | 1.36 | 1.36 |

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| | As of and for the Nine Months Ended September 30, | | As of and For the Year Ended December 31, | | | | |
|--|---|---------------|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Dollars in thousands, except per share | 2016 | 2015 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2011 |
| Balance Sheet | | | | | | | |
| Assets:(1) | | | | | | | |
| Total assets | \$ 20,788,566 | \$ 19,534,225 | \$ 19,504,068 | \$ 15,757,904 | \$ 13,365,550 | \$ 13,129,678 | \$ 11,757,928 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 1,101,253 | 682,272 | 510,267 | 548,095 | 391,396 | 970,977 | 573,296 |
| Loans, net of unearned income | 14,924,499 | 14,117,019 | 14,327,428 | 11,441,044 | 9,492,019 | 8,498,580 | 7,388,037 |
| Investment securities | 2,976,066 | 2,926,135 | 2,899,214 | 2,275,813 | 2,090,906 | 1,950,066 | 1,997,969 |
| Goodwill and other intangible assets, net | 761,206 | 766,589 | 765,655 | 548,130 | 425,442 | 429,584 | 401,888 |
| Deposits | 16,522,517 | 16,303,065 | 16,178,748 | 12,520,525 | 10,737,000 | 10,748,277 | 9,289,013 |
| Borrowings | 1,385,710 | 564,443 | 667,064 | 1,248,996 | 961,043 | 726,422 | 848,276 |
| Shareholders' equity | 2,667,110 | 2,483,201 | 2,498,835 | 1,852,148 | 1,530,346 | 1,529,868 | 1,482,661 |
| Book value per share(2) | 61.71 | 58.49 | 58.87 | 55.37 | 51.38 | 51.88 | 50.48 |
| Intangible book value per share(2)(4) | 43.26 | 39.95 | 40.35 | 39.08 | 37.15 | 37.34 | 36.80 |
| Key Ratios:(1)(3) | | | | | | | |
| Return on average assets | 0.95% | 0.73% | 0.78% | 0.72% | 0.50% | 0.63% | 0.49% |
| Return on average common equity | 7.21 | 6.07 | 6.41 | 6.17 | 4.26 | 5.05 | 3.77 |
| Return on average intangible common equity (non-GAAP)(4)(5) | 10.38 | 8.81 | 9.65 | 9.04 | 6.17 | 7.21 | 5.30 |
| Equity to assets at end of period | 12.83 | 12.71 | 12.81 | 11.75 | 11.45 | 11.65 | 12.61 |
| Earning assets to interest-bearing liabilities at end of period | 144.53 | 141.43 | 142.28 | 135.15 | 132.74 | 124.93 | 121.74 |
| Interest rate spread(6) | 3.44 | 3.38 | 3.41 | 3.40 | 3.26 | 3.43 | 3.34 |
| Net interest margin (E)(6)(7) | 3.59 | 3.52 | 3.55 | 3.51 | 3.38 | 3.58 | 3.51 |
| Non-interest expense to average assets | 2.77 | 3.20 | 3.10 | 3.24 | 3.64 | 3.57 | 3.43 |
| Efficiency ratio(8) | 62.13 | 72.55 | 70.57 | 74.73 | 84.60 | 77.49 | 79.50 |
| Core tangible | 60.13 | 65.77 | 64.54 | 68.37 | 74.53 | 73.31 | 72.85 |

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|--|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Efficiency ratio (TE) non-GAAP)(5)(7)(8) | | | | | | | |
| Common stock dividend payout ratio | 31.80 | 41.60 | 38.46 | 42.05 | 62.11 | 52.50 | 73.61 |
| Asset Quality Data | | | | | | | |
| Legacy):(1)(9) | | | | | | | |
| Non-performing assets total assets at end of period(10) | 1.33% | 0.43% | 0.42% | 0.41% | 0.61% | 0.69% | 0.86% |
| Allowance for credit losses to non-performing loans end of period(10) | 52.09 | 191.16 | 209.41 | 246.26 | 175.35 | 150.57 | 132.98 |
| Allowance for credit losses to total loans at end of period | 0.97 | 0.94 | 0.96 | 0.91 | 0.95 | 1.10 | 1.40 |
| Consolidated Capital Ratios:(1) | | | | | | | |
| Tier 1 leverage capital ratio | 9.70% | 9.33% | 9.52% | 9.35% | 9.70% | 9.70% | 10.45% |
| Common Equity Tier 1 (CET 1) | 10.14 | 10.08 | 10.07 | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio | 10.90 | 10.73 | 10.70 | 11.17 | 11.57 | 12.92 | 14.94 |
| Total risk-based capital ratio | 12.49 | 12.15 | 12.14 | 12.30 | 12.82 | 14.19 | 16.20 |

(1) Data for the year ended December 31, 2011 is impacted by our acquisitions of OMNI BANCSHARES, Inc. and Cameron Bancshares, Inc. on May 31, 2011 and Florida Trust Company on June 14, 2011. Data for the year ended December 31, 2012 is impacted by our acquisition of Florida Gulf Bancorp, Inc. on July 31, 2012. Data for the year ended December 31, 2014 is impacted by our acquisitions of certain assets and liabilities of Trust One Memphis on January 17, 2014, Teche Holding Company on May 31, 2014, and First Private Holdings, Inc. on June 30, 2014. Data for the year ended December 31, 2015 is impacted by our acquisitions of Florida Bank Group, Inc. on February 28, 2015, Old Florida Bancshares, Inc. on March 31, 2015, and Georgia Commerce Bancshares, Inc. on May 31, 2015.

(2) Shares used for book value purposes are net of shares held in treasury as of December 31, 2014, 2013, 2012 and 2011.

(3) With the exception of end-of-period ratios, all ratios are based on average daily balances during the respective periods.

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- (4) Tangible calculations are considered non-GAAP measures that eliminate the effect of goodwill and acquisition-related intangible assets and the corresponding amortization expense on a tax-effected basis where applicable.
- (5) Return on average tangible common equity and tangible operating efficiency ratio (TE) are determined by methods other than in accordance with GAAP. Our management uses these non-GAAP financial measures in their analysis of our performance. These measures typically adjust GAAP performance measures to exclude the effects of the amortization of intangibles and include the tax benefit associated with revenue items that are tax-exempt that, in management's opinion can distort period-to-period comparisons of our performance.

This prospectus supplement presents non-GAAP financial measures because management believes such presentations provide useful supplemental information that is essential to a proper understanding of the operating results of our core businesses. These non-GAAP disclosures should not be viewed as a substitute for operating results determined in accordance with GAAP, nor are they necessarily comparable to non-GAAP performance measures that may be presented by other companies. Reconciliations of GAAP to non-GAAP disclosures are included in the tables below:

Return on average tangible common equity

| | As of and for the | | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
| | Nine Months Ended | | | | | | | |
| | September 30, | | | | | | | |
| | 2016 | 2015 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2011 | |
| Return on average common equity | 7.21% | 6.07% | 6.41% | 6.17% | 4.26% | 5.05% | 3.77% | |
| Effect of intangibles | 3.17 | 2.74 | 3.24 | 2.87 | 1.91 | 2.16 | 1.53 | |
| Return on average tangible common equity (Non-GAAP) | 10.38% | 8.81% | 9.65% | 9.04% | 6.17% | 7.21% | 5.30% | |

Tangible operating efficiency ratio (TE)

| | As of and for the | | Year Ended December 31, | | | | | |
|--|-------------------|--------|-------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|
| | Nine Months Ended | | | | | | | |
| | September 30, | | | | | | | |
| | 2016 | 2015 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2011 | |
| Efficiency ratio | 62.13% | 72.55% | 70.57% | 74.73% | 84.60% | 77.49% | 79.50% | |
| Effect of tax benefit related to tax-exempt income, amortization of intangibles and non-core items | 2.00 | 6.78 | 6.03 | 6.36 | 10.07 | 4.18 | 6.65 | |
| Core tangible efficiency ratio (TE) (Non-GAAP) | 60.13% | 65.77% | 64.54% | 68.37% | 74.53% | 73.31% | 72.85% | |

- (6) Interest rate spread represents the difference between the weighted average yield on earning assets and the weighted average cost of interest-bearing liabilities. Net interest margin represents net interest income as a percentage of average net earning assets.
- (7) Fully taxable equivalent (TE) calculations include the tax benefit associated with related income sources that are tax-exempt using a rate of 35%, which approximates the marginal tax rate.
- (8) The efficiency ratio represents noninterest expense as a percentage of total revenues. Total revenues are the sum of net interest income and noninterest income.
- (9) Asset Quality Data (Legacy) exclude acquired loans.
- (10) Non-performing loans consist of non-accruing loans and loans 90 days or more past due. Non-performing assets consist of non-performing loans and repossessed assets.

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RISK FACTORS

Investing in shares of our common stock involves significant risks, including the risks described below. You should carefully consider the following information about these risks, together with the other information contained in this prospectus supplement and the information incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement before purchasing shares of our common stock. The risks that we have highlighted here are not the only ones that we face. For example, additional risks presently unknown to us or that we currently consider immaterial or unlikely to occur could also impair our operations. In addition, there are risks beyond our control. If any of these risks actually occurs, our business, financial condition or results of operations could be negatively affected. You should carefully consider the risks described below and the risk factors included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, as well as the other information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, before making an investment decision.

We are a holding company and depend on our subsidiaries for dividends, distributions and other payments.

There can be no assurance of whether or when we may pay dividends in the future. Cash available to pay dividends to our shareholders is derived primarily, if not entirely, from dividends paid to us from our subsidiaries. Cash available to pay dividends to our shareholders is derived primarily, if not entirely, from dividends paid to us from our subsidiary bank, IBERIABANK. The ability of our subsidiary bank to pay dividends to us as well as our ability to pay dividends to our shareholders is limited by regulatory and legal restrictions and the need to maintain sufficient consolidated capital. We may also decide to limit the payment of dividends even when we have the legal ability to pay them in order to retain earnings for use in our business. Further, any lenders making loans to us may impose financial covenants that may be more restrictive than regulatory requirements with respect to the payment of dividends.

