FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

In the Matter of Leann Athas, an institution-affiliated party of Bank of Montana Missoula, Montana (Insured State Nonmember Bank) Respondent's NMLS UI# N/A	)))))))))))))))	ORDER OF PROHIBITION FROM FURTHER PARTICIPATION FDIC-24-0038e

Leann Athas (Respondent) was advised of the right to receive a Notice of Intention to Prohibit from Further Participation (Notice) detailing Respondent's violations of law and unsafe or unsound banking practices for which an Order of Prohibition from Further Participation (Prohibition Order) may be issued under 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e).

Respondent was further advised of the right to a hearing on the Notice under 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e) and 12 C.F.R. Part 308, subparts A & B. Respondent waived certain rights under those provisions on June 6, 2024, and consented to the issuance of the Prohibition Order by entering into a Stipulation and Consent to the Issuance of an Order of Prohibition from Further Participation (Consent Agreement) with a representative of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's (FDIC) Legal Division.

The FDIC determined and Respondent neither admits nor denies the following:

1. Between July 1, 2019 and October 4, 2019, while serving as Assistant CFO/VP/CRA/Compliance Officer at Bank of Montana in Missoula, Montana (Bank),

Respondent used her position as treasurer of the board for a Bank customer to establish a line of credit at the Bank without the authority to do so. Respondent then withdrew funds from that line of credit without the authority to do so and used those funds for her own personal benefit.

2. As described in paragraph 1, Respondent violated laws or regulations and engaged and participated in unsafe or unsound practices in connection with the Bank.

3. Respondent's violations and practices caused Respondent to receive financial gain or other benefit.

4. Respondent's violations and practices involved personal dishonesty.

The FDIC accepts the Consent Agreement and issues the following:

ORDER OF PROHIBITION FROM FURTHER PARTICIPATION

5. Leann Athas is prohibited from:

a. participating in any manner in the conduct of the affairs of any financial institution or organization listed in 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e)(7)(A);

b. soliciting, procuring, transferring, attempting to transfer, voting, or attempting to vote any proxy, consent, or authorization with respect to any voting rights in any financial institution enumerated in 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e)(7)(A);

c. violating any voting agreement previously approved by the appropriate Federal banking agency; and

d. voting for a director or serving or acting as an institution-affiliated party.

6. The Prohibition Order is effective upon issuance and will remain effective and enforceable until the FDIC, and any "appropriate Federal financial institutions regulatory agency," defined at 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e)(7)(D), decide in writing to modify, terminate, suspend, or set aside the Order under 12 U.S.C. § 1818(e)(7)(B).

7. The Prohibition Order is enforceable under 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i), and any violation of the Prohibition Order may result in additional penalties under 12 U.S.C. § 1818(j).

8. The Prohibition Order does not waive any right, power, or authority of the United States; federal, state, or local agencies; or the FDIC as Receiver.

Issued under delegated authority.

/s/ Date: 7/17/2024
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