Readopt with amendment Ban 100, effective 12-22-95 (Doc #6146), to read as follows:

CHAPTER Ban 100 ORGANIZATIONAL RULES

PART Ban 101 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Ban 101.01 Purpose. The purpose of these rules is to describe the New Hampshire banking department and how to obtain its information.

Ban 101.02 Scope. These rules shall apply to the following types of institutions that are either chartered, registered or licensed in New Hampshire:

(a) Banks;
(b) Trust companies;
(c) Family trust companies;
(d) Mutual and guaranty savings banks;
(e) Cooperative banks;
(f) Savings and loan associations;
(g) Building and loan associations;
(h) Credit unions;
(i) Small loan companies;
(j) Mortgage bankers and brokers;
(k) Mortgage originators;
(l) Motor vehicle sales finance companies;
(m) Retail sellers of motor vehicles;
(n) Debt adjusters;
(o) Mortgage loan servicers;
(p) Cash dispensing machines;
(q) Money transmitters; and
(r) Other financial institutions organized and operating under the banking laws of the state of New Hampshire;

PART Ban 102 DEFINITIONS
Ban 102.01 “Board of Trust Company Incorporation (BOTCI)” means the board established by RSA 392:1.

Ban 102.02 "Commissioner" means the bank commissioner of the state of New Hampshire banking department appointed under the provisions of RSA 383:1.

Ban 102.03 "Department" means the state of New Hampshire banking department.

Ban 102.04 “Public Deposit Investment Pool (PDIP)” means the pool established by RSA 383:22 to invest funds for the state governmental units.

PART Ban 103 DESCRIPTION OF DEPARTMENT

Ban 103.01 Commissioner, Commissioner’s Office.

(a) The department is under the direction of the commissioner.

(b) The commissioner has general responsibility for the supervision of:

(1) Banks;

(2) Trust companies;

(3) Family trust companies;

(4) Mutual and guaranty savings banks;

(5) Cooperative banks;

(6) Savings and loan associations;

(7) Building and loan associations;

(8) Credit unions;

(9) Other financial institutions organized and operating under the banking laws of the state of New Hampshire;

(10) Small loan companies;

(11) Mortgage bankers and brokers;

(12) Mortgage loan originators;

(13) Motor vehicle sales finance companies;

(14) Retail sellers of motor vehicles;

(15) Debt adjusters;
(16) Mortgage servicers;
(17) Cash dispensing machines; and
(18) Money transmitters.

(c) The commissioner’s office includes the following:

(1) A deputy commissioner pursuant to RSA 383:1; and
(2) Assistants as necessary for general office matters.

Ban 103.02 Banking Division. The banking division, headed by the chief bank examiner, conducts:

(a) Examinations of each state chartered financial institution;
(b) Reviews of applications and petitions for business activity; and
(c) Other regulatory functions required to supervise chartered financial institutions.

Ban 103.03 Consumer Credit Division.

(a) The consumer credit division, headed by the director of consumer credit, comprises 2 subdivisions:

(1) Examinations, which conducts on-site and off-site examinations of each licensee and registrant of the department; and

2) Licensing, which oversees the licensing application process and registration process of New Hampshire banking department licensees and registrants.

(b) The consumer credit division engages in all other regulatory functions required to supervise consumer credit licensees and registrants.

Ban 103.04 Legal Division. The legal division, headed by the general counsel:

(a) Investigates consumer complaints against institutions under the supervision of the commissioner;
(b) Prosecutes and takes enforcement actions against institutions under the supervision of the commissioner;
(c) Provides legal counsel to the department; and
(d) Assists the commissioner in rulemaking and legislation.

Ban 103.05 Operations Division. The operations division, headed by the director of operations coordinates the following functions:
(a) Accounting, purchasing, and budget control;

(b) Personnel management;

(c) Property and contract management; and

(d) Assistance to the commissioner with short and long range department level planning activities.

Ban 103.06 Department Information.

(a) The department’s office is:

(1) Located at:

53 Regional Drive, Suite 200
Concord, New Hampshire; and

(2) Open to the public between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday, except State of New Hampshire holidays.

(b) The department’s mailing address is:

New Hampshire Banking Department
53 Regional Drive Suite 200
Concord, New Hampshire 03301.

(c) The department may also be contacted by:

(1) Telephone at (603) 271-3561;

(2) Fax at (603) 271-1090;

(3) TDD Access Relay at 1-800-735-2964; or

(4) Electronic mail at nhbd@banking.state.nh.us.

(d) Other helpful information may be found on the department’s website at www.nh.gov/banking.

PART Ban 104 DEPARTMENT INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC

Ban 104.01 New Hampshire Banking Department Records. For purpose of this part, “New Hampshire banking department records” means governmental records as defined in RSA 91-A:1-a, III.

Ban 104.02 Access to Department Information.

(b) The department's administrative rules are available for examination at:

1. The department's offices at 53 Regional Drive, Suite 200, Concord, New Hampshire;

2. On the department’s website at www.nh.gov/banking/laws-rules-guidance.index.htm; and

3. Other similar places of public access.

(c) Information available on the department’s website includes:

1. Public orders from 2006 onwards; and

2. Current lists of New Hampshire chartered institutions, licensees and registrants.

(d) A person may join the department’s email notification list by signing up at http://www.nh.gov/banking/news-events/public-notices.htm. to receive information for department:

1. Hearings;

2. BOTCI meetings;

3. PDIP meetings; and


Ban 104.03 Requests for New Hampshire Banking Department Records.

(a) Persons seeking department records shall request the information in a manner that would give the department notice of exactly what records the requestor is seeking.

(b) A request for department records may be delivered to the department:

1. In person;

2. By U.S. mail or courier service to the department office;

3. By facsimile to 603-271-1090; or

4. By email to legal@banking.state.nh.us.

Ban 104.04 Response to Request for Records.

(a) The department shall respond to all requests for records as soon as practicable and in accordance RSA 91-A.

(b) When inspection of publicly available records is not immediately feasible, the requesting party and the department shall agree upon a mutually convenient time for such inspection.

(c) By agreement between the requesting party and the department, copies shall be electronically sent to a valid email address provided by the requesting party.
(d) If copies are requested, the requesting party shall be charged a fee for the actual cost of the hard copies or electronic copies as assessed by the department.

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