

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/](http://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 29, 2000.

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

1. *Mahaska Investment Company ESOP*, Oskaloosa, Iowa; to acquire an additional 2.29 percent, for a total of 13.87 percent in aggregate, of the voting shares of Mahaska Investment Company, Oskaloosa, Iowa, and thereby indirectly acquire additional voting shares of Mahaska State Bank, Oskaloosa, Iowa; Pella State Bank, Pella, Iowa; Central Valley Bank, Ottumwa, Iowa; and Midwest Federal Savings & Loan of Eastern Iowa, Burlington, Iowa.

**B. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis** (JoAnne F. Lewellen, Assistant Vice President) 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *F & M Financial Services, Inc.*, Preston, Minnesota; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of F & M Community Bank, N. A., Chatfield, Minnesota, a de novo bank.

**C. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City** (D. Michael Manies, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *JTB Bancshares, Inc.*, Mission Hills, Kansas; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Whiting Bankshares, Inc., Whiting, Kansas, and thereby indirectly acquire The State Bank of Whiting, Whiting, Kansas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 30, 2000.

**Robert deV. Frierson**,  
*Associate Secretary of the Board.*

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## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

### Notice of Proposals To Engage in Permissible Nonbanking Activities or To Acquire Companies That Are Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHC Act) and Regulation Y, (12 CFR Part 225) to engage *de novo*, or to acquire or control voting securities or assets of a company, including the companies listed below, that engages either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity that is listed in § 225.28 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.28) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

Each notice is available for inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notice also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the question whether the proposal complies with the standards of section 4 of the BHC Act. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at [www.ffiec.gov/nic/](http://www.ffiec.gov/nic/).

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding the applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than June 19, 2000.

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

1. *First Community Bancshares, Inc.*, Bargersville, Indiana; to acquire Blue River Federal Savings Bank, Edinburgh, Indiana, and thereby engage in operating a savings association, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(4)(ii) of Regulation Y. Comments on this application must be received not later than June 29, 2000.

**B. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City** (D. Michael Manies, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Admiral Family Banks, Inc.*, Alsip, Illinois; to engage *de novo* in leasing

activities, pursuant to § 225.28(b)(3) of Regulation Y.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, May 30, 2000.

**Robert deV. Frierson**,  
*Associate Secretary of the Board.*

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## FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[File No. 981 0108]

### Service Corporation International; Analysis To Aid Public Comment

**AGENCY:** Federal Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed consent agreement.

**SUMMARY:** The consent agreement in this matter settles alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts or practices or unfair methods of competition. The attached Analysis To Aid Public Comment describes both the allegations in the draft complaint that accompanies the consent agreement and the terms of the consent order—embodied in the consent agreement—that would settle these allegations.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before June 19, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20580.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Harold Kirtz or Andrea Foster, Federal Trade Commission, Southeast Region, Suite 5M35, Midrise Bldg., 60 Forsyth St., S.W., Atlanta, GA 30303. (404) 656-1357.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to Section 6(f) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 38 Stat. 721, 15 U.S.C. 46 and Section 2.34 of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 2.34) notice is hereby given that the above-captioned consent agreement containing a consent order to cease and desist, having been filed with and accepted, subject to final approval, by the Commission, has been placed on the public record for a period of thirty (30) days. The following Analysis To Aid Public Comment describes the terms of the consent agreement, and the allegations in the complaint. An electronic copy of the full text of the consent agreement package can be obtained from the FTC Home Page (for May 18, 2000), on the World Wide Web, at "<http://www.ftc.gov/ftc/formal.htm>." A paper copy can be obtained from the FTC Public Reference Room, Room H-130, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW,

Washington, DC 20580, either in person or by calling (202) 326-3627.

Public comment is invited. Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 6000 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20580. Two paper copies of each comment should be filed, and should be accompanied, if possible by a 3½ inch diskette containing an electronic copy of the comment. Such comments or views will be considered by the Commission and will be available for inspection and copying at its principal office in accordance with Section 4.9(b)(6)(ii) of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 4.9(b)(6)(ii)).

#### **Analysis of Proposed Consent Order To Aid Public Comment**

The Federal Trade Commission has accepted an agreement for public comment from Service Corporation International ("SCI") designed to remedy the anticompetitive effects arising from SCI's 1994 acquisition of the LaGrone Funeral Home ("LaGrone") in Roswell, New Mexico. SCI, headquartered in Houston, Texas, is the nation's largest chain of funeral homes and cemeteries. LaGrone, at the time of the acquisition, operated two funeral homes in New Mexico.

