

BANK OF SOUTH CAROLINA CORP

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**U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549  
FORM 10-K**

**ANNUAL REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008**

**TRANSITION REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_**

**Commission file number: 0-27702**

**BANK OF SOUTH CAROLINA CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

South Carolina

57-1021355

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

256 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC

29401

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Issuer's telephone number: (843) 724-1500

Securities registered under Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act: NONE

Securities registered under Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act:

Common Stock

(Title of Class)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.  
 Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act.  
 Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

Aggregate market value of the voting stock held by non-affiliates, computed by reference to the closing price of such stock on June 30, 2008 was: \$35,677,620

As of February 27, 2009, the Registrant has out standing 3,976,599 shares of common stock.

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**PART I**

**Item 1. Business**

The Bank of South Carolina (the Bank ) was organized on October 22, 1986 and opened for business as a state-chartered financial institution on February 26, 1987, in Charleston, South Carolina. The Bank was reorganized into a wholly-owned subsidiary of Bank of South Carolina Corporation (the Company ), effective April 17, 1995. At the time of the reorganization, each outstanding share of the Bank was exchanged for two shares of Bank of South Carolina Corporation Stock.

The Company, a bank holding company within the meaning of the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, (the BHCA ), as amended, is subject to regulation and supervision by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the Federal Reserve ). In addition the Company is registered under the laws of the South Carolina Bank Holding Company Act, and therefore is also subject to regulation by the South Carolina State Board of Financial Institutions. The Company is required to file annual reports and other information with the Federal Reserve and the South Carolina State Board of Financial Institutions regarding its financial condition, results of operations, management and intercompany relationships and transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries. Compliance with federal, state and local provisions regulating the discharge of materials into the environment had no material effect on the capital expenditures, earnings and competitive position of the Bank in fiscal year ended December 31, 2008.

The Company s subsidiary bank, The Bank of South Carolina, is an FDIC insured state chartered financial institution, and as such, is subject to various statutory requirements, supervision and regulation, of which regular bank examinations are a part, promulgated and enforced primarily by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), through which the Bank is insured, and the South Carolina State Board of Financial Institutions. Since the primary asset of the Company is its wholly-owned subsidiary, the majority of the following discussion relates to the Bank.

The Bank serves Berkeley, Charleston and Dorchester counties (the Tri-County Area ) as an independent, community-oriented commercial bank concentrating on individuals and small and medium-sized businesses desiring a high level of personalized services. The four banking house locations of the Bank include: 256 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC, 100 North Main Street, Summerville, SC, 1337 Chuck Dawley Boulevard, Mt. Pleasant, SC and 2027 Sam Rittenberg Boulevard, Charleston, SC. The business of the Bank is not considered to be seasonal nor is the Bank s business dependent on any one industry.

The Bank offers a full range of deposit services. Checking account services include regular non-interest bearing checking accounts as well as interest bearing negotiable order of withdrawal ( NOW ) accounts. Savings and certificate of deposit accounts include accounts ranging from a daily maturity (regular savings and also money market accounts) to longer term certificates as authorized by regulation. The Bank offers tiered interest to its customers on both money market and NOW accounts. In addition, Individual Retirement Accounts are available. During 2006, the bank added health savings accounts to its deposit services. All deposit accounts are insured by the FDIC to the full amount permitted by law. Deposit accounts are solicited from individuals, businesses, professional organizations and governmental authorities.

Lending services include a full range of commercial, personal and mortgage loans. The Bank s primary focus is on business lending. The types of commercial loans that are available include both secured and unsecured loans for working capital (including inventory and receivables), business expansion (including acquisition of real estate and improvements) and purchase of machinery and equipment. From time to time the Bank may make real estate loans for land acquisition, land development or construction loans. The types of personal loans that are available include secured and unsecured loans for such purposes as financing automobiles, home improvements, education, lot acquisition, construction, home equity loans and personal investments. The Bank offers a personal checking account related line of credit. This line of credit is available for both protection against unexpected overdrafts and also for the convenience of having a pre-arranged loan that can be activated simply by a check drawn on a personal checking account. In the fourth quarter of 1993, a residential mortgage lending department was opened with mortgage loans being provided through correspondent relationships. The Bank originates, processes and closes the loan and sells (each individually) to investors on a list preapproved by the Board.

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The Bank offers credit cards (through correspondent banking services) including MasterCard(TM) and Visa(TM). The Bank does not have a proprietary automated teller machine but participates in a national ATM network through the Visa Debit Card Program. This service is called "Check Card" by the Bank and also offers purchases by the cardholder where Visa debit cards are accepted worldwide using a direct charge to their checking account. Other services offered, but not limited to, include safe deposit boxes, letters of credit, travelers checks, direct deposit of payroll, social security and dividend payments and automatic payment of insurance premiums and mortgage loans. The Bank offers a courier service and ACH origination service as part of its deposit services for commercial customers. Internet Banking called "ESafe" by the Bank, offers twenty-four hour information, up-to-the minute account activity, automatic transfers or one-time transfers between accounts, actual images of customer checks, and statement viewing. The Bank began offering internet "Bill Pay" services in 2008 on personal accounts and will be adding this feature for business accounts in 2009 through a new product "eCorp".

The Company ("BKSC") is publicly traded on the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations (NASDAQ), and is under the reporting authority of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). All of the Company's electronic filings with the SEC, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K and other documents filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, are accessible at no cost on the Bank's website, [www.banksc.com](http://www.banksc.com), through the "Investor Relations" link. The Company's filings are also available through the SEC's web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) or by calling 1-800-SEC-0330.

The Company's accounting policies are discussed in Item 7, Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements. Of these significant accounting policies, the Company considers its policies regarding the allowance for loan losses to be its most critical accounting policy due to the significant degree of management judgment. For additional discussion concerning the Company's allowance for loan losses and related matters, see Item 6, "Allowance for Loan Losses". Since January 1, 1986, South Carolina law has permitted regional interstate banking. Pursuant to such law, several of the banks in the Tri-County Area have been acquired by banks with headquarters outside the State of South Carolina. In addition, South Carolina laws permit statewide branching by banks and savings and loan associations. As a result, the Bank encounters strong competition from local and national financial institutions as well as consumer and commercial finance companies, insurance companies, brokerage firms, some of which are not subject to the same degree of regulation and restrictions as the Bank. Many of these competitors have substantially greater resources and lending limits than the Bank has and offer certain services, such as trust and international banking services, which the Bank is not providing. The Bank does, however, provide a means for clearing international checks and drafts through a third party or correspondent bank.

At year-end 2008, the Bank employed 68 people, 4 of whom are considered part time employees, none of whom are subject to a collective bargaining agreement. The Bank provides a variety of benefit programs including an Employee Stock Ownership Plan and Trust, health, life, disability and other insurance. Management believes its relationship with its employees is excellent.

**Item 1A. Risk Factors**

Not applicable

**Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments**

Not applicable

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**Item 2. Description of Properties**

The Bank's headquarters and main office facility is located at 256 Meeting Street in downtown Charleston, South Carolina. The Bank currently leases this facility. On June 30, 1995 the Bank renegotiated its lease for one hundred forty (140) months with two additional ten-year terms. Base rent was \$26,432 monthly payable in advance for the first twenty (20) months and the remaining one hundred twenty (120) months of the term (which began March 1, 1997) and for the two (2) extensions of the original term is \$24,801 per month in advance and is adjustable by 4% of the base rent every two years. The rent, payable in equal monthly installments of \$30,175, will increase to \$31,382 in March 2009. In addition, the Bank leases adjacent parking facilities at \$3,042 per month.

In October of 1993, the Bank opened an office at 100 N. Main Street, Summerville, SC. The lease on this facility began on August 9, 1993, with an original termination date of June 30, 1999, with two 5-year options to renew. In June of 2004, the bank was successful in renegotiating this lease. Under the new lease beginning July 1, 2004, rent increased from a fixed rate of \$2,262 monthly to \$30,725 annually with an increase of \$3,582 each year thereafter until July 1, 2009. The new lease was negotiated so that the bank could remain in its current location with an option to expand. At the end of the five year term (June 30, 2009) The Bank of South Carolina will have three (3) ten (10) year options for renewal. During the renewal periods, the annual rent will be adjusted by the current Consumer Price Index (CPI) capped at 3% annually.

On November 1, 1995, the Bank entered into an agreement with an individual to lease property for construction of a new banking facility at 1337 Chuck Dawley Boulevard, Mt. Pleasant, SC. The original term of the lease is for fifteen (15) years with six (6) additional terms of five (5) years each. The base rent for the first ten (10) years was \$2,250 per month paid in advance. Rent for years 11 through 15 and each six (6) option periods shall be adjusted to reflect an annualized return determined by multiplying the average yield on five (5) year U.S. Treasury Notes plus 150 basis points times an assumed raw land value of \$325,000. The monthly rent, however, shall never be less than the original rent of \$2,250 per month. As of February 26, 2009, the rent has not increased based on the above formula.

In the first quarter of 1997, the Bank purchased one acre of land for approximately \$838,000 in order to construct a full service banking office and operations center in the West Ashley community of Charleston. In March, 1998, the two-story, 12,000 square foot facility was completed at a cost of approximately \$1,334,000 representing construction costs and furnishings.

All leased properties are in good order and condition.

**Item 3. Legal Proceedings**

In the opinion of management, there are no legal proceedings pending other than routine litigation incidental to its business involving amounts which are not material to the financial condition of the Company and the Bank. To the knowledge of management, no proceedings have been instituted or are contemplated by or against any governmental authority against or by the Company or the Bank.

**Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders**

No matters were submitted to a vote of security holders during the fourth quarter of the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008.

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There were issued and outstanding 3,976,599 shares of the 12,000,000 authorized shares of common stock of the Company at the close of the Company's fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. These outstanding shares were held by approximately 1,200 shareholders in nominee names and of record on December 31, 2008. The common stock of the Company is traded in the capital market by twenty market making investment banking firms. These firms are Alternate Display Facility, Archipelago Stock Exchange, Automated Trading Desk, Chicago Board Options Exchange, Citadel Derivative Group, LLC, Domestic Securities, Inc., Hill, Thompson, Magid and Company, Howe Barnes Investments, Hudson Securities, Inc., International Securities Exchange, Knight Equity Markets, LP, Merrill Lynch, Monroe Securities Inc., Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc., Nasdaq Execution Services, LLC, Sandler O'Neill & Partners, Scott & Stringfellow, Inc., Susquehanna Financial Group, LLLP, Susquehanna Financial Group and USB Securities, LLC. Stock quotations are available through the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations (NASDAQ) where the Bank's shares are listed as BKSC.

According to information supplied by The Nasdaq Stock Market, the range of high and low bid quotations for each quarterly period in the fiscal years 2008, 2007 and 2006 has been as follows:

	2008		2007		2006	
	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low
First Quarter	15.00	13.50	17.00	15.54	16.79	14.00
Second Quarter	15.01	12.90	16.37	15.10	17.60	15.03
Third Quarter	14.64	11.31	16.48	15.10	17.21	14.80
Fourth Quarter	13.49	9.10	16.30	13.82	17.21	15.63

The Board of Directors of Bank of South Carolina Corporation declared a quarterly dividend of \$.16 per share to shareholders of record March 31, 2008, payable April 30, 2008; \$.16 per share to shareholders of record July 1, 2008, payable July 31, 2008; \$.16 per share to shareholders of record October 1, 2008, payable October 31, 2008; \$.16 per share to shareholders of record December 31, 2008, payable January 30, 2009.

The Board of Directors of Bank of South Carolina Corporation declared a quarterly dividend of \$.14 per share to shareholders of record March 30, 2007, payable April 30, 2007; \$.16 per share to shareholders of record July 2, 2007, payable July 31, 2007; \$.16 per share to shareholders of record October 1, 2007, payable October 31, 2007; \$.16 per share to shareholders of record December 31, 2007, payable January 31, 2008.

The Board of Directors of Bank of South Carolina Corporation declared a quarterly dividend of \$.15 per share to shareholders of record March 31, 2006, payable April 28, 2006; 25% stock dividend to shareholders of record April 28, 2006, payable May 15, 2006; \$.14 per share to shareholders of record June 30, 2006, payable July 31, 2006; \$.14 per share to shareholders of record October 2, 2006, payable October 31, 2006; \$.14 per share and a special \$.10 per share to shareholders of record December 29, 2006, payable January 31, 2007.

As of January 1, 2008, there were approximately 1,200 shareholders of record with shares held by individuals and in nominee names, and on February 27, 2009, the market price for the common stock of the Company was \$12.50.

Cash dividends, when declared, are paid by the Bank to the Company for distribution to shareholders of the Company. Certain regulatory requirements restrict the amount of dividends which the Bank can pay to the Company. Dividends paid by the Bank to the Company totaled \$2,240,000 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The continuation by the Corporation of payment of a \$.16 per share quarterly dividend will be evaluated by the Board of Directors of the Company and a dividend will be paid as justified by the earnings of the Bank, net of reserves.



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The Company was authorized by its Board of Directors at its December 1995 board meeting to repurchase up to 116,462 shares of its common stock on the open market from time to time, and, at its October, 1999 Board meeting, to repurchase up to 37,812 shares of its common stock on the open market from time to time, and, at its September, 2001 Board meeting, to repurchase up to 45,375 shares of its common stock on the open market from time to time. As of this date, 199,501 shares have been repurchased by the Company with 148 shares remaining that are authorized to be repurchased. At the Annual Meeting April 2007, the shareholders voted to increase the number of authorized shares from 6,000,000 to 12,000,000. As of February 27, 2009, there are 4,176,100 shares of common stock issued and 3,976,599 shares of common stock outstanding.

**THE BANK OF SOUTH CAROLINA EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN AND TRUST**

During 1989, the Board of Directors of the Bank adopted an Employee Stock Ownership Plan and Trust Agreement to provide retirement benefits to eligible employees of the Bank for long and faithful service. The Board of Directors of the Bank approved the cash contribution of \$288,000 to The Bank of South Carolina Employee Stock Ownership Plan for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. The contribution was made during 2008. An amendment and restatement was made to the Employee Stock ownership plan effective January 1, 2007, approved by the Board of Directors January 18, 2007. An employee of the Bank is eligible to become a participant in the ESOP upon reaching 21 years of age and credited with one year of service (1,000 hours of service). The employee may enter the plan on the January 1<sup>st</sup> that occurs nearest the date on which the employee first satisfies the age and service requirements described above. No contributions by employees are permitted. The amount and time of contributions are at the sole discretion of the Board of Directors of the Bank. The contribution for all participants is based solely on each participant's respective regular or base salary and wages paid by the Bank including commissions, bonuses and overtime, if any.

A participant becomes vested in the ESOP based upon the employees credited years of service. The vesting schedule is as follows;

1 year of service	0% Vested
2 Years of Service	25% Vested
3 Years of Service	50% Vested
4 Years of Service	75% Vested
	100%
5 Years of Service	Vested

The Bank is the Plan Administrator. Thomas C. Stevenson, III, Sheryl G. Sharry and Hugh C. Lane, Jr., currently serve as the Plan Administrative Committee and as Trustees for the Plan. The Plan currently owns 226,533 shares of common stock of Bank of South Carolina Corporation.

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**Consolidated Financial Highlights**

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
<b>For December 31:</b>					
Net Income	\$ 2,939,297	\$ 3,831,244	\$ 3,928,263	\$ 3,185,006	\$ 1,845,623
Selected Year End Balances:					
Total Assets	243,665,930	225,157,090	243,472,740	222,517,526	201,235,286
Total Loans (1)	183,538,172	158,329,035	162,557,288	159,338,650	129,107,437
Investment Securities					
Available for Sale	37,896,250	35,840,019	40,897,855	39,833,240	45,638,694
Federal Funds Sold and Resale Agreements	13,352,303	18,357,674	26,857,657	10,600,904	15,476,959
Interest Bearing					
Deposits in Other Banks	8,212	8,109	7,990	7,872	7,783
Earning Assets	234,794,937	212,534,837	230,320,790	209,780,666	190,230,873
Deposits	214,786,515	197,346,458	215,316,901	197,847,314	179,070,078
Shareholders Equity	26,808,064	25,692,570	23,640,431	21,505,794	19,990,716
Weighted Average Shares					
Outstanding-Diluted	3,977,714	3,971,349	3,945,928	3,913,119	3,868,448
<b>For the Year:</b>					
Selected Average Balances:					
Total Assets	228,987,689	236,019,185	232,257,502	225,939,657	192,034,402
Total Loans (1)	165,905,847	162,006,962	159,659,211	147,844,856	123,923,761
Investment Securities					
Available for Sale	37,210,126	38,810,306	39,330,090	38,596,553	34,808,745
Federal Funds Sold and Resale Agreements	14,475,859	22,548,768	19,893,084	26,109,498	20,431,597
Interest Bearing					
Deposits in Other Banks	510,894	8,049	7,931	7,824	7,754
Earning Assets	218,102,726	223,374,085	218,890,316	212,558,731	179,171,857
Deposits	200,955,703	209,104,665	207,459,557	203,645,606	171,036,567
Shareholders Equity	26,470,992	24,841,050	22,841,402	20,867,968	19,904,862
<b>Performance Ratios:</b>					
Return on Average Equity	11.10%	15.42%	17.20%	15.26%	9.27%
Return on Average Assets	1.28%	1.62%	1.69%	1.41%	.96%
Average Equity to Average Assets	11.56%	10.53%	9.83%	9.24%	10.37%
Net Interest Margin	4.71%	5.13%	5.24%	4.58%	3.93%
Net (Recoveries)	.06%	(0.01)%	(0.02)%	0.03%	0.02%
Charge-offs to Average					

Loans Allowance for Loan Losses as a Percentage of Total Loans (excluding mortgage loans held for sale)		.79%		.85%		.82%		.65%		.82%
<b>Per Share:</b>										
Basic Earnings	\$	0.74	\$	0.97	\$	1.01	\$	0.83	\$	0.48
Diluted Earnings		0.74		0.96		1.00		0.81		0.48
Year End Book Value		6.74		6.50		6.02		5.56		5.18
Cash Dividends										
Declared		0.64		0.62		0.67		0.51		0.44
Dividend Payout Ratio		86.44%		61.89%		63.76%		48.39%		66.89%
Full Time Employee Equivalents		67		68		67		64		64

(1) Including  
mortgage loans  
held for sale

All share and per share data have been restated to reflect a 10% stock distribution declared on April 12, 2005 and a 25% stock dividend declared on April 11, 2006.

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The following tables, as well as the previously presented consolidated financial highlights, set forth certain selected financial information concerning the Company and its wholly owned subsidiary. The information was derived from audited consolidated financial statements. The information should be read in conjunction with Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, which follows, and the audited consolidated financial statements and notes which are presented elsewhere in this report.

	<b>For Years Ended December 31,</b>				
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
<b>Operating Data:</b>					
Interest and fee income	\$ 12,146,820	\$ 16,482,178	\$ 16,169,958	\$ 12,383,548	\$ 7,904,128
Interest expense	1,878,778	5,023,086	4,696,492	2,646,198	857,801
Net interest income	10,268,042	11,459,092	11,473,466	9,737,350	7,046,327
Provision (recovery) for loan losses	192,000	40,000	240,000	12,000	(103,000)
Net interest income after provision (recovery) for loan losses	10,076,042	11,419,092	11,233,466	9,725,350	7,149,327
Other income	1,472,854	1,543,869	1,467,393	1,788,472	1,748,715
Other expense	7,181,641	7,085,401	6,703,716	6,529,267	6,073,609
Income before income taxes	4,367,255	5,877,560	5,997,143	4,984,555	2,824,433
Income tax expense	1,427,958	2,046,316	2,068,880	1,799,549	978,810
Net income	\$ 2,939,297	\$ 3,831,244	\$ 3,928,263	\$ 3,185,006	\$ 1,845,623
Basic income per share	\$ .74	\$ .97	\$ 1.01	\$ 0.83	\$ 0.48
Diluted income per share	\$ .74	\$ .96	\$ 1.00	\$ 0.81	\$ 0.48
Weighted average common shares-basic	3,966,193	3,943,067	3,900,707	3,859,351	3,857,411
Weighted average common shares diluted	3,977,714	3,971,349	3,945,928	3,913,119	3,868,448
Dividends per common share	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.62	\$ 0.67	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.44
<b>As of December 31,</b>					
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2004</b>
<b>Balance Sheet Data:</b>					
Investment securities available for sale	\$ 37,896,250	\$ 35,840,019	\$ 40,897,855	\$ 39,833,240	\$ 45,638,694
Total loans (1)	183,538,172	158,329,035	162,557,288	159,338,650	129,107,437
Allowance for loan losses	1,429,835	1,355,099	1,294,994	1,017,175	1,043,901

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Total assets	243,665,930	225,170,090	243,472,740	222,157,526	201,235,286
Total deposits	214,786,515	197,346,458	215,316,901	197,847,314	179,070,078
Shareholders equity	26,808,064	25,692,570	23,640,431	21,505,794	19,990,716

(1) Including  
Mortgage loans  
to be sold

All share and per share data have been restated to reflect a 10% stock distribution declared on April 12, 2005, and a 25% stock dividend declared on April 11, 2006.

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**Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations**

Management's discussion and analysis is included to assist the shareholders in understanding the Company's financial condition, results of operations, and cash flow. This discussion should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and accompanying notes presented in Item 8 of this report and the supplemental financial data appearing throughout this report. Since the primary asset of the Company is its wholly-owned subsidiary, most of the discussion and analysis relates to the Bank.

**DISCUSSION OF FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and other portions of this annual report contain certain forward-looking statements concerning the future operations of the Bank of South Carolina Corporation. Management desires to take advantage of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1996 and is including this statement for the express purpose of availing the Company of protections of such safe harbor with respect to all forward-looking statements contained in this Form 10-K. We have used forward-looking statements to describe future plans and strategies including our expectations of the Company's future financial results. The following are cautionary statements. Management's ability to predict results or the effect of future plans or strategies is inherently uncertain. A variety of factors may affect the operations, performance, business strategy and results of the Company, including, but not limited to the following:

Risk from changes in economic, monetary policy, and industry conditions;

Changes in interest rates, shape of the yield curve, deposit rates, the net interest margin and funding sources;

Market risk (including net income at risk analysis and economic value of equity risk analysis) and inflation;

Risk inherent in making loans including repayment risks and changes in the value of collateral;

Loan growth, the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses, provisions for loan losses, and the assessment of problem loans;

Level, composition, and re-pricing characteristics of the securities portfolio;

Deposit growth, change in the mix or type of deposit products and services;

Continued availability of senior management;

Technological changes;

Ability to control expenses;

Changes in compensation;

Risks associated with income taxes including potential for adverse adjustments;

Changes in accounting policies and practices;

Changes in regulatory actions, including the potential for adverse adjustments;

Recently enacted or proposed legislation;

Current disarray in the financial service industry.

