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Firm Advises on 19 Bank Acquisitions

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The firm's Financial Institutions Corporate and Regulatory lawyers advised on 19 bank acquisitions in 2007.

Over the past eleven years, the lawyers of the Financial Institutions Corporate and Regulatory group have participated in over 200 banking merger and acquisition transactions.

Over the past six years the attorneys of our Financial Institutions Corporate and Regulatory group have assisted clients with over 200 offerings of trust preferred securities and over 50 other public and private offerings of debt and equity securities, raising a total of over \$2.5 billion.

The lawyers of our Financial Institutions Corporate and Regulatory group have assisted over 100 new bank charter organizing groups in 25 states in the past nine years, and worked with approximately 10% of all new bank charters in 2006.

The lawyers of our Financial Institutions Corporate and Regulatory group have assisted over 100 banking companies with corporate reorganization transactions to achieve eligibility to elect Subchapter S tax treatment.

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