

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

In the Matter of

GEFREY A. SAWTELLE,
 as an institution-affiliated party of

FARMERS EXCHANGE BANK
NESHKORO, WISCONSIN

(INSURED STATE NONMEMBER BANK)

ORDER TO PAY

FDIC-14-0135k

Geffrey A. Sawtelle (Respondent) and a representative of the Legal Division of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) executed a Stipulation and Consent to the Issuance of an Order to Pay (CONSENT AGREEMENT) dated December 14, 2017, whereby Respondent, solely for the purpose of this proceeding and without admitting or denying any violation(s) of law, reckless unsafe or unsound practices and breaches of fiduciary duty for which civil money penalties may be assessed, consented and agreed to pay civil money penalties in the amount specified below to the Treasury of the United States.

The FDIC has determined, and Respondent neither admits nor denies, that, as an institution affiliated party of Farmers Exchange Bank, Neshkoro, Wisconsin, Respondent, while President and Chief Executive Officer of the Bank between January 2009 and May 2014, caused the Bank to pay for personal expenditures without disclosure or authorization.

After taking into account the CONSENT AGREEMENT, the appropriateness of the penalty with respect to the financial resources and good faith of Respondent, the gravity of the violation by Respondent, the history of previous violations by Respondent, and such other

matters as justice may require, the FDIC accepts the CONSENT AGREEMENT and issues the following:

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that by reason of the violations, reckless unsafe and unsound practices and breaches of fiduciary duty set forth above, a penalty of \$140,000 is assessed against Geoffrey A. Sawtelle. Respondent shall pay the civil money penalty to the Treasury of the United States.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent is prohibited from seeking or accepting indemnification from any insured depository institution for the civil money penalty assessed and paid in this matter.

Nothing herein shall preclude any proceedings brought by the FDIC to enforce the terms of the ORDER TO PAY issued pursuant to this CONSENT AGREEMENT, and that nothing herein constitutes a waiver of any right, power, or authority of the FDIC (except as stated in the Consent Agreement) or any other Federal or state agency or department from taking any other action against Respondent, the Bank, or any of the Bank's current or former institution-affiliated parties, as that term is defined in 12 U.S.C. §1813(u).

This Order to Pay shall be effective upon issuance.

Pursuant to delegated authority.

Dated this 3rd day of April, 2018.

/s/
Patricia A. Colohan
Associate Director
Division of Risk Management Supervision