Such forward looking statements speak only as of the date on which such statements are made and shall be deemed to be updated by any future filings made by the Company with the SEC. The Company will undertake no obligation to update any forward looking statement after the date on which such statement is made to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. In addition, certain statements in future filings by the Company with the SEC, in press releases, and in oral and written statements made by or with the approval of the Company, which are not statements of historical fact, constitute forward looking statements.

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**OVERVIEW**

Bank of South Carolina Corporation (the Company) is a financial institution holding company headquartered in Charleston, South Carolina, with \$243.7 million in assets as of December 31, 2008 and net income of \$783,862 and \$2,939,297, respectively, for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2008. The Company offers a broad range of financial services through its wholly-owned subsidiary, The Bank of South Carolina (the Bank). The Bank is a state-chartered commercial bank which operates principally in the Charleston, Dorchester and Berkeley counties of South Carolina. The Bank's original and current business plan is to be a full service financial institution specializing in personal service, responsiveness, attention to detail, and long standing relationships.

The following is a discussion of the Company's financial condition and the results of operations as of December 31, 2008 as compared to December 31, 2007 and December 31, 2007 as compared to December 31, 2006. The discussion and analysis identifies significant factors that have affected the Company's financial position and operating results and should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the related notes included in this report.

The Company derives most of its income from interest on loans and investments (interest bearing assets). The primary source of funding for making these loans and investments is the Company's deposits (interest bearing liabilities). One of the key measures of the Company's success is the net interest spread which depends upon the volume and rates associated with interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities.

There are risks inherent in all loans; therefore, the Company maintains an allowance for loan losses to absorb estimated losses on existing loans that may become uncollectible. For a detailed discussion on the allowance for loan losses see Provision for Loan Losses .

The Company's results of operations depend not only on the level of its net interest income from loans and investments, but also on its non-interest income and its operating expenses. Net interest income depends upon the volumes, rates and mix associated with interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities which result in the net interest spread. The Company's net interest margin for the twelve months ended December 31, 2008 was 4.71% compared to 5.13% for the twelve months ended December 31, 2007. Non-interest income includes fees and other expenses charged to customers. A more detailed discussion of interest income, non-interest income and operating expenses follows.

**CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Company's significant accounting policies are set forth in Note One of the consolidated financial statements. Of these policies, the Company considers its policy regarding the allowance for loan losses to be its most subjective accounting policy due to the significant degree of management judgement. The Company has developed what it believes to be appropriate policies and procedures for assessing the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses, recognizing that this process requires a number of assumptions and estimates with respect to its loan portfolio. The Company's assessments may be impacted in future periods by changes in economic conditions, the impact of regulatory examinations and the discovery of information with respect to borrowers which were not known by management at the time of the issuance of the consolidated financial statements. For additional discussion concerning the Company's allowance for loan losses and related matters, see Allowance for Loan Losses .



**Table of Contents****COMPARISON OF THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008 TO DECEMBER 31, 2007**

Net income decreased \$891,947 from \$3,831,244 for the year ended December 31, 2007, to \$2,939,297 for the year ended December 31, 2008, a decrease of 23.28%. Basic and diluted earnings per share decreased from \$.97 and \$.96, respectively in 2007 to \$.74 and \$.74, respectively for the year ended December 31, 2008. The decrease in net income is primarily due to a decrease in interest and fees on loans and a decrease in interest on federal funds sold.

Net interest income, the major component of the Company's net income, decreased 10.39% to \$10,268,042 for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$11,459,092 for the year ended December 31, 2007. Total interest and fee income decreased 26.30% or \$4,335,358, to \$12,146,820 for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$16,482,178 for the year ended December 31, 2007. This decrease is due to a decrease in interest and fees on loans and a decrease in interest on federal funds sold. Recent decreases in the Federal Reserve short-term rates and the resulting decrease in the yields generated on earning assets (from variable rate loan repricing and new loans at lower rates) contributed to this decrease. Total interest and fees on loans decreased \$3,350,564 or 24.69% to \$10,219,052 for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$13,569,616 for the year ended December 31, 2007. Interest on federal funds sold decreased \$800,790 or 71.53% to \$318,695 for the year ended December 31, 2008. As of December 31, 2008, the federal funds target rate, the rate at which banks lend balances at the Federal Reserve to other depository institutions (federal funds sold), was .25%. The federal funds target rate at December 31, 2007 was 4.25%. Net interest income depends upon the volume of and rates associated with interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities, which result in net interest spread. The average net interest spread increased from 4.12% at December 31, 2007 to 4.30% for the year ended December 31, 2008.

Average interest earning assets decreased \$5,271,359, from \$223,374,085 for the year ended December 31, 2007 to \$218,102,726 for the year ended December 31, 2008. This decrease was primarily due to a decrease in the average balances of federal funds sold of \$8,072,909 and investment securities available for sale of \$1,600,180. Average loans including mortgage loans held for sale increased \$3,898,885, offsetting the decrease in average federal funds sold. The yield on interest earning assets decreased 181 basis points between periods to 5.57% for the year ended December 31, 2008, from 7.38 for the year ended December 31, 2007. This decrease is primarily due to the decrease in the yield on average loans of 222 basis points and the decrease of 291 basis points on federal funds sold to 6.16% and 2.05%, respectively. Average interest bearing liabilities decreased \$6,185,251 to \$147,787,052 for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$153,972,303 for the year ended December 31, 2007. This decrease is primarily due to a decrease in average transaction accounts and average savings accounts. Average interest-bearing transaction accounts decreased \$2,866,890 and average savings accounts decreased \$2,130,883 for the year ended December 31, 2008. The yield on average transaction accounts and average savings accounts at December 31, 2008 was .57% and .61%, respectively, compared to 2.82% and 2.59%, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2007. The yield on average interest bearing liabilities of 1.27% at December 31, 2008 is a decrease of 199 basis points from 3.26% at December 31, 2007.

Total interest expense decreased \$3,144,308 or 62.60% to \$1,878,778 for the year ended December 31, 2008 from \$5,023,086 for the year ended December 31, 2007. The decrease in interest expense is primarily due to the decrease in the average cost of deposits. As noted above average interest bearing liabilities decreased \$6,185,251 for the year ended December 31, 2008. Interest expense on deposit accounts decreased \$3,113,269 or 62.48% to \$1,869,655 for the year ended December 31, 2008, from \$4,982,924 for the year ended December 31, 2007.

Total provision for loan losses for the year ended December 31, 2008 was \$192,000 compared to \$40,000 for the year ended December 31, 2007. Management believes the allowance for loan losses at December 31, 2008, is adequate to cover estimated losses in the loan portfolio; however, assessing the adequacy of the allowance is a process that requires considerable judgment. Management's judgments are based on numerous assumptions about current events which it believes to be reasonable, but which may or may not be valid. Thus there can be no assurance that loan losses in future periods will not exceed the current allowance amount or that future increases in the allowance will not be required. No assurance can be given that management's ongoing evaluation of the loan portfolio in light of changing economic conditions and other relevant circumstances will not require significant future additions to the allowance, thus adversely affecting the operating results of the Company.



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The Allowance is also subject to examination testing by regulatory agencies, which may consider such factors as the methodology used to determine adequacy and the size of the Allowance relative to that of peer institutions, and other adequacy tests. In addition, such regulatory agencies could require the Company to adjust its Allowance based on information available to them at the time of their examination. For further discussion, see *Non Accrual and Past Due Loans* and *Allowance for Loan Losses* .

The methodology used to determine the reserve for unfunded lending commitments, which is included in other liabilities, is inherently similar to that used to determine the allowance for loan losses described above adjusted for factors specific to binding commitments, including the probability of funding and historical loss ratio. During the third quarter of the year ended December 31, 2007, Management determined that \$20,796 of the allowance for loan loss represented the reserve for unfunded lending commitments and as such this amount was moved from the allowance for loan loss to the allowance for unfunded loans and commitments. In addition \$1,507 was added to the provision of unfunded loans and commitments, for the year ending December 31, 2007, based on the methodology referred to above. During the year ended December 31, 2008, the provision for unfunded commitments was decreased by \$1,478 bringing the balance to \$20,825 at December 31, 2008.

Total non interest income decreased \$71,015 or 4.60% to \$1,472,854 for the year ended December 31, 2008 from \$1,543,869 for the year ended December 31, 2007. This decrease was primarily due to a decrease of \$82,628 or 14.89% in mortgage banking income. The decrease in mortgage banking income is the result of the slowdown in the real estate market locally and nationally. Mortgage loan origination fees and discount fees earned decreased from \$534,395 for the year ended December 31, 2007 to \$311,130 for the year ended December 31, 2008, a decrease of 41.78%.

During the year ended December 31, 2007, a security was sold at a gain of \$69,792, whereas during the year ended December 31, 2008 a municipal bond was sold at a loss of \$238, resulting in a decrease of \$70,030 or 100.34% in other income.

Service charges, fees and commissions increased \$95,145 or 10.85% from \$877,155 for the year ended December 31, 2007 to \$972,300. This increase resulted primarily from an increase in service charges on business accounts of \$65,821 and an increase of \$25,133 in overdraft fees. The increase in service charges on business accounts is due to a decrease in the earnings credit and the decrease in average balances maintained.

Banking overhead increased \$96,240 or 1.36% to \$7,181,641 for the year ended December 31, 2008 from \$7,085,401 for the year ended December 31, 2007. Other operating expenses increased \$103,679 or 6.65% to \$1,663,891 for the year ended December 31, 2008 from \$1,560,212 for the year ended December 31, 2007. This increase is primarily due to the increase in professional fees and insurance paid to the FDIC which increased \$58,727 and \$63,304, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2008. Professional audit and legal fees increased \$36,603 due to compliance with Sarbanes Oxley. The increase in insurance paid to the FDIC is due to the FDIC Insurance Reform Legislation. This Legislation allows the FDIC to price deposit insurance according to risk for all insured institutions regardless of the level of the reserve ratio. In 2007 the Company had a credit with the FDIC that was used toward payment of this assessment. These increases were offset by a decrease in salaries and employee benefits of \$13,441 due to non replacement of employees who terminated with the Bank during 2008.

Income tax expense decreased \$618,358 or 30.22% to \$1,427,958 for the year ended December 31, 2008 from \$2,046,316 for the year ended December 31, 2007. The company's effective tax rate was approximately 32.70% for the year ended December 31, 2008 compared to 34.82% for the year ended December 31, 2007.

**Table of Contents****COMPARISON OF THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007 TO DECEMBER 31, 2006**

Net income decreased \$97,019 from \$3,928,263 for the year ended December 31, 2006, to \$3,831,244 for the year ended December 31, 2007, a decrease of 2.47%. Basic and diluted earnings per share decreased from \$1.01 and \$1.00, respectively, for 2006 to \$.97 and \$.96, respectively for the year ended December 31, 2007. The decrease in net income is primarily due to an increase in other operating expenses. Sundry losses increased \$15,586. During 2007, the Company suffered a loss due to a robbery at its Summerville Branch. Additional operating expenses that increased were check and ACH clearing fees by \$10,838, data processing fees by \$9,682, contributions by \$16,234 and professional audit and legal fees increased \$10,982 and \$19,041, respectively.

Net interest and fee income decreased .13% to \$11,459,092 in 2007 from \$11,473,466 in 2006. Net interest income depends upon the volume of and rates associated with interest earning assets and interest bearing liabilities, which result in the net interest spread. The average net interest spread decreased from 4.26% for the year ended December 31, 2006, to 4.12% for the year ended December 31, 2007. Average interest bearing assets increased \$4,483,769 to \$223,374,085 for the year ended December 31, 2007, from \$218,890,316 in 2006. This increase was primarily due to an increase in average loans, including mortgage loans held for sale, and an increase in average federal funds sold. Average loans including mortgage loans held for sale increased \$2,347,751 to \$162,006,962 for the year ended December 31, 2007, from \$159,659,211 in 2006. Average federal funds sold increased \$2,655,684 to \$22,548,768 for the year ended December 31, 2007, compared to \$19,893,084 for the year ended December 31, 2006. The yield on average loans of 8.38% for the year ended December 31, 2007, remained the same as the yield for the year ended December 31, 2006. Average interest bearing liabilities increased \$3,934,744 to \$153,972,303 for the year ended December 31, 2007 compared to \$150,037,559 in 2006. This increase is primarily due to an increase in average transaction accounts and time deposits offset by a decrease in average savings accounts. Average interest-bearing transaction accounts and average time deposits increased \$1,243,331 and \$4,950,835, respectively. Average savings accounts decreased \$2,384,977 for the year ended December 31, 2007. The yield on average interest bearing liabilities increased from 3.13% for the year ended December 31, 2006, to 3.26% for the year ended December 31, 2007. The net interest margin decreased from 5.24% for the year ended December 31, 2006, to 5.13% for the year ended December 31, 2007.

Total interest and fee income earned on interest bearing assets increased \$312,220 to \$16,482,178 for the year ended December 31, 2007, from \$16,169,958 for the year ended December 31, 2006. As noted above average loans increased \$2,347,751. As a result interest and fees earned on loans increased \$199,672 or 1.49% to \$13,569,616 for the year ended December 31, 2007 from \$13,369,944 in 2006. The increase on average federal funds sold led to an increase of \$132,313 in interest earned to \$1,119,485 for the year ended December 31, 2007, from \$987,172 for the year ended December 31, 2006. Interest and dividends on investment securities decreased \$19,765 to \$1,793,077 for the year ended December 31, 2007, from \$1,812,842 in 2006. The decrease in interest and dividends on investment securities is primarily due to a decline in average investments which resulted from the sale of investment securities, decreasing the average investment securities by \$519,784. A gain of \$69,792 was recognized on the sale of the investment securities compared to a loss on sale of securities of \$22,950 in 2006.

Total interest expense increased \$326,594 or 6.95% to \$5,023,086 from \$4,696,492. As noted above average time deposits increased \$4,950,835 to \$40,580,931 for the year ended December 31, 2007, from \$35,630,096 for the year ended December 31, 2006. This resulted in an increase of \$378,480 in the cost paid on time deposits. The cost on average interest bearing liabilities increased from 3.13% for the year ended December 31, 2006, to 3.26% for the year ended December 31, 2007.

During the third quarter of 2007, the methodology used by management in the analysis of the allowance for loan losses (the Allowance ) was modified to conform to regulatory guidance. The new methodology is discussed more fully in Allowance for Loan Losses . Total provision for loan losses for the year ended December 31, 2007 was \$40,000 compared to \$240,000 for the year ended December 31, 2006. Management believes the allowance for loan losses at December 31, 2007, is adequate to cover estimated losses in the loan portfolio; however, assessing the adequacy of the allowance is a process that requires considerable judgment. Management's judgments are based on numerous assumptions about current events which it believes to be reasonable, but which may or may not be valid. Thus there can be no assurance that loan losses in future periods will not



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exceed the current allowance amount or that future increases in the allowance will not be required. No assurance can be given that management's ongoing evaluation of the loan portfolio in light of changing economic conditions and other relevant circumstances will not require significant future additions to the allowance, thus adversely affecting the operating results of the Company.

The Allowance is also subject to examination testing by regulatory agencies, which may consider such factors as the methodology used to determine adequacy and the size of the Allowance relative to that of peer institutions, and other adequacy tests. In addition, such regulatory agencies could require the Company to adjust its Allowance based on information available to them at the time of their examination. For further discussion, see Non Accrual and Past Due Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses .

The methodology used to determine the reserve for unfunded lending commitments, which is included in other liabilities, is inherently similar to that used to determine the allowance for loan losses described above adjusted for factors specific to binding commitments, including the probability of funding and historical loss ratio. During the third quarter of the year ended December 31, 2007, Management determined that \$20,796 of the allowance for loan loss represented the reserve for unfunded lending commitments. This amount was moved from the allowance for loan loss to the allowance for unfunded loans and commitments. In addition \$1,507 was added to the provision of unfunded loans and commitments, for the year ending December 31, 2007, based on the methodology referred to above.

Total non interest income increased \$76,476 or 5.21% to \$1,543,869 for the year ended December 31, 2007, from \$1,467,393 at December 31, 2006. This increase was primarily due to a gain of \$69,792 on the sale of securities. During 2006 there was a loss of \$22,950 on the sale of securities which makes the total increase due to the gain in 2007, \$92,742 or 404.10%. This increase was offset by a decrease in mortgage banking income of \$35,378 or 5.99%. This decrease is primarily due to the slow down in the real estate market.

Banking overhead increased \$381,685 or 5.69% to \$7,085,401 for the year ended December 31, 2007 from \$6,703,716 for the year ended December 31, 2006. This increase was primarily due to an increase in salaries and employee benefits and net occupancy expense as well as other operating expenses. Salaries and employee benefits increased \$173,829 or 4.34% to \$4,181,712 for the year ended December 31, 2007 from \$4,007,883 for the year ended December 31, 2006. Salaries increased \$182,071 or 5.60% due to annual merit increases and the hiring of a loan officer. Insurance increased \$25,572 and payroll taxes increased \$17,384. These increases were offset by a \$60,000 decrease in the ESOP contribution. Total occupancy expense increased \$114,074 or 9.29% to \$1,341,970 for the year ended December 31, 2007 from \$1,227,896 for the year ended December 31, 2006. Insurance on the properties increased \$52,198 or 109.79% to \$99,740 for the year ended December 31, 2007 from \$47,542 for the year ended December 31, 2006. In addition, rent on the buildings increased \$15,188 or 3.95%, property taxes increased \$13,049 or 15.18% and depreciation on furniture fixtures and equipment increased \$19,281 or 11.82%. Other operating expenses increased \$92,275 or 6.29% to \$1,560,212 for the year ended December 31, 2007 from \$1,467,937 in 2006. This increase included \$19,041 in legal fees and \$10,982 in audit fees, which included an increase due to compliance with Sarbanes Oxley. Data processing fees increased \$9,682, check and ACH clearing fees increased \$10,838, contributions increased \$16,234 and sundry losses increased \$15,586.

Income tax expense decreased \$22,564 or 1.09% to \$2,046,316 for the year ended December 31, 2007 from \$2,068,880 for the year ended December 31, 2006. The Company's effective tax rate was approximately 34.82% for the year ended December 31, 2007 compared to 34.50% for the year ended December 31, 2006.

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**Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk**

**ASSET AND LIABILITY MANAGEMENT**

The assets and liabilities of the Company are managed to provide a consistent level of liquidity to accommodate normal fluctuations in loans and deposits. At year end 2008, total assets were \$243,665,930 an increase of 8.22% from year end 2007, total deposits were \$214,786,515, an increase of 8.84% from the end of the previous year, while short-term borrowings, consisting of Demand Notes Issued to U.S. Treasury, increased \$72,127 or 7.77% to \$1,000,000 for the year ended December 31, 2008 from \$927,873 for the year ended December 31, 2007.

At December 31, 2008, approximately 96.36% of the Company's assets were earning assets composed of U.S. Treasury, Government Sponsored Enterprises and Municipal Securities in the amount of \$37,896,250, Federal Funds Sold and interest bearing deposits in other banks in the amount of \$13,360,515 and total loans including mortgage loans held for sale in the amount of \$183,538,172.

The yield on a majority of the Company's earning assets adjusts simultaneously with changes in the general level of interest rates. Some of the Company's liabilities are issued with fixed terms and can be repriced only at maturity. During 2004 deposits grew at a faster rate than loans and the net interest margin decreased 43 basis points from January to December. In 2005 the Bank's loans grew 23.42% compared to an increase of 10.49% in deposits. As a result the net interest margin increased 65 basis points to 4.58% at December 31, 2005 compared to 3.93% for the year ended December 31, 2004. In 2006, net interest margin increased 66 basis points to 5.24% for the year ended December 31, 2006, from 4.58% at December 31, 2005, as a result of an increase in loan growth. The Bank's net interest margin decreased 11 basis points from 5.24% at December 31, 2006 to 5.13% at December 31, 2007 due to a decrease in interest rates and a decrease in loan growth. During the year ended December 31, 2008 the net interest margin decreased from 5.13% for the year ended December 31, 2007 to 4.71%.

**MARKET RISK**

Market risk is the risk of loss from adverse changes in market prices and rates. For the Company, this risk is constituted primarily of interest rate risk in its lending and investing activities as they relate to their funding by deposit and borrowing activities.

The Bank's policy is to minimize interest rate risk between interest bearing assets and liabilities at various maturities and to attempt to maintain an asset positive position over a 6 month period. In adhering to this policy, unless there is a sudden extraordinary drop in the interest rate, it is anticipated that the Bank's net interest margins will not be materially affected by changes in interest rates. The average net interest rate spread for 2008 increased to 4.30% from 4.12% for 2007 and the average net interest margin for 2008 decreased to 4.71% from 5.13% for 2007. Management will continue to monitor its asset sensitive position.

Since the rates on most of the Bank's interest bearing liabilities can vary on a daily basis, management continues to maintain a loan portfolio priced predominately on a variable rate basis; however, in an effort to protect future earnings in a declining rate environment, the Bank offers certain fixed rates and terms primarily associated with real estate transactions. The Bank seeks stable, long-term deposit relationships to fund its loan portfolio.

At December 31, 2008, the average maturity of the investment portfolio was 2 years 7.4 months with an average yield of 4.38% compared to 2 year 9.2 months with an average yield of 4.51% at December 31, 2007.

The Company does not take foreign exchange or commodity risks. In addition the Company does not own mortgage-backed securities, nor does it have any exposure to the sub-prime market or any other distressed debt instruments.

