

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY  
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20220

January 1, 2015

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is made to that certain Letter Agreement incorporating the Securities Purchase Agreement – Standard Terms (the “*Securities Purchase Agreement*”), dated as of March 6, 2009, by and between Farmers & Merchants Bancshares, Inc. (the “*Acquired Company*”) and the United States Department of Treasury (“*Investor*”). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Securities Purchase Agreement.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, as it may be amended from time to time (the “*Act*”), includes provisions relating to executive compensation and other matters that may be inconsistent with the Securities Purchase Agreement and the Certificate of Designation (the “*Transaction Documents*”). Accordingly, Investor and Allegiance Bancshares, Inc. (the “*Acquiror Company*”) desire to confirm their understanding as follows:

1. Notwithstanding anything in the Transaction Documents to the contrary, in the event that the Act or any rules or regulations promulgated thereunder are inconsistent with any of the terms of the Transaction Documents, the Act and such rules and regulations shall control.

2. For the avoidance of doubt (and without limiting the generality of Paragraph 1):

(a) the provisions of Section 111 of the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 as implemented by the Interim Final Rule on TARP Standards for Compensation and Corporate Governance, 31 C.F.R. Part 30, as amended by the Act or otherwise from time to time (“*EESA*”), shall apply to the Acquiror Company; and

(b) the Acquiror Company shall be permitted to repay preferred shares, and when such preferred shares are repaid, the Investor shall liquidate warrants associated with such preferred shares, if any, all in accordance with the Act and any rules and regulations thereunder.

From and after the date hereof, each reference in the Securities Purchase Agreement to “this Agreement” or “this Securities Purchase Agreement” or words of like import shall mean and be a reference to the Agreement (as defined in the Securities Purchase Agreement) as amended by this letter agreement.

This letter agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the federal law of the United States if and to the extent such law is applicable, and otherwise in accordance with the laws of the State of New York applicable to contracts made and to be performed entirely within such State.

This letter agreement, the Securities Purchase Agreement, the Merger Side Letter, the Certificate of Designation and any other documents executed by the parties at the Closing constitute the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.

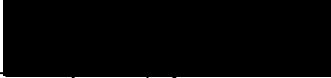
Nothing in this letter agreement shall be deemed an admission by Investor as to the necessity of obtaining the consent of the Company in order to effect the changes to the Transaction Documents contemplated by this letter agreement, nor shall anything in this letter agreement be deemed to require Investor to obtain the consent of any other TARP recipient (as defined in the Act) participating in the Capital Purchase Program (the “CPP”) in order to effect changes to their documentation under the CPP.

This letter agreement may be executed in any number of separate counterparts, each such counterpart being deemed to be an original instrument, and all such counterparts will together constitute the same agreement. Executed signature pages to this letter agreement may be delivered by facsimile and such facsimiles will be deemed sufficient as if actual signature pages had been delivered.


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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have duly executed this letter agreement as of the date first written above.

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF  
THE TREASURY**

By:   
Name: Timothy J. Bowler  
Title: Deputy Assistant Secretary for  
Financial Stability

**ALLEGIANCE BANCSHARES, INC.**

By:   
Name: George Martinez  
Title: Chairman of the Board

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As a result of the Merger Transaction, the Acquiror Company has assumed the obligations and responsibilities of Acquired Company to the Investor. Specifically:

1. Concurrently herewith, the Acquiror Company is issuing two new series of preferred shares in exchange for the Acquired Company’s Preferred Shares and Warrant Preferred Shares; and
2. Pursuant to Section 4.3 of the Securities Purchase Agreement and effective as of the date hereof, Acquiror Company hereby expressly assumes the due and punctual performance and observance of each and every covenant, agreement, and condition of the Securities Purchase Agreement and all ancillary documents to be performed and observed by Acquired Company.

