

Harbor National Bank
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**Bank Executive Charles R. Thompson, Jr.
Joins Harbor National Bank**

Charleston, S.C. – October 28, 2009 – Charles R. Thompson, Jr., a prominent banking executive in the Charleston region for 31 years, has joined Harbor National Bank as Senior Mortgage Officer at the bank’s 134 Meeting Street branch.

Thompson is a lifelong resident of Charleston and previously worked as Vice President and Senior Mortgage Officer for the Bank of Charleston. His professional career has also included executive positions with Home Federal, South Carolina Federal and other regional financial institutions.

He serves on the Board of Trustees at Lander University as Chairman of the Finance and Facilities Committee and is Secretary / Treasurer and a Board Member of the South Carolina Athletic Hall of Fame. He is Past President of the Metropolitan Exchange Club, North Charleston Sertoma Club and the Country Club of Charleston. He has also served on numerous non-profit and civic group boards over the years.

He is a graduate of the University of South Carolina and Bishop England High School.

About Harbor National Bank

Harbor National Bank opened its doors in February 2006 after posting a private stock offering of \$29.3 million, the second highest amount ever raised by a community bank in South Carolina at that time. Harbor’s total assets currently stand at more than \$230 million.

Harbor carries the distinction as one of the best banks in the nation. Bauer Financial, Inc., a national, independent bank analyst firm, ranks Harbor among the

healthiest banks in the nation for its overall business health, asset-to-loan ratio, loan quality, earnings and other criteria.

The bank executive staff and board of directors consists of all local residents of the Lowcountry, including several long-time Charleston area banking executives who worked together at SouthTrust Bank of Charleston.

Harbor National Bank's focused market segments include commercial lending, residential mortgage lending, business banking, professional banking and consumer lending. The bank's business strengths come from local decision making and strong local relationships already in place in the community.