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The following table summarizes the Bank's interest sensitivity position as of December 31, 2008:

	<b>1 Day</b>	<b>Less Than 3 Months</b>	<b>3 Months to Less Than 6 Months</b>	<b>6 Months to Less Than 1 Year</b>	<b>1 Year to Less Than 5 Years</b>	<b>5 years or More</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Estimated Fair Value</b>
<b>Earning Assets (in 000 s)</b>								
Loans (1)	\$ 124,143	\$ 12,601	\$ 7,639	\$ 5,373	\$ 33,549	\$ 298	\$ 183,603	\$ 189,497
Investment securities		830		9,864	18,711	7,068	36,473	37,896
Short term investments	8						8	8
Federal funds sold	13,352						13,352	13,352
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 137,503</b>	<b>\$ 13,431</b>	<b>\$ 7,639</b>	<b>\$ 15,237</b>	<b>\$ 52,260</b>	<b>\$ 7,366</b>	<b>\$ 233,436</b>	<b>\$ 240,753</b>
<b>Interest Bearing Liabilities (in 000 s)</b>								
CD's and other time deposits 100,000 and over	\$	\$ 15,570	\$ 7,928	\$ 3,308	\$ 551	\$	\$ 27,357	\$ 27,452
CD's and other time deposits under 100,000	112	6,949	3,501	3,575	1,561		15,698	15,829
Money market and interest bearing demand accounts	110,782						110,782	110,782
Savings	8,290						8,290	8,290
Short term borrowings	1,000						1,000	1,000
	\$ 120,184	\$ 22,519	\$ 11,429	\$ 6,883	\$ 2,112	\$	\$ 163,127	\$ 163,343
<b>Net</b>	<b>\$ 17,319</b>	<b>\$ (9,088)</b>	<b>\$ (3,790)</b>	<b>\$ 8,354</b>	<b>\$ 50,148</b>	<b>\$ 7,366</b>	<b>\$ 70,309</b>	<b>\$ 77,410</b>
<b>Cumulative</b>		<b>\$ 8,231</b>	<b>\$ 4,441</b>	<b>\$ 12,795</b>	<b>\$ 62,943</b>	<b>\$ 70,309</b>		

(1) Including mortgage loans held for sale.



Excluding  
deferred fees.

### LIQUIDITY

Historically, the Company has maintained its liquidity at levels believed by management to be adequate to meet requirements of normal operations, potential deposit outflows and strong loan demand and still allow for optimal investment of funds and return on assets. The following table summarizes future contractual obligations as of December 31, 2008:

		<b>Payment Due by Period</b>		
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Less than 1 Year</b>	<b>1-5 Years</b>	<b>After 5 Years</b>
<b>Contractual Obligations (in 000 s)</b>				
Time deposits	\$43,055	\$40,943	\$2,112	\$
Short-term borrowings	1,000	1,000		
Operating leases	3,645	462	1,738	1,445
Total contractual cash obligations	\$47,700	\$42,405	\$3,850	\$1,445

The Bank manages its assets and liabilities to ensure that there is sufficient liquidity to enable management to fund deposit withdrawals, loan demand, capital expenditures, reserve requirements, operating expenses, dividends and to manage daily operations on an ongoing basis. Funds are primarily provided by the Bank through customer s deposits, principal and interest payments on loans, mortgage loan sales, the sale or maturity of securities, temporary investments and earnings.

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Proper liquidity management is crucial to ensure that the Company is able to take advantage of new business opportunities as well as meet the demands of its customers. Investment securities are an important tool in the Company's liquidity management. Securities classified as available for sale, which are not pledged, may be sold in response to changes in interest rates, liquidity needs and/or significant prepayment risk. A significant portion of the Company's securities are pledged as collateral for TT&L borrowings and public funds deposits. All of the securities presently owned by the Bank are classified as Available for Sale. Net cash provided by operations and deposits from customers have been the primary sources of liquidity for the Company. At December 31, 2008, the Bank had unused short-term lines of credit totaling approximately \$18,000,000 (which are withdrawable at the lender's option). Management believes that these sources, including the Federal Reserve Discount Window, are adequate to meet its liquidity needs. Liquidity at the Company level is provided through cash dividends from the Bank and the capacity of the Company to raise additional borrowed funds as needed.

**Composition of Average Assets**

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Loans (1)	\$ 165,905,847	\$ 162,006,962	\$ 159,659,211	\$ 147,844,856	\$ 123,923,761
Investment securities available for sale	37,210,126	38,810,306	39,330,090	38,596,553	34,808,745
Federal funds sold and other investments	14,986,753	22,556,817	19,901,015	26,117,322	20,439,351
Non-earning assets	10,884,963	12,645,100	13,367,186	13,380,926	12,862,545
Total average assets	\$ 228,987,689	\$ 236,019,185	\$ 232,257,502	\$ 225,939,657	\$ 192,034,402

(1) Including mortgage loans held for sale

Average earning assets decreased by \$5,271,359 from 2007 to 2008. Average earning assets decreased primarily as a result of a decrease in average federal funds sold. Average federal funds sold decreased \$8,072,909 or 35.81% from \$22,548,768 at December 31, 2007 to \$14,475,859 at December 31, 2008.

**ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET INTEREST INCOME**

The following table shows changes in interest income and expense based upon changes in volume and changes in rates:

	2008 vs. 2007			2007 vs. 2006			2006 vs. 2005		
	Volume	Rate	Net Dollar Change (1)	Volume	Rate	Net Dollar Change (1)	Volume	Rate	Net Dollar Change (1)
Loans (2)	\$ 319,364	\$ (3,669,928)	\$ (3,350,564)	\$ 196,646	\$ 3,026	\$ 199,672	\$ 870,323	\$ 2,198,109	\$ 3,068,432
Investment securities available for sale	(72,076)	(111,928)	(184,004)	(24,006)	4,241	(19,765)	24,094	543,643	567,737
Federal funds sold and other investments	(289,842)	(510,948)	(800,790)	131,835	478	132,313	(232,314)	382,555	150,241

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Interest Income	\$ (42,554)	\$ (4,292,804)	\$ (4,335,358)	\$ 304,475	\$ 7,745	\$ 312,220	\$ 662,103	\$ 3,124,307	\$ 3,786,410
Interest-bearing transaction accounts	\$ (78,764)	\$ (2,224,793)	\$ (2,303,557)	\$ 35,140	\$ (9,146)	\$ 25,994	\$ 94,708	\$ 1,133,240	\$ 1,227,948
Savings	(46,710)	(184,617)	(231,327)	(62,831)	(21,002)	(83,833)	14,469	162,438	176,907
Time deposits	(41,587)	(536,798)	(578,385)	213,789	164,691	378,480	2,463	627,862	630,325
Federal funds purchased	64	0	64	0	0	0	(825)	0	(825)
Demand notes issued to U.S. Treasury	(9,429)	(21,674)	(31,103)	6,029	(76)	5,953	4,052	11,887	15,939
Interest expense	\$ (176,426)	\$ (2,967,882)	\$ (3,144,308)	\$ 192,127	\$ 134,467	\$ 326,594	\$ 114,867	\$ 1,935,427	\$ 2,050,294
Increase (decrease) in net interest income			\$ (1,191,050)			\$ (14,374)			\$ 1,736,116

(1) Volume/Rate changes have been allocated to each category based on the percentage of each to the total change.

(2) Including mortgage loans held for sale

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	2008			2007			2006		
	Average	Interest	Average	Average	Interest	Average	Average	Interest	Average
	Balance	Paid/ Earned	Yield/ Rate (1)	Balance	Paid/ Earned	Yield/ Rate (1)	Balance	Paid/ Earned	Yield/ Rate (1)
<b>Interest-Earning Assets</b>									
Loans (2)	\$ 165,905,847	\$ 10,219,052	6.16%	\$ 162,006,962	\$ 13,569,616	8.38%	\$ 159,659,211	\$ 13,369,944	8.38%
Investment securities available for sale	37,210,126	1,609,073	4.32%	38,810,306	1,793,077	4.62%	39,330,090	1,812,842	4.61%
Federal funds sold	14,475,859	296,145	2.05%	22,548,768	1,119,366	4.96%	19,893,084	987,054	4.96%
Other investments	510,894	22,550	4.41%	8,049	119	1.49%	7,931	118	1.49%
Total earning assets	\$ 218,102,726	\$ 12,146,820	5.57%	\$ 223,374,085	\$ 16,482,178	7.38%	\$ 218,890,316	\$ 16,169,958	7.39%
<b>Interest-Bearing Liabilities:</b>									
Interest bearing transaction accounts	\$ 98,697,073	\$ 564,989	.57%	\$ 101,563,963	\$ 2,868,546	2.82%	\$ 100,320,632	\$ 2,842,552	2.83%
Savings	8,860,083	53,701	.61%	10,990,966	285,028	2.59%	13,375,943	368,861	2.76%
Time deposits	39,638,075	1,250,965	3.16%	40,580,931	1,829,350	4.51%	35,630,096	1,450,870	4.07%
Federal funds purchased	2,732	64	2.34%						
Demand notes issued to U.S. Treasury	589,089	9,059	1.54%	836,443	40,162	4.80%	710,888	34,209	4.81%
Total interest bearing liabilities	\$ 147,787,052	\$ 1,878,778	1.27%	\$ 153,972,303	\$ 5,023,086	3.26%	\$ 150,037,559	\$ 4,696,492	3.13%
Net interest spread			4.30%			4.12%			4.26%
Net interest margin			4.71%			5.13%			5.24%
Net interest income		\$ 10,268,042			\$ 11,459,092			\$ 11,473,466	

(1)

The effect of forgone interest income as a result of non-accrual loans was not considered in the above analysis.

- (2) Average loan balances include non-accrual loans and mortgage loans held for sale.

#### INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

The following is a schedule of the Bank's investment portfolio as of December 31, 2008, as compared to December 31, 2007, and December 31, 2007 to December 31, 2006:

	DECEMBER 31, 2008			ESTIMATED FAIR VALUE
	AMORTIZED COST	GROSS UNREALIZED GAINS	GROSS UNREALIZED LOSSES	
U.S. Treasury Notes	\$ 2,964,269	\$ 262,137	\$	\$ 3,226,406
Government-Sponsored Enterprises	21,018,811	998,158		22,016,968
Municipal Securities	12,489,652	183,123	19,899	12,652,876
Total	\$ 36,472,731	\$ 1,443,418	\$ 19,899	\$ 37,896,250

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	<b>DECEMBER 31, 2007</b>			<b>ESTIMATED</b>
	<b>AMORTIZED</b>	<b>GROSS</b>	<b>GROSS</b>	<b>FAIR</b>
	<b>COST</b>	<b>UNREALIZED</b>	<b>UNREALIZED</b>	<b>VALUE</b>
		<b>GAINS</b>	<b>LOSSES</b>	
U.S. Treasury Bills	\$ 2,948,002	\$ 148,091	\$	\$ 3,096,093
Government-Sponsored Enterprises	21,873,129	466,859		22,339,988
Municipal Securities	10,336,322	89,464	21,848	10,403,938
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 35,157,453</b>	<b>\$ 704,414</b>	<b>\$ 21,848</b>	<b>\$ 35,840,019</b>

	<b>DECEMBER 31, 2006</b>			<b>ESTIMATED</b>
	<b>AMORTIZED</b>	<b>GROSS</b>	<b>GROSS</b>	<b>FAIR</b>
	<b>COST</b>	<b>UNREALIZED</b>	<b>UNREALIZED</b>	<b>VALUE</b>
		<b>GAINS</b>	<b>LOSSES</b>	
U.S. Treasury Bills	\$ 5,968,555	\$ 8,045	\$	\$ 5,976,600
Other U.S. Treasury Obligations	5,869,713	61,287		5,931,000
Government-Sponsored Enterprises	23,798,027	64,356	69,083	23,793,300
Municipal Securities	5,228,611	29,344	61,000	5,196,955
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 40,864,906</b>	<b>\$ 163,032</b>	<b>\$ 130,083</b>	<b>\$ 40,897,855</b>

The Bank's investment portfolio had a weighted average yield of 4.38%, 4.51% and 4.69% at December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

**LOAN PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION**

The following is a schedule of the Bank's loan portfolio, excluding mortgage loans held for sale, as of December 31, 2008, as compared to December 31, 2007, 2006, 2005 and 2004:

<b>Type</b>	<b>Book Value (in 000 s)</b>				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Commercial and industrial loans	\$ 46,840	\$ 51,443	\$ 53,609	\$ 52,373	\$ 44,829
Real estate loans	127,405	98,738	99,932	98,619	76,094
Loans to individuals for household, family and other personal expenditures	5,667	5,507	4,872	4,941	6,256
All other loans (including overdrafts)	226	709	259	170	225
<b>Total Loans (excluding unearned income)</b>	<b>\$ 180,138</b>	<b>\$ 156,397</b>	<b>\$ 158,672</b>	<b>\$ 156,103</b>	<b>\$ 127,404</b>

As a Bank with a mission to serve its community, there is a geographic concentration of loans in Charleston, Dorchester and Berkeley Counties.

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The Bank had no foreign loans or loans to fund leveraged buyouts (LBO s) during 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005 or 2004.

**SELECTED LOAN MATURITY (IN 000 \$)**

Type	One year or less	Over one but less than five years	Over five years	Total
Commercial and industrial loans	\$ 26,283	\$ 16,620	\$ 3,937	\$ 46,840
Real estate loans	41,380	43,550	42,475	127,405
Loans to individuals for household, family and other personal expenditures	2,900	2,412	355	5,667
All other loans (including overdrafts)	160	66		226
Total Loans (excluding unearned income)	\$ 70,723	\$ 62,648	\$ 46,767	\$ 180,138

**IMPAIRED AND RESTRUCTURED LOANS**

The Bank had impaired loans totaling \$1,802,291 as of December 31, 2008 compared to \$882,269, \$10,864, \$80,852 and \$65,751 as of December 31, 2007, 2006, 2005 and 2004, respectively. The impaired loans include non-accrual loans with balances at December 31, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, and 2004 of \$75,486, \$761,748, \$10,864, \$80,852 and \$65,751, respectively. The Bank had no restructured loans at December 31, 2008, one restructured loan at December 31, 2007, in the amount of \$10,567, no restructured loans at December 31, 2006, one restructured loan included in non accrual loans at December 31, 2005 in the amount of \$3,394 and no restructured loans at December 31, 2004. Management does not know of any loans, which will not meet their contractual obligations that are not otherwise discussed herein.

**NON-ACCRUAL AND PAST DUE LOANS**

The Bank had \$75,486 in non-accrual loans as of December 31, 2008, compared to \$761,748, \$10,864, \$80,852 and \$65,751 as of December 31, 2007, 2006, 2005 and 2004, respectively. There were no loans at December 31, 2008 that was over 90 days past due still accruing interest compared to one loan at December 31, 2007 over 90 days past due still accruing interest in the amount of \$1,288.

The accrual of interest is generally discontinued on loans, which become 90 days past due as to principal or interest. The accrual of interest on some loans, however, may continue even though they are 90 days past due if the loans are well secured, in the process of collection, and management deems it appropriate. If non-accrual loans decrease their past due status to 30 days for a period of six months, they are reviewed individually by management to determine if they should be returned to accrual status.

**ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES**

The allowance for loan losses represents management s estimate of probable losses inherent in the loan portfolio. The adequacy of the allowance for loan losses (the Allowance ) is reviewed monthly by the Loan Committee and on a quarterly basis by the Board of Directors. For purposes of this analysis, adequacy is defined as a level sufficient to absorb estimated losses in the loan portfolio as of the balance sheet date presented. The methodology employed for this analysis was modified in the third quarter of 2007 and again in the fourth quarter of 2008 to conform to regulatory guidance. The new methodology is based on a Reserve

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Model that is comprised of the three components listed below.

- 1) Specific Reserve analysis for impaired loans based on SFAS 114 Accounting by Creditors for Impairment of a Loan, an amendment of FASB Statements No. 5 and 15.
- 2) General reserve analysis applying historical loss rates based on SFAS No 5 Accounting for Contingencies.
- 3) Qualitative or environmental factors.

Loans are reviewed for impairment which is measured in accordance with SFAS No. 114 Accounting by Creditors for Impairment of a Loan, an amendment of FASB Statements No. 5 and 15. Impaired loans can either be secured or unsecured, not including large groups of smaller balance loans that are collectively evaluated. Impairment is measured by the difference between the loan amount and the present value of the future cash flow discounted at the loan's effective interest rate, or, alternatively the fair value of the collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. An impaired loan may not represent an expected loss.

A general reserve analysis is performed on individually reviewed loans, but not impaired loans, and excluded individually reviewed impaired loans, based on SFAS No. 5 Accounting for Contingencies. Historical losses are segregated into risk-similar groups and a loss ratio is determined for each group over a five year period. The five year average loss ratio by type is then used to calculate the estimated loss based on the current balance of each group.

Qualitative and environmental factors include external risk factors that Management believes are representative of the overall lending environment of the Bank. Management believes that the following factors create a more comprehensive system of controls in which the Bank can monitor the quality of the loan portfolio.

- 1) Portfolio risk
- 2) National and local economic trends and conditions
- 3) Effects of changes in risk selection and underwriting practices
- 4) Experience, ability and depth of lending management staff
- 5) Industry conditions
- 6) Effects of changes in credit concentrations
- 7) Loan and credit administration risk

Portfolio risk includes the levels and trends in delinquencies, impaired loans and changes in the loan rating matrix, trends in volume and terms of loans and overmargined real estate lending. Management is satisfied with the stability of the past due and non-performing loans and believes there has been no decline in the quality of the loan portfolio due to any trend in delinquent or adversely classified loans. Although the aggregate total of classified loans has increased, Management is confident in the adequacy of the sources of repayment. Sizable unsecured principal balances on a non-amortizing basis are monitored.

Management revised the credit rating matrix in order to rate all extensions of credit providing a more specified picture of the risk each loan poses to the quality of the loan portfolio. There are eight possible ratings based on ten different qualifying characteristics. The ten characteristics are: cash flow, collateral quality, guarantor strength, financial condition, management quality, operating performance, the relevancy of the financial statements, historical loan performance, debt service coverage and the borrower's leverage. A weighted average method is used to determine the loan grade with cash flow and financial statements being weighted double. The matrix is designed to meet management's standards and expectations of loan quality. In addition to the rating matrix, the Company rates its credit exposure on the basis of each loan and the quality of each borrower.

Occasional extensions of credit occur beyond the policy thresholds of the Company's normal collateral advance margins for real estate lending. The aggregate of these loans represents 9.90% of the Company's total loans. These



loans are monitored and the balances reported to the Board every quarter. An excessive level of this practice could result in additional examiner scrutiny, competitive disadvantages and potential losses if forced to convert the collateral. The consideration of overmargined real estate loans directly relates to the capacity of the borrower. Management often requests additional collateral to bring the loan to value ratio within the policy guidelines and also require a strong secondary source of repayment in addition to the primary source of repayment.

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National and local economic trends and conditions are constantly changing and results in both positive and negative impact on borrowers. Most macroeconomic conditions are not controllable by the Company and are incorporated into the qualitative risk factors. Natural disasters, wars and the recent fallout of the subprime lending market as well as problems in the traditional mortgage market are a few of the trends and conditions that are currently affecting our national and local economy.

The quality of the Bank's loan portfolio is contingent upon our risk selection and underwriting practices. Every credit with over \$100,000 in exposure is summarized by the Bank's Credit Department and reviewed by the Loan Committee on a monthly basis. The Board of Directors review credits over \$500,000 monthly with an annual credit analysis conducted on credits in excess of \$350,000 upon the receipt of updated financial information. Prior to any extension of credit, every significant commercial loan goes through sound credit underwriting. The Credit Department conducts detailed cash flow analysis on each proposal using the most current financial information. Relevant trends and ratios are evaluated.

The Bank has over 250 years of lending management experience among nine members of lending staff. In addition to the lending staff the Bank has an Advisory Board for each branch comprised of business and community leaders from the specific branch's market area. Management meets with these boards quarterly to discuss the trends and conditions in each respective market.

There has been an influx of new banks within the Company's geographic area. This increase has decreased the local industry's overall margins as a result of pricing competition. Management believes that the borrowing base of the Bank is well established and therefore unsound price competition is not necessary.

The risk associated with the effects of changes in credit concentration includes loan concentration, geographic concentration and regulatory concentration.

As of December 31, 2008, there were only four Standard Industrial Code groups that comprised more than three percent of the Bank's total outstanding loans. The four groups are non-residential building operations, offices and clinics of doctors, real-estate agents and managers and legal services.

The Company is located along the coast and on an earthquake fault, increasing the chances that a natural disaster may impact the Bank and its borrowers. The Company has a Disaster Recovery Plan in place; however, the amount of time it would take for our customers to return to normal operations is unknown.

Loan and credit administration risk includes collateral documentation, insurance risk and maintaining financial information risk.

The majority of the Bank's loan portfolio is collateralized with a variety of its borrower's assets. The execution and monitoring of the documentation to properly secure the loan lies with the Bank's lenders and Loan Department. The Bank requires insurance coverage naming the Bank as the mortgagee or loss payee. Although insurance risk is also considered collateral documentation risk, the actual coverage, amounts of coverage and increased deductibles are important to management.

Risk includes a function of time and the borrower's financial condition may change; therefore, keeping financial information up to date is important to the Bank. The policy of the Bank is that all new loans, regardless of the customer's history with the Bank, should have updated financial information, as long as exposure is greater than \$10,000.

Based on the evaluation described above, the Company recorded a provision for loan loss of \$192,000 for the year ended December 31, 2008 compared to \$40,000 for the year ended December 31, 2007. At December 31, 2008 the five year average loss ratios were: .051% Commercial, .0352% Consumer, .000% 1-4 Residential, .000% Real Estate Construction and .032% Real Estate Mortgage. At December 31, 2007 the five year average loss ratios were: .024% Commercial, .015% Consumer, .022% 1-4 Residential, .000% Real Estate Construction and .004% Real Estate Mortgage.

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During the year ended December 31, 2008 charge-offs of \$114,313 and recoveries of \$17,049 were recorded to the allowance for loan losses, resulting in an allowance for loan losses of \$1,429,835 or 0.79% of total loans at December 31, 2008, compared to charge-offs of \$29,702 and recoveries of \$50,603 resulting in an allowance for loan losses of \$1,335,099 or .85% of total loans at December 31, 2007.

Net charge-offs were \$97,264 as compared to net recoveries were \$20,901 for the year ended December 31, 2007. Uncertainty in the economic outlook still exists, making charge-off levels in future periods less predictable; however, loss exposure in the portfolio is identified, reserved and closely monitored to ensure that changes are promptly addressed in the analysis of reserve adequacy.

