



## 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 will also 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.

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 April 17, 2015.

**A. Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland** (Nadine Wallman, Vice President)  
1455 East Sixth Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44101-2566:

1. *Kentucky Bancshares, Inc.*, Paris, Kentucky; to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Madison Financial Corp., and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Madison Bank, both in Richmond, Kentucky.

**B. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago** (Colette A. Fried, Assistant Vice President) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1414:

1. *Minier Financial, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan with 401(k) Provisions*, Minier, Illinois; to acquire additional voting shares, for a total of 51 percent of the voting shares of Minier Financial, Inc., and thereby indirectly

acquire additional voting shares of First Farmers State Bank, both in Minier, Illinois.

2. *Wintrust Financial Corporation*, Rosemont, Illinois; to merge with Community Financial Shares, Inc., Glen Ellyn, Illinois, and thereby indirectly acquire Community Bank-Wheaton/Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 19, 2015.

**Margaret McCloskey Shanks,**  
*Deputy Secretary of the Board.*

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