

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 July 25, 2003.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City** (James Hunter, Assistant Vice President) 925 Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64198-0001:

1. *Hume Bancshares Acquisition Corp.*, St. Louis, Missouri; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Hume Bancshares, Inc., Hume, Missouri, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Hume Bank, Hume, Missouri.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, June 24, 2003.

**Robert deV. Frierson,**

*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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## HARRY S. TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

### Notice of Intent To Extend an Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation (Foundation) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects.

Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Written comments on this notice must be received by August 28, 2003, to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Contact Louis H. Blair, Executive Secretary, Harry S. Truman Scholarship

Foundation, 712 Jackson Place, NW., Washington, DC 20006; telephone 202-395-4831; or send e-mail to [lblair@truman.gov](mailto:lblair@truman.gov). You also may obtain a copy of the data collection instrument and instructions from Mr. Blair.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title of Collection:* Truman

Scholarship Application.

*OMB Approval Number:* 3200-0004.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* 08/03.

*Type of Request:* Intent to seek approval to extend an information collection for three years.

*Proposed Project:* The Foundation has been providing scholarships since 1977 in compliance with Public Law 93-642. This data collection instrument is used to collect essential information to enable the Truman Scholarship Finalists Selection Committee to determine whom to invite to interviews. It is used by Regional Review Panels as essential background information on the Finalists whom they interview and ultimately the Truman Scholars they select. A total response rate of 100% was provided by the 635 candidates who applied for Year 2003 Truman Scholarships.

*Estimate of Burden:* The Foundation estimates that, on average, 50 hours per respondent will be required to complete the application, for a total of 35,000 hours for all respondents.

*Respondents:* Individuals.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 700.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 35,000 hours.

Dated: June 25, 2003.

**Louis H. Blair,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Office of the Secretary; Findings of Scientific Misconduct

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Office of Research Integrity (ORI) and the Assistant Secretary for Health have taken final action in the following case:

*John W. Rooney, Ph.D., Columbia University:* Based on the report of an investigation conducted by Columbia University (CU) (CU Report), an admission by the respondent, and additional analysis performed by ORI in its oversight review, the U.S. Public Health Service (PHS) found that John W. Rooney, Ph.D., former postdoctoral

research fellow, CU, engaged in scientific misconduct by falsifying research supported by National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), National Institutes of Health (NIH), grant T32 HL007343, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), NIH, grant R01 AI043576, National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS), NIH, grant R01 GM029361, and National Cancer Institute (NCI), NIH, grants P01 CA075399 and R01 CA076496.

Specifically, PHS found that Dr. Rooney engaged in scientific misconduct by:

- Falsifying Panels A-C of Figure 1 in the following paper: Rooney, J.W. & Calame, K.L. "TIF1beta functions as a coactivator for C/EBPbeta and is required for induced differentiation in the myelomonocytic cell line U937." *Genes and Development* 15:3023-3038, 2001; the respondent falsely claimed that high levels of expression of the TIF1 gene were induced by dimethylsulfoxide and a phorbol ester; and

- Falsifying Figure 3 in the original and Figures 6 and 7 in a revised version of a manuscript (Rooney, J.W., Postel, E.H., & Calame, K.L. "The DNA-cleavage function of NM23-H2/Puf is essential for myeloid differentiation and for transcription of myeloid-specific genes," submitted to *Molecular and Cellular Biology*). The respondent falsely claimed that wild-type NM23-H2/Puf protein could cleave DNA promoter sequences in all five purported target genes and that the K12Q mutant protein could not cleave any of them. The respondent also falsely claimed in electrophoretic mobility shift assays that two authentic oligonucleotides bound to the NM23-H2/Puf protein when they did not do so.

The *Genes and Development* paper has been retracted (*Genes and Development* 16:2170, 2002), and CU has indicated that the *Molecular and Cellular Biology* manuscript will not be resubmitted until all of Dr. Rooney's data have been replaced by the work of others.

Dr. Rooney has entered into a Voluntary Exclusion Agreement in which he has voluntarily agreed for a period of three (3) years, beginning on May 16, 2003:

(1) To exclude himself from any contracting or subcontracting with any agency of the United States Government and from eligibility for, or involvement in, nonprocurement transactions of the United States Government as defined in 45 CFR Part 76; and

(2) To exclude himself from serving in any advisory capacity to PHS including