The Company had \$16,387 in unallocated reserves at December 31, 2008 related to other inherent risk in the portfolio compared to unallocated reserves of \$90,046 at December 31, 2007. Management believes the allowance for loan losses at December 31, 2008, is adequate to cover estimated losses in the loan portfolio; however, assessing the adequacy of the allowance is a process that requires considerable judgment. Management's judgments are based on numerous assumptions about current events which it believes to be reasonable, but which may or may not be valid. Thus there can be no assurance that loan losses in future periods will not exceed the current allowance amount or that future increases in the allowance will not be required. No assurance can be given that management's ongoing evaluation of the loan portfolio in light of changing economic conditions and other relevant circumstances will not require significant future additions to the allowance, thus adversely affecting the operating results of the Company. The Allowance is also subject to examination testing by regulatory agencies, which may consider such factors as the methodology used to determine adequacy and the size of the Allowance relative to that of peer institutions, and other adequacy tests. In addition, such regulatory agencies could require the Company to adjust its Allowance based on information available to them at the time of their examination.

The methodology used to determine the reserve for unfunded lending commitments, which is included in other liabilities, is inherently similar to that used to determine the allowance for loan losses described above adjusted for factors specific to binding commitments, including the probability of funding and historical loss ratio. During the third quarter of the year ended December 31, 2007, Management determined that \$20,796 of the allowance for loan loss represented the reserves for unfunded lending commitments. This amount was moved from the allowance for loan loss to the allowance for unfunded loans and commitments. In addition \$1,507 was added to the provision of unfunded loans and commitments, for the year ending December 31, 2007, based on the methodology referred to above with \$1,478 recovered in 2008, leaving a balance of \$20,825 at December 31, 2008.

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	Year Ended December 31,				
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Allowance for loan losses, beginning of year	\$ 1,335,099	\$ 1,294,994	\$ 1,017,175	\$ 1,043,901	\$ 1,169,627
Charge-offs:					
Commercial	34,878	14,535	9,164		89,308
Consumer	3,470	4,336	15,692	45,982	6,457
Real estate	75,965				
Other		10,831		410	2,890
Total charge-offs	114,313	29,702	24,856	46,392	98,655
Recoveries:					
Commercial	10,173	164	50,227	5,461	63,443
Consumer	570	49,756	4,233	2,145	12,486
Real estate	6,306				
Other		683	8,215	60	
Total recoveries	17,049	50,603	62,675	7,666	75,929
Net charge-offs (recoveries)	97,264	(20,901)	(37,819)	38,726	22,726
Additions (recovery) to reserve through provision expense	192,000	40,000	240,000	12,000	(103,000)
Adjustment for unfunded lending commitments		(20,796)			
Allowance for loan losses, end of year	\$ 1,429,835	\$ 1,335,099	\$ 1,294,994	\$ 1,017,175	\$ 1,043,901
Ratio of net charge-offs (recoveries)during the period to average loans outstanding during the period	.059%	(.013)%	(.024)%	.026%	(.083)%
Reserve for unfunded lending commitments	\$ 22,303	\$	\$	\$	\$
Adjustment for unfunded lending commitments		20,796			
(Recovery) provisions for unfunded lending commitments	(1,478)	1,507			
Reserve for unfunded lending commitments, end of year	\$ 20,825	\$ 22,303	\$	\$	\$



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		<b>Less</b>	<b>3 Months to Less</b>	<b>6 Months to Less</b>	<b>1 Year to Less</b>	<b>5 years or More</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>(in 000 s)</b>	<b>1 Day</b>	<b>Than 3 Months</b>	<b>Than 6 Months</b>	<b>Than 1 Year</b>	<b>Than 5 Years</b>		
CD s and other time deposits 100,000 and over	\$	\$15,570	\$7,928	\$3,308	\$ 551	\$	\$27,357
CD s and other time deposits under 100,000	\$112	\$ 6,949	\$3,501	\$3,575	\$1,561	\$	\$15,698

**OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS**

In the normal course of operations, the Company engages in a variety of financial transactions that, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, are not recorded in the financial statements, or are recorded in amounts that differ from the notional amounts. These transactions involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit, interest rate, and liquidity risk. Such transactions are used by the Company for general corporate purposes or for customer needs. Corporate purpose transactions are used to help manage credit, interest rate and liquidity risk or to optimize capital. Customer transactions are used to manage customer s requests for funding.

The Company s off-balance sheet arrangements consist principally of commitments to extend credit described below. The Company estimates probable losses related to binding unfunded lending commitments and records a reserve for unfunded lending commitments in other liabilities on the consolidated balance sheet. At December 31, 2008 the balance of this reserve was \$20,825 compared to \$22,303 at December 31, 2007. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company had no interests in non-consolidated special purpose entities.

Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. The amount of collateral obtained if deemed necessary by the Company upon extension of credit is based on management s credit evaluation of the borrower. Collateral held varies, but may include accounts receivable, negotiable instruments, inventory, property, plant and equipment, and real estate. Commitments to extend credit, including unused lines of credit, amounted to \$42,875,855 and \$43,605,731 at December 31, 2008 and 2007 respectively.

Standby letters of credit represent an obligation of the Company to a third party contingent upon the failure of the Company s customer to perform under the terms of an underlying contract with the third party or obligates the Company to guarantee or stand as surety for the benefit of the third party. The underlying contract may entail either financial or nonfinancial obligations and may involve such things as the shipment of goods, performance of a contract, or repayment of an obligation. Under the terms of a standby letter, drafts will generally be drawn only when the underlying event fails to occur as intended. The Company can seek recovery of the amounts paid from the borrower. The majority of these standby letters of credit are unsecured. Commitments under standby letters of credit are usually for one year or less. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company has recorded no liability for the current carrying amount of the obligation to perform as a guarantor; as such amounts are not considered material. The maximum potential amount of undiscounted future payments related to standby letters of credit at December 31, 2008 and 2007 was \$592,335 and \$1,234,623, respectively.

The Company originates certain fixed rate residential loans and commits these loans for sale. The commitments to originate fixed rate residential loans and the sales commitments are freestanding derivative instruments. The fair value of these commitments was not significant at December 31, 2008 and 2007. The Company had forward sales commitments, totaling \$3,465,222 at December 31, 2008, to sell loans held for sale of \$3,465,222. At December 31,

2007, the Company had forward sales commitments of \$2.0 million. The fair value of these commitments was not significant at December 31, 2008 or 2008. The Company has no embedded derivative instruments requiring separate accounting treatment.

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Once the Company sells certain fixed rate residential loans, the loans are no longer reportable on the Company's balance sheet. With most of these sales, the Company has an obligation to repurchase the loan in the event of a default of principal or interest on the loan. This recourse period ranges from three to six months. The unpaid principal balance of loans sold with recourse was \$12,186,000 at December 31, 2008 and \$28,438,000 at December 31, 2007. As of the year ended December 31, 2008 no loans have been repurchased.

**EFFECT OF INFLATION AND CHANGING PRICES**

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles which require the measurement of financial position and results of operations in terms of historical dollars without consideration of changes in the relative purchasing power over time due to inflation.

Unlike most other industries, the assets and liabilities of financial institutions such as the Bank are primarily monetary in nature. As a result, interest rates generally have a more significant impact on the performance of a financial institution than the effects of general levels of inflation. The Bank strives to manage the effects of inflation through its asset/liability management.

**CAPITAL RESOURCES**

The capital needs of the Company have been met to date through the \$10,600,000 in capital raised in the Bank's initial offering, the retention of earnings less dividends paid and the exercising of stock options of \$124,000 in 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998; \$603,368 in 2006; \$213,680 in 2007; and \$202,829 in 2008, for a total shareholders' equity at December 31, 2008, of \$26,808,064. The rate of asset growth from the Bank's inception has not negatively impacted this capital base. The risk based capital guidelines for financial institutions are designed to highlight differences in risk profiles among financial institutions and to account for off balance sheet risk. The guidelines established require a risk based capital ratio of 8% for bank holding companies and banks. The risk based capital ratio at December 31, 2008, for the Bank was 13.35% and 13.55% at December 31, 2007. The Company's management does not know of any trends, events or uncertainties that may result in the Company's capital resources materially increasing or decreasing. The Company and the Bank are subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by the federal banking agencies. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory and possibly additional discretionary actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a material effect on the financial statements. Under capital adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, the Company and the Bank must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measures of the Company's and the Bank's assets, liabilities and certain off-balance sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. The Company's and the Bank's capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings and other factors.

Quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require the Company and the Bank to maintain minimum amounts and ratios of total and Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets and to average assets. Management believes, as of December 31, 2008, that the Company and the Bank meet all capital adequacy requirements to which they are subject.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company and the Bank are categorized as "well capitalized" under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. To be categorized as "well capitalized" the Company and the Bank must maintain minimum total risk based, Tier 1 risk based and Tier 1 leverage ratios of 10%, 6% and 5%, respectively, and to be categorized as "adequately capitalized," the Company and the Bank must maintain minimum total risk based, Tier 1 risk based and Tier 1 leverage ratios of 8%, 4% and 4%, respectively. There are no current conditions or events that management believes would change the Company's or the Bank's category.

Please see "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements" for the Company's and the Bank's various capital ratios at December 31, 2008.



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**Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data**

**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

The Board of Directors

Bank of South Carolina Corporation and subsidiary

Charleston, South Carolina

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Bank of South Carolina Corporation and subsidiary (the Corporation) as of December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 and the related consolidated statement of operations, shareholders' equity and comprehensive income, and cash flows for each of years in the three year period ended December 31, 2008. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Corporation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Bank of South Carolina Corporation and subsidiary at December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three year period ended December 31, 2008, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We were not engaged to examine management's assertion about the effectiveness of Bank of South Carolina Corporation's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008 included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion thereon.

Elliott Davis, LLC

Columbia, South Carolina

February 24, 2009

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	<b>DECEMBER 31,</b>	
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and due from banks	\$ 6,852,023	\$ 9,716,533
Interest bearing deposits in other banks	8,212	8,109
Federal funds sold	13,352,303	18,357,674
Investment securities available for sale	37,896,250	35,840,019
Mortgage loans to be sold	3,465,222	1,981,018
Loans	180,072,950	156,348,017
Less: Allowance for loan losses	(1,429,835)	(1,335,099)
Net loans	178,643,115	155,012,918
Premises, equipment and leasehold improvements, net	2,424,476	2,619,608
Accrued interest receivable	1,016,659	1,383,598
Other assets	7,670	237,613
Total assets	\$ 243,665,930	\$ 225,157,090
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY</b>		
Liabilities:		
Deposits:		
Non-interest bearing demand	\$ 52,659,020	\$ 58,390,190
Interest bearing demand	46,076,897	45,977,954
Money market accounts	64,705,925	45,677,850
Certificates of deposit \$100,000 and over	27,356,516	22,122,593
Other time deposits	15,697,678	15,448,046
Other savings deposits	8,290,479	9,729,825
Total deposits	214,786,515	197,346,458
Short-term borrowings	1,000,000	927,873
Accrued interest payable and other liabilities	1,071,351	1,190,189
Total liabilities	216,857,866	199,464,520
Commitments and contingencies (note 8)		
Shareholders equity:		
Common stock No par, 12,000,000 shares authorized; Issued 4,176,100 shares at December 31, 2008 and 4,153,485 at December 31, 2007 Shares outstanding 3,976,599 at December 31, 2008 and 3,953,984 at December 31, 2007		

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Additional paid in capital	23,229,045	22,978,812
Retained earnings	4,375,166	3,976,706
Treasury stock; 199,501 shares at December 31, 2008 and 2007	(1,692,964)	(1,692,964)
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of income taxes	896,817	430,016
Total shareholders' equity	26,808,064	25,692,570
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 243,665,930	\$ 225,157,090

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	<b>YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
Interest and fee income			
Interest and fees on loans	\$ 10,219,052	\$ 13,569,616	\$ 13,369,944
Interest and dividends on investment securities	1,609,073	1,793,077	1,812,842
Other interest income	318,695	1,119,485	987,172
Total interest and fee income	12,146,820	16,482,178	16,169,958
Interest expense			
Interest on deposits	1,869,655	4,982,924	4,662,283
Interest on short-term borrowings	9,123	40,162	34,209
Total interest expense	1,878,778	5,023,086	4,696,492
Net interest income	10,268,042	11,459,092	11,473,466
Provision for loan losses	192,000	40,000	240,000
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	10,076,042	11,419,092	11,233,466
Other income			
Service charges, fees and commissions	972,300	877,155	873,901
Mortgage banking income	472,326	554,954	590,332
Other non-interest income	28,466	41,968	26,110
Gain (loss) on sale of securities	(238)	69,792	(22,950)
Total other income	1,472,854	1,543,869	1,467,393
Other expense			
Salaries and employee benefits	4,168,271	4,181,712	4,007,883
Net occupancy expense	1,350,957	1,341,970	1,227,896
Other operating expenses	1,663,891	1,560,212	1,467,937
(Recovery of) provision for unfunded loans and commitments	(1,478)	1,507	
Total other expense	7,181,641	7,085,401	6,703,716
Income before income tax expense	4,367,255	5,877,560	5,997,143
Income tax expense	1,427,958	2,046,316	2,068,880

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Net income	\$ 2,939,297	\$ 3,831,244	\$ 3,928,263
Basic income per common share	\$ 0.74	\$ 0.97	\$ 1.01
Diluted income per common share	\$ 0.74	\$ 0.96	\$ 1.00
Weighted average shares outstanding			
Basic	3,966,193	3,943,067	3,900,707
Diluted	3,977,714	3,971,349	3,945,928

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**BANK OF SOUTH CAROLINA CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY  
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**

	COMMON STOCK	ADDITIONAL PAID IN CAPITAL	RETAINED EARNINGS	TREASURY STOCK	ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)	TOTAL
December 31, 2005	\$	\$ 22,077,627	\$ 1,173,050	\$ (1,692,964)	\$ (51,919)	\$ 21,505,794
Comprehensive income:						
Net income			3,928,263			3,928,263
Net unrealized losses on securities (net of tax effect of \$34,192)					57,530	57,530
Reclassification adjustment for losses included in net income (net of tax effect of \$8,492)					15,147	15,147
Total comprehensive income						4,000,940
Exercise of Stock Options		603,368				603,368
Stock-based compensation expense		38,923				38,923
Cash paid on fractional shares 25% stock dividend			(3,913)			(3,913)
Cash dividends (\$0.67 per common share)			(2,504,681)			(2,504,681)
December 31, 2006	\$	\$ 22,719,918	\$ 2,592,719	\$ (1,692,964)	\$ 20,758	\$ 23,640,431
Comprehensive income:						
Net income			3,831,244			3,831,244
Net unrealized gains on securities (net of tax effect of \$266,181)					453,227	453,227
Reclassification adjustment for gains included in net					(43,969)	(43,969)

income (net of tax effect of \$25,823)

Total comprehensive income 4,240,502

Exercise of Stock Options 213,680 213,680

Stock-based compensation expense 45,214 45,214

Cash dividends (\$0.62 per common share) (2,447,257) (2,447,257)

December 31, 2007 \$ 22,978,812 \$ 3,976,706 \$ (1,692,964) \$ 430,016 \$ 25,692,570

Comprehensive income: Net income 2,939,297 2,939,297

Net unrealized gains on securities (net of tax effect of \$274,065) 466,651 466,651

Reclassification adjustment for losses included in net income (net of tax effect of \$88) 150 150

Total comprehensive income 3,406,098

Exercise of Stock Options 202,829 202,829

Stock-based compensation expense 47,404 47,404

Cash dividends (\$0.64 per common share) (2,540,837) (2,540,837)

December 31, 2008 \$ 23,229,045 \$ 4,375,166 \$ (1,692,964) \$ 896,817 \$ 26,808,064

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.





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OF CASH FLOWS**

	<b>YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income	\$ 2,939,297	\$ 3,831,244	\$ 3,928,263
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation	249,444	267,437	242,239
(Gain) loss on sale of securities	238	(69,792)	22,950
Provision for loan losses	192,000	40,000	240,000
Stock-based compensation expense	47,404	45,214	38,923
Deferred income taxes	(33,458)	(28,504)	(78,356)
Accretion of unearned discounts on investment securities	(17,235)	(75,175)	(201,598)
Origination of mortgage loans held for sale	(39,380,636)	(52,951,007)	(60,843,768)
Proceeds from sale of mortgage loans held for sale	37,896,432	54,930,717	60,213,352
Decrease (increase) in accrued interest receivable and other assets	356,188	204,172	(652,405)
(Decrease) increase in accrued interest payable and other liabilities	(122,456)	(301,996)	203,220
 Net cash provided by operating activities	 2,127,218	 5,892,310	 3,112,820
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Proceeds from calls and maturities of investment securities available for sale	4,455,000	315,000	24,263,906
Purchase of investment securities available for sale	(6,273,281)	(6,449,831)	(28,004,512)
Net decrease (increase) in loans	(23,822,197)	2,248,648	(2,550,403)
Purchase of premises, equipment and leasehold improvements, net	(54,312)	(224,959)	(163,240)
Proceeds from sale of available for sale securities	520,000	11,987,250	2,970,000
 Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	 (25,174,790)	 7,876,108	 (3,484,249)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Net (decrease) increase in deposit accounts	17,440,057	(17,970,443)	17,469,587
Net (decrease) increase in short term borrowings	72,127	(1,784,810)	668,433
Dividends paid	(2,537,219)	(2,757,797)	(2,025,344)
Fractional shares paid			(3,913)
Stock options exercised	202,829	213,680	603,368

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Net cash (used) provided by financing activities	15,177,794	(22,299,370)	16,712,131
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(7,869,778)	(8,530,952)	16,340,702
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	28,082,316	36,613,268	20,272,566
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 20,212,538	\$ 28,082,316	\$ 36,613,268
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow data:			
Cash paid during the year for:			
Interest	\$ 2,035,428	\$ 5,093,366	\$ 4,442,208
Income taxes	\$ 1,442,747	\$ 2,108,204	\$ 2,246,223
Supplemental disclosure for non-cash investing and financing activity:			
Change in unrealized loss on securities available for sale, net of income taxes	\$ 466,801	\$ 409,258	\$ 72,667
Real estate acquired through foreclosure	\$	\$	\$
Change in dividends payable	\$ 3,618	\$ (310,540)	\$ 479,338

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## BANK OF SOUTH CAROLINA CORPORATION NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies used in preparation of the accompanying consolidated financial statements. The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. In addition, they affect the reported amounts of income and expense during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from these estimates and assumptions.

**Principles of Consolidation:** The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Bank of South Carolina Corporation (the Company) and its wholly-owned subsidiary, The Bank of South Carolina (the Bank). In consolidation, all significant intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated. Bank of South Carolina Corporation is a one-bank holding company organized under the laws of the State of South Carolina. The Bank provides a broad range of consumer and commercial banking services, concentrating on individuals and small and medium-sized businesses desiring a high level of personalized service.

The reorganization of the Bank into a one-bank holding company became effective on April 17, 1995. Each issued and outstanding share of the Bank's stock was converted into two shares of the Company's stock.

**Investment Securities:** The Company accounts for its investment securities in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board's (FASB) Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 115, Accounting for Certain Investments in Debt and Equity Securities. Investments are classified into three categories as follows: (1) Held to Maturity debt securities that the Company has the positive intent and ability to hold to maturity, which are reported at amortized cost, adjusted for the amortization of any related premiums or the accretion of any related discounts into interest income using a methodology which approximates a level yield of interest over the estimated remaining period until maturity; (2) Trading debt and equity securities that are bought and held principally for the purpose of selling them in the near term, which are reported at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses included in earnings; and (3) Available for Sale debt and equity securities that may be sold under certain conditions, which are reported at fair value, with unrealized gains and losses excluded from earnings and reported as a separate component of shareholders' equity, net of income taxes. Unrealized losses on securities due to fluctuations in fair value are recognized when it is determined that an other than temporary decline in value has occurred. Gains or losses on the sale of securities are recognized on a specific identification, trade date basis. All securities were classified as available for sale for 2008 and 2007.

**Mortgage Loans to be Sold:** Mortgage loans originated and intended for sale in the secondary market are carried at the lower of cost or estimated market value in the aggregate. Net unrealized losses are provided for in a valuation allowance by charges to operations. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company had approximately \$3.5 million and \$2.0 million in mortgage loans held for sale, respectively. Gains or losses on sales of loans are recognized when control over these assets has been surrendered in accordance with SFAS No. 140, Accounting for Transfer and Servicing of Financial Assets and Extinguishment of Liabilities (SFAS No. 140), and are included in mortgage banking income in the consolidated statements of operations.

**Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses:** Loans are carried at principal amounts outstanding. Loan origination fees, net of certain direct origination costs, are deferred and recognized as an adjustment to yield. Interest income on all loans is recorded on an accrual basis. The accrual of interest is generally discontinued on loans which become 90 days past due as to principal or interest. The accrual of interest on some loans, however, may continue even though they are 90 days past due if the loans are well secured, in the process of collection, and management

deems it appropriate. If non-accrual loans decrease their past due status to less than 30 days for a period of six months, they are reviewed individually by management to determine if they should be returned to accrual status. The Company defines past due loans based on contractual payment and maturity dates.

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The Company accounts for nonrefundable fees and costs associated with originating or acquiring loans and direct costs of leases in accordance with FASB Statement No. 91 (FAS 91) Accounting for Nonrefundable Fees and Costs Associated with Originating or Acquiring Loans and Initial Direct Costs of Leases (an amendment of FASB Statement No. 13, 60 and 65 and a rescission of FASB Statement No. 17) . This statement requires that loan origination fees be recognized over the life on the related loan as an adjustment on the loan's yield. Certain direct loan origination costs shall be recognized over the life of the related loan as a reduction of the loan's yield. This statement changed the practice of recognizing loan origination and commitment fees prior to inception of the loan.

The Company accounts for impaired loans in accordance with SFAS No. 114, Accounting by Creditors for Impairment of a Loan . This statement requires that all creditors value loans for which it is estimated that the creditor will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the terms of the loan agreement at the loan's fair value. Fair value may be determined based upon the present value of expected cash flows, market price of the loan, if available, or value of the underlying collateral. Expected cash flows are required to be discounted at the loan's effective interest rate.