We are prohibited from paying dividends on our common stock if the required payments on our subordinated debentures have not been made. Additionally, dividends on our common stock could be adversely impacted if dividend payments on our preferred stock have not been made.

Although we have paid cash dividends on shares of our common stock in the past, we may not pay cash dividends on shares of our common stock in the future.

Holders of shares of our common stock are only entitled to receive such dividends as our board of directors may declare out of funds legally available for such purpose. We have a history of paying dividends to our shareholders. However, future cash dividends will depend upon our results of operations, financial condition, cash requirements, the need to maintain adequate capital levels, the need to comply with safe and sound banking practices as well as meet regulatory expectations, and other factors, including the ability of our subsidiaries to make distributions to us, which ability may be restricted by statutory, contractual or other constraints. There can be no assurance that we will continue to pay dividends even if the necessary financial conditions are met and if sufficient cash is available for distribution.

The value of your investment may be subject to sudden decreases due to the volatility of the price of our common stock.

The market price of our common stock may be highly volatile and subject to wide fluctuations in response to numerous factors, including, but not limited to, the factors discussed in other risk factors and the following:

actual or anticipated fluctuations in our operating results;

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changes in interest rates;

changes in the legal or regulatory environment in which we operate;

press releases, announcements or publicity relating to us or our competitors or relating to trends in our industry;

changes in expectations as to our future financial performance, including financial estimates or recommendations by securities analysts and investors;

future sales of our common stock;

changes in economic conditions in our marketplace, general conditions in the U.S. economy, financial markets or the banking industry; and

other developments affecting our competitors or us.

The trading history of our common stock is characterized by modest trading volume. Our common stock trades on NASDAQ. During the year ended December 31, 2015, the average daily trading volume of our common stock was approximately 238,000 shares. We cannot predict the extent to which investor interest in us will lead to a more active trading market in our common stock or how much more liquid that market might become. A public trading market having the desired characteristics of depth, liquidity and orderliness depends upon the presence in the marketplace of willing buyers and sellers of our common stock at any given time, which presence is dependent upon the individual decisions of investors, over which we have no control.

These factors may adversely affect the trading price of our common stock, regardless of our actual operating performance, and could prevent our shareholders from selling common stock at or above the public offering price. In addition, the stock markets, from time to time, experience extreme price and volume fluctuations that may be unrelated or disproportionate to the operating performance of companies. These broad fluctuations may adversely affect the market price of our common stock, regardless of our trading performance.

In the past, shareholders often have brought securities class action litigation against a company following periods of volatility in the market price of their securities. We may be the target of similar litigation in the future, which could result in substantial costs and divert management's attention and resources.

Sales of a significant number of shares of our common stock in the public markets, or the perception of such sales, could depress the market price of our common stock.

Sales of a substantial number of shares of our common stock in the public markets and the availability of those shares for sale could adversely affect the market price of our common stock. In addition, future issuances of equity securities, including pursuant to outstanding options, could dilute the interests of our existing stockholders, including you, and could cause the market price of our common stock to decline. We may issue such additional equity or convertible securities to raise additional capital. The issuance of any additional shares of common or preferred stock or

convertible securities could be substantially dilutive to shareholders of our common stock. Moreover, to the extent that we issue restricted stock units, phantom shares, stock appreciation rights, options or warrants to purchase our common stock in the future and those stock appreciation rights, options or warrants are exercised or as the restricted stock units vest, our shareholders may experience further dilution. Holders of our shares of common stock have no preemptive rights that entitle holders to purchase their pro rata share of any offering of shares of any class or series and, therefore, such sales or offerings could result in increased dilution to our shareholders. We cannot predict the effect that future sales of our common stock would have on the market price of our common stock.

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Our common stock is subordinate to our existing and future indebtedness.

Shares of our common stock are equity interests and do not constitute indebtedness of the Company. This means that shares of the common stock rank junior to all our existing and future indebtedness and our other non-equity claims with respect to assets available to satisfy claims against us, including claims in the event of our liquidation. We are prohibited from paying dividends on any of our capital stock if the required payments on our subordinated debentures or preferred stock have not been made.

Our common stock is subordinate to our existing and future preferred stock.

The Company has outstanding Series B and Series C preferred stock that is senior to the common stock and could adversely affect the ability of the Company to declare or pay dividends or distributions of common stock. Under the terms of the Series B and Series C preferred stock, the Company is prohibited from paying dividends on its common stock unless all full dividends for the latest dividend period on all outstanding shares of Series B and Series C preferred stock have been declared and paid in full or declared and a sum sufficient for the payment of those dividends has been set aside. Furthermore, if the Company experiences a material deterioration in its financial condition, liquidity, capital, results of operations or risk profile, the Company's regulators may not permit it to make future payments on its Series B or Series C preferred stock, thereby preventing the payment of dividends on the common stock.

We may issue debt and equity securities or securities convertible into equity securities, any of which may be senior to our common stock as to distributions and in liquidation, which could negatively affect the value of our common stock.

In the future, we may attempt to increase our capital resources by entering into debt or debt-like financing that is unsecured or secured by all or up to all of our assets, or by issuing additional debt or equity securities, which could include issuances of secured or unsecured commercial paper, medium-term notes, senior notes, subordinated notes, preferred stock or securities convertible into or exchangeable for equity securities. In the event of our liquidation, our lenders and holders of our debt and preferred securities would receive a distribution of our available assets before distributions to the holders of our common stock. Because our decision to incur debt and issue securities in our future offerings will depend on market conditions and other factors beyond our control, we cannot predict or estimate the amount, timing or nature of our future offerings and debt financings. Further, market conditions could require us to accept less favorable terms for the issuance of our securities in the future.

Our management has broad discretion over the use of proceeds from this offering.

Our management has significant flexibility in applying the proceeds that we receive from this offering. Although we have indicated our intent to use the proceeds from this offering for general corporate purposes, including future acquisitions, our working capital needs and investments in our subsidiaries, our management retains significant discretion with respect to the use of proceeds. The proceeds of this offering may be used in a manner which does not generate a favorable return for us. We may use the proceeds to fund future acquisitions of other businesses. In addition, if we use the funds to acquire other businesses, there can be no assurance that any business we acquire would be successfully integrated into our operations or otherwise perform as expected.

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SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

We make forward-looking statements in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, and the documents incorporated by reference into it that are subject to risks and uncertainties. We intend these statements to be covered by the safe harbor provision for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements often are identifiable by the use of the words estimate, goal, assess, project, forma, believe, intend, plan, anticipate, expect, target, objective, assumption, and similar words.

These forward-looking statements include:

statements of our goals, intentions, and expectations;

estimates of risks and of future costs and benefits;

expectations regarding our future financial performance;

assessments of loan quality, probable loan losses, and the amount and timing of loan payoffs;

assessments of liquidity, off-balance sheet risk, and interest rate risk;

statements of our ability to achieve financial and other goals; and

statements related to expected returns and other benefits of the mergers.

These forward-looking statements are subject to significant uncertainties because they are based upon: the amount and timing of future changes in interest rates, market behavior, and other economic conditions; future laws, regulations and accounting principles; and a variety of other matters. These other matters include, among other things, the direct and indirect effects of the subprime, consumer lending and credit market issues on interest rates, credit quality, loan demand, liquidity, monetary and supervisory policies of banking regulators, legislative and regulatory proposals and changes, and risks related to our operational, technological and organizational infrastructure. Because of these uncertainties, actual future results may be materially different from the results indicated by these forward-looking statements. In addition, our past growth and performance do not necessarily indicate our future results. For other factors, risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from estimates and projections contained in forward-looking statements, please read the Risk Factors section beginning on page S-6 of this prospectus supplement and the Risk Factors sections contained in our reports to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) that are incorporated by reference into this prospectus.

The cautionary statements in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, and any documents incorporated by reference herein or therein also identify important factors and possible events that involve risk and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which the statements were made. We do

not intend, and undertake no obligation, to update or revise any forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus supplement and the prospectus, whether as a result of differences in actual results, changes in assumptions or changes in other factors affecting such statements, except as required by law.

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USE OF PROCEEDS

We estimate that the net proceeds for this offering will be approximately \$ million, or approximately \$ million if the underwriters exercise their option to purchase additional shares in full, in each case after deducting estimated expenses and underwriting discounts and commissions. We intend to use the net proceeds of this offering of common stock for general corporate purposes, including to fund possible future acquisitions of other financial services businesses (which may include FDIC-assisted transactions), our working capital needs and investments in our subsidiaries to support our continued growth. We currently have no definitive agreements or arrangements regarding any future acquisitions. The net proceeds may be invested temporarily in cash or short-term marketable securities until they are applied.