In connection with the foregoing, with the exception of the Securities Purchase Agreement, Acquiror Company is issuing new documentation to Investor to reflect the investment that Investor initially made in the Acquired Company, including the following (all section references below are to the Securities Purchase Agreement, unless otherwise provided):

1. a copy of the Charter and bylaws of the Acquiror Company;
2. an officer’s certificate regarding a bring down of the representations in the Securities Purchase Agreement as of the date hereof, per Section 1.2(d)(ii) of the Securities Purchase Agreement, with any exceptions to such representations noted on a disclosure schedule attached hereto;

3. a certificate representing a number of a new series of preferred shares issued by the Acquiror Company to replace the Acquired Company's Preferred Shares (the "*New Preferred Shares*");

4. a certificate representing a number of a new series of preferred shares issued by the Acquiror Company to replace the Acquired Company's Warrant Preferred Shares (the "*New Warrant Preferred Shares*");

5. evidence the Acquiror Company filed a Certificate of Designations in connection with the New Preferred Shares issued to Investor as outlined in paragraph 3 above, per Section 1.2(d)(iii) of the Securities Purchase Agreement;

6. evidence the Acquiror Company filed a Certificate of Designations in connection with the New Warrant Preferred Shares issued to Investor as outlined in paragraph 4 above, per Section 1.2(d)(iii) of the Securities Purchase Agreement;

7. a legal opinion regarding the New Preferred Shares and New Warrant Preferred Shares, per Section 1.2(d)(vi) of the Securities Purchase Agreement; and

8. a side letter regarding compliance with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

Acquiror Company hereby acknowledges receipt of each of the closing documents in connection with the Investor's investment in the Acquired Company.

This Merger Side Letter, the Securities Purchase Agreement and the above-listed documentation constitute the entire agreement, and supersede all other prior agreements, understandings, representations and warranties, both written and oral, between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof.

This Merger Side Letter may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. This Merger Side Letter shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the federal law of the United States if and to the extent such law is applicable, and otherwise in accordance with the laws of the State of New York applicable to contracts made and to be performed entirely within such state.

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In witness whereof, this side letter agreement has been duly executed by the authorized representatives of the parties hereto as of the date first above written.

**ALLEGIANCE BANCSHARES, INC.**

By: 

Name: George Martinez

Title: Chairman of the Board

**FARMERS & MERCHANTS  
BANCSHARES, INC.**

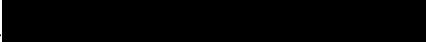
By: 

Name: Larry N. Hausler

Title: Co-Chairman



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THE TREASURY**

By:   
Name: Timothy J. Bowler  
Title: Deputy Assistant Secretary for  
Financial Stability

## SCHEDULE A

### General Information Regarding Acquired Company Initial Closing:

Acquired Company Name: **Farmers & Merchants Bancshares, Inc.**

Corporate or other organizational form of the Acquired Company: **Corporation**

Date of Acquired Company Letter Agreement incorporating the Securities Purchase Agreement: **March 6, 2009**

Number and series of preferred stock issued to the Investor at the Acquired Company Closing:  
**Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A – 11,000 shares**

Number and series of warrant preferred stock issued to the Investor at the Acquired Company Closing:  
**Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series B – 550 shares**

### Terms of the Merger/Acquisition:

Effective Date of Merger/Acquisition: **January 1, 2015**

### Resultant Acquiror Securities:

Number of New Preferred Shares Issued to Investor by Acquiror Company Post-Merger to Replace the Acquired Company's Preferred Shares:

**Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A – 11,000 shares**

Par Value of Such New Preferred Shares: **\$1.00**

Number of New Warrant Preferred Shares Issued to Investor by Acquiror Company Post-Merger to Replace the Acquired Company's Warrant Preferred Shares:

**Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series B – 550 shares**

Par Value of Such New Warrant Preferred Shares: **\$1.00**

## **DISCLOSURE SCHEDULE**

If none, please so indicate by checking the box: .