SFAS No. 114 was amended by SFAS No. 118 to allow a creditor to use existing methods for recognizing interest income on an impaired loan and by requiring additional disclosures about how a creditor estimates interest income related to impaired loans.

When the ultimate collectibility of an impaired loan's principal is in doubt, wholly or partially, all cash receipts are applied to principal. When this doubt does not exist, cash receipts are applied under the contractual terms of the loan agreement first to principal and then to interest income. Once the recorded principal balance has been reduced to zero, future cash receipts are applied to interest income, to the extent that any interest has been foregone. Further cash receipts are recorded as recoveries of any amounts previously charged off.

A loan is also considered impaired if its terms are modified in a troubled debt restructuring. For these accruing impaired loans, cash receipts are typically applied to principal and interest receivable in accordance with the terms of the restructured loan agreement. Interest income is recognized on these loans using the accrual method of accounting, provided they are performing in accordance with their restructured terms.

Management believes that the allowance is adequate to absorb inherent losses in the loan portfolio; however, assessing the adequacy of the allowance is a process that requires considerable judgment. Management's judgments are based on numerous assumptions about current events which management believes to be reasonable, but which may or may not be valid. Thus there can be no assurance that loan losses in future periods will not exceed the current allowance amount or that future increases in the allowance will not be required. No assurance can be given that management's ongoing evaluation of the loan portfolio in light of changing economic conditions and other relevant circumstances will not require significant future additions to the allowance, thus adversely affecting the operating results of the Company.

The allowance is also subject to examination by regulatory agencies, which may consider such factors as the methodology used to determine adequacy and the size of the allowance relative to that of peer institutions, and other adequacy tests. In addition, such regulatory agencies could require the Company to adjust its allowance based on information available to them at the time of their examination.

The methodology used to determine the reserve for unfunded lending commitments, which is included in other liabilities, is inherently similar to that used to determine the allowance for loan losses adjusted for factors specific to binding commitments, including the probability of funding and historical loss ratio.

**Concentration of Credit Risk:** The Company's primary market consists of the counties of Berkeley, Charleston and Dorchester, South Carolina. At December 31, 2008, the majority of the total loan portfolio, as well as a substantial portion of the commercial and real estate loan portfolios, were to borrowers within this region. No other areas of significant concentration of credit risk have been identified.

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**Premises, Equipment and Leasehold Improvements and Depreciation:** Buildings and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation, calculated on the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the related assets 40 years for buildings and 3 to 15 years for equipment. Amortization of leasehold improvements is recorded using the straight-line method over the lesser of the estimated useful life of the asset or the term of the lease. Maintenance and repairs are charged to operating expenses as incurred.

**Other Real Estate Owned:** Other real estate owned is recorded at the lower of fair value less estimated selling costs or cost and is included in other assets on the consolidated balance sheets. There was no other real estate owned at December 31, 2008 or 2007. Gains and losses on the sale of other real estate owned and subsequent write-downs from periodic reevaluation are charged to other operating income.

**Income Taxes:** The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with SFAS No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes*. Under the asset and liability method of SFAS No. 109, deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using the enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. Under SFAS No. 109, the effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. Net deferred tax assets are included in other assets in the consolidated balance sheet.

In 2006, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 48 (FIN 48), *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes* an Interpretation of SFAS No. 109. FIN 48 clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an enterprise's financial statements in accordance with SFAS No. 109, *Accounting for Income Taxes*. FIN 48 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006. Accordingly, the Company adopted FIN 48 effective January 1, 2007. The adoption of FIN 48 did not have any impact on the Company's consolidated financial position.

**Stock-Based Compensation:** On January 1, 2006, the Company adopted the fair value recognition provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 123(R), *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, to account for compensation costs under its stock option plans. The Company previously utilized the intrinsic value method under Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees (as amended)* (APB 25). Under the intrinsic value method prescribed by APB 25, no compensation costs were recognized for the Company's stock options because the option exercise price in its plans equals the market price on the date of grant. Prior to January 1, 2006, the Company only disclosed the pro forma effects on net income and earnings per share as if the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS 123(R) had been utilized.

In adopting SFAS No. 123, the Company elected to use the modified prospective method to account for the transition from the intrinsic value method to the fair value recognition method. Under the modified prospective method, compensation cost is recognized from the adoption date forward for all new stock options granted and for any outstanding unvested awards as if the fair value method had been applied to those awards as of the date of grant.

There were options for 4,500 shares granted in 2008, options for 10,000 shares granted in 2007 and options for 32,500 shares granted in 2006. The weighted average fair value per share of options granted, amounted to \$3.65 for options granted in March 2008, \$4.50 for options granted in January 2007, \$4.46 for options granted in June of 2007 and \$4.54 for options granted in 2006. Fair values were estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model with the following assumptions used for grants: dividend yield of 3.94%, 2.75% and 3.58% for 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively; historical volatility of 32.01%, 25.68% and 29.98% for 2008, 2007 and

2006, respectively; risk-free interest rate of 3.34%, for options granted in March 2008, 4.70% for 5,000 options granted in January 2007 and 5.16% for 5,000 options granted in June of 2007 and 4.36% for the options granted in 2006; expected lives of the options of 10 years for 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

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**Earnings Per Common Share:** Basic earnings per share are computed by dividing net income applicable to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted earnings per share are computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of shares of common stock and common stock equivalents. Common stock equivalents consist of stock options and are computed using the treasury stock method.

**Comprehensive Income:** The Company applies the provisions of SFAS No. 130, Reporting Comprehensive Income, which establishes standards for the reporting and display of comprehensive income and its components in a full set of general purpose financial statements. Comprehensive income consists of net income and net unrealized gains or losses on securities and is presented in the consolidated statements of shareholders' equity and comprehensive income.

**Fair Value Measurements**

Effective January 1, 2008, the Company adopted SFAS No. 157, Fair Value Measurements (SFAS 157) which provides a framework for measuring and disclosing fair value under generally accepted accounting principles. SFAS 157 requires disclosures about the fair value of assets and liabilities recognized in the balance sheet in periods subsequent to initial recognition, whether the measurements are made on a recurring basis (for example, available-for-sale investment securities) or on a nonrecurring basis (for example, impaired loans).

SFAS 157 defines fair value as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. SFAS 157 also establishes a fair value hierarchy which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. The standard describes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

- Level 1** Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities. Level 1 assets and liabilities include debt and equity securities and derivative contracts that are traded in an active exchange market, as well as U.S. Treasury Securities.
- Level 2** Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data. Level 2 assets and liabilities include debt securities with quoted prices that are traded less frequently than exchange-traded instruments, mortgage-backed securities, municipal bonds, corporate debt securities and derivative contracts whose value is determined using a pricing model with inputs that are observable in the market or can be derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data. This category generally includes certain derivative contracts and impaired loans.
- Level 3** Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities. Level 3 assets and liabilities include financial instruments whose value is determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, as well as instruments for which the determination of fair value requires significant management judgment or estimation. For example, this category generally includes certain private equity investments, retained residual interests in securitizations, residential mortgage servicing rights, and highly-structured or long-term derivative contracts.

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Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2008 are as follows:

	Quoted Market Price in active markets (Level 1)	Significant	
		Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Available for Sale Securities	\$ 3,226,406	\$ 34,669,844	\$
Mortgage loans held for sale	\$	\$ 3,465,222	\$
Total	\$ 3,226,406	\$ 38,135,066	\$

The Company has no liabilities carried at fair value or measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis.

The Company is predominantly a cash flow lender with real estate serving as collateral on a majority of loans. Loans which are deemed to be impaired are primarily valued on a nonrecurring basis at the fair values of the underlying real estate collateral. Such fair values are obtained using independent appraisals, which the Company considers to be level 2 inputs. The aggregate carrying amount of impaired loans at December 31, 2008 was \$1,802,291.

FASB Staff Position No. FAS 157-2 delays the implementation of SFAS 157 until the first quarter of 2009 with respect to goodwill, other intangible assets, real estate and other assets acquired through foreclosure and other non-financial assets measured at fair value.

The Company has no assets or liabilities whose fair values are measured using level 3 inputs.

**Segment Information:** The Company reports operating segments in accordance with SFAS No. 131, Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information. Operating segments are components of an enterprise about which separate financial information is available that is evaluated regularly by the chief operating decision maker in deciding how to allocate resources and assess performance. SFAS No. 131 requires that a public enterprise report a measure of segment profit or loss, certain specific revenue and expense items, segment assets, information about the way that the operating segments were determined and other items. The Company has one reporting segment, The Bank of South Carolina.

**Derivative Instruments:** SFAS No. 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, establishes comprehensive accounting and reporting standards for derivative instruments and hedging activities. SFAS No. 133 requires that all derivative instruments be recorded in the statement of financial position at fair value. The accounting for the gain or loss due to change in fair value of the derivative instrument depends on whether the derivative instrument qualifies as a hedge. If the derivative does not qualify as a hedge, the gains or losses are reported in earnings when they occur. However, if the derivative instrument qualifies as a hedge, the accounting varies based on the type of risk being hedged.

The Company has no embedded derivative instruments requiring separate accounting treatment. The Company has freestanding derivative instruments consisting of fixed rate conforming loan commitments and commitments to sell fixed rate conforming loans. The Company does not currently engage in hedging activities.

**Cash Flows:** Cash and cash equivalents include working cash funds, due from banks, interest bearing deposits in other banks, items in process of collection and federal funds sold. To comply with Federal Reserve regulations, the Bank is required to maintain certain average cash reserve balances. The daily average reserve requirement was

approximately \$700,000 and \$759,937 for the reserve periods ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

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**Recent Accounting Pronouncements:** The following is a summary of recent authoritative pronouncements that could impact the accounting, reporting and/or disclosure of financial information by the Company.

In December 2007, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) issued Statements of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS ) No. 141(R), Business Combinations, ( SFAS 141(R) ) which replaces SFAS 141. SFAS 141(R) establishes principles and requirements for how an acquirer in a business combination recognizes and measures in its financial statements the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed, and any controlling interest; recognizes and measures goodwill acquired in the business combination or a gain from a bargain purchase; and determines what information to disclose to enable users of the financial statements to evaluate the nature and financial effects of the business combination. FAS 141(R) is effective for acquisitions by the Company taking place on or after January 1, 2009. Early adoption is prohibited. Accordingly, a calendar year-end company is required to record and disclose business combinations following existing accounting guidance until January 1, 2009. The Company will assess the impact of SFAS 141(R) if and when a future acquisition occurs.

In December 2007, the FASB issued SFAS No. 160, Noncontrolling Interests in Consolidated Financial Statements an amendment of ARB No. 51 ( SFAS 160 ). SFAS 160 establishes new accounting and reporting standards for the noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary and for the deconsolidation of a subsidiary. Before this statement, limited guidance existed for reporting noncontrolling interests (minority interest). As a result, diversity in practice exists. In some cases minority interest is reported as a liability and in others it is reported in the mezzanine section between liabilities and equity. Specifically, SFAS 160 requires the recognition of a noncontrolling interest (minority interest) as equity in the consolidated financials statements and separate from the parent s equity. The amount of net income attributable to the noncontrolling interest will be included in consolidated net income on the face of the income statement. SFAS 160 clarifies that changes in a parent s ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in deconsolidation are equity transactions if the parent retains its controlling financial interest. In addition, this statement requires that a parent recognize gain or loss in net income when a subsidiary is deconsolidated. Such gain or loss will be measured using the fair value of the noncontrolling equity investment on the deconsolidation date. SFAS 160 also includes expanded disclosure requirements regarding the interests of the parent and its noncontrolling interests. SFAS 160 was effective for the Company on January 1, 2009. SFAS 160 had no impact on the Company s financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In March 2008, the FASB issued SFAS No. 161, Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities ( SFAS 161 ). SFAS 161 requires enhanced disclosures about an entity s derivative and hedging activities and thereby improving the transparency of financial reporting. It is intended to enhance the current disclosure framework in SFAS 133 by requiring that objectives for using derivative instruments be disclosed in terms of underlying risk and accounting designation. This disclosure better conveys the purpose of derivative use in terms of the risks that the entity is intending to manage. SFAS 161 was effective for the Company on January 1, 2009 and will result in additional disclosures if the Company enters into any material derivative or hedging activities.

In February 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position No. 140-3, Accounting for Transfers of Financial Assets and Repurchase Financing Transactions ( FSP 140-3 ). This FSP provides guidance on accounting for a transfer of a financial asset and the transferor s repurchase financing of the asset. This FSP presumes that an initial transfer of a financial asset and a repurchase financing are considered part of the same arrangement (linked transaction) under SFAS No. 140. However, if certain criteria are met, the initial transfer and repurchase financing are not evaluated as a linked transaction and are evaluated separately under Statement 140. FSP 140-3 was effective for the Company on January 1, 2009. The adoption of FSP 140-3 had no impact on the Company s financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

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In April 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position No. 142-3, *Determination of the Useful Life of Intangible Assets* ( FSP 142-3 ). This FSP amends the factors that should be considered in developing renewal or extension assumptions used to determine the useful life of a recognized intangible asset under SFAS No. 142, *Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets* . The intent of this FSP is to improve the consistency between the useful life of a recognized intangible asset under SFAS No. 142 and the period of expected cash flows used to measure the fair value of the asset under SFAS No. 141(R), *Business Combinations*, and other U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. This FSP was effective for the Company on January 1, 2009 and had no material impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In May, 2008, FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standard ( SFAS ) No. 162, *The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles*, ( SFAS No. 162 ). SFAS No. 162 identifies the sources of accounting principles and the framework for selecting the principles used in the preparation of financial statements of nongovernmental entities that are presented in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) in the United States (the GAAP hierarchy). SFAS 162 was effective November 15, 2008. The FASB has stated that it does not expect SFAS 162 will result in change in current practice. The application of SFAS 162 had no effect on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

The FASB issued FASB Staff Position No. APB 14-1, *Accounting for Convertible Debt Instruments That May Be Settled in Cash upon Conversion (Including Partial Cash Settlement)*, ( FSP No. APB 14-1 ). The Staff Position specifies that issuers of convertible debt instruments that may be settled in cash upon conversion should separately account for the liability and equity components in a manner that will reflect the entity's nonconvertible debt borrowing rate when interest cost is recognized in subsequent periods. FSP APB 14-1 provides guidance for initial and subsequent measurement as well as derecognition provisions. The Staff Position was effective as of January 1, 2009 and had no material effect on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In June, 2008, the FASB issued FASB Staff Position No. EITF 03-6-1, *Determining Whether Instruments Granted in Share-Based Payment Transactions are Participating Securities*, ( FSP EITF 03-6-1 ). The Staff Position provides that unvested share-based payment awards that contain nonforfeitable rights to dividends or dividend equivalents are participating securities and must be included in the earnings per share computation. FSP EITF 03-6-1 was effective January 1, 2009 and had no effect on the Company's financial position, results of operations, earnings per share or cash flows.

FSP SFAS 133-1 and FIN 45-4, *Disclosures about Credit Derivatives and Certain Guarantees: An Amendment of FASB Statement No. 133 and FASB Interpretation No. 45; and Clarification of the Effective Date of FASB Statement No. 161*, ( FSP SFAS 133-1 and FIN 45-4 ) was issued September 2008, effective for reporting periods (annual or interim) ending after November 15, 2008. FSP SFAS 133-1 and FIN 45-4 amends SFAS 133 to require the seller of credit derivatives to disclose the nature of the credit derivative, the maximum potential amount of future payments, fair value of the derivative, and the nature of any recourse provisions. Disclosures must be made for entire hybrid instruments that have embedded credit derivatives.

The staff position also amends FIN 45 to require disclosure of the current status of the payment/performance risk of the credit derivative guarantee. If an entity utilizes internal groupings as a basis for the risk, how the groupings are determined must be disclosed as well as how the risk is managed.

The staff position encourages that the amendments be applied in periods earlier than the effective date to facilitate comparisons at initial adoption. After initial adoption, comparative disclosures are required only for subsequent

periods.

FSP SFAS 133-1 and FIN 45-4 clarifies the effective date of SFAS 161 such that required disclosures should be provided for any reporting period (annual or quarterly interim) beginning after November 15, 2008. The adoption of this Staff Position had no material effect on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

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The SEC's Office of the Chief Accountant and the staff of the FASB issued press release 2008-234 on September 30, 2008 ( Press Release ) to provide clarifications on fair value accounting. The press release includes guidance on the use of management's internal assumptions and the use of market quotes. It also reiterates the factors in SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin ( SAB ) Topic 5M which should be considered when determining other-than-temporary impairment: the length of time and extent to which the market value has been less than cost; financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer; and the intent and ability of the holder to retain its investment for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in market value.

On October 10, 2008, the FASB issued FSP SFAS 157-3, Determining the Fair Value of a Financial Asset When the Market for That Asset Is Not Active ( FSP SFAS 157-3 ). This FSP clarifies the application of SFAS No. 157, Fair Value Measurements (see Note 6) in a market that is not active and provides an example to illustrate key considerations in determining the fair value of a financial asset when the market for that asset is not active. The FSP is effective upon issuance, including prior periods for which financial statements have not been issued. For the Company, this FSP was effective for the quarter ended September 30, 2008.

The Company considered the guidance in the Press Release and in FSP SFAS 157-3 when conducting its review for other-than-temporary impairment as of December 31, 2008 and determined that it did not result in a change to its impairment estimation techniques.

FSP SFAS 140-4 and FIN 46(R)-8, Disclosures by Public Entities (Enterprises) about Transfers of Financial Assets and Interests in Variable Interest Entities, ( FSP SFAS 140-4 and FIN 46(R)-8 ) was issued in December 2008 to require public entities to disclose additional information about transfers of financial assets and to require public enterprises to provide additional disclosures about their involvement with variable interest entities. The FSP also requires certain disclosures for public enterprises that are sponsors and servicers of qualifying special purpose entities. The FSP is effective for the first reporting period ending after December 15, 2008. This FSP had no material impact on the financial position of the Company.

Other accounting standards that have been issued or proposed by the FASB or other standards-setting bodies are not expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

**Reclassifications:** Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the 2008 presentation. Such reclassifications had no impact on net income or retained earnings as previously reported.

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**2. INVESTMENT SECURITIES AVAILABLE FOR SALE**

The amortized cost and fair value of investment securities available for sale are summarized as follows:

	DECEMBER 31, 2008			ESTIMATED FAIR VALUE
	AMORTIZED COST	GROSS UNREALIZED GAINS	GROSS UNREALIZED LOSSES	
U.S. Treasury Notes	\$ 2,964,269	\$ 262,137	\$	\$ 3,226,406
Government-Sponsored Enterprises	21,018,810	998,158		22,016,968
Municipal Securities	12,489,652	183,123	19,899	12,652,876
Total	\$ 36,472,731	\$ 1,443,418	\$ 19,899	\$ 37,896,250

	DECEMBER 31, 2007			ESTIMATED FAIR VALUE
	AMORTIZED COST	GROSS UNREALIZED GAINS	GROSS UNREALIZED LOSSES	
U.S. Treasury Notes	\$ 2,948,002	148,091		3,096,093
Government-Sponsored Enterprises	21,873,129	466,859		22,339,988
Municipal Securities	10,336,322	89,464	21,848	10,403,938
Total	\$ 35,157,453	\$ 704,414	\$ 21,848	\$ 35,840,019

	DECEMBER 31, 2006			ESTIMATED FAIR VALUE
	AMORTIZED COST	GROSS UNREALIZED GAINS	GROSS UNREALIZED LOSSES	
U.S. Treasury Bonds	\$ 5,968,555	8,045		5,976,600
U.S. Treasury Notes	5,869,713	61,287		5,931,000
Government-Sponsored Enterprises	23,798,027	64,356	69,083	23,793,300
Municipal Securities	5,228,611	29,344	61,000	5,196,955
Total	\$ 40,864,906	\$ 163,032	\$ 130,083	\$ 40,897,855

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The amortized cost and estimated fair value of investment securities available for sale at December 31, 2008, by contractual maturity are as follows:

	<b>AMORTIZED COST</b>	<b>ESTIMATED FAIR VALUE</b>
Due in one year or less	\$ 10,693,720	\$ 10,974,338
Due in one year to five years	18,710,931	19,734,076
Due in five years to ten years	4,811,548	4,941,070
Due in ten years and over	2,256,532	2,246,766
 Total	 \$ 36,472,731	 \$ 37,896,250

During 2008, \$520,000 of Available for Sale Securities were sold at a loss of \$238. During 2007, \$11,987,250 of Available for Sale Securities was sold for a gain of \$69,792 in order to increase the Bank's liquidity position. During 2006 there was one sale of an investment security which resulted in a realized loss of \$22,950. Gross proceeds from the sale were \$2,970,000.

Investment securities with an aggregate amortized cost of \$34,947,336 and estimated fair value of \$36,353,323 at December 31, 2008, were pledged to secure deposits and other balances, as required or permitted by law.

At December 31, 2008 there were five Municipal Securities with an unrealized loss of \$19,899 as compared to four Municipal Securities with an unrealized loss of \$21,848 at December 31, 2007 and five Government Sponsored Securities and seven Municipal Securities with an unrealized loss of \$130,083 at December 31, 2006. Gross unrealized losses and the estimated fair value of the related securities, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position, at December 31, 2008, December 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006 are as follows:

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Description of Securities	December 31, 2008					
	Less than 12 months		12 months or longer		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
U.S. Treasury Notes	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Government-Sponsored Enterprises						
Municipal Securities	1,526,724	19,899			1,526,724	19,899
	\$ 1,526,724	\$ 19,899	\$	\$	\$ 1,526,724	\$ 19,899
Description of Securities	December 31, 2007					
	Less than 12 months		12 months or longer		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
U.S. Treasury Notes	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Government-Sponsored Enterprises						
Municipal Securities	1,534,813	21,848			1,534,813	21,848
	\$ 1,534,813	\$ 21,848	\$	\$	\$ 1,534,813	\$ 21,848
Description of Securities	December 31, 2006					
	Less than 12 months		12 months or longer		Total	
	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Unrealized Losses
U.S. Treasury Bills	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
U.S. Treasury Notes						
Government-Sponsored Enterprises	14,829,800	69,083			14,829,800	69,083
Municipal Securities	2,282,861	61,000			2,282,861	61,000
	\$ 17,112,661	\$ 130,083	\$	\$	\$ 17,112,661	\$ 130,083



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The unrealized losses on investments were caused by interest rate increases. The contractual terms of these investments do not permit the issuer to settle the securities at a price less the amortized cost of the investment. Because the Company has the ability and intent to hold these investments until a market price recovery or maturity, these investments are not considered other-than-temporarily impaired. Nearly all of these investments are rated AAA so the credit risk is minimal.