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The following table sets forth our capitalization as of:

September 30, 2016 on an actual basis; and

September 30, 2016 on an as-adjusted basis, to give effect to the sale of _____ shares of common stock offered by us at the public offering price of \$ _____ per share in this offering, and after deducting the underwriting discount and our estimated offering expenses.

| | As of September 30, 2016 | |
|---|---|--------------------|
| | Actual | As-Adjusted |
| | (Dollars in thousands except share data) | |
| Long-Term Debt | | |
| Federal Home Loan Bank notes | \$ 481,649 | \$ 481,649 |
| Notes payable Investment fund contribution | 70,679 | 70,679 |
| Junior subordinated debt | 120,110 | 120,110 |
| Long-term debt | \$ 672,438 | \$ 672,438 |
| Shareholders Equity | | |
| Preferred stock, \$1.00 par value; authorized 5,000,000 shares | | |
| 6.625% Fixed-to-Floating Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series B, liquidation preference \$10,000 per share; 8,000 shares issued, actual and 8,000 shares issued, as adjusted | \$ 76,812 | \$ 76,812 |
| 6.60 % Fixed-to-Floating Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series C, liquidation preference \$10,000 per share; 5,000 shares issued, actual, and 5,000 shares issued, as adjusted | 55,285 | 55,285 |
| Common stock, \$1.00 par value; authorized 100,000,000 shares; 41,139,537 shares issued, actual and _____ shares issued, as adjusted | 41,082 | |
| Additional paid-in capital | 1,797,835 | |
| Retained earnings | 676,308 | 676,308 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) | 19,788 | 19,788 |
| Less treasury stock, at cost, 0 shares, actual and 0 shares, as adjusted | | |
| Total shareholders equity | \$ 2,667,110 | \$ _____ |
| Total capitalization | \$ 3,339,548 | \$ _____ |

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Our common stock is listed on NASDAQ under the symbol **IBKC** . Set forth below are the high and low closing prices for our common stock as reported by the NASDAQ for the two most recently completed fiscal years and the period from January 1, 2016 through November 30, 2016 of the current fiscal year. Also set forth below are dividends declared per share in each of these periods:

| | High | Low | Dividend Declared |
|--|-------------|------------|--------------------------|
| 2014 | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ 68.13 | \$ 57.36 | \$ 0.34 |
| Second Quarter | \$ 68.02 | \$ 55.97 | \$ 0.34 |
| Third Quarter | \$ 67.06 | \$ 59.60 | \$ 0.34 |
| Fourth Quarter | \$ 66.86 | \$ 57.82 | \$ 0.34 |
| 2015 | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ 62.85 | \$ 52.18 | \$ 0.34 |
| Second Quarter | \$ 68.75 | \$ 59.02 | \$ 0.34 |
| Third Quarter | \$ 67.90 | \$ 54.94 | \$ 0.34 |
| Fourth Quarter | \$ 63.80 | \$ 51.01 | \$ 0.34 |
| 2016 | | | |
| First Quarter | \$ 53.61 | \$ 41.43 | \$ 0.34 |
| Second Quarter | \$ 63.00 | \$ 47.32 | \$ 0.34 |
| Third Quarter | \$ 69.55 | \$ 55.97 | \$ 0.36 |
| Fourth Quarter (through November 30, 2016) | \$ 83.00 | \$ 62.66 | \$ |

On November 30, 2016, the closing price for our common stock as reported on the NASDAQ was \$82.85. As of November 29, 2016, there were approximately 2,749 holders of our common stock.

The timing and amount of future dividends are at the discretion of our board of directors and will depend upon our consolidated earnings, financial condition, liquidity and capital requirements, the amount of cash dividends paid to us by our subsidiaries, applicable government regulations and policies and other factors considered relevant by our board of directors. Capital distributions, including dividends, by our subsidiaries such as IBERIABANK are subject to restrictions tied to such institution's earnings. For a description of these restrictions, see the section of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 entitled **Supervision and Regulation**, which is incorporated by reference herein.

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CERTAIN UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS FOR NON-U.S. HOLDERS

The following is a general discussion of certain United States federal income tax considerations with respect to the ownership and disposition of our common stock applicable to non-U.S. holders who acquire such common stock in this offering and hold such common stock as a capital asset within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code) (generally, property held for investment). For purposes of this discussion, a non-U.S. holder means a beneficial owner of our common stock (other than an entity or arrangement that is treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) that is not, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, any of the following:

an individual who is a citizen of the United States or who is a resident of the United States;

a corporation, or other entity taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, created or organized in or under the laws of United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia;

an estate, the income of which is subject to U.S. federal income taxation regardless of its source; or

a trust (a) if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more U.S. persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (b) that has a valid election in effect under applicable Treasury regulations to be treated as a U.S. person.

This summary is for general information purposes only and does not purport to address all aspects of the United States federal income tax consequences that may be important to a particular non-U.S. holder in light of that non-U.S. holder's individual circumstances. This discussion does not address the effect of any special rules applicable to certain types of holders, including, for example:

dealers in securities or currencies;

banks or other financial institutions;

thrifts;

regulated investment companies;

real estate investment trusts;

insurance companies;

tax-exempt entities;

grantor trusts;

former citizens and residents of the United States;

persons holding common stock as part of a hedging, integrated or conversion transaction, a constructive sale, a straddle or other risk reduction transaction;

traders in securities that elect the mark-to-market method of accounting for their securities;

persons subject to the alternative minimum tax;

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corporations treated as personal holding companies, controlled foreign corporations, or passive foreign investment companies ;

individual retirement accounts, qualified pension plans and other tax-deferred accounts; or

partnerships or other entities or arrangements treated as partnerships for United States federal income tax purposes and other pass-through entities (or investors therein).

This discussion does not address any tax consequences arising under the unearned income Medicare contribution tax pursuant to the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, any considerations in respect of any withholding required pursuant to the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act of 2010 (including the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder and intergovernmental agreements entered into pursuant thereto), and any state, local or foreign tax consequences, nor does it address any United States federal tax considerations other than those pertaining to the income tax. This discussion does not address the effect of any United States state or local income or other tax laws, any United States federal estate and gift tax laws, any foreign tax laws, or any tax treaties.

The discussion below is based upon current provisions of the Code, and U.S. Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder, rulings, pronouncements, administrative interpretations of the Internal Revenue Service (the IRS) and judicial decisions as of the date hereof, and such authorities may be replaced, revoked or modified, possibly with retroactive effect, so as to result in United States federal tax consequences different from those discussed below.

If an entity or arrangement treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes holds common stock, the tax treatment of a person treated as a partner in such partnership will generally depend upon the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. Entities or arrangements treated as partners of a partnership for United States federal income tax purposes holding common stock should consult their tax advisors as to the particular U.S. federal income tax consequences applicable to them.

This summary does not contain a detailed description of all the United States federal tax consequences to non-U.S. holders in light of their particular circumstances and is not intended to constitute a complete description of all tax consequences for non-U.S. holders relating to the ownership and disposition of our common stock. **Non-U.S. holders who are considering the purchase, ownership or disposition of common stock should consult their own tax advisors concerning the tax consequences to them in light of their particular situation as well as any consequences arising under the laws of any other taxing jurisdiction or any laws other than those pertaining to United States federal income tax.**

Taxation of Dividends

In general, any distribution we make to a non-U.S. holder with respect to its shares of our common stock that constitutes a dividend for U.S. federal income tax purposes generally will be subject to withholding of United States federal income tax at a 30% rate or such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty if the non-U.S. holder provides proper certification of his, her or its eligibility for such reduced rate. A distribution will constitute a dividend for United States federal income tax purposes to the extent of our current or accumulated earnings and profits as determined for United States federal income tax purposes. Any distribution in excess of our current or accumulated earnings and profits will be treated first as reducing the adjusted basis in the non-U.S. holder's shares of our common stock and, to the extent it exceeds the adjusted basis in the non-U.S. holder's shares of our common stock, as gain from the sale or exchange of such stock.

Dividends we pay to a non-U.S. holder that are effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business by a non-U.S. holder within the United States (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, are attributable to a United States permanent establishment of the non-U.S. holder) will not be subject to the

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withholding tax described above, provided certain certification and disclosure requirements (generally on an IRS Form W-8ECI) are satisfied. Instead, such dividends are subject to United States federal income tax on a net income basis in the same manner as if the non-U.S. holder were a United States person as defined under the Code. Any such effectively connected dividends received by a foreign corporation may be subject to an additional branch profits tax at a 30% rate or such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty.

A non-U.S. holder of common stock who wishes to claim the benefits of an applicable income tax treaty and avoid backup withholding, as discussed below, for dividends will be required (a) to complete IRS Form W-8BEN or Form W-8BEN-E (or other applicable form) and certify under penalties of perjury that such holder is not a United States person as defined under the Code and is eligible for treaty benefits or (b) if common stock is held through certain foreign intermediaries, to satisfy the relevant certification requirements of applicable United States Treasury regulations. Special certification and other requirements apply to certain non-U.S. holders that are entities rather than individuals. Non-U.S. holders should consult their own advisors regarding the certification requirements applicable to them.

A non-U.S. holder of common stock eligible for a reduced rate of United States withholding tax pursuant to an income tax treaty may obtain a refund of any excess amounts withheld by filing an appropriate claim for refund with the IRS.

Taxation of Dispositions

Any gain realized on the sale or other disposition of common stock generally will not be subject to United States federal income tax unless:

- the gain is effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business carried on by the non-U.S. holder within the United States (and, if required by an applicable income tax treaty, is attributable to a United States permanent establishment of such non-U.S. holder);

- such gain is recognized by an individual who is present in the United States for 183 days or more in the taxable year of that disposition and certain other conditions are met; or

- we are or have been a United States real property holding corporation for United States federal income tax purposes at any time within the shorter of the five-year period preceding such disposition or such non-U.S. holder's holding period of our common stock.

An individual non-U.S. holder described in the first bullet point immediately above generally will be subject to tax on the net gain derived from the sale or other disposition under regular graduated United States federal income tax rates. If the non-U.S. holder is a foreign corporation, it may be subject to the branch profits tax equal to 30% of its effectively connected earnings and profits or at such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty. An individual non-U.S. holder described in the second bullet point immediately above will be subject to a flat 30% (or such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable income tax treaty) tax on the gain derived from the sale or other disposition, which may be offset by United States source capital losses realized in such year.

We believe we are not, and we do not anticipate becoming, a United States real property holding corporation for United States federal income tax purposes.

Information Reporting and Backup Withholding

Information reporting generally will apply to the amount of dividends paid to a non-U.S. holder and any tax withheld with respect to such non-U.S. holders. These reporting requirements apply regardless of whether

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withholding was reduced or eliminated by an applicable tax treaty. Copies of this information reporting may also be made available to the tax authorities in the country in which the non-U.S. holder resides or is established under the provisions of an applicable income tax treaty or agreement.

A non-U.S. holder will be subject to backup withholding (currently at a 28% rate) for dividends paid to such holder unless such holder certifies under penalties of perjury that it is a non-U.S. holder (and the payor does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that such holder is a United States person as defined under the Code) and otherwise complies with all applicable requirements of the backup withholding rules, or such holder otherwise establishes an exemption.

