

the voting shares of Haven Savings Bank, Hoboken, New Jersey.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, July 1, 2009.

**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 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 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 Web site 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 July 30, 2009.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond** (A. Linwood Gill, III, Vice President) 701 East Byrd Street, Richmond, Virginia 23261-4528:

1. *Eastern Virginia Bankshares, Inc.*, Tappahannock, Virginia; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of First Capital Bancorp, Inc., and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of First Capital Bank, both of Glen Allen, Virginia.

**B. Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas** (E. Ann Worthy, Vice President) 2200

North Pearl Street, Dallas, Texas 75201-2272:

1. *A.N.B. Holding Company, Ltd.*, Terrell, Texas; to acquire additional voting shares, for a total of 35 percent, of The ANB Corporation, and thereby indirectly acquire additional voting shares of The American National Bank, both of Terrell, Texas; Lakeside Bancshares, Inc., and Lakeside National Bank, both of Rockwall, Texas.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, June 30, 2009.

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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:

*Judith M. Thomas, PhD, University of Alabama at Birmingham:* Based on a finding of scientific misconduct made by the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) on January 24, 2008, a report of the UAB Investigation Committee, dated November 21, 2007, and additional analysis conducted by ORI during its oversight review, the U.S. Public Health Service (PHS) found that Dr. Judith M. Thomas, former Professor of Surgery, UAB, engaged in scientific misconduct in research supported by National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), National Institutes of Health (NIH), grants R01 AI22293, R01 AI39793, and U19 AI056542, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK), NIH, grant U19 DK57958, and NIH/Novartis Cooperative Research and Development Agreement 96-MH-01/NIHITC-0697.

The objective of the research was to test the effectiveness of different agents, such as Immunotoxin FN18-CRM9 or 15-deoxyspergualin (15-D SG), administered around the time of renal transplantation in non-human primates, in preventing rejection of the transplanted kidney. To determine whether or not the transplanted kidney was functioning (able to sustain life) after the immunomodulating therapy, the animals were to have both of their

native kidneys removed at or shortly after the time of transplant, so that their survival would depend solely on the viability of the transplanted kidney. It was postulated that the use of immunomodulating agents would increase tolerance of the host animal to the grafted kidney and thus eliminate the necessity for chronic administration of immunosuppressive medications commonly required to prevent rejection in renal transplant recipients. Failure to remove both native kidneys would render it impossible to assess the effectiveness of the immunomodulating treatment, and could give totally misleading results, suggesting that the treatment worked while in fact survival was due entirely to the remaining native kidney.

PHS found that Respondent engaged in scientific misconduct by falsifying reports of research results in NIH-supported experiments with non-human primate (NHP) renal allograft recipients in 15 publications and in progress reports in two NIH research grant applications. Specifically, PHS found that:

1. Respondent falsely reported in 15 publications that NHP renal allograft recipients had received bilateral nephrectomies of their native kidneys, while in fact many of the animals retained an intrinsic kidney. Specifically:

A. Respondent falsely reported in eight publications<sup>1</sup> that at least 32 specific NHPs in a renal allotransplantation study had received bilateral nephrectomies, while in fact an intrinsic kidney was left in place in each animal, and generally, in seven additional publications,<sup>2</sup> Respondent falsely reported that all long term surviving NHP renal allograft recipients had received bilateral nephrectomies of their native kidneys. The publications referenced are listed separately in the endnotes.

2. In seven publications,<sup>3</sup> Respondent falsely reported immunomodulating treatments given to NHP renal allograft recipients by not reporting the administration of donor bone marrow to seven recipients and not reporting administration of cyclosporine A to four recipients. She also falsely reported (by overstating by 15%) dosages of the immunomodulating agents that were given and/or duration by overstating the exceptional/briefer duration of immunomodulating treatment given to four recipients and cited in at least eight publications.<sup>4</sup>

3. In progress reports for NIH research awards R01 AI39793 and U19 DK57958, Respondent falsely claimed that long term surviving (LTS) NHP renal

allotransplantation recipients had received bilateral nephrectomies and falsely reported the immunomodulating therapies received by the graft recipients. Specifically:

A. In the progress report in application 5 R01 AI39793-04, submitted in approximately May 1999, Respondent repeated falsified claims of successful LTS NHP allografts by citing two publications (Transplantation 68:1660-1673, 1999 and Transplantation 68:215-219, 1999) that reported LTS in renal allograft recipients that were falsely reported to have had bilateral intrinsic nephrectomies, while laboratory records showed that at the most four of these animals had bilateral nephrectomies.

B. In the progress report in application 5 U19 DK57958-02 submitted in approximately May 2000, Respondent falsely reported that 10/13 LTS NHP renal allograft recipients had received bilateral nephrectomies of their native kidneys and falsified the immunomodulating treatment received by four of the animals by failing to report the administration of cyclosporine A (CSA) or donor bone marrow.

For the same award, in a progress report submitted in approximately May 2002, Respondent falsely reported that all of the 16 animals in the rhesus Ktx (kidney transplant) series had bilateral nephrectomies of their native kidneys, but in fact at least nine of the animals did not have the requisite bilateral nephrectomies.