At the time of the acquisition, there were only two funeral homes operating in Roswell, New Mexico. SCI owned the Ballard Funeral Home. LaGrone owned the remaining funeral home. The acquisition gave SCI a monopoly in the provision of funeral services in Roswell. Funeral services include transporting the deceased from the place of death to the funeral home, embalming and otherwise preparing the body for burial, providing a casket, holding a viewing or other ceremony, and transporting the body to the cemetery or crematorium. Since the acquisition, no new entry into the provision of funeral services in Roswell has occurred. After the acquisition, prices for funeral services increased in Roswell.

On September 28, 1999, prompted by the Commission's investigation of the LaGrone acquisition, SCI sold the Ballard Funeral Home to Sentry Group Services, Inc. ("Sentry"). Sentry, a privately-held company, owns and operates 37 funeral homes in Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Kansas, and Colorado. Provident Services, Inc. ("Provident"), SCI's financial subsidiary, provided financing for Sentry's acquisition.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Provident is kept separate and distinct from the operating divisions of SCI. Because there are unique financing needs in the funeral industry, Provident provides loan services for many transactions,

To ensure that competition is fully restored in Roswell, the Commission's proposed Consent Order requires that, if SCI acquires the Ballard Funeral Home pursuant to a default on Sentry's loan with Provident, SCI must divest Ballard to a Commission-approved buyer within 90 days. In the event SCI does not accomplish the divestiture within 90 days, the proposed Consent Order provides that the Commission may appoint a trustee to divest Ballard. Moreover, the proposed Consent Order prohibits Provident from sharing information obtained from Sentry with SCI.

The proposed Consent Order also provides that, for a period of ten years, SCI must give prior notice to the Commission of any proposed acquisition of a funeral home serving Chaves County, New Mexico, where Roswell is located.

The proposed Consent Order has been placed on the public record for thirty days for receipt of comments by interested persons. Comments received during this period will become part of the public record. The purpose of this analysis is to invite and facilitate public comment concerning the proposed Consent Order in order to aid the Commission in its determination of whether to make the proposed Consent Order final. It is not intended to constitute an official interpretation of the proposed Consent Order, nor is it intended to modify the terms in any way. After thirty days, the Commission will again review the agreement and the comments received and will decide whether it should withdraw from the agreement or make the proposed Consent Order final.

By direction of the Commission.

**Donald S. Clark,**

*Secretary.*

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#### **GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE**

##### **Advisory Council on Government Auditing Standards; Notice of Meeting**

The Advisory Council on Government Auditing Standards will meet Monday, June 19, 2000, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Tuesday, June 20, 2000, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., in room 7C13 of the General Accounting Office building, 441 G Street, NW., Washington, DC.

including the construction or acquisition of funeral homes by a number of SCI's competitors. Consequently, Provident's loan agreement includes a provision guaranteeing the confidentiality of information provided to Provident by a borrowing funeral home operator.

The Advisory Council on Government Auditing Standards will hold a meeting to discuss issues that may impact government auditing standards. Any interested person may attend the meeting as an observer. Council discussions and reviews are open to the public.

For further information contact: Marcia Buchanan, Assistant Director, Government Auditing Standards, AIMD, 202-512-9321.

**Marcia B. Buchanan,**

*Assistant Director.*

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

##### **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

**[Program Announcement Number 00119]**

##### **Core State Injury Surveillance and Program Development Notice of Availability of Funds**

###### **A. Purpose**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), announces the availability of fiscal year (FY) 2000 funds for a cooperative agreement program for Core State Injury Surveillance Program Development and Traumatic Brain Injury Surveillance Program Development, focused in three phases: Phase I-Basic Core Injury Program Development; Phase II-Enhanced Core Injury Program Development; and Phase III-Advanced Core Injury Program Development: Surveillance. This Program addresses the health promotion and disease prevention objectives of "Healthy People 2010." The announcement is related to the focus area of Injury and Violence Prevention. For the conference copy of "Healthy People 2010," visit the Internet site: <http://www.health.gov/healthypeople>.

The purposes of the cooperative agreements are to develop, implement and evaluate injury core and/or surveillance programs in one of the specified injury-related priority areas.

###### **B. Eligible Applicants**

Assistance will be provided only to the official public health departments of States or their bonafide agents, including the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the