Information reporting and backup withholding will apply to the proceeds of a sale or other disposition of common stock within the United States or conducted through certain United States-related financial intermediaries, unless the beneficial owner certifies under penalty of perjury that it is a non-U.S. holder (and the payor does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that the beneficial owner is a United States person as defined under the Code), or such owner otherwise establishes an exemption.

Information reporting will also apply if a non-U.S. holder sells its shares of our common stock through a foreign broker deriving more than a specified percentage of its income from U.S. sources or having certain other connections to the United States, unless such broker has documentary evidence in its records that such non-U.S. holder is a non-U.S. person and certain other conditions are met or such non-U.S. holder otherwise establishes an exemption.

Backup withholding is not an additional tax. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules may be allowed as a refund or as a credit against a non-U.S. holder's United States federal income tax liability, if any, or refunded, provided the required information is timely furnished to the IRS.

Non-U.S. holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the application of the information reporting and backup withholding rules to you.

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We have entered into an underwriting agreement, dated _____, 2016 with the underwriters named below, for whom Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. and Goldman, Sachs & Co., are acting as representatives. In the underwriting agreement, we agreed to sell to each of the underwriters, and each of the underwriters severally agreed to purchase from us, the number of shares of common stock shown opposite its name below.

| <u>Underwriter</u> | Number of Shares of Common Stock |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. | |
| Goldman, Sachs & Co. | |
| Citigroup Global Markets Inc. | |
| Sandler O'Neill + Partners, L.P. | |
| Stephens, Inc. | |
| UBS Securities LLC | |
| Total | |

The obligations of the underwriters under the underwriting agreement, including their agreement to purchase all shares of our common stock, are several and not joint. Those obligations are also subject to the satisfaction of the conditions contained in the underwriting agreement.

The underwriters have agreed to purchase and pay for all of the shares of common stock being offered by this prospectus, if any such shares of common stock are purchased. However, the underwriters are not obligated to purchase or pay for the shares of common stock covered by the underwriters' option to purchase additional shares described below, unless and until they exercise this option. In the event of a default by any underwriter, the underwriting agreement provides that, in certain circumstances, non-defaulting underwriters may increase their purchase commitments, or the underwriting agreement may be terminated.

The shares of common stock are being offered by the several underwriters, subject to prior sale, when, as and if issued to and accepted by them, subject to approval of certain legal matters by counsel for the underwriters and other conditions. The underwriters reserve the right to withdraw, cancel, or modify this offering and to reject orders in whole or in part.

The company has agreed to indemnify the several underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933.

Option to Purchase Additional Shares

We have granted to the underwriters an option to purchase up to an aggregate of _____ additional shares of our common stock at the public offering price, less the underwriting discount and commissions set forth on the cover page of this prospectus supplement. The underwriters may exercise this option, in whole or in part, from time to time for a period of 30 days from the date of this prospectus. If the underwriters exercise this option, each underwriter will be obligated, subject to the conditions in the underwriting agreement, to purchase a number of additional shares of our common stock proportionate to the number of shares reflected next to such underwriter's name in the table above relative to the

total number of shares reflected in such table.

Underwriting Discount and Commissions and Expenses

The underwriters propose to offer shares of our common stock directly to the public at the price set forth on the cover page of this prospectus supplement. If all of the shares of our common stock are not sold at the public offering price, the representative of the underwriters may change the public offering price and the other selling terms. Sales of shares of our common stock made outside of the U.S. may be made by affiliates of the underwriters.

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The following table shows the per share and total public offering price, underwriting discount and commissions, and proceeds to us before expenses. These amounts are shown assuming both no exercise and full exercise of the underwriter's option to purchase up to additional shares of common stock.

| | Per Share | Total | |
|---|-----------|-------------|---------------|
| | | No Exercise | Full Exercise |
| Purchase Price | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Underwriting discount and commissions to be paid by us(1) | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Proceeds to us, before expenses | \$ | \$ | \$ |

(1) Any shares of our common stock sold by the underwriters to securities dealers may be sold at a discount of up to \$ per share from the public offering price. Any of these securities dealers may resell any shares of our common stock purchased from the underwriters to other brokers or dealers at a discount of up to \$ per share from the public offering price.

Our offering expenses, not including the underwriting discount and commissions, are estimated to be \$.

NASDAQ Global Select Market Listing

The shares of our common stock have been approved for listing and will be eligible for trading on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol IBKC .

Lock-Up Agreements

We, our executive officers and directors are entering into lock-up agreements with the underwriters. Under these agreements, we and each of these persons will agree, subject to certain specified exceptions, for a period of 60 days after the date of the underwriting agreement, not to engage in the following activities without the prior written consent of the representatives, (i) offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant for the sale of, hypothecate, establish an open put equivalent position within the meaning of Rule 16a-1(h) under the Exchange Act, or otherwise dispose of or transfer any shares of our common stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for our common stock, whether now owned or hereafter acquired or with respect to which such person has or hereafter acquires the power of disposition, or exercise any right with respect to the registration thereof, or file or cause to be filed any registration statement under the Securities Act, with respect to any of the foregoing, (ii) enter into any swap, hedge, or any other agreement or any transaction that transfers, in whole or in part, the economic consequence of ownership of the shares of our common stock, whether any such swap, hedge or transaction is to be settled by delivery of shares of our common stock or other securities, in cash or otherwise; or (iii) publicly disclose the intention to make any such offer, pledge, sale or disposition, or to enter into any such swap, hedge, transaction or other arrangement.

These restrictions will be in effect for a period of 60 days after the date of the underwriting agreement. At any time and without public notice, the representatives may, in their sole discretion, waive or release all or some of the securities from these lock-up agreements.

Indemnification and Contribution

Under the terms of the underwriting agreement, we have agreed to indemnify the underwriters and their affiliates, selling agents and control persons against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act. If we are unable to provide this indemnification, we will contribute to the payments the underwriters and their affiliates, selling agents and controlling persons may be required to make in respect of those liabilities.

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Stabilization

In connection with this offering, the underwriters may engage in stabilizing transactions, overallotment transactions, syndicate covering transactions and purchases to cover positions created by short sales in accordance with Regulation M under the Exchange Act.

Stabilizing transactions consist of bids or purchases made for the purpose of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of our common stock while this offering is in progress. These transactions may also include making short sales of our common stock, which involve the sale by the underwriters of a greater number of shares of common stock than they are required to purchase in this offering. Short sales may be covered short sales or naked short sales. In a covered short position, the number of excess shares sold by an underwriter, if any, are not greater than the number of shares of common stock that they may purchase in the option to purchase additional shares. In a naked short position, the number of shares of common stock involved is greater than the number of shares of common stock in the underwriter's option to purchase additional shares, if any.

The underwriters may close out any covered short position either by exercising, in whole or in part, their option to purchase additional shares, or by purchasing shares in the open market. In making this determination, the underwriters will consider, among other things, the price of shares available for purchase in the open market compared to the price at which they may purchase shares through the purchase option described above. The underwriters must close out any naked short position by purchasing shares in the open market. A naked short position is more likely to be created if the underwriters are concerned that there may be downward pressure on the price of our common stock in the open market that could adversely affect investors who purchased in this offering.

The underwriters also may engage in syndicate covering transactions, which are transactions that involve purchases of common stock in the open market after the distribution has been completed in order to cover syndicate short positions. In determining the source of shares of common stock to close out the short position, the underwriters will consider, among other things, the price of shares of common stock available for purchase in the open market as compared with the price at which the underwriters may purchase shares of common stock through exercise of the option to purchase additional shares, if any.

These stabilizing transactions and syndicate covering transactions may have the effect of raising or maintaining the market price of our common stock or preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of our common stock. As a result, the price of our common stock in the open market may be higher than it would otherwise be in the absence of these transactions. Neither we nor the underwriters make any representation or prediction as to the effect that the transactions described above may have on the price of our common stock. These transactions may be effected on The NASDAQ Global Select Market, in the over-the-counter market or otherwise and, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

Passive Market Making

In connection with this offering, the underwriters may engage in passive market making transactions in our common stock on the NASDAQ Global Select Market in accordance with Rule 103 of Regulation M under the Exchange Act during a period before the commencement of offers or sales of our common stock and extending through the completion of the distribution of this offering. A passive market maker must generally display its bid at a price not in excess of the highest independent bid of that security. However, if all independent bids are lowered below the passive market maker's bid, the passive market maker may continue to bid and effect purchases at a price exceeding the then highest independent bid until specified purchase limits are exceeded, at which time such bid must be lowered to an amount no higher than the then highest independent bid. Passive market making may cause the price of our common

stock to be higher than the price that otherwise would exist in the open market in the absence of those transactions. The underwriters and selling shareholders engaged in passive market making are not required to engage in passive market making and may end passive market making activities at any time.

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Affiliations

The underwriters and their respective affiliates are full service financial institutions engaged in various activities, which may include securities trading, commercial and investment banking, financial advisory, investment management, investment advisory, investment research, principal investment, hedging, financing, loan referrals, valuation, and brokerage activities. From time to time, the underwriters and/or their respective affiliates have directly and indirectly engaged, and may in the future engage, in various financial advisory, investment banking loan referrals, and commercial banking services with us and our affiliates, for which they received or paid, or may receive or pay, customary compensation, fees, and expense reimbursement. In the ordinary course of their various business activities, the underwriters and their respective affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities) and financial instruments (including bank loans) for their own account and for the accounts of their customers, and those investment and securities activities may involve securities and/or instruments of ours. The underwriters and their respective affiliates may also make investment recommendations and/or publish or express independent research views in respect of those securities or instruments and may at any time hold, or recommend to clients that they acquire, long and/or short positions in those securities and instruments.

Conflicts of Interest

At our request, the underwriters have reserved up to _____ shares of common stock for sale at the public offering price to persons having business relationships with us (other than directors and executive officers) who are clients of our wholly owned subsidiary, IBERIA Capital Partners L.L.C. IBERIA Capital Partners L.L.C. will receive a brokerage commission of \$ _____ per reserved share sold. The number of shares available for sale to the general public will be reduced to the extent that these persons purchase the reserved shares. Any reserved shares not purchased by these persons will be offered by the underwriters to the general public on the same basis as all other shares offered. No reserved shares will be purchased by our directors or executive officers. The offering of shares will conform to the requirements of Rule 5121 of the Conduct Rules of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. IBERIA Capital Partners L.L.C. may not confirm sales to any discretionary account without the prior specific written approval of a customer.

Selling Restrictions

Canada

The common stock may be sold in Canada only to purchasers purchasing, or deemed to be purchasing, as principal that are accredited investors, as defined in National Instrument 45-106 Prospectus Exemptions or subsection 73.3(1) of the Securities Act (Ontario), and are permitted clients, as defined in National Instrument 31-103 Registration Requirements, Exemptions, and Ongoing Registrant Obligations. Any resale of the common stock must be made in accordance with an exemption form, or in a transaction not subject to, the prospectus requirements of applicable securities laws.

Securities legislation in certain provinces or territories of Canada may provide a purchaser with remedies for rescission or damages if this offering memorandum (including any amendment thereto) contains a misrepresentation, provided that the remedies for rescission or damages are exercised by the purchaser within the time limit prescribed by the securities legislation of the purchaser's province or territory. The purchaser should refer to any applicable provisions of the securities legislation of the purchaser's province or territory of these rights or consult with a legal advisor.

Pursuant to section 3A.3 of National Instrument 33-105 Underwriting Conflicts (NI 33-105), the underwriters are not required to comply with the disclosure requirements of NI 33-105 regarding underwriter conflicts of interest in connection with this offering.

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European Economic Area

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a Relevant Member State), each underwriter has represented and agreed that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State (the Relevant Implementation Date) it has not made and will not make an offer of shares to the public in that Relevant Member State prior to the publication of a prospectus in relation to the shares which has been approved by the competent authority in that Relevant Member State or, where appropriate, approved in another Relevant Member State and notified to the competent authority in that Relevant Member State, all in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, except that it may, with effect from and including the Relevant Implementation Date, make an offer of shares to the public in that Relevant Member State at any time:

to legal entities which are authorized or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorized or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to invest in securities;

to any legal entity which has two or more of (1) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year; (2) a total balance sheet of more than 43,000,000 and (3) an annual net turnover of more than 50,000,000, as shown in its last annual or consolidated accounts;

to fewer than 100 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive) subject to obtaining the prior consent of the representatives for any such offer; or

in any other circumstances which do not require the publication by the Issuer of a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of this provision, the expression an offer of shares to the public in relation to any shares in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the shares to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the shares, as the same may be varied in that Relevant Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Relevant Member State.

Hong Kong

The shares may not be offered or sold by means of any document other than (i) in circumstances which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap.32, Laws of Hong Kong), or (ii) to professional investors within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap.571, Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder, or (iii) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a prospectus within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap.32, Laws of Hong Kong), and no advertisement, invitation or document relating to the shares may be issued or may be in the possession of any person for the purpose of issue (in each case whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere), which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public in Hong Kong (except if permitted to do so under the laws of Hong Kong) other than with respect to shares which are or are intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong or only to professional investors within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571, Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder.

Japan

The common stock have not been and will not be registered under the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law of Japan (the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law) and each underwriter has agreed that it will not offer or sell any securities, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to, or for the benefit of, any resident of Japan (which term as used herein means any person resident in Japan, including any corporation or other entity

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organized under the laws of Japan), or to others for re-offering or resale, directly or indirectly, in Japan or to a resident of Japan, except pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of, and otherwise in compliance with, the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law and any other applicable laws, regulations and ministerial guidelines of Japan.

Singapore

This prospectus has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore. Accordingly, this prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the shares may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the shares be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to persons in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the SFA), (ii) to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Where the shares are subscribed or purchased under Section 275 by a relevant person which is: (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary is an accredited investor, shares, debentures and units of shares and debentures of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest in that trust shall not be transferable for 6 months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the shares under Section 275 except: (1) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the SFA or to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA; (2) where no consideration is given for the transfer; or (3) by operation of law.

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WHERE YOU CAN FIND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly, and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy, at prescribed rates, any documents we have filed with the SEC at its Public Reference Room located at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. We also file these documents with the SEC electronically. You can access the electronic versions of these filings on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov and our website described below.

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-3 relating to the securities covered by this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. This prospectus supplement is a part of the registration statement and does not contain all the information in the registration statement. Whenever a reference is made in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus to a contract or other document, the reference is only a summary and you should refer to the exhibits that are a part of the registration statement for a copy of the contract or other document. You may review a copy of the registration statement at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C., as well as through the SEC's and our websites.

The SEC's rules allow us to incorporate by reference information into this prospectus supplement. This means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to another document. Any information referred to in this way is considered part of this prospectus supplement from the date we file that document. Any reports filed by us with the SEC after the date of this prospectus supplement and before the date that the offering of securities by means of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus is terminated will automatically update and, where applicable, supersede any information contained in this prospectus supplement or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement.

We incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus the following documents or information filed with the SEC (other than, in each case, documents, or information deemed to have been furnished and not filed in accordance with the SEC's rules):

our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015;

our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2016, June 30, 2016 and September 30, 2016;

our Current Reports on Form 8-K, dated May 5, 2016, May 9, 2016, May 10, 2016, June 29, 2016, August 12, 2016 and August 24, 2016;

the Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, filed on April 4, 2016 (solely those portions that were incorporated by reference into Part III of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015); and

the description of our common stock, which is registered under Section 12 of the Exchange Act, contained in our registration statement on Form 8-A, filed on March 28, 1995.

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All documents filed by us pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and before the termination of the offering shall also be deemed to be incorporated herein by reference. We are not, however, incorporating by reference any documents or portions thereof, whether specifically listed above or filed in the future, that are not deemed filed with the SEC, including our compensation committee report and performance graph or any information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 or 7.01 of Form 8-K or certain exhibits furnished pursuant to Item 9.01 of Form 8-K.

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AVAILABLE INFORMATION

Our filings with the SEC, including annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and all amendments thereto, are available on our website as soon as reasonably practicable after the reports are filed with or furnished to the SEC. Copies can be obtained free of charge in the Investor Relations section of our website at www.iberiabank.com. Our SEC filings are also available through the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Copies of these filings are also available by writing the Company at the following address:

IBERIABANK Corporation

200 West Congress Street

Lafayette, Louisiana 70501

Attention: Robert B. Worley, Jr., Secretary

(337) 521-4003

The information on our website is not incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus and you should not consider it a part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

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LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the common stock offered by this prospectus will be passed upon by Robert B. Worley, Jr., Executive Vice President, Corporate Secretary and General Counsel of IBERIABANK Corporation. Certain other legal matters in connection with the offering will be passed upon for the company by Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz. Certain legal matters in connection with the offering will be passed upon for the underwriters by Covington & Burling LLP, Washington, D.C.

EXPERTS

Ernst & Young LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, has audited the consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the related consolidated statements of comprehensive income, shareholders equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2015 included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2015, as set forth in their reports, which are incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Our consolidated financial statements are incorporated by reference in reliance on Ernst & Young LLP's reports, given on their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

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PROSPECTUS

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The securities listed above may be offered and sold by us and/or by one or more selling security holders to be identified in the future. This prospectus describes some of the general terms that may apply to these securities and the general manner in which they may be offered. The specific terms of any shares of securities to be offered, and the specific manner in which they may be offered, will be described in one or more supplements to this prospectus. This prospectus may not be used to sell securities unless accompanied by a prospectus supplement. Before investing, you should carefully read this prospectus and any related prospectus supplement. If there is any inconsistency between the information in this prospectus and any prospectus supplement, you should rely on the information in that prospectus supplement. See [About This Prospectus](#).

Our common stock is listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol [IBKC](#) .

Investing in our securities involves risks. You should carefully consider the risks described under [Risk Factors](#) in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K and in each subsequently filed Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q (which documents are incorporated by reference herein), as well as the other information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or in any prospectus supplement hereto before making a decision to invest in our securities. See [Where You Can Find More Information](#) and [Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference](#) in this prospectus.

NEITHER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED OF THESE SECURITIES OR DETERMINED IF THIS PROSPECTUS IS TRUTHFUL OR COMPLETE. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

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

The date of this prospectus is March 4, 2015.

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, using a shelf registration or delayed offering process. By using a shelf registration statement, we may, from time to time, sell any or all of these securities or any combination of rights, units, warrants, preferred stock, depository shares and common stock, in one or more offerings. The preferred stock, warrants, and rights may be convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for our common or preferred stock or our other securities or debt or equity securities of one or more other entities.

This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we offer and sell any of these securities we will provide a prospectus supplement that contains specific information about the terms of that offering. The supplement may also add, update, or change information contained in this prospectus. If there is any inconsistency between the information in this prospectus and each prospectus supplement, you should rely on the information in that prospectus supplement. Before purchasing any of our securities, you should carefully read both this prospectus and each applicable prospectus supplement together with the additional information described under the headings *Where You Can Find More Information* and *Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference*.

The registration statement containing this prospectus, including exhibits to the registration statement, provides additional information about us and the securities offered under this prospectus. The registration statement may be read at the SEC's internet website at <http://www.sec.gov> or at its office mentioned under the heading *Where You Can Find More Information*.

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus and any prospectus supplement. We have not authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We will not make an offer to sell our securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus, as well as information we previously filed with the SEC and have incorporated by reference, is accurate as of the date of the front cover of this prospectus only. Our business, financial condition, results of operations, and prospects may have changed since that date.

When used in this prospectus, the terms *IBERIABANK Corporation*, *we*, *our* and *us* refer to *IBERIABANK Corporation* and its consolidated subsidiaries, including *IBERIABANK*, unless otherwise specified or the context otherwise requires.

RISK FACTORS

An investment in our securities involves risks. Before making an investment decision, you should carefully read and consider the risk factors incorporated by reference in this prospectus, as well as those contained in any applicable prospectus supplement, as the same may be updated from time to time by our future filings with the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act. You should also refer to other information contained in or incorporated by reference in this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement, including our financial statements and the related notes incorporated by reference herein or therein. Additional risks and uncertainties not known to us at this time or that we currently deem immaterial may also materially and adversely affect our business operations and prospects.

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WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly, and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy, at prescribed rates, any documents we have filed with the SEC at its Public Reference Room located at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. We also file these documents with the SEC electronically. You can access the electronic versions of these filings on the SEC's internet website found at <http://www.sec.gov> and our website described below.

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INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION BY REFERENCE

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We incorporated by reference into this prospectus the following documents or information filed with the SEC (other than, in each case, documents, or information deemed to have been furnished and not filed in accordance with the SEC's rules):

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014, filed on March 2, 2015 (File No. 000-25756);

Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on January 28, 2015, January 29, 2015, February 2, 2015, February 26, 2015 and March 2, 2015, except to the extent any such information is deemed furnished;

Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, filed on February 27, 2015; and

The description of IBERIABANK Corporation's common stock contained in our Registration Statement on Form 8-A, filed on March 28, 1995, and any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating this description.

All documents filed by us pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date of this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement and before the termination of the offering shall also be deemed to be incorporated herein by reference. We are not, however, incorporating by reference any documents or portions thereof, whether specifically listed above or filed in the future, that are not deemed filed with the SEC, including our compensation committee report and performance graph or any information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 or 7.01 of Form 8-K or certain exhibits furnished pursuant to Item 9.01 of Form 8-K.

Documents incorporated by reference are available from IBERIABANK Corporation, without charge, excluding all exhibits other than exhibits that have been specifically incorporated by reference into this prospectus. You can obtain documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus by requesting them in writing or by telephone from us at the following address and telephone number:

IBERIABANK Corporation

200 West Congress Street

Lafayette, Louisiana 70501

Attention: Robert B. Worley, Jr., Secretary

The information on our website is not incorporated by reference in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement and you should not consider it a part of this prospectus or any prospectus supplement.

This prospectus does not constitute an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to purchase, the securities offered by this prospectus, in any jurisdiction to or from any person to whom or from whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation of an offer in such jurisdiction. Neither the delivery of this prospectus nor any distribution of securities pursuant to this prospectus shall, under any circumstances, create any implication that there has been no change in the information set forth or incorporated by reference into this prospectus or in our affairs since the date of this prospectus. The information contained in this prospectus speaks only as of the date of this prospectus unless the information specifically indicates that another date applies.

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SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

We make forward-looking statements in this prospectus, the documents incorporated by reference into it, and any prospectus supplements that are subject to risks and uncertainties. We intend these statements to be covered by the safe harbor provision for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements often are identifiable by the use of the words estimate, goal, assess, project, pro forma, believe, intend, plan, anticipate, expect, target, objective, assumption, and similar words.

These forward-looking statements include:

statements of our goals, intentions, and expectations;

estimates of risks and of future costs and benefits;

expectations regarding our future financial performance;

assessments of loan quality, probable loan losses, and the amount and timing of loan payoffs;

assessments of liquidity, off-balance sheet risk, and interest rate risk;

statements of our ability to achieve financial and other goals; and

statements related to expected returns and other benefits of the mergers.

These forward-looking statements are subject to significant uncertainties because they are based upon: the amount and timing of future changes in interest rates, market behavior, and other economic conditions; future laws, regulations and accounting principles; and a variety of other matters. These other matters include, among other things, the direct and indirect effects of the subprime, consumer lending and credit market issues on interest rates, credit quality, loan demand, liquidity, monetary and supervisory policies of banking regulators, legislative and regulatory proposals and changes, and risks related to our operational, technological and organizational infrastructure. Because of these uncertainties, actual future results may be materially different from the results indicated by these forward-looking statements. In addition, our past growth and performance do not necessarily indicate our future results. For other factors, risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from estimates and projections contained in forward-looking statements, please read the **Risk Factors** sections contained in our reports to the SEC.

The cautionary statements in this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement, and any documents incorporated by reference also identify important factors and possible events that involve risk and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which the statements were made. We do not intend, and undertake no obligation, to update or revise any forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement, whether as a result of differences in actual results, changes in assumptions or changes in other

factors affecting such statements, except as required by law.

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OUR COMPANY

IBERIABANK Corporation, a Louisiana corporation, is a financial holding company with 294 combined locations, including 202 bank branch offices in Louisiana, Arkansas, Florida, Alabama, Tennessee, and Texas, 23 title insurance offices in Arkansas and Louisiana, and mortgage representatives in 57 locations in 10 states. As of December 31, 2014, we had consolidated assets of \$15.8 billion, total deposits of \$12.5 billion and shareholders' equity of \$1.9 billion.

Our principal executive office is located at 200 West Congress Street, Lafayette, Louisiana, and our telephone number at that office is (337) 521-4003. Our website is located at www.iberiabank.com.

We are the holding company for IBERIABANK, a Louisiana banking corporation headquartered in Lafayette, Louisiana; Lenders Title Company, a title insurance and closing services agency; IBERIA Capital Partners L.L.C., a corporate finance services firm; IB Aircraft Holdings, LLC, a holding company for our fractional investment in an aircraft, 1887 Leasing, LLC, a holding company for our investment in a separate aircraft, IBERIA Asset Management, Inc., which provides wealth management and trust services to high net worth individuals, pension funds, corporations and trusts; and IBERIA CDE, L.L.C., which invests in purchased tax credits.

IBERIABANK offers traditional commercial bank products and services to our clients. These products and services include a broad array of commercial, consumer, mortgage, and private banking products and services, cash management, deposit and annuity products and investment brokerage services. Certain of our non-bank subsidiaries engage in financial services-related activities, including brokerage services, sales of variable annuities, life, health, dental and accident insurance products, and wealth management services.

IBERIABANK Mortgage Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of IBERIABANK, offers one-to-four family residential mortgage loans in Louisiana, Arkansas, Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi, Texas, Missouri, Georgia, Florida and Idaho.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We intend to use the net proceeds from sales of our securities as set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement or pricing supplement relating to a specific issuance of securities. Our general corporate purposes may include:

financing possible acquisitions of failed institutions from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation;

financing possible acquisitions of other financial institutions in negotiated transactions;

financing acquisitions of branches from other financial institutions in negotiated transactions;

financing acquisitions of other businesses that are related to banking, or diversification into other banking-related businesses;

extending credit to, or funding investments in, our subsidiaries;

repurchasing our outstanding capital stock; and

repaying, reducing or refinancing indebtedness.

The precise amounts and the timing of our use of the net proceeds will depend upon market conditions, our subsidiaries' funding requirements, the availability of other funds and other factors. Until we use the net proceeds from the sale of any of our securities for general corporate purposes, we will use the net proceeds to reduce our indebtedness or for temporary investments. We expect that we will, on a recurrent basis, engage in additional financings as the need arises to finance our corporate strategies, to fund our subsidiaries, to finance acquisitions or otherwise. We intend to use the net proceeds from sales of the securities in the manner and for the purpose set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement.

Table of Contents**RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES AND PREFERENCE DIVIDENDS**

Our consolidated ratio of earnings to fixed charges and preference dividends for each of the five fiscal years ended December 31, 2014, are as follows:

| | Year Ended December 31, | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2011 | 2010 |
| Ratio of earnings to fixed charges and preferred dividends: | | | | | |
| Including interest on deposits | 4.14 | 2.72 | 2.65 | 1.86 | 1.60 |
| Excluding interest on deposits | 13.07 | 8.29 | 8.45 | 7.12 | 4.62 |

For purposes of calculating the ratios, earnings are the sum of:

income before tax expense; and

fixed charges.

For purposes of calculating the ratios, fixed charges are the sum of:

interest and debt expenses, including interest on deposits, and, in the second alternative shown above, excluding interest on deposits; and

that portion of net rental expense deemed to be the equivalent to interest on long-term debt.

We had no shares of preferred stock outstanding on December 31, 2014. No shares of preferred stock are currently outstanding.

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DESCRIPTION OF OUR CAPITAL STOCK

*The following summary is a description of the material terms of IBERIABANK Corporation's capital stock. This summary is not meant to be complete and is qualified by reference to the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Business Corporation Act, or the LBCA, and the articles of incorporation and bylaws of IBERIABANK Corporation, each as amended. You are urged to read those documents carefully. Copies of the articles of incorporation of IBERIABANK Corporation and the bylaws of IBERIABANK Corporation are incorporated by reference in this prospectus. See *Where You Can Find More Information* and *Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference* beginning on page 1.*

Authorized Capitalization

As of the date of this prospectus, our authorized capital stock consists of:

50,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$1.00 per share; and

5,000,000 shares of serial preferred stock, par value \$1.00 per share.

Our Board of Directors has called a Special Meeting of Shareholders to be held on March 31, 2015, to consider and vote upon an amendment to our articles of incorporation to increase our authorized common stock to 100,000,000 shares.

As of February 20, 2015, there were 33,560,780 shares of our common stock outstanding and approximately 2,299 holders of record of our common stock. As of that date, no shares of our preferred stock were outstanding.

Common Stock

Voting Rights. Holders of common stock are entitled to one vote per share on all matters submitted for action by the shareholders. The holders of common stock do not have cumulative voting rights in the election of directors. Accordingly, the holders of more than 50% of the shares of common stock can, if they choose to do so, elect all the directors. In such event, the holders of the remaining shares of common stock would not be able to elect any directors.

Dividend Rights. Holders of common stock are entitled to receive ratably dividends if, as and when dividends are declared from time to time by our board directors out of funds legally available for that purpose, after payment of dividends required to be paid on outstanding preferred stock, if any. In addition, the terms of the Company's outstanding junior subordinated debt securities prohibit it from declaring or paying any dividends or distributions on outstanding capital stock, or purchasing, acquiring or making a liquidation on such stock, if the Company has elected to defer interest payments on such debt.

Liquidation Rights. Upon our liquidation, dissolution or winding up, any business combination or a sale or disposition of all or substantially all of our assets, holders of our common stock would be entitled to receive ratably assets available for distribution to shareholders after payment of liabilities and accumulated and unpaid dividends and liquidation preferences on outstanding preferred stock, if any.

Other Matters. Holders of common stock have no preemptive or conversion rights and are not subject to further calls or assessment by us. There are no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to our common stock. All

outstanding shares of our common stock, including the shares of common stock offered in this offering, are fully paid and non-assessable.

Preferred Stock

Our articles of incorporation authorize our board of directors to establish one or more series of preferred stock. Unless required by law or by any stock exchange on which our common stock is listed, the authorized

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shares of preferred stock will be available for issuance without further action by shareholders. Our board of directors is able to determine, with respect to any series of preferred stock, the terms and rights of that series, including:

the designation of the series;

the number of shares of the series, which our board may increase or decrease, except where otherwise provided in the preferred stock designation, and not below the number of shares then outstanding;

whether dividends, if any, will be cumulative or non-cumulative and the dividend rate of the series;

the dates at which dividends, if any, will be payable;

the redemption rights and price(s), if any, for shares of the series;

the terms and amounts of any sinking fund relating to the purchase or redemption of shares of the series;

the amounts payable on shares of the series in the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution or winding-up of the affairs of our company;

whether the shares of the series will be convertible into shares of any other class or series, or any other security, and, if so, the specification of the other class or series or other security, the conversion price(s) or rate(s), any rate adjustments, the date or dates as of which the shares will be convertible and all other terms and conditions upon which a conversion may be made;

restrictions on the issuance of shares of the same series or of any other class or series; and

the voting right, if any, of the holders of the series.

Anti-Takeover Effects of Our Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws

Our articles of incorporation and bylaws contain provisions that may have an anti-takeover effect.

Classified Board of Directors

Our articles of incorporation provide that our board of directors is divided into three classes of directors, with the three classes to be as nearly equal in number as possible. The members of each class serve for a three-year term. As a result, approximately one-third of our board of directors are elected each year.

Removal of Directors; Vacancies

Our articles of incorporation provide that directors may be removed without cause but only upon the affirmative vote of not less than 75% of the total votes eligible to be cast by shareholders at a duly constituted meeting of shareholders called expressly for that purpose, and may be removed with cause by an affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the total votes eligible to be cast by shareholders. In addition, our articles of incorporation provide that any vacancies on our board of directors shall be filled only by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors, although less than a quorum.

Advance Notice Requirements for Shareholder Proposals and Director Nominations

Our articles of incorporation provide that a shareholder seeking to bring business before an annual meeting of shareholders or nominate candidate(s) for election as director must provide timely notice of the proposal in writing to the corporate secretary. Generally, to be timely, a shareholder's notice must be received at our principal executive offices not less than 60 days prior to the first anniversary of the previous year's annual meeting. Our articles of incorporation also specify requirements as to the form and content of a shareholder's notice.

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No Cumulative Voting

Our articles of incorporation provide that our shareholders are not entitled to the right to cumulate votes in the election of directors.

Amendment of Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws

No amendment to our articles of incorporation may be made unless it is first approved by a majority of the board of directors and thereafter by the holders of a majority of the shares entitled to vote generally in an election of directors, voting together as a single class, as well as such additional vote of any preferred stock, if then issued and outstanding, as may be required by the provisions thereof. The affirmative vote of the holders of at least 75% of the shares entitled to vote generally in an election of directors, voting together as a single class, as well as such additional vote of any preferred stock, if then issued and outstanding and as may be required by the provisions thereof, is required to amend charter provisions relating to the number, nomination, election and removal of directors, preemptive rights, personal liability, indemnification, advancement of expenses and other rights of officers, directors, employees and agents; meetings of shareholders and shareholder proposals; and amendment of the articles and bylaws.

Our articles of incorporation provide that the board of directors or shareholders may amend the bylaws. Action by the board requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then in office. Action by the shareholders requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares, as well as any additional vote of preferred stock, if then issued and outstanding; provided that the affirmative vote of 75% of the shares is required to amend bylaws relating to meetings of the board of directors.

Authorized but Unissued Capital Stock

Generally, the LBCA does not require shareholder approval for an issuance of authorized shares. However, the LBCA does require shareholder approval of non-cash share issuances in excess of 20% of a corporation's total voting power on a pre-transaction basis. In addition, the listing requirements of the NASDAQ Stock Market, which would apply so long as our common stock were listed on such Market, require shareholder approval of certain issuances equal to or exceeding 20% of the then outstanding voting power or the then outstanding number of shares of common stock, but not a public offering of common stock for cash.

These additional shares may be used for a variety of corporate purposes, including future public or private offerings, to raise additional capital or to facilitate acquisitions.

The Board of Directors represents that it will not, without prior shareholder approval, issue any series of preferred stock for any defensive or anti-takeover purpose, for the purpose of implementing any shareholder rights plan or with features specifically intended to make any attempted acquisition of the Company more difficult or costly. Subject to these limitations, the Board of Directors may issue preferred stock in connection with capital raising transactions, acquisitions, and joint ventures and for other corporate purposes that may have the effect of making such an acquisition more difficult or costly, as could also be the case if the Board of Directors were to issue additional shares of common stock. This representation is part of our Corporate Governance Guidelines, a link to which is in the Investor Relations portion of our website at: <http://www.iberiabank.com>.

Transfer Agent and Registrar

Computershare Trust Company, N.A. is the transfer agent and registrar for our common stock.

Listing

Our common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol **IBKC** .

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DESCRIPTION OF OTHER SECURITIES WE MAY OFFER

This prospectus contains summary descriptions of our depositary shares, rights, warrants, and units that we may offer from time to time. These summary descriptions are not meant to be complete descriptions of each security. The particular terms of any security will be described in the accompanying prospectus supplement and other offering material. The accompanying prospectus supplement may add, update, or change the terms and conditions of the securities as described in this prospectus.

Depository Shares

In this section, we describe the general terms and provisions of the depositary shares that we may offer. This summary does not purport to be exhaustive and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the relevant deposit agreement and depositary receipts with respect to any particular series of depositary shares. The prospectus supplement will describe the specific terms of the depositary shares offered through that prospectus supplement and any general terms outlined in this section that will not apply to those depositary shares.

We may offer depositary shares representing receipts for fractional interests in serial preferred stock in the form of depositary shares. Each depositary share would represent a fractional interest in serial preferred stock and would be represented by a depositary receipt.

The serial preferred stock underlying the depositary shares will be deposited under a separate deposit agreement between us and a bank or trust company having its principal office in the United States, which we refer to in this prospectus as the depositary. We will name the depositary in the applicable prospectus supplement. Subject to the terms of the deposit agreement, each owner of a depositary share will be entitled to the applicable fraction of a share of serial preferred stock represented by the depositary share, including any dividend, voting, redemption, conversion, and liquidation rights. If necessary, the prospectus supplement will provide a description of U.S. Federal income tax consequences relating to the purchase and ownership of the series of depositary shares offered by that prospectus supplement.

The depositary shares will be evidenced by depositary receipts issued under the deposit agreement. If you purchase fractional interests in the serial preferred stock, you will receive depositary receipts as described in the applicable prospectus supplement. While the final depositary receipts are being prepared, we may order the depositary to issue temporary depositary receipts substantially identical to the final depositary receipts although not in final form. The holders of the temporary depositary receipts will be entitled to the same rights as if they held the depositary receipts in final form. Holders of the temporary depositary receipts can exchange them for the final depositary receipts at our expense.

The description in the applicable prospectus supplement and other offering material of any depositary shares we offer will not necessarily be complete and will be qualified in its entirety by reference to the applicable depositary agreement, which will be filed with the SEC if we offer depositary shares. For more information on how you can obtain copies of the applicable depositary agreement if we offer depositary shares, see [Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference](#) and [Where You can Find More Information](#). We urge you to read the applicable depositary agreement, the applicable prospectus supplement and any other offering material in their entirety.

Rights

In this section, we describe the general terms and provisions of the rights to securities that we may offer to our shareholders. Rights may be issued independently or together with any other offered security and may or may not be

transferable by the person purchasing or receiving the rights. In connection with any rights offering to our shareholders, we may enter into a standby underwriting or other arrangement with one or more underwriters or other persons pursuant to which such underwriters or other person would purchase any offered securities

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remaining unsubscribed for after such rights offering. Each series of rights will be issued under a separate rights agent agreement to be entered into between us and a bank or trust company, as rights agent, that we will name in the applicable prospectus supplement. The rights agent will act solely as our agent in connection with the certificates relating to the rights of the series of certificates and will not assume any obligation or relationship of agency or trust for or with any holders of rights certificates or beneficial owners of rights.

The prospectus supplement relating to any rights we offer will include specific terms relating to the offering, including, among others, the date of determining the shareholders entitled to the rights distribution, the aggregate number of rights issued and the aggregate amount of securities purchasable upon exercise of the rights, the exercise price, the conditions to completion of the offering, the date on which the right to exercise the rights will commence and the date on which the right will expire, and any applicable U.S. Federal income tax considerations. To the extent that any particular terms of the rights, rights agent agreements, or rights certificates described in a prospectus supplement differ from any of the terms described here, then the terms described here will be deemed to have been superseded by that prospectus supplement.

Each right would entitle the holder of the rights to purchase for cash the principal amount of securities at the exercise price set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement. Rights may be exercised at any time up to the close of business on the expiration date for the rights provided in the applicable prospectus supplement. After the close of business on the expiration date, all unexercised rights would become void and of no further force or effect.

Holders may exercise rights as described in the applicable prospectus supplement. Upon receipt of payment and the rights certificate properly completed and duly executed at the corporate trust office of the rights agent or any other office indicated in the prospectus supplement, we will, as soon as practicable, forward the securities purchasable upon exercise of the rights. If less than all of the rights issued in any rights offering are exercised, we may offer any unsubscribed securities directly to persons other than shareholders, to or through agents, underwriters or dealers or through a combination of such methods, including pursuant to standby arrangements, as described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

The description in the applicable prospectus supplement and other offering material of any rights we offer will not necessarily be complete and will be qualified in its entirety by reference to the applicable rights agent agreement, which will be filed with the SEC if we offer rights. For more information on how you can obtain copies of the applicable rights agent agreement if we offer rights, see [Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference](#) and [Where You Can Find More Information](#). We urge you to read the applicable rights agent agreement and the applicable prospectus supplement and any other offering material in their entirety.

Warrants

We may issue warrants from time to time in one or more series for the purchase of our common stock or preferred stock or any combination of those securities. Warrants may be issued independently or together with any shares of common stock or shares of preferred stock or offered by any prospectus supplement and may be attached to or separate from common stock or preferred stock. Each series of warrants will be issued under a separate warrant agreement to be entered into between us and a warrant agent, or any other bank or trust company specified in the related prospectus supplement relating to the particular issue of warrants. The warrant agent will act as our agent in connection with the warrants and will not assume any obligation or relationship of agency or trust for or with any holders of warrants or beneficial owners of warrants. The specific terms of a series of warrants will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement relating to that series of warrants along with any general provisions applicable to that series of warrants.

The following is a general description of the warrants we may issue. The applicable prospectus supplement will describe the specific terms of any issuance of warrants. The terms of any warrants we offer may differ from the terms described in this prospectus. As a result, we will describe in the prospectus supplement the specific

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terms of the particular series of warrants offered by that prospectus supplement. Accordingly, for a description of the terms of a particular series of warrants, you should carefully read this prospectus, the applicable prospectus supplement, and the applicable warrant agreement, which will be filed as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part.

Terms. If warrants are offered by us, the prospectus supplement will describe the terms of the warrants, including the following if applicable to the particular offering:

the title of the warrants;

the total number of warrants;

the number of shares of common stock purchasable upon exercise of the warrants to purchase common stock and the price at which such shares of common stock may be purchased upon exercise;

the designation and terms of the preferred stock with which the warrants are issued and the number of warrants issued with each share of preferred stock;

the date on and after which the warrants and the related common stock or preferred stock will be separately transferable;

if applicable, the date on which the right to exercise the warrants will commence and the date on which this right will expire;

if applicable, the minimum or maximum amount of the warrants which may be exercised at any one time;

a discussion of federal income tax, accounting and other special considerations, procedures and limitations relating to the warrants; and

any other terms of the warrants including terms, procedures and limitations relating to the exchange and exercise of the warrants.

Warrants may be exchanged for new warrants of different denominations, may be presented for registration of transfer, and may be exercised at the office of the warrant agent or any other office indicated in the prospectus supplement. Before the exercise of their warrants, holders of warrants will not have any of the rights of holders of shares of common stock or shares of preferred stock purchasable upon exercise, including the right to receive payments of dividends, if any, on the shares common stock or preferred stock purchasable upon such exercise or to exercise any applicable right to vote.

Exercise of Warrants. Each warrant will entitle the holder to purchase a number of shares of common stock or shares of preferred stock at an exercise price as will in each case be set forth in, or calculable from, the prospectus supplement relating to those warrants. Warrants may be exercised at the times set forth in the prospectus supplement relating to the warrants. After the close of business on the expiration date (or any later date to which the expiration date may be extended by us), unexercised warrants will become void. Subject to any restrictions and additional requirements that may be set forth in the prospectus supplement relating thereto, warrants may be exercised by delivery to the warrant agent of the certificate evidencing the warrants properly completed and duly executed and of payment as provided in the prospectus supplement of the amount required to purchase shares of common stock or shares of preferred stock purchasable upon such exercise. The exercise price will be the price applicable on the date of payment in full, as set forth in the prospectus supplement relating to the warrants. Upon receipt of the payment and the certificate representing the warrants to be exercised properly completed and duly executed at the office of the warrant agent or any other office indicated in the prospectus supplement, we will, as soon as practicable, issue and deliver the shares of common stock or shares of preferred stock purchasable upon such exercise. If fewer than all of the warrants represented by that certificate are exercised, a new certificate will be issued for the remaining amount of warrants.

The description in the applicable prospectus supplement and other offering material of any warrants we offer will not necessarily be complete and will be qualified in its entirety by reference to the applicable warrant

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agreement, which will be filed with the SEC if we offer warrants. For more information on how you can obtain copies of the applicable warrant agreement if we offer warrants, see [Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference](#) and [Where You Can Find More Information](#). We urge you to read the applicable warrant agreement and the applicable prospectus supplement and any other offering material in their entirety.

Units

In this section, we describe the general terms and provisions of the units that we may offer. We may issue units under one or more unit agreements, each referred to as a unit agreement, to be entered into between us and a bank or trust company, as unit agent. The unit agent will act solely as our agent in connection with the units governed by the unit agreement and will not assume any obligation or relationship of agency or trust for or with any holders of units or interests in those units. We may issue units comprising one or more of the securities described in this prospectus in any combination. Each unit will be issued so that the holder of the unit also is the holder of each security included in the unit. Thus, the holder of a unit will have the rights and obligations of a holder of each included security. The unit agreement under which a unit is issued may provide that the securities included in the unit may not be held or transferred separately at any time or at any time before a specified date.

The applicable prospectus supplement relating to the units we may offer will include specific terms relating to the offering, including, among others: the designation and terms of the units and of the securities comprising the units, and whether and under what circumstances those securities may be held or transferred separately; any provision for the issuance, payment, settlement, transfer or exchange of the units or of the securities comprising those units; and whether the units will be issued in fully registered or global form.

The description in the applicable prospectus supplement and other offering material of any units we offer will not necessarily be complete and will be qualified in its entirety by reference to the applicable unit agreement and unit certificate, which will be filed with the SEC if we offer units. For more information on how you can obtain copies of the applicable unit agreement and unit certificate if we offer units, see [Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference](#) and [Where You Can Find More Information](#). We urge you to read the applicable unit certificate and the applicable prospectus supplement and any other offering material in their entirety.

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PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The following sets forth a general summary of the plan of distribution for securities we may offer. The applicable prospectus supplement may update and supersede this summary.

We or any selling security holders identified in the applicable prospectus supplement may sell our securities in any of three ways (or in any combination):

through underwriters or dealers;

directly to a limited number of purchasers or to a single purchaser; or

through agents.

Each time that we use this prospectus to sell our securities, we will also provide a prospectus supplement that contains the specific terms of the offering. We will set forth the terms of the offering of securities in a prospectus supplement, including;

the name or names of any underwriters, dealers, or agents and the type and amounts of securities underwritten or purchased by each of them;

the public offering price of the securities and the proceeds to us and any discounts, commissions or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers; and

any delayed delivery arrangements.

The offer and sale of the securities described in this prospectus by us, the underwriters, or the third parties described above may be effected from time to time in one or more transactions, including privately negotiated transactions, either:

at a fixed price or prices, which may be changed;

at market prices prevailing at the time of sale;

at prices related to the prevailing market prices; or

at negotiated prices.

Any public offering price and any discounts or concessions to dealers may be changed from time to time.

If underwriters are used in the sale of any securities, the securities will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at a fixed public offering price or at varying prices determined at the time of sale. The securities may be either offered to the public through underwriting syndicates represented by managing underwriters, or directly by underwriters. Generally, the underwriters' obligations to purchase the securities will be subject to certain conditions precedent. The underwriters will be obligated to purchase all of the securities if they purchase any of the securities.

We may sell the securities through agents from time to time. The prospectus supplement will name any agent involved in the offer or sale of our securities and any commissions we pay to them. Generally, any agent will be acting on a best efforts basis for the period of its appointment.

If so indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, we may authorize underwriters, dealers, or agents to solicit offers by certain purchasers to purchase our securities at the public offering price set forth in the prospectus supplement pursuant to delayed delivery contracts providing for payment and delivery on a specified date in the future. The contracts will be subject only to those conditions set forth in the prospectus supplement, and the prospectus supplement will set forth any commissions or discounts we pay for solicitation of these contracts.

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Agents and underwriters may be entitled to indemnification by us against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or to contribution with respect to payments that the agents or underwriters may be required to make in respect thereof. Agents and underwrites may be customers of, engage in transactions with, or perform services for us in the ordinary course of business.

We may enter into derivative transactions with third parties, or sell securities not covered by this prospectus to third parties in privately negotiated transactions. If the applicable prospectus supplement indicates a connection with those derivatives, then the third parties may sell securities covered by this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement, including in short sale transactions. If so, the third party may use securities pledged by us or borrowed from us or others to settle those sales or to close out any related open borrowings of stock, and may use securities received from us in settlement of those derivatives to close out any related open borrowings of securities. The third party in such sale transactions will be an underwriter and will be identified in the applicable prospectus supplement.

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LEGAL MATTERS

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, certain legal matters with respect to the securities offered from time to time under this prospectus will be passed upon by Jones Walker LLP, Washington, D.C. If legal matters are passed upon by counsel for the underwriters, dealers or agents, if any, such counsel will be named in the prospectus supplement relating to such offering.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of IBERIABANK Corporation appearing in IBERIABANK Corporation's Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the effectiveness of IBERIABANK Corporation's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2014 have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their reports thereon, included therein, and incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements are incorporated herein by reference in reliance upon such reports given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

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\$200,000,000

Common Stock

PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

Goldman, Sachs & Co.

Citigroup

Sandler O'Neill + Partners, L.P.

Stephens, Inc.

UBS Investment Bank

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