**3. LOANS**

Major classifications of loans are as follows:

	<b>DECEMBER 31,</b>		
	2008	2007	2006
Commercial loans	\$ 45,805,794	\$ 49,168,128	\$ 52,603,319
Commercial real estate	92,106,908	76,289,935	76,295,205
Residential mortgage	16,254,781	12,195,078	14,430,196
Consumer loans	5,348,559	5,218,165	4,377,353
Personal bank lines	20,313,172	12,805,795	10,719,387
Other	308,867	719,832	246,775
	180,138,081	156,396,933	158,672,235
Deferred loan fees (Net)	(65,131)	(48,916)	(75,675)
Allowance for loan losses	(1,429,835)	(1,335,099)	(1,294,994)
Loans, net	\$ 178,643,115	\$ 155,012,918	\$ 157,301,566

Changes in the allowance for loan losses and reserve for unfunded lending commitments are summarized as follows:

	<b>YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 1,335,099	\$ 1,294,994	\$ 1,017,175
(Recovery) provision for loan losses	192,000	40,000	240,000
Charge offs	(114,313)	(29,702)	(24,856)
Recoveries	17,049	50,603	62,675
Adjustment for unfunded loan commitments		(20,796)	
Balance at end of year	\$ 1,429,835	\$ 1,335,099	\$ 1,294,994

	<b>YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>Reserve for unfunded lending commitments</b>			
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 22,303	\$	\$
Adjustment for unfunded loan commitments from allowance for loan losses		20,796	
(Recovery) provision for unfunded commitments	(1,478)	1,507	

Balance at end of year	\$ 20,825	\$ 22,303	\$
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The Company grants short to intermediate term commercial and consumer loans to customers throughout its primary market area of Charleston, Berkeley and Dorchester Counties, South Carolina. The Company's primary market area is heavily dependent on tourism and medical services. Although the Company has a diversified loan portfolio, a substantial portion of its debtors' ability to honor their contracts is dependent upon the stability of the economic environment in their primary market including the government, tourism and medical industries. The majority of the loan portfolio is located in the Bank's immediate market area. The Bank has a concentration of Non-Residential Building Operators, Offices and Clinics of Medical Doctors, Real Estate Agents and Managers, and Legal services (22.2%, 9.1%, 6.5% and 5.0%, respectively). Management is satisfied with these levels of concentrations.

As of December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company had loans on non-accrual totaling \$75,486 and \$761,748, respectively. The additional amount of gross income that would have been recorded during 2008 and 2007, if these loans had performed as agreed would have been \$1,541 and \$55,209, respectively. The Company did not recognize any interest income on these loans in 2008 or 2007 while these loans were on non-accrual.

At December 31, 2008 there were no loans over 90 past due still accruing interest as compared to one loan in the amount of \$1,288 over 90 days past due still accruing interest at December 31, 2007.

The Bank had no restructured loans at December 31, 2008 and one restructured loan at December 31, 2007 in the amount of \$10,567.

	December 31,	
	2008	2007
Total loans considered impaired at period end	1,802,291	882,269
Loans considered impaired for which there is a related allowance for loan loss:		
Average annual investment in impaired loans	1,748,039	779,663
Interest income recognized on impaired loans during the period of impairment	92,149	31,068

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**4. PREMISES, EQUIPMENT AND LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS**

Premises, equipment and leasehold improvements are summarized as follows:

	<b>DECEMBER 31,</b>	
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
Bank buildings	\$ 1,797,577	\$ 1,797,577
Land	838,075	838,075
Leasehold purchase	30,000	30,000
Lease improvements	352,383	347,475
Equipment	3,244,568	3,195,164
	6,262,603	6,208,291
Accumulated depreciation	(3,838,127)	(3,588,683)
Total	\$ 2,424,476	\$ 2,619,608

**5. DEPOSITS**

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, certificates of deposit of \$100,000 or more totaled approximately \$27,356,516 and \$22,122,593, respectively. Interest expense on these deposits was \$738,611 in 2008 and \$1,151,055 in 2007.

At December 31, 2008, the schedule maturities of certificates of deposit are as follows:

2009	\$ 40,942,333
2010	
2011	927,983
2012	
2013	1,183,878
2014 and thereafter	
	\$ 43,054,194

At December 31, 2008, deposits with a deficit balance of \$159,245 were re-classified as Other Loans, compared to \$557,736 at December 31, 2007.

**6. SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS**

The Bank has a demand note through the US Treasury, Tax and Loan system with the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond. The bank may borrow up to \$1,000,000 under the arrangement at an interest rate set by the Federal Reserve. During the third quarter of 2008, the Bank reduced the arrangement with the Federal Reserve from \$2,800,000 to \$1,000,000 in order to free up collateral, due to declining balances under the arrangement. The note is secured by Government Sponsored Agency Securities with a market value of \$1,087,492 at December 31, 2008. The amount outstanding under the note totaled \$1,000,000 and \$927,873 at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.



At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Bank had unused short-term lines of credit totaling approximately \$18,000,000 (which are withdrawable at the lender's option).

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**7. INCOME TAXES**

Total income taxes for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 are as follows

	<b>YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
Income tax expense	\$ 1,427,958	\$ 2,046,316	\$ 2,068,880
Stockholders' equity, for unrealized gains on securities available for sale	274,153	240,358	42,684
Total	\$ 1,702,111	\$ 2,286,674	\$ 2,111,564

Income tax expense attributable to income before income tax expense consists of:

	<b>YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,</b>			
	<b>2008</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>Deferred</b>	<b>Total</b>
U.S. Federal	\$ 1,327,664	\$ (33,458)	\$ 1,294,206	
State and local	133,752			133,752
	\$ 1,461,416	\$ (33,458)	\$ 1,427,958	
<b>YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,</b>				
<b>2007</b>				
U.S. Federal	\$ 1,898,301	\$ (28,505)	\$ 1,869,796	
State and local	176,520			176,520
	\$ 2,074,821	\$ (28,505)	\$ 2,046,316	
<b>YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,</b>				
<b>2006</b>				
U.S. Federal	\$ 1,971,733	\$ (83,310)	\$ 1,888,423	
State and local	180,457			180,457
	\$ 2,152,190	\$ (83,310)	\$ 2,068,880	

Income tax expense attributable to income before income tax expense was \$1,427,958, \$2,046,316 and \$2,068,880 for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006 respectively, and differed from amounts computed by applying the U.S. federal income tax rate of 34% to pretax income from continuing operations as a result of the

following:

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	<b>YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
Computed expected tax expense	\$ 1,492,123	\$ 1,998,370	\$ 2,039,029
Increase (reduction) in income taxes Resulting from:			
Tax exempt interest income	(132,788)	(80,347)	(55,101)
State income tax, net of federal benefit	88,276	116,503	138,143
Other, net	(19,653)	11,790	(53,191)
	\$ 1,427,958	\$ 2,046,316	\$ 2,068,880

The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of the deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities at December 31, 2008 and 2007 are presented below:

	<b>DECEMBER 31,</b>	
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
Deferred tax assets:		
Deferred loan fees	\$ 22,145	\$ 16,631
State Net Operating Loss Carryforward	15,307	20,620
Bad Debt Reserves	417,392	385,182
Other	7,604	26,354
Total gross deferred tax assets	462,448	448,787
Less valuation allowance	(15,307)	(20,620)
Net deferred tax assets	447,141	428,167
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Prepaid expenses	(31,067)	(29,723)
Unrealized gain on securities available for sale	(526,702)	(252,549)
Fixed assets, principally due to differences in depreciation	(20,445)	(50,136)
Other-Bond Accretion	(63,843)	(49,980)
Total gross deferred tax liabilities	(642,057)	(382,388)
Net deferred tax (liability) asset	\$ (194,916)	\$ 45,779

The Company analyzed the tax positions taken in its tax returns and concluded it has no liability related to uncertain tax positions in accordance with FIN 48.

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There was a \$15,307 valuation allowance for deferred tax assets at December 31, 2008 and \$20,620 at December 31, 2007. In assessing the realization of deferred tax assets, management considers whether it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized. The ultimate realization of deferred income tax assets is dependent upon the generation of future taxable income during the periods in which those temporary differences become deductible and prior to their expiration governed by the income tax code. Management considers the scheduled reversal of deferred tax liabilities, projected future taxable income, and tax planning strategies in making this assessment. Based upon the level of historical taxable income and projections for future taxable income over the periods during which the deferred income tax assets are expected to be deductible, management believes it is more likely than not the Company will realize the benefits of these deductible differences, net of the existing valuation allowance at December 31, 2008. The amount of the deferred income tax asset considered realizable, however, could be reduced in the near term if estimates of future taxable income during the carry forward period are reduced.

Tax returns for 2005 and subsequent years are subject to examination by taxing authorities.

**8. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

The Company has entered into agreements to lease equipment and its office facilities under noncancellable operating lease agreements expiring on various dates through 2011. The Company may, at its option, extend the lease of its office facility at 256 Meeting Street in Charleston, South Carolina, for two additional ten year periods and extend the land lease where the Mt. Pleasant office is located for six additional five year periods. Management intends to exercise its option on the Meeting Street lease. Lease payments below include the lease renewal.

Minimum rental commitments for these leases as of December 31, 2008 are as follows:

2009	\$ 462,031
2010	437,420
2011	427,468
2012	429,980
2013	443,030
2014 and thereafter	1,445,312
Total	\$ 3,645,241

Total rental expense was \$475,487, \$463,177 and \$441,568 in 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

The Company is a party to financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of its customers. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit. Those instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit, interest rate, and liquidity risk. The Company's exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the other party to the financial instrument for commitments to extend credit and standby letters of credit is essentially the same as that involved in extending loan facilities to customers. The Company uses the same credit policies in making commitments and conditional obligations as it does for on-balance sheet instruments.

Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. The amount of collateral obtained if deemed necessary by the Company upon extension of credit is based on management's credit evaluation of the borrower. Collateral held varies, but may include accounts receivable, negotiable instruments, inventory,

property, plant and equipment, and real estate. Commitments to extend credit, including unused lines of credit, amounted to \$42,875,855 and \$43,605,731 at December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

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Standby letters of credit represent an obligation of the Company to a third party contingent upon the failure of the Company's customer to perform under the terms of an underlying contract with the third party or obligates the Company to guarantee or stand as surety for the benefit of the third party. The underlying contract may entail either financial or nonfinancial obligations and may involve such things as the shipment of goods, performance of a contract, or repayment of an obligation. Under the terms of a standby letter, drafts will generally be drawn only when the underlying event fails to occur as intended. The Company can seek recovery of the amounts paid from the borrower. The majority of these standby letters of credit are unsecured. Commitments under standby letters of credit are usually for one year or less. At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company has recorded no liability for the current carrying amount of the obligation to perform as a guarantor; as such amounts are not considered material. The maximum potential amount of undiscounted future payments related to standby letters of credit at December 31, 2008 and 2007 was \$592,335 and \$1,234,623, respectively.

The Company originates certain fixed rate residential loans and commits these loans for sale. The commitments to originate fixed rate residential loans and the sales commitments are freestanding derivative instruments. The fair value of these commitments was not significant at December 31, 2008 and 2007. The Company has forward sales commitments, totaling \$3,465,222 at December 31, 2008 to sell loans held for sale of \$3,465,222. Such forward sales commitments are to sell loans at par value and are generally funded within 60 days. The fair value of these commitments was not significant at December 31, 2008. The Company has no embedded derivative instruments requiring separate accounting treatment.

**9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

In the opinion of management, loans to officers and directors of the Company are made on substantially the same terms as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with unaffiliated persons and do not involve more than the normal risk of collectibility. There were no outstanding loans to executive officers of the Company as of December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006. Related party loans are summarized as follows:

	<b>DECEMBER 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 2,557,031	\$ 1,722,407	\$ 2,087,847
New loans or advances	5,873,765	2,546,609	4,682,223
Repayments	(4,475,998)	(1,711,985)	(5,047,663)
Balance at end of year	\$ 3,954,798	\$ 2,557,031	\$ 1,722,407

At December 31, 2008 and 2007 total deposits held by related parties were \$2,163,175 and \$14,078,561, respectively.

**10. OTHER EXPENSE**

A summary of the components of other operating expense is as follows:

	<b>YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31,</b>		
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
Advertising and business development	\$ 32,594	\$ 37,614	\$ 30,584
Supplies	119,203	126,210	127,750
Telephone and postage	168,158	174,621	165,833
Insurance	45,320	46,077	53,574
Professional fees	397,276	338,549	309,309
Data processing services	295,305	326,530	316,848



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State and FDIC insurance and fees	113,091	49,787	48,928
Courier service	180,665	174,426	170,095
Other	312,279	286,398	245,016
	\$ 1,663,891	\$ 1,560,212	\$ 1,467,937

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11. INCENTIVE STOCK OPTION PLAN AND EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN AND TRUST**

The Company has an Incentive Stock Option Plan which was approved in 1998. Under the 1998 Incentive Stock Option Plan, options are periodically granted to employees at a price not less than the fair market value of the shares at the date of grant. Employees become 20% vested after five years and then vest 20% each year until fully vested. The right to exercise each such 20% of the options is cumulative and will not expire until the tenth anniversary of the date of the grant. At December 31, 2008, 38,541 shares of common stock are reserved to be granted under the 1998 Incentive Stock Option Plan from the original 272,250 shares.

All outstanding options, option price, and option activity for the stock-based option plan has been retroactively restated to reflect the effects of a 25% stock dividend declared on April 11, 2006.

A summary of the activity under the stock-based option plan for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007, and 2006 follows:

	2008		2007		2006	
	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Outstanding, January 1	136,763	\$ 11.05	160,094	\$ 10.49	197,895	\$ 9.09
Granted	4,500	14.19	10,000	15.75	32,500	16.62
Expired	(13,250)	16.16	(9,074)	12.10	(5,499)	9.97
Exercised	(22,615)	8.97	(24,257)	8.92	(64,802)	9.31
Outstanding, December 31	105,398	\$ 10.99	136,763	\$ 11.05	160,094	\$ 10.49

  

Exercise Price:	Number of Options Outstanding	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Life	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Intrinsic Value of Outstanding Options	Number of Options Exercisable	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Intrinsic Value of Exercisable Options
\$ 8.92	62,616	2.4	\$ 8.92	\$ 190,853	9,305	\$ 8.92	\$ 33,312
\$ 9.39	13,532	4.4	\$ 9.39	\$ 39,513	827	\$ 9.39	\$ 2,572
\$16.62	17,250	7.4	\$ 16.62	\$		\$	\$
\$15.99	5,000	8.0	\$ 15.99	\$		\$	\$
\$15.51	5,000	8.5	\$ 15.51	\$		\$	\$
\$14.19	2,000	9.2	14.19	\$		\$	\$
	105,398	4.1	\$ 10.99	\$ 230,366	10,132	\$ 8.96	\$ 35,884

The weighted average grant-date fair value of options granted during the year 2008, 2007 and 2006 was \$3.65, \$4.48 and \$4.54, respectively. The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, and 2006, was \$95,866, \$161,962 and \$394,804, respectively.

As of December 31, 2008 there was \$197,751 of total unrecognized compensation cost related to nonvested share-based compensation arrangements granted under the Plan. The cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of 3.3 years.



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The Company established an Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) effective January 1, 1989. Each employee who has attained age twenty-one and has completed at least 1,000 hours of service in a plan year is eligible to participate in the ESOP. Contributions are determined annually by the Board of Directors and amounts allocable to individual participants may be limited pursuant to the provisions of Internal Revenue Code section 415. The Company recognizes expense when the contribution is approved by the Board of Directors. The total expenses amounted to \$288,000, \$288,000 and \$330,000 for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, respectively.

**12. DIVIDENDS**

On April 11, 2006 the company declared a 25% stock dividend for a total of 772,840 shares. All share and per share data has been retroactively restated to give effect to the common stock dividend.

Future dividends will depend on the Company's earnings, capital requirements, financial condition and other factors considered relevant by the Board of Directors. The Bank's ability to pay dividends to the Company is restricted by the laws and regulations of the State of South Carolina. Generally, these restrictions allow the Bank to pay dividends from current earnings without the prior written consent of the South Carolina Commissioner of Banking, if it received a satisfactory rating at its most recent examination.

**13. INCOME PER COMMON SHARE**

Basic earnings per share are computed by dividing net income by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding. Diluted earnings per share are computed by dividing net income by the weighted-average number of common shares and potential common shares outstanding. Potential common shares consist of dilutive stock options determined using the treasury stock method and the average market price of common stock. All share and per share data have been retroactively restated for all common stock dividends and distributions.

Options to purchase 29,250 shares of common stock with prices ranging from \$14.19 to \$16.62 per share were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share for 2008 because the options' exercise price was greater than the average market price of common shares.

Options to purchase 38,000 shares of common stock with prices ranging from \$15.51 to \$16.62 per share were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share for 2007 because the options' exercise price was greater than the average market price of common shares.

Options to purchase 31,750 shares of common stock at \$16.62 per share were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share for 2006 because the options' exercise price was greater than the average market price of common shares.

The following is a summary of the reconciliation of average shares outstanding for the years ended December 31:

	2008		2007		2006	
	Basic	Diluted	Basic	Diluted	Basic	Diluted
Weighted average shares outstanding	3,966,193	3,966,193	3,943,067	3,943,067	3,900,707	3,900,707
Effect of dilutive securities:						
Stock options		11,521		28,282		45,221

Average shares outstanding	3,966,193	3,977,714	3,943,067	3,971,349	3,900,707	3,945,928
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**14. REGULATORY CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS**

Quantitative measures established by regulation to ensure capital adequacy require the Company and the Bank to maintain minimum amounts and ratios (set forth in the table below) of total and Tier 1 capital (as defined in the regulation) to risk-weighted assets (as defined) and to average assets. Management believes, as of December 31, 2008, that the Company and the Bank meet all capital adequacy requirements to which they are subject.

At December 31, 2008 and 2007, the Company and the Bank are categorized as well capitalized under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. To be categorized as well capitalized the Company and the Bank must maintain minimum total risk based, Tier 1 risk based and Tier 1 leverage ratios of 10%, 6% and 5%, respectively, and to be categorized as adequately capitalized, the Company and the Bank must maintain minimum total risk-based, Tier 1 risk-based and Tier 1 leverage ratios as set forth in the table below. There are no current conditions or events that management believes would change the Company's or the Bank's category.

Dollars in Thousands As of December 31, 2008:	December 31, 2008					
	Actual		For Capital Adequacy Purposes		To Be Well Capitalized Under Prompt Corrective Action Provisions	
Total capital to risk-weighted assets:	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
Company	\$ 27,362	13.49%	\$ 16,224	8.00%	\$ N/A	N/A
Bank	\$ 27,078	13.35%	\$ 16,224	8.00%	\$ 20,280	10.00%
Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets:						
Company	\$ 25,911	12.78%	\$ 8,112	4.00%	\$ N/A	N/A
Bank	\$ 25,627	12.64%	\$ 8,112	4.00%	\$ 12,168	6.00%
Tier 1 capital to average assets:						
Company	\$ 25,911	10.99%	\$ 9,429	4.00%	\$ N/A	N/A
Bank	\$ 25,627	10.87%	\$ 9,428	4.00%	\$ 11,785	5.00%

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December 31, 2007

Dollars in Thousands As of December 31, 2007:	Actual		For Capital Adequacy Purposes		To Be Well Capitalized Under Prompt Corrective Action Provisions	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
Total capital to risk-weighted assets:						
Company	\$ 26,620	13.80%	\$ 15,433	8.00%	\$ N/A	N/A
Bank	\$ 26,141	13.55%	\$ 15,433	8.00%	\$ 19,291	10.00%
Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets:						
Company	\$ 25,263	13.10%	\$ 7,717	4.00%	\$ N/A	N/A
Bank	\$ 24,784	12.85%	\$ 7,716	4.00%	\$ 11,574	6.00%
Tier 1 capital to average assets:						
Company	\$ 25,263	10.62%	\$ 9,511	4.00%	\$ N/A	N/A
Bank	\$ 24,784	10.42%	\$ 9,510	4.00%	\$ 11,888	5.00%

**15. DISCLOSURES REGARDING FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

SFAS No. 107, Disclosure About Fair Value of Financial Instruments, requires disclosure of fair value information about financial instruments whether or not recognized on the balance sheet, for which it is practicable to estimate fair value. Fair value estimates are made as of a specific point in time based on the characteristics of the financial instruments and the relevant market information. Where available, quoted market prices are used. In other cases, fair values are based on estimates using present value or other valuation techniques. These techniques involve uncertainties and are significantly affected by the assumptions used and the judgements made regarding risk characteristics of various financial instruments, discount rates, prepayments, estimates of future cash flows, future expected loss experience and other factors. Changes in assumptions could significantly affect these estimates. Derived fair value estimates cannot be substantiated by comparison to independent markets and, in many cases, may or may not be realized in an immediate sale of the instrument.

Under SFAS No. 107, fair value estimates are based on existing financial instruments without attempting to estimate the value of anticipated future business and the value of the assets and liabilities that are not financial instruments. Accordingly, the aggregate fair value amounts presented do not represent the underlying value of the Company.

The following describes the methods and assumptions used by the Company in estimating the fair values of financial instruments:

- a. Cash and due from banks, interest bearing deposits in other banks and federal funds sold

The carrying value approximates fair value.

b. Investment securities available for sale

The fair value of investment securities is derived from quoted market prices.

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c. Loans

The carrying value of variable rate consumer and commercial loans and consumer and commercial loans with remaining maturities of three months or less approximates fair value. The fair value of fixed rate consumer and commercial loans with maturities greater than three months are determined using a discounted cash flow analysis and assumes the rate being offered on these types of loans by the Company at December 31, 2008 and 2007, approximates market.

The carrying value of mortgage loans held for sale approximates fair value.

For lines of credit, the carrying value approximates fair value.

d. Deposits

Under SFAS No. 107, the estimated fair value of deposits with no stated maturity is equal to the carrying amount. The fair value of time deposits is estimated by discounting contractual cash flows, by applying interest rates currently being offered on the deposit products. Under SFAS No. 107, the fair value estimates for deposits do not include the benefit that results from the low cost funding provided by the deposit liabilities as compared to the cost of alternative forms of funding (deposit base intangibles).

e. Short-term borrowings

The carrying amount approximates fair value due to the short-term nature of these instruments.

