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A. Federal Reserve Bank of Boston (Richard Walker, Community Affairs Officer) 600 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02210-2204:

1. *Franklin Bancorp MHC*, Franklin, New Hampshire; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of Franklin Savings Bank, Franklin, New Hampshire.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 19, 2012.

Michael J. Lewandowski,
Assistant Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Savings and Loan Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Home Owners' Loan Act (12 U.S.C. 1461 *et seq.*) (HOLA), Regulation LL (12 CFR part 238), and Regulation MM (12 CFR Part 239), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a savings and loan holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a savings association and nonbanking companies owned by the savings and loan 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 applications 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 HOLA (12 U.S.C. 1467a(e)). 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 10(c)(4)(B) of the HOLA (12 U.S.C. 1467a(c)(4)(B)). Nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

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Governors not later than January 18, 2013.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Colette A. Fried, Assistant Vice President) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *Westbury Bancorp, Inc.*, West Bend, Wisconsin; to become a savings and loan holding company by merging with the successor of WBSB Bancorp, MHC, and WBSB Bancorp, Inc., an existing savings and loan holding company. Westbury Bancorp, Inc., will acquire Westbury Bank, West Bend, Wisconsin.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 18, 2012.

Margaret McCloskey Shanks,
Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Chapelle Davis, Assistant Vice

President) 1000 Peachtree Street NE., Atlanta, Georgia 30309:

1. *First Charter, MHC*, West Point, Georgia; to convert to stock form and merge with and into Charter Financial Corporation, West Point, Georgia, which proposes to become a savings and loan holding company by acquiring Charterbank, West Point, Georgia.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 19, 2012.

Michael J. Lewandowski,
Assistant Secretary of the Board.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

[Notice-GTAC-2012-01; Docket No. 2012-0002; Sequence 28]

Government-wide Travel Advisory Committee (GTAC)

AGENCY: Office of the Administrator, General Services Administration (GSA).

ACTION: Notice, Establishment of a Federal Advisory Committee and Solicitation of Nominations for Membership.

SUMMARY: The Administrator of U.S. General Services Administration has determined that the establishment of the Government-wide Travel Advisory Committee (GTAC) is necessary and in the public's interest. A charter for the GTAC has been prepared and will be filed no earlier than 15 days following the date of publication of this notice. In addition, this notice establishes criteria and procedures for the selection of members.

DATES: *Effective date:* This notice is effective December 24, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Marcerto Barr, 1275 First Street NE., One Constitution Square, 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20417, (202) 208-7654 or by email to: gtac@gsa.gov.

Background and Authority: The GSA Office of Asset and Transportation Management, Travel and Relocation Division establishes policy that governs travel by Federal civilian employees and others authorized to travel at Government expense on temporary duty travel through the Federal Travel Regulation (FTR).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), and advises of the establishment of the GTAC.

The purpose of GTAC will be to review existing travel policies,

processes, and procedures, that are accountable and transparent, beginning with the per diem methodology to aid in meeting agency missions in an effective and efficient manner at the lowest logical travel cost. Through the review process, the GTAC will address current industry and Federal travel trends and provide advice and make recommendations for improvements to increase travel efficiency and effectiveness, reduce costs, promote sustainability, and incorporate industry best practices. The Committee provides an opportunity for travel industry leaders, and other qualified individuals to offer their expert advice and recommendations to GSA, which among other things, is responsible for the development and implementation of the FTR which prescribes the policies for travel by Federal civilian employees and others authorized to travel at Government expense. These views will be offered to the Administrator of General Services on a regular basis. There exists no other source within the Federal government that could serve this function. The GTAC shall be a continuing advisory committee with an initial two-year term and will automatically expire two years from the date of the charter filing, unless renewed prior to expiration. The GTAC will be comprised of no more than 15 members, including the Chair, with extensive knowledge and expertise in travel management. The Chair will be selected from among the membership by GSA. Members may include Federal agency travel managers, hoteliers, rental car companies, airline companies, travel and lodging associations, convention and visitor bureaus, state and local government representatives, as well as corporations. GTAC members will serve a two-year term with the possibility of a one-year extension. Membership in the GTAC is limited to the individuals appointed and is non-transferrable. No person who is a Federally-registered lobbyist may serve on the GTAC. GTAC members will not receive compensation or travel reimbursements from the Government. The meetings are open to public observers, unless prior notice has been provided for a closed meeting.