In a competing renewal application 2 U19 DK057958-05, submitted on about 03/10/2003, Respondent reported that 14 Ktx long term survivors did not have an intrinsic kidney, while in fact at least 11 of those animals had a remaining intrinsic kidney.

Both Dr. Thomas and PHS are desirous of concluding this matter without further expense of time and other resources, and the parties have entered into a Voluntary Exclusion Agreement to settle the matter. Dr. Thomas accepted responsibility for the reporting described above, but denied that she intentionally committed research misconduct. The settlement is not an admission of liability on the part of the Respondent.

Dr. Thomas has entered into a Voluntary Exclusion Agreement in which she has voluntarily agreed, for a period of ten (10) years, beginning on May 5, 2009:

(1) To exclude herself voluntarily from any contracting or subcontracting with any agency of the United States Government and from eligibility or involvement in nonprocurement

programs of the United States Government referred to as "covered transactions" and defined by 2 CFR parts 180 and 376; and

(2) To exclude herself from serving in any advisory capacity to PHS, including but not limited to service on any PHS advisory committee, board, and/or peer review committee, or as a consultant.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Director, Division of Investigative Oversight, Office of Research Integrity, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite 750, Rockville, MD 20852, (240) 453-8800.

**John E. Dahlberg,**

*Director, Division of Investigative Oversight, Office of Research Integrity.*

#### Endnotes

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Includes those cited in Endnote 3 plus: Thomas, J.M., Neville, D.M., Contreras, J.L., Eckhoff, D.E., Meng, G., Lobashevsky, A.L., Wang, P.X., Huang, Z.Q., Verbanac, K.M., Haisch, C.E., & Thomas, F.T. "Preclinical studies of allograft tolerance in rhesus monkeys: A novel anti-CD3-immunotoxin given peritransplant with donor marrow induces operational tolerance to kidney allografts." *Transplantation* 64(1):124-135, July 15, 1997.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections

**AGENCY:** Office of Public Health and Science, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, U.S.C. Appendix 2, notice is hereby given that the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections (SACHRP) will hold its twentieth meeting. The meeting will be open to the public.

**DATE:** The meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 21, 2009 from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Wednesday, July 22, 2009 from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The Sheraton National Hotel, 900 South Orme Street, Arlington, Virginia 22204. Phone: 703-521-1900.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jerry Menikoff, M.D., J.D., Director, Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP), or Julia Gorey, J.D., Executive Director, SACHRP; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 1101 Wootton Parkway, Suite 200, Rockville, Maryland 20852; 240-453-8141; fax: 240-453-6909; e-mail address: [sachrp@osophs.dhhs.gov](mailto:sachrp@osophs.dhhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 217a, Section 222 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended, SACHRP was established to provide expert advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Assistant Secretary for Health on issues and topics pertaining to or associated with the protection of human research subjects.

On July 21, 2009, the Committee will discuss a summary of comments from the recent OHRP-issued advance notice of proposed rulemaking on institutional review board (IRB) accountability, as well as hear a summary of Clinical and Translational Science Awards pediatric research issues. SACHRP will also spend time focusing on long-range future planning regarding new subcommittees and areas of focus. The day will conclude with a panel discussion addressing the question of how to evaluate IRB effectiveness.

On July 22, 2009, the Committee will hear a report from the Subpart A Subcommittee focusing on issues surrounding consent for future use of specimens or data. This subcommittee was established by SACHRP at its October 4-5, 2006 meeting and is charged with developing recommendations for consideration by SACHRP about the application of Subpart A of 45 CFR part 46 in the current research environment. SACHRP will then hear a presentation of the recent National Academy of Sciences report entitled "Conflict of Interest in Medical Research, Education and

Practice," followed by a panel discussion.

Public attendance at the meeting is limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend the meeting and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the designated contact persons. Members of the public will have the opportunity to provide comments on both days of the meeting. Public comment will be limited to five minutes per speaker. Any members of the public who wish to have printed materials distributed to SACHRP members for this scheduled meeting should submit materials to the Executive Director, SACHRP, prior to the close of business Friday, July 17, 2009. Information about SACHRP and the draft meeting agenda will be posted on the SACHRP Web site at: <http://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/sachrp/index.html>.

Dated: June 29, 2009.

**Jerry Menikoff,**

*Director, Office for Human Research Protections Executive Secretary, Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Meeting of the National Vaccine Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary, Office of Public Health and Science.

**ACTION:** Notice of meetings via conference call.

**SUMMARY:** As stipulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is hereby giving notice that the National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC) will hold two teleconference meetings. The meetings are open to the public. Pre-registration is required for both public attendance and comment. Individuals who wish to attend the meetings and/or participate in the public comment session should either e-mail [nvpo@hhs.gov](mailto:nvpo@hhs.gov) or call 202-690-5566 to register.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held on July 27, 2009, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. EDT and on August 24, 2009, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. EDT.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will occur by teleconference. To attend, please call 1-888-677-1385, passcode "NVAC."

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Andrea Krull, Public Health Advisor,