The estimated fair values of the Company's financial instruments at December 31, 2008 and 2007 are as follows:

	<b>2008</b>	
	<b>Carrying Amount</b>	<b>Estimated Fair Value</b>
Cash and due from banks	\$ 6,852,023	\$ 6,852,023
Interest bearing deposits in other banks	8,212	8,212
Federal funds sold	13,352,303	13,352,303
Investments available for sale	37,896,250	37,896,250
Loans (1)	183,538,172	189,496,730
Deposits	214,786,515	215,012,751
Short-term borrowings	1,000,000	1,000,000
	<b>2007</b>	
	<b>Carrying Amount</b>	<b>Estimated Fair Value</b>
Cash and due from banks	\$ 9,716,533	\$ 9,716,533
Interest bearing deposits in other banks	8,109	8,109
Federal funds sold	18,357,674	18,357,674
Investment securities available for sale	35,840,019	35,840,019
Loans (1)	158,329,035	163,894,799
Deposits	197,346,458	197,504,557
Short-term borrowings	927,873	927,873

**(1) Includes  
mortgage loans  
to be sold**

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**16. BANK OF SOUTH CAROLINA CORPORATION PARENT COMPANY**

The Company's principal source of income is dividends from the Bank. Certain regulatory requirements restrict the amount of dividends which the Bank can pay to the Company. At December 31, 2008, the Bank had available retained earnings of approximately \$865,000 for payment of dividends. The Company's principal asset is its investment in its Bank subsidiary. The Company's condensed statements of financial condition as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and the related condensed statements of operations and cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, are as follows:

**STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION**

	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
Assets		
Cash	\$ 913,671	\$ 1,104,729
Investment in wholly-owned bank subsidiary	26,523,773	25,213,603
Other assets	6,875	6,875
Total assets	\$ 27,444,319	\$ 26,325,207
Liabilities and shareholders' equity		
Dividends payable	\$ 636,255	\$ 632,637
Total liabilities	636,255	632,637
Shareholders' equity	26,808,064	25,692,570
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$ 27,444,319	\$ 26,325,207

**STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**

	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
Interest income	\$ 4,110	\$ 12,975	\$ 21,801
Net operating expenses	(148,182)	(104,390)	(103,695)
Dividends received from bank	2,240,000	2,670,000	1,980,000
Equity in undistributed earnings of subsidiary	843,369	1,252,659	2,030,157
Net income	\$ 2,939,297	\$ 3,831,244	\$ 3,928,263

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STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	2008	2007	2006
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net income	\$ 2,939,297	\$ 3,831,244	\$ 3,928,263
Stock-Based compensation expense	47,404	45,214	38,923
Equity in undistributed earnings of subsidiary	(843,369)	(1,252,659)	(2,030,157)
Increase in other assets		(6,875)	
 Net cash provided by operating activities	 2,143,332	 2,616,924	 1,937,029
 Cash flows from financing activities:			
Dividends paid	(2,537,219)	(2,757,797)	(2,025,344)
Fractional shares paid			(3,913)
Treasury stock purchased			
Stock options exercised	202,829	213,680	603,368
 Net cash used by financing activities	 (2,334,390)	 (2,544,117)	 (1,425,889)
 Net (decrease) increase in cash	 (191,058)	 72,807	 511,140
 Cash at beginning of year	 1,104,729	 1,031,922	 520,782
 Cash at end of year	 \$ 913,671	 \$ 1,104,729	 \$ 1,031,922
 Change in dividend payable	 \$ 3,618	 \$ (310,540)	 \$ 479,338

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**17. QUARTERLY RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)**

The tables below represent the quarterly results of operations for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively:

	<b>2008</b>			
	<b>FOURTH</b>	<b>THIRD</b>	<b>SECOND</b>	<b>FIRST</b>
Total interest and fee income	\$ 2,839,337	\$ 3,004,505	\$ 2,957,621	\$ 3,345,357
Total interest expense	338,009	358,566	448,052	734,151
Net interest income	2,501,328	2,645,939	2,509,569	2,611,206
Provision for loan losses	77,000	85,000	15,000	15,000
Net interest income after provisions for loan losses	2,424,328	2,560,939	2,494,569	2,596,206
Other income	373,436	328,033	391,481	379,904
Other expense	1,763,895	1,794,853	1,845,288	1,777,605
Income before income tax expense	1,033,869	1,094,119	1,040,762	1,198,505
Income tax expense	250,007	382,047	368,439	427,465
Net income	\$ 783,862	\$ 712,072	\$ 672,323	\$ 771,040
Basic income per common share	\$ .20	\$ .18	\$ .17	\$ .19
Diluted income per common share	\$ .20	\$ .18	\$ .17	\$ .19
	<b>2007</b>			
	<b>FOURTH</b>	<b>THIRD</b>	<b>SECOND</b>	<b>FIRST</b>
Total interest and fee income	\$ 3,905,686	\$ 4,058,866	\$ 4,230,520	\$ 4,287,106
Total interest expense	1,092,861	1,251,300	1,310,059	1,368,866
Net interest income	2,812,825	2,807,566	2,920,461	2,918,240
Provision for loan losses			20,000	20,000
Net interest income after provisions for loan losses	2,812,825	2,807,566	2,900,461	2,898,240
Other income	376,166	410,192	354,584	402,927
Other expense	1,814,276	1,778,594	1,781,070	1,711,461
Income before income tax expense	1,374,715	1,439,164	1,473,975	1,589,706
Income tax expense	480,809	498,603	513,664	553,240
Net income	\$ 893,906	\$ 940,561	\$ 960,311	\$ 1,036,466
Basic income per common share	\$ .23	\$ .24	\$ .24	\$ .26
Diluted income per common share	\$ .22	\$ .24	\$ .24	\$ .26



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**Item 9. Changes In and Disagreements With Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure**

None

**Item 9A(T) Controls and Procedures**

An evaluation was carried out under the supervision and with the participation of Bank of South Carolina Corporation's management, including its President and Chief Executive Officer and Executive Vice President and Treasurer, of the effectiveness of Bank of South Carolina Corporation's disclosure controls and procedures as of December 31, 2008. Based on that evaluation, Bank of South Carolina Corporation's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Executive Vice President and Treasurer, has concluded that Bank of South Carolina Corporation's disclosure controls and procedures are effective. During the fourth quarter of 2008, there was no change in Bank of South Carolina Corporation's internal control over financial reporting that has materially affected or is reasonably likely to materially affect, Bank of South Carolina Corporation's internal control over financial reporting.

**Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

Management of Bank of South Carolina Corporation and its subsidiary The Bank of South Carolina is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. The Company's internal control system was designed to provide reasonable assurance to management and the Board of Directors regarding the preparation and fair presentation of published financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

The Company's management assessed the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2008. Based on this assessment management believes that as of December 31, 2008, the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective.

This annual report does not include an attestation report of the Company's registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by the Company's registered public accounting firm pursuant to temporary rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission that permit the Company to provide only management's report in this annual report.

The Audit Committee, composed entirely of independent directors, meets periodically with management, the Company's internal auditor and Elliott Davis, LLC (separately and jointly) to discuss audit, financial and related matters. Elliott Davis, LLC and the internal auditor have direct access to the Audit Committee.

**Item 9B. Other Information**

There is no information required to be disclosed in a report on Form 8-K during the fourth quarter of 2008 that was not reported.

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Fifteen Directors, constituting the current Board of Directors, will be elected at the Annual Meeting, each to hold office for one year and until a successor shall have been duly elected or appointed and shall have qualified. In addition the Nominating Committee of the Company's Board of Directors recommended at its December 17, 2008 meeting to approve David W. Bunch and David R. Schools, for nomination to the Board of Directors. This recommendation was approved by the Board of Directors and will be voted on at the annual meeting. In the absence of instructions to the contrary, shares of Common Stock represented by properly executed proxies will be voted for the seventeen Nominees listed on pages 60-62, all of whom are recommended by the Nominating Committee and the Board of Directors of the Company and have consented to be named and to serve if elected.

The Company does not presently know of anything that would preclude any Nominee from serving; however, should any Nominee for any reason become unable or unwilling to serve as a Director, the number of Directors to be elected will be reduced accordingly.

The name of each Nominee designated by the Board of Directors of the Company for election as a Director of the Company and certain information provided by such Nominee to the Company are set forth in the table below. Seven of the current Nominees served as initial Directors of the Bank from October 22, 1986, when the Bank's charter was issued until the first Annual Meeting of Shareholders on April 14, 1987, and were elected to serve a one year term at such Annual Meeting. All of the above seven Directors of the Bank were elected to serve one-year terms at subsequent Annual Meetings. All of the above seven Directors of the Bank were elected Directors of the Company upon its organization in 1995. Alan I. Nussbaum, MD and Edmund Rhett, Jr., MD, were first elected as Directors of the Company during 1999. Dr. Linda J. Bradley-McKee, CPA was first elected as Director of the Company during 2002. They were all re-elected as Directors of the Company to serve one year terms at subsequent Annual Meetings. Graham M. Eubank, Jr., Richard W. Hutson, Jr. and Malcolm M. Rhodes, MD were elected pursuant to the By-Laws of the Company on December 16, 2004, and were elected to serve one year terms at subsequent annual meetings. Fleetwood S. Hassell was elected pursuant to the By-Laws of the Company on December 15, 2005, and was elected to serve one year terms at subsequent annual meetings. Glen B. Haynes, DVM was elected pursuant to the By-Laws of the Company on December 14, 2006 and was elected to serve a one year term at subsequent annual meetings. All of the current Nominees, except David W. Bunch and David R. Schools, served as Directors of the Company from April 8, 2008 the date of the last Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Positions and Offices Held With Corporation</b>	<b>Family Relationship</b>	<b>Business Experience 1987-2008 and Other Directorships</b>
David W. Bunch	58	None	None	President, Hughes Motors, Inc. (retail truck) 1997-2009 Vice-President, Bunch Leasing Co., Inc. (leasing truck) 1997-2009 Vice-President, Florence Truck Center, Inc. (retail truck) 1997-2009 Partner, Bunch & Sons (real estate) 1972-2009 Managing Member, Wando Properties, LLC (real estate) 1986-2009 President, Double D. Leasing Co., Inc. (leasing truck) 1976-2009





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<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Positions and Offices Held With Corporation</b>	<b>Family Relationship</b>	<b>Business Experience 1987-2008 and Other Directorships</b>
C. Ronald Coward	73	Director	None	Chairman, Coward Hund Construction Company, Inc. (construction) 2004-2009; President, 1976-2004
Graham M. Eubank, Jr.	41	Director	None	President, Palmetto Ford, Inc. (retail automobile) 2000-2009; Vice President 1996-2000
Fleetwood S. Hassell	49	Executive Vice President	Brother-in-law Charles G. Lane, Director	The Bank of South Carolina (banking) 1986-2009
Glen B. Haynes, DVM	54	Director	None	Westbury Veterinary Clinic (Veterinary) 1984 - 2009
William L. Hiott, Jr.	64	Executive Vice President, Treasurer, Director	None	The Bank of South Carolina (banking) 1986-2009
Katherine M. Huger	67	Director	None	Emerita Professor of Economics, Charleston Southern University; Assistant Professor of Economics, Charleston Southern University (education) 1972-2004
Richard W. Hutson, Jr.	51	Secretary Director	None	Manager, William M. Means Company Insurance, LLC (insurance) 1998-2009; Sole Proprietor, William M. Means Insurance Co. (insurance) 1992-1998
Charles G. Lane	54	Director	Brother of Hugh C. Lane, Jr.; Brother-in-law Fleetwood S. Hassell, Executive Vice President	Managing Member - Holcombe, Fair & Lane, LLC (real estate) 1996 - 2009; Associate - Holcombe & Fair Realtors 1987 - 1996
Hugh C. Lane, Jr.	61	President,	Brother of	The Bank of South Carolina (banking)

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		Chief Exec. Officer, Director	Charles G. Lane	1986-2009
Louise J. Maybank	69	Director	None 61	Active in community programs

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<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Positions and Offices Held With Corporation</b>	<b>Family Relationship</b>	<b>Business Experience 1987-2008 and Other Directorships</b>
Dr. Linda J. Bradley McKee, CPA	58	Director	None	Director, MS in Accountancy Program - College of Charleston (education) 1998 - 2007; Chairman, Dept. of Accountancy 1999-2004; Associate Professor 1999 - 2009; Assistant Professor 1993 - 1999
Alan I. Nussbaum, MD	57	Director	None	Physician in private practice with Rheumatology Associates, PA
Edmund Rhett, Jr., MD	61	Director	None	Physician in private practice as Edmund Rhett, Jr., PA 2007-2009; Physician in private obstetrical practice with Low Country Obstetrics & Gynecology, PA 1977-2007
Malcolm M. Rhodes, MD	50	Director	None	Physician in private practice with Parkwood Pediatric Group
David R. Schools	50	None	None	President and CEO, Piggly Wiggly Carolina Company, 2007-2009 Senior Vice President, Piggly Wiggly Carolina Company, 1999-2007
Thomas C. Stevenson, III	58	Director	None	President, Fabtech, Inc. (metal fabrication) 1991-2009; Private Investor 1990-91; Chairman of the Board - Stevenson Hagerty, Inc. (diversified holding company) 1984-1990

The Audit and Compliance Committee of Bank of South Carolina Corporation has determined that Dr. Linda J. Bradley McKee, CPA a member, who is an independent director, qualifies as a financial expert under applicable guidelines of the Securities and Exchange Act. The Company has a separately designated standing Audit Committee whose members are Dr. Linda J. Bradley McKee, CPA, C. Ronald Coward, Graham M. Eubank, Jr., Glen B. Haynes, Richard W. Hutson, Jr., Alan I. Nussbaum, MD. and Malcolm M. Rhodes, MD.

The Company has adopted a Code of Ethics that applies to the Company's principal executive officer, principal financial officer and persons performing similar functions. The Company will provide, to any stockholder without charge, a copy of such Code of Ethics, upon written request addressed to the Hugh C. Lane, Jr., Chief Executive Officer, at 256 Meeting Street, Charleston SC 29401.

**Section 16A Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance**

William L. Hiott, Jr., Executive Vice President and Treasurer and Fleetwood S. Hassell, Executive Vice President, failed to file one Form 4 in a timely manner.



**Table of Contents****Item 11. Executive Compensation**

The following table sets forth all remuneration (including remuneration under any contract, authorization or arrangement, whether or not set forth in a formal document) paid during the year ended December 31, 2008, 2007 and 2006, by the Bank to the three Executive Officers of the Company and the Bank, and one retired Executive Officer of the Company and Bank, whose cash remuneration from the Bank exceeded \$100,000.00 dollars for their services in all capacities. Such Executive Officers receive no compensation from the Company as Executive Officers or as Directors or in any other capacity.

**SUMMARY COMPENSATION TABLE**

Name and Position	Year	Salary (1)	Bonus (2)	Stock Option Awards	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Awards	Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings	Other Compensation (3)	Total
Hugh C. Lane, Jr. President and Chief Executive Officer	2008	210,101.45	100.00				19,572.15	229,773.60
	2007	200,001.37	1,600.00				18,136.27	219,737.64
	2006	190,000.00	1,600.00				21,630.52	213,230.52
William L. Hiott, Jr. Executive Vice President and Treasurer	2008	180,101.45	100.00				16,777.48	196,978.93
	2007	175,001.53	1,600.00				15,887.26	192,488.79
	2006	167,000.00	1,600.00				19,033.98	187,633.98
Fleetwood S. Hassell Executive Vice President	2008	145,101.29	100.00				13,517.02	158,718.31
	2007	135,001.45	1,600.00				12,288.81	148,890.26
	2006	120,000.00	1,600.00				13,728.00	135,328.00
Nathaniel I. Ball, III Retired Executive Vice President and Secretary	2007						140,600.00(4)	140,600.00
	2006						146,649.09(4)	146,649.09

1) The Compensation Committee consisting of Graham M. Eubank, Jr. and

Thomas C. Stevenson, III., compared salaries of positions at similar sized banks within South Carolina as well as the overall bank and individual performance. Once the salary levels were established by the Compensation Committee, the salaries were recommended to the Board of Directors for approval.

- 2) The bonus consists of a \$100 bonus presented to all employees at Christmas in 2006, 2007 and 2008 and a \$1,500 bonus presented in January 2006 and 2007, respectively, to all employees employed before July 1, 2005 and July 1, 2006.
- 3) On November 2, 1989, the Bank adopted an Employee Stock Ownership Plan and Trust Agreement (the Plan ) to provide

retirement benefits to eligible employees for long and faithful service. The other compensation represents the amount contributed to the Bank's ESOP.

- 4) Nathaniel I. Ball, III, retired on July 31, 2005. The amount reported in 2007 and 2006 represent severance pay.



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An employee of the Bank is eligible to become a participant in the ESOP upon reaching 21 years of age and credited with one year of service (1,000 hours of service). The employee may enter the plan on the January 1<sup>st</sup> that occurs nearest the date on which the employee first satisfies the age and service requirements described above. No contributions by employees are permitted. The amount and time of contributions are at the sole discretion of the Board of Directors of the Bank. The contribution for all participants is based solely on each participant's respective regular or base salary and wages paid by the Bank including commissions, bonuses and overtime, if any. A participant becomes vested in the ESOP based upon the employee's credited years of service. The vesting schedule is as follows;

1 year of service	0% Vested
2 Years of Service	25% Vested
3 Years of Service	50% Vested
4 Years of Service	75% Vested
5 Years of Service	100% Vested

The Plan became effective as of January 1, 1989 and amended effective January 1, 2007 and approved by the Board of Directors on January 18, 2007. This amendment was made to comply with the Pension Protection Act of 2006.

The Board of Directors of the Bank approved the contribution of \$288,000.00 to the ESOP for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008. The contribution was made during 2008. Thomas C. Stevenson, III, Sheryl G. Sharry and Hugh C. Lane, Jr., currently serve as Plan Administrators and as Trustees for the Plan. The Plan currently owns 226,533 shares or 5.70% of the Company's Common Stock.

During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008, the Company had no plans or arrangements pursuant to which any Executive Officer, Director or Principal Shareholder received contingent remuneration or personal benefits other than the contingent remuneration and life, disability, dental and health insurance benefits. Life, disability, dental and health insurance benefits are available for all employees of the Bank who work at least 30 hours a week.

**OPTION AWARDS**

Name	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options Exercisable	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options Unexercisable	Equity Incentive Plan Awards:		
			Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Unearned Options	Option Exercise Price	Option Expiration Date
Hugh C. Lane, Jr.					
William L. Hiott, Jr.					
Fleetwood S. Hassell					

On April 14, 1998, the Shareholders of the Company approved an Incentive Stock Option Plan for the benefit of eligible officers and employees of the Bank and reserved a total 180,000 shares. On April 16, 1998, the Bank granted options to purchase Common Stock in the aggregate amount of 146,000 shares to 52 employees of the Bank (including officers, such Directors as are also employees and other employees) pursuant to the Incentive Stock Option Plan. These grants included those to Hugh C. Lane, Jr., Fleetwood S. Hassell, and William L. Hiott, Jr., Executive Officers and Directors and Nathaniel I. Ball, III retired Executive Officer and Director. As adjusted for a 10% stock dividend paid on May 15, 1998, 198,000 shares were being held in reserve.

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As of July 10, 2000, all of the option holders, including the above Executive Officers, terminated their existing stock options. There was no obligation on the part of the Company or The Bank of South Carolina to issue additional or replacement options. No options were exercised in 1998, 1999 or 2000. On May 14, 2001, the Bank granted options to purchase Common Stock in the aggregate amount of 152,350 shares to 45 employees of the Bank (including officers, such Directors as are also employees and other employees) pursuant to the Incentive Stock Option Plan. These grants included those to Hugh C. Lane, Jr., Fleetwood S. Hassell and William L. Hiott, Jr., Executive Officers and Directors and Nathaniel I. Ball, III retired Executive Officer and Director. Except for those options granted to Hugh C. Lane, Jr. as described below, all of the options were granted at an exercise price of \$13.50 per share. No additional options were granted during 2001. Options to purchase 9,500 shares were granted at an exercise price of \$14.925 per share to 4 employees of the Bank during 2002. Options to purchase 13,500 shares with an exercise price of \$14.20 per share were granted to 13 employees in 2003. Options to purchase 4,000 shares with an exercise price of \$14.00 were granted to one employee in 2004. No options were exercised during 2001, 2002, 2003 or 2004. Options to purchase 32,500 shares with an exercise price of \$16.62 were granted to twenty-one employees in 2006. Options to purchase 5,000 shares with an exercise price of \$15.99 and options to purchase 5,000 shares with an exercise price of 15.51 were granted to two employees in 2007. During 2008, options to purchase 4,500 shares with an exercise price of \$14.19 were granted to two employees.

As adjusted for a 10% stock dividend effective on July 15, 2003, a 10% stock distribution effective April 29, 2005 and a 25% stock dividend effective on April 28, 2006, there are currently 38,541 shares being held in reserve. There are currently outstanding options to purchase 13,532 shares at an option price of \$9.39 per share, options to purchase 62,616 shares at an option price of \$8.92 per share, options to purchase 17,250 shares at an option price of \$16.62 per share, options to purchase 5,000 shares at an option price of \$15.99 per share, options to purchase 5,000 shares at an option price of \$15.51 per share and options to purchase 2,000 shares at an option price of \$14.19 resulting in total outstanding options to purchase 105,398 shares at the prices set forth above.

As adjusted for a 10% stock dividend effective on July 15, 2003, a 10% stock distribution effective April 29, 2005 and a 25% stock dividend effective April 28, 2006, options to purchase 44,853 shares with an exercise price of \$8.92 per share, options to purchase 11,343 shares with an exercise price of \$9.87, options to purchase 4,537 shares with an exercise price of \$9.39 per share, options to purchase 5,500 shares with an exercise price of \$9.26 per share, and options to purchase 15,250 shares with an exercise price of \$16.62 per share and options to purchase 2,500 shares with an exercise price of \$14.19 have expired. There were 32,500 options granted during 2006 with an exercise price of \$16.62. During 2007, there were 5,000 options granted with an exercise price of \$15.99 and 5,000 options granted with an exercise price of \$15.51. There were 4,500 options granted during 2008 with an exercise price of \$14.19.

On October 2, 2005, Nathaniel I. Ball, III (retired) Executive Officer and Director, in accordance with the Incentive Stock Option Plan, exercised his options to purchase 16,637 shares of common stock. The stock was purchased with the redemption of 10,300 shares of Bank of South Carolina Corporation common stock (personally held) with a price of \$18.00 a share and the payment of \$225 cash. On May 14, 2006 in accordance with the Incentive Stock Option Plan, options to purchase 67,220 shares of common stock became exercisable. Hugh C. Lane, Jr. exercised his option to purchase 24,956 shares at \$9.82 per share. Twenty-four employees, including William L. Hiott, Jr. Executive Vice President and Treasurer and Fleetwood S. Hassell, Executive Vice President, exercised their option to purchase 39,846 shares of common stock at \$8.92 per share. William L. Hiott purchased 4,159 shares and Fleetwood S. Hassell purchased 2,495 shares. On December 4, 2006 Janice Flynn, former Senior Vice President exercised her options to purchase 6,655 shares at \$8.92 per share and 3,025 shares at \$9.87 per share. Her shares became fully vested due to permanent disability. On May 14, 2007 in accordance with the Incentive Stock Option Plan, options to purchase 27,488 shares at \$8.92 per share became exercisable. Twenty employees, including William L. Hiott, Jr., Executive Vice President and Treasurer and Fleetwood S. Hassell, Executive Vice President, exercised their options to purchase 24,257 shares of common stock at \$8.92 per share. William L. Hiott, Jr. purchased 4,159 shares and Fleetwood S. Hassell purchased 2,495 shares. On May 14, 2008 in accordance with the Incentive Stock Option Plan, options to purchase 27,488 shares at \$8.92 per share became exercisable. Fourteen employees, including William L. Hiott Jr., Executive Vice President and Treasurer and Fleetwood S. Hassell, Executive Vice President, exercised their options to purchase 20,268 shares of common stock at \$8.92 per share. On May 15, 2008 in accordance with the Incentive Sock

Option Plan, options to purchase 3,174 shares at \$9.39 per share became exercisable. Eight employees exercised their options to purchase 2,347 shares of common stock at \$9.39 per share. All stock options were fully vested and fully exercisable.

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Hugh C. Lane, Jr., President and Chief Executive Officer, was granted the option to purchase 16,500 shares of Common Stock of the Company pursuant to the Incentive Stock Option Plan at a price of \$14.85 per share. The option was exercisable on May 14, 2006 and would have expired if not exercised on that date. William L. Hiott, Jr., Executive Vice President and Treasurer, was granted the option to purchase 13,750 shares of Common Stock of the Company and Fleetwood S. Hassell, Executive Vice President was granted the option to purchase 8,250 pursuant to the Incentive Stock Option Plan at a price of \$13.50 per share. All of these options became exercisable in five 20% increments beginning May 14, 2006, with an additional 20% to be exercisable on and for the year following each successive anniversary. The right to exercise each such 20% of each option is cumulative and will not expire until the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the date of the grant.

As adjusted for a 10% stock dividend effective on July 15, 2003, a 10% stock distribution effective on April 29, 2005 and a 25% stock dividend effective April 28, 2006, William L. Hiott, Jr., Executive Vice President and Treasurer, has the option to purchase 8,319 shares at a price of \$8.92 per share and Fleetwood S. Hassell, Executive Vice President, has the option to purchase 4,992 shares at a price of \$8.92 per share and 5,000 shares at a price of \$16.62. The options to purchase 5,000 shares at a price of \$16.62 per share were granted to Fleetwood S. Hassell on May 17, 2006, and will be exercisable on May 17, 2011.

In the event of a prospective reorganization, consolidation or sale of substantially all of the assets or any other form of corporate reorganization in which the Company would not be the surviving entity or in the event of the acquisition, directly or indirectly, of the beneficial ownership of 24% of the Common Stock of the Company or the making, orally or in writing, of a tender offer for, or any request or invitation for tender of, or any advertisement making or inviting tenders of the Company stock by any person, all options in effect at that time would accelerate so that all options would become immediately exercisable and could be exercised within one year immediately following the date of acceleration but not thereafter.

In the case of termination of employment of an option holder other than involuntary termination without just cause, retirement, death or legal disability, the option holder may exercise the option only with respect to those shares of Common Stock as to which he or she has become vested. The option holder may exercise the option with respect to such shares no more than 30 days after the date of termination of employment (but in any event prior to the expiration date).

In the event that the option holder's employment is terminated without just cause, the option shall become fully vested and fully exercisable as of the date of his or her termination without regard to the five year vesting schedule. The option holder may exercise the option following an involuntary termination without just cause until the expiration date of the option.

In the event the option holder remains in the continuous employ of the Company or any subsidiary from the date of the grant until the option holder's retirement, the option shall become fully vested and fully exercisable as of the date of his or her retirement without regard to the five year vesting schedule. The option holder may exercise the option following his or her retirement until the expiration date.

In the event the option holder remains in the continuous employ of the Company or a subsidiary from the date of the grant until his or her death, the option shall become fully vested and fully exercisable as of the date of death without regard to the five year vesting schedule. The person or persons entitled to exercise the option following the option holder's death may exercise the option until the expiration date.

In the event the option holder remains in the continuous employ of the Company or any subsidiary from the date of the grant until the date of his or her legal disability, the option shall become fully vested and fully exercisable as of the date of his or her termination of employment on account of his or her legal disability without regard to the five year vesting schedule. The option holder may exercise the option following such termination of employment until the expiration date.

The Stock Incentive Plan provides for adjustment in the number of shares of Common Stock authorized under the Plan or granted to an employee to protect against dilution in the event of changes in the Company's capitalization, including stock splits and dividends.

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Shown below is information with respect to unexercised options to purchase Common Stock of the Company held by the named Executive Officers at December 31, 2008.

	# of Shares		Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options/SARS at Year-End (#)		Value of Unexercised In-the-Money Options/SARS at Year-End (#)	
	Acquired On Exercise	Value Realized (\$)	Exercisable	Unexercisable	Exercisable	Unexercisable
Hugh C. Lane, Jr.	24,956	245,068	0	0	0	\$ 0
Fleetwood S. Hassell	7,485	66,766	0	9,992	0	\$ 127,629
William L. Hiott, Jr.	12,477	111,295	0	8,319	0	\$ 74,205

**Transactions and Relations with Directors, Executive Officers, and their Associates and Affiliates of Directors**  
**DIRECTOR COMPENSATION**

NAME	FEES EARNED OR PAID	
	IN CASH	TOTAL
C. Ronald Coward	\$ 7,150	\$7,150
Graham M. Eubank, Jr.	\$ 4,950	\$4,950
T. Dean Harton (Deceased)	\$ 900	\$ 900
Fleetwood S. Hassell		
Glen B. Haynes, DVM	\$ 7,750	\$7,750
William L. Hiott, Jr.		
Katherine M. Huger	\$ 5,400	\$5,400
Richard W. Hutson, Jr.	\$ 4,950	\$4,950
Charles G. Lane, Jr.	\$ 5,550	\$5,550
Hugh C. Lane, Jr.		
Louise J. Maybank	\$ 6,300	\$6,300
Dr. Linda J. Bradley McKee, CPA	\$ 4,650	\$4,650
Alan I. Nussbaum, MD	\$ 6,850	\$6,850
Edmund Rhett, Jr. MD	\$ 5,350	\$5,350
Malcolm M. Rhodes, MD	\$ 5,050	\$5,050
Thomas C. Stevenson, III	\$ 7,050	\$7,050

Non-officer Directors of the Company received \$150.00 for each meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company attended and non-officer Directors of the Bank received \$300.00 for each meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bank attended and \$150.00 for each Company or Bank Board Committee meeting attended.

The Company does not have any existing continuing contractual relationships with any Director, Nominee for election as Director or Executive Officer of the Company or the Bank, or any Shareholder owning, directly or indirectly, more than 5% of the shares of Common Stock of the Company, or any associate of the foregoing persons. Directors, Executive Officers, Nominees for election as Directors, and members of the immediate family of any of the foregoing have had in the past, have at present, and will have in the future, customer relationships with the Bank. Such transactions have been and will continue to be made in the ordinary course of business, made on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with other persons, and such transactions did not and will not involve more than the normal risk of collectability or present other unfavorable features.

**Table of Contents****Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters**

To the extent known to the Board of Directors of the Company, as of February 27, 2009, the only Shareholders of the Company having beneficial ownership of more than 5% percent of the shares of Common Stock of the Company are as set forth below:

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership	Percent of Class
Hugh C. Lane, Jr. (1) 30 Church Street Charleston, SC 29401	492,014(2)	12.37%
The Bank of South Carolina Employee Stock Ownership Plan and Trust ( ESOP ) 256 Meeting Street Charleston, SC 29401	226,533(3)	5.70%

- (1) To the extent known to the Board of Directors, the Marital Trust for the Benefit of Beverly G. Lane, Beverly G. Lane Trust, Beverly G. Jost, Kathleen L. Schenck, Charles G. Lane and Hugh C. Lane Jr., collectively, have beneficial ownership of 663,164 shares or 16.68% of the outstanding shares. As more fully described in the following footnotes, Hugh C. Lane, Jr is the only one of the above who has a beneficial ownership interest in more than 5% percent of the Company's Common Stock. Hugh C. Lane, Jr. disclaims any beneficial interest in those shares in which other members of his family have a beneficial interest other than those shares his wife owns directly and those for which he serves as trustee or she serves as custodian (as more fully described in the following footnote).
- (2) To the extent known to the Board of Directors, Hugh C. Lane, Jr., an Executive Officer and Director of the Bank and the Company, directly owns and has sole voting and investment power with respect to 262,469 shares; as trustee for three trust accounts holding an aggregate of 115,533 shares, he has sole voting and investment power with respect to such shares; as a co-trustee for two trust accounts holding 2,298 shares, he has joint voting and investment power with respect to such shares; as a trustee for the Mills Bee Lane Memorial Foundation, he has shared voting and investment power with respect to 9,831 shares; as a trustee for the ESOP he has joint voting and investment power with respect to 3,962 unallocated shares; he is indirectly beneficial owner of 12,764 shares owned by his wife and an aggregate of 48,965 shares held by his wife as custodian for their son, and 36,192 shares owned by the ESOP in which he has a vested interest. All of the shares beneficially owned by Hugh C. Lane, Jr. are currently owned. Hugh C. Lane, Jr. has had beneficial ownership of more than 5% of the Bank's Common Stock since October 23, 1986, and more than 10% since November 16, 1988.
- (3) The Trustees of the ESOP, Thomas C. Stevenson, III, a Director of the Bank and the Company, Sheryl G. Sharry, an officer of the Bank and Hugh C. Lane, Jr., an Executive Officer and Director of the Bank and the Company, disclaim beneficial ownership of the 226,533 shares owned by the ESOP with 222,571 shares allocated to members of the plan each of whom under the terms of the plan has the right to direct the Trustees as to the manner in which voting rights are to be exercised. The Trustees have joint voting and investment power with respect to 3,962 unallocated shares held in the ESOP.

**Table of Contents****Beneficial Ownership of Common Stock of the Company**

The following table sets forth the number of shares of Common Stock (the only class of outstanding equity securities of the Company) known by the Company to be beneficially owned by each Nominee for election as Director and by the Executive Officers and Directors of the Company as a group as of February 27, 2009. Except as otherwise indicated in the footnotes to the table, the persons named possess sole voting and investment power with respect to the shares shown opposite their names. As of February 27, 2009, no Executive Officer, Director or Nominee beneficially owned more than 10% of the outstanding shares of the Company other than Hugh C. Lane, Jr. As of February 27, 2009, the Executive Officers, Directors and Nominees beneficially owned 994,646 shares, representing approximately 25.01% of the outstanding shares.

As of February 27, 2009, the beneficial ownership of Common Stock of the Company by all current Directors and each Nominee for Director was as set forth in the following table:

<b>Name and Address of Beneficial Owner</b>	<b>Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership</b>	<b>Percent of Class</b>
David W. Bunch 6605 Seewee Road Awendaw, SC 29429	450	.011%
C. Ronald Coward 537 Planters Loop Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464	50,295(1)	1.265%
Graham M. Eubank, Jr. 791 Navigators Run Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464	550	.014%
Fleetwood S. Hassell 30 New Street Charleston, SC 29401	61,046(1)	1.535%
Glen B. Haynes, DVM 101 Drayton Drive Summerville, SC 29483	3,276	.082%
William L. Hiott, Jr. 1831 Capri Drive Charleston, SC 29407	147,227(1)	3.702%
Katherine M. Huger 1 Bishop Gadsden Way, C-17 Charleston, SC 29412	8,051(1)	.202%
Richard W. Hutson, Jr. 124 Tradd Street Charleston, SC 29401	1,525	.038%

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<b>Name and Address of Beneficial Owner</b>	<b>Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership</b>	<b>Percent of Class</b>
Charles G. Lane 10 Gillon Street Charleston, SC 29401	173,976(1)	4.375%
Hugh C. Lane, Jr. 30 Church Street Charleston, SC 29401	492,014(1)	12.373%
Louise J. Maybank 8 Meeting Street Charleston, SC 29401	44,907(1)	1.129%
Linda J. Bradley McKee, PHD, CPA 3401 Waterway Blvd. Isle of Palms, SC 29451	861	.022%
Alan I. Nussbaum, M.D. 37 Rebellion Road Charleston, S. C. 29407	703	.018%
Edmund Rhett, Jr., M.D. 17 Country Club Drive Charleston, S.C. 29412	2,387(1)	.060%
Malcolm M. Rhodes, MD 7 Guerard Road Charleston, SC 29407	1,787	.045%
David R. Schools 317 Coinbow Drive Mount Pleasant, SC 29464	100	.003%
Thomas C. Stevenson, III 173 Tradd Street Charleston, SC 29401	25,171(1)	.633%
(1) To the extent known to the Board of Directors, each of the following Directors and Nominees for election as		



Directors (each of whom directly owns and has sole voting and investment power of all shares beneficially owned by him or her except as set forth in this footnote)

indirectly owns the following number of shares: C.

Ronald Coward an aggregate of 1,663 shares owned by a company of which he is chairman and director;

Fleetwood S. Hassell an aggregate of 10,520 shares owned by his wife, held by him as trustee for the revocable trust of his father, held by him as a co-trustee with Charles G. Lane for the children of Hugh C.

Lane, Jr. and 24,069 shares owned by the ESOP, in which he has a vested interest;

William L. Hiott, Jr. an aggregate of 8,050 shares directly owned

by his wife and  
23,289 shares  
owned by the  
ESOP, in which  
he has a vested  
interest;

Katherine M.

Huger 731  
shares owned by  
her husband;

Charles G. Lane  
an aggregate of  
68,273 shares

owned by his  
wife, held by  
her as custodian  
for two of their  
children, held  
by him as a  
co-trustee with  
Hugh C. Lane,  
Jr. under one  
trust for a sisters  
children, held  
by him as a  
co-trustee with  
Fleetwood S.  
Hassell for the  
children of  
Hugh C. Lane,  
Jr., held by him  
as co-trustee  
under the  
Irrevocable  
Trust of Hugh  
C. Lane and  
held by him as a  
trustee of Mills  
Bee Lane  
Memorial  
Foundation;

Hugh C. Lane,  
Jr. an aggregate  
of 193,353  
shares owned by  
his wife, held by  
his wife as  
custodian for  
their son, held  
by him as a  
co-trustee with

Charles G. Lane  
under one trust  
for a sisters  
children, held  
by him as  
trustee under the  
Hugh C. Lane  
Trust for

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the benefit of three of the grandchildren of Hugh C. Lane, held by him as trustee for the Beverly Glover Lane Trust, held by him as a trustee for the Hugh C. Lane Irrevocable Trust, held by him as trustee for the Marital Trust for the benefit of Beverly Glover Lane, held by him as a trustee of Mills Bee Lane Memorial Foundation, held by him as a trustee for the ESOP(unallocated shares), and 36,192 shares owned by the ESOP in which he has a vested interest; Louise J. Maybank 15,506 shares held by her as a co-trustee for a Family Charitable Trust; Edmund Rhett, Jr. MD 756 shares owned by his wife; and Thomas C. Stevenson, III- an aggregate of 24,440 shares held by him as co-trustee under a Marital Trust and held by him as co-trustee of a QTip Trust, held by him as trustee

of the ESOP (unallocated shares). All such indirectly owned shares are included in the totals of the number of shares set forth in the above table and beneficially owned by the Directors and Nominees.

As a group, all Directors, and the Nominees and Executive Officers (including Hugh C. Lane, Jr., President and Chief Executive Officer; Fleetwood S. Hassell, Executive Vice President; and William L. Hiott, Jr., Executive Vice President and Treasurer) are seventeen in number and beneficially own an aggregate of 994,646 shares, representing 25.01% of the issued and outstanding Common Stock of the Company. All of these shares beneficially owned by the Directors, Nominees and Executive Officers are currently owned.

**Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence**

The Company does not have any existing continuing contractual relationships with any Director, Nominee for election as Director or Executive Officer of the Company or the Bank, or any Shareholder owning, directly or indirectly, more than 5% percent of the shares of Common Stock of the Company, or any associate of the foregoing persons. Directors, Executive Officers, Nominees for election as Directors, and members of the immediate family of any of the foregoing have had in the past, have at present, and will have in the future, customer relationships with the Bank. Such transactions have been and will continue to be made in the ordinary course of business, made on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with other persons, and such transactions did not and will not involve more than the normal risk of collectibility or present other unfavorable features.

**Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services**

Before the independent certified public accountants of the Company and the Bank are engaged to render services for the Company or the Bank, each engagement is approved by the Audit Committee. All of the audit and tax services provided by Elliott Davis LLC for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2008 were preapproved by the Audit Committee.

The services provided Elliott Davis included the examination and reporting of the financial status of the Company and the Bank. These services have been furnished at customary rates and terms. There are no existing direct or indirect agreements or understandings that fix a limit on current or future fees for these audit services.

Elliott Davis, LLC assisted in the preparation of the Company's and Bank's tax returns for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2006 through 2008. These non-audit services were routine in nature and did not compose more than 25% of the total fees paid Elliott Davis, LLC in 2006, 2007 or 2008..

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The following table sets forth professional fees billed by Elliott Davis, LLC, during 2008 and 2007. The payments made in 2008 and 2007 include work completed for 2006, 2007 and 2008:

Elliott Davis, LLC	2008	2007
Audit Fees (1)	\$60,750	\$54,800
Tax Fees (2)	9,300	7,000
Other (3)		3,262
	\$70,050	\$65,062

(1) Aggregate fees billed for professional services rendered for the audit of the Company's annual financial statements and for the reviews of the financial statements included in the Company's Form 10-K, Form 10-KSB and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and 10QSB.

(2) Consists of tax compliance services.

(3) Consists of professional services required in addition to audit and tax services.

**PART IV**

**Item 15. Exhibits, Financial Statement Schedules**

1. The Consolidated Financial Statements and Report of Independent Auditors are included in this Form 10-K and listed on pages as indicated.

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<u>(1) Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm</u>	28
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2. Exhibits	
2.0	Plan of Reorganization (Filed with 1995 10-KSB)
3.0	Articles of Incorporation of the Registrant (Filed with 1995 10-KSB)
3.1	By-laws of the Registrant (Filed with 1995 10-KSB)
4.0	2008 Proxy Statement (Incorporated herein)
10.0	Lease Agreement for 256 Meeting Street (Filed with 1995 10-KSB)
10.1	Sublease Agreement for Parking Facilities at 256 Meeting Street (Filed with 1995 10-KSB)
10.2	Lease Agreement for 100 N. Main Street, Summerville, SC (Filed with 1995 10-KSB)
10.3	Lease Agreement for 1337 Chuck Dawley Blvd., Mt. Pleasant, SC (Filed with 1995 10-KSB)
13.0	2008 10-K (Incorporated herein)
14.0	Code of Ethics (Filed with 2004 10-KSB)

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- 21.0 List of Subsidiaries of the Registrant (Filed with 1995 10-KSB) The Registrant's only subsidiary is The Bank of South Carolina (Filed with 1995 10-KSB)
- 31.1 Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 78 m(a) or 78 o(d) (Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)
- 31.2 Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 78 m(a) or 78 o(d) (Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)
- 32.1 Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350 (Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)
- 32.2 Certification of the Principal Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1350 (Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002)

**SIGNATURES**

In accordance with Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, the registrant caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: February 26, 2009

BANK OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
CORPORATION

By: /s/ William L. Hiott, Jr.  
William L. Hiott, Jr.  
Executive Vice President and Treasurer

In accordance with the Exchange Act, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

February 26, 2009	/s/ C. Ronald Coward C. Ronald Coward, Director
February 26, 2009	/s/ Graham M. Eubank, Jr. Graham M. Eubank, Jr., Director
February 26, 2009	/s/ Fleetwood S. Hassell Fleetwood S. Hassell, Executive Vice President & Director
February 26, 2009	/s/ Glen B. Haynes Glen B. Haynes, DVM, Director
February 26, 2009	/s/ William L. Hiott, Jr. William L. Hiott, Jr., Executive Vice President, Treasurer & Director
February 26, 2009	/s/ Katherine M. Huger Katherine M. Huger, Director





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February 26, 2009	/s/ Richard W. Hutson, Jr._ Richard W. Hutson, Jr., Director
February 26, 2009	/s/ Charles G. Lane Charles G. Lane, Director
February 26, 2009	/s/ Hugh C. Lane, Jr. Hugh C. Lane, Jr., President, Chief Executive Officer & Director
February 26, 2009	/s/ Louise J. Maybank Louise J. Maybank, Director
February 26, 2009	/s/ Linda J. Bradley McKee Linda J. Bradley McKee, PHD,CPA, Director
February 26, 2009	/s/ Alan I. Nussbaum, MD Alan I. Nussbaum, M.D., Director
February 26, 2009	/s/ Edmund Rhett, Jr., MD Edmund Rhett, Jr., M.D., Director
February 26, 2009	/s/ Malcolm M. Rhodes, MD Malcolm M. Rhodes, MD, Director
February 26, 2009	/s/ Thomas C. Stevenson, III Thomas C. Stevenson, III, Director