Nomination for Advisory Committee Appointment: There is no prescribed format for the nomination. Individuals may nominate themselves or other individuals. A nomination package should include the following information for each nominee: (1) A letter of nomination stating the name, affiliation, and contact information for the nominee, membership capacity he/she will serve, nominee's field(s) of

expertise, description of their interest, and qualifications (2) a complete professional biography or resume of the nominee; and (3) the name, return address, email address, and daytime telephone number at which the nominator can be contacted. GSA will consider nominations of all qualified individuals to ensure that the GTAC includes the areas of travel subject matter expertise needed. Potential candidates may be asked to provide detailed information concerning financial interests that might be affected by recommendations of the GTAC to permit evaluation of possible sources of conflicts of interest. The nomination period for interested candidates will close 30 days after publication of this notice. All nominations should be submitted in sufficient time to be received by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on the closing date and be addressed to email address mailto:gtac@gsa.gov or by mail to: General Services Administration, Office of Government-wide Policy, 1275 First Street NE., One Constitution.

Dated: December 17, 2012.

Chris Scott,

Director, Travel and Relocation Policy, Office of Asset and Transportation Management, Office of Government Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Findings of Research Misconduct

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Office of Research Integrity (ORI) has taken final action in the following case:

Terry S. Elton, Ph.D., The Ohio State University: Based on the reports of two investigations conducted by The Ohio State University (OSU) and additional analysis conducted by ORI in its oversight review, ORI found that Dr. Terry S. Elton, Professor, College of Pharmacy and Davis Heart and Lung Research Institute, OSU, engaged in research misconduct in research supported by National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), National Institutes of Health (NIH), grants R01 HL048848, R01 HL084498, and P01 HL70294, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), NIH, grant R21 HD058997, National Institute on Aging (NIA), NIH,

grant R01 AG021912, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), NIH, grant R01 AI39963, and National Eye Institute (NEI), NIH, grant R01 ES012241.

ORI found that the Respondent engaged in research misconduct by falsifying and/or fabricating data that were included in 1 R21 HD058997-01, 1 R21 HD058997-01A1, 1 R21 HD058997-01A2, 1 RC1 HL100298-01, and in:

1. Kuhn, D.E., Nuovo, G.J., Terry, A.V. Jr., Martin, M.M., Malana, G.E., Sansom, S.E., Pleister, A.P., Beck, W.D., Head, E., Feldman, D.S., & Elton, T.S. "Chromosome 21-derived microRNAs provide an etiological basis for aberrant protein expression in human Down syndrome brains." *J Biol Chem* 285(2):1529-43, 2010 Jan 8.
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3. Martin, M.M., Buckenberger, J.A., Jiang, J., Malana, G.E., Knoell, D.L., Feldman, D.S., & Elton, T.S. "TGFβ1 stimulates human AT1 receptor expression in lung fibroblasts by cross talk between the Smad, p38 MAPK, JNK, and PI3K signaling pathways." *Am. J. Physiol. Lung Cell. Mol. Physiol.* 293(3):L790-9, 2007 Sept. (Retracted: *Am. J. Physiol. Lung Cell. Mol. Physiol.* 302(7):L719, 2012 Apr.)
4. Martin, M.M., Buckenberger, J.A., Jiang, J., Malana, G.E., Nuovo, G.J., Chotani, M., Feldman, D.S., Schmittgen, T.D., & Elton, T.S. "The human angiotensin II type 1 receptor +1166 A/C polymorphism attenuates microRNA-155 binding." *J Biol Chem* 282(33):24262-9, 2007, Aug 17.
5. Martin, M.M., Buckenberger, J.A., Knoell, D.L., Strauch, A.R., & Elton, T.S. "TGF-beta(1) regulation of human AT1 receptor mRNA splice variants harboring exon 2." *Mol Cell Endocrinol* 249(1-2):21-31, 2006 Apr 25.
6. Duffy, A.A., Martin, M.M., & Elton, T.S. "Transcriptional regulation of the AT1 receptor gene in immortalized human trophoblast cells." *Biochim. Biophys. Acta.* 1680(3):158-70, 2004 Nov 5.