

Fraud Alert – April 15, 2008



The NYSCUL has released information about fraudulent checks being issues in the name of First Hudson Mortgage Company.

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Dear Compliance Compadre/Compatriot/Comrade:

Please review the following alerts regarding fraudulent checks:

ALERT

Apparently someone is issuing fraudulent checks in the name of First Hudson Mortgage Company, Brentwood NY, drawn on Bank of Smithtown, with routing code of Lasalle Bank NA, Chicago, Illinois. Routing code is 071000505. Account coding is: 5800404435. Checks are reportedly being sent out UPS from Atlanta. No other information at present.

The FDIC has issued seven Special Alerts regarding counterfeit checks bearing the name of the following institutions:

4/14/08:

- Sovereign Bank, Dallas, Texas (Counterfeit Cashier's Checks);
- The Richland Trust Company (doing business as Richland Bank), Mansfield, Ohio (Counterfeit Official Checks);
- Big Sky Western Bank, Bozeman, Montana (Counterfeit Cashier's Checks);
- Bank of Westminster, Westminster, South Carolina (Counterfeit Official Checks);
- Landmark Bank, Clinton, Louisiana (Counterfeit Cashier's Checks);
- Independent Bank, McKinney, Texas (Counterfeit Cashier's Checks);
- Meridian Bank, Paoli, Pennsylvania (Counterfeit Official Checks); and
- Damascus Community Bank, Damascus, Maryland (Counterfeit Cashier's Checks)

4/15/08:

- Haverhill Bank, Haverhill, Massachusetts (Counterfeit Cashie r's Checks);
- First Sentry Bank, Inc., Huntington, West Virginia (Counterfeit Cashier's Checks);
- Falcon International Bank, Laredo, Texas (Counterfeit Cashier's Checks);
- First Priority Bank, Malvern, Pennsylvania (Counterfeit Official Checks);
- The First National Bank of Jeffersonville, Jeffersonville, New York (Counterfeit Cashier's Checks);
- Town & Country Bank, Las Vegas, Nevada (Counterfeit Cashier's Checks); and
- High Desert State Bank, Albuquerque, New Mexico (Counterfeit Official Checks).

Additional information on the above counterfeit checks can be found on the FDIC's website at <http://www.fