

General Description of Report: This information collection is mandatory: 12 U.S.C. 3906 for all agencies; 12 U.S.C. 3105 and 3108 for the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; sections 7 and 10 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1817, 1820) for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and the National Bank Act (12 U.S.C. 161) for the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency). This information collection is given confidential treatment. (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(8)). Small businesses (that is, small U.S. branches and agencies of foreign banks) are affected.

Abstract: All individual U.S. branches and agencies of foreign banks that have more than \$30 million in direct claims on residents of foreign countries must file the FFIEC 019 report quarterly. Currently, all respondents report adjusted exposure amounts to the five largest countries having at least \$20 million in total adjusted exposure. The Agencies collect this data to monitor the extent to which such branches and agencies are pursuing prudent country risk diversification policies and limiting potential liquidity pressures. No changes are proposed to the FFIEC 019 reporting form or instructions.

Request for Comment

Comments are invited on:

- a. Whether the information collections are necessary for the proper performance of the agencies' functions, including whether the information has practical utility;
- b. The accuracy of the agencies' estimates of the burden of the information collections, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- c. Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;
- d. Ways to minimize the burden of information collections on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and
- e. Estimates of capital or start up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be shared among the agencies and will be summarized or included in the Board's request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Written comments should address the accuracy of the burden estimates and ways to minimize burden including the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology as well as other relevant

aspects of the information collection request.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 22, 2003.

Jennifer J. Johnson,
Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisition of Shares of Bank or Bank Holding Companies

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the office of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than June 11, 2003.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis
(Randall C. Sumner, Vice President) 411 Locust Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63166-2034:

1. *Farbod S. Zohouri*, Flowery Branch, Georgia; to acquire voting shares of Texico Bancshares Corporation, Texico, Illinois, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Texico State Bank, Texico, Illinois.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 22, 2003.

Robert deV. Frierson,
Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 *et seq.*) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or

bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The application also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at www.ffiec.gov/nic/.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than June 20, 2003.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
(Phillip Jackson, Applications Officer) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *Blackhawk Bancorp, Inc.*, Beloit, Wisconsin; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of DunC Corp., Rockford, Illinois, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of First Bank, BC, Capron, Illinois.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 22, 2003.

Robert deV. Frierson,
Deputy Secretary of the Board.
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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 11 a.m., Monday, June 2, 2003.

PLACE: Marriner S. Eccles Federal Reserve Board Building, 20th and C Streets, NW., Washington, DC 20551

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Personnel actions (appointments, promotions, assignments, reassignments, and salary actions) involving individual Federal Reserve System employees.

2. Any items carried forward from a previously announced meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michelle A. Smith, Assistant to the Board; 202-452-2955.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may call 202-452-3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board's Web site at <http://www.federalreserve.gov> for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.

Dated: May 23, 2003.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Meeting of the President's Council on Bioethics on June 12-13, 2003

AGENCY: The President's Council on Bioethics, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The President's Council on Bioethics will hold its eleventh meeting, at which it will discuss, among other things, current research into overcoming immune rejection in embryonic and adult stem-cell therapies (Silviu Itescu, M.D., Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons). The Council will hear testimony from various interested parties on current and possible future regulation of biotechnologies that touch the beginnings of human life. Panel 1: Robert Brzyski, M.D., Society for Assisted Reproductive Technology; John Bruchalski, M.D., Tepeyac Family Center, Wash., DC (invited); Kathy Hudson, Ph.D., Genetics and Public Policy Center; Pamela Madsen, American Infertility Association; Mary Mahowald, Ph.D. (University of Chicago); and David Smith, Ph.D., Indiana University. Panel 2: Richard Doerflinger, U.S. Catholic Bishops Conference; Andrew Kimbrell, International Center for Technology Assessment; William Kristol, Bioethics Project; Michael Manganiello, Coalition for the Advancement of Medical Research; Maxine Singer, Ph.D., Chair, Committees on Science, Engineering, & Public Policy, National Academies; Michael Werner, Biotechnology Industry Organization. Subjects

discussed at past Council meetings (and potentially touched on at this meeting) include: human cloning; embryonic stem cell research; the patentability of human genes, tissues, and organisms; assisted reproduction; preimplantation genetic diagnosis (PGD) and screening; sex selection techniques; inheritable genetic modification (IGM); international models of biotech regulation; organ procurement for transplantation; extra-therapeutic powers to enhance or improve human mood, memory, and muscles; and research to extend the human lifespan.

DATES: The meeting will take place Thursday, June 12, 2003, from 9:00 am to 5:15 pm ET; and Friday, June 13, 2003, from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm ET.

ADDRESSES: Wyndham Washington DC, 1400 M Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005.

Public Comments: The meeting agenda will be posted at <http://www.bioethics.gov>. Members of the public may comment, either in person or in writing. A period of time will be set aside during the meeting to receive comments from the public, beginning at 11:30 am, on Friday, June 13. Comments will be limited to no more than five minutes per speaker or organization. Please inform Ms. Diane Gianelli, Director of Communications, in advance of your intention to make a public statement, giving her your name, affiliation, and a brief description of the topic or nature of your comments. To submit a written statement, mail or e-mail it to Ms. Gianelli at one of the addresses given below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Diane Gianelli, Director of Communications, The President's Council on Bioethics, Suite 600, 1801 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, DC 20006. Telephone: 202/296-4669. E-mail: info@bioethics.gov. Web site: <http://www.bioethics.gov>.

Dated: May 21, 2003.

Dean Clancy,

Executive Director, The President's Council on Bioethics.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the inaugural meeting

of the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Genetics, Health, and Society (SACGHS). The meeting will also be webcast. (See also **Federal Register**: May 7, 2003, Volume 68, Number 88, Page 24488.)

The meeting will be held from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on June 11, 2003 and 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on June 12, 2003 at the Wyndham Hotel, 1400 M Street, NW., Washington, DC. The meeting will be open to the public with attendance limited to space available.

The first day will be devoted to presentations on and discussion of the status and future directions of genetic technologies, their potential applications, and the issues surrounding their use. The second day will involve deliberations aimed at formulating the SACGHS issues agenda. Time will be provided each day for public comment.

Under authority of 42 U.S.C. 217a, section 222 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, the Department of Health and Human Services established SACGHS to serve as a public forum for deliberations on the broad range of human health and societal issues raised by the development and use of genetic technologies and, as warranted, to provide advice on these issues.

The draft meeting agenda and other information about SACGHS, including information about access to the webcast, will be available at the following Web site: <http://www4.od.nih.gov/oba/sacghs.htm>. Individuals who wish to provide public comment or who plan to attend the meeting and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the SACGHS Executive Secretary, Ms. Sarah Carr, by telephone at 301-496-9838 or E-mail at sc112c@nih.gov. The SACGHS office is located at 6705 Rockledge Drive, Suite 750, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Dated: May 20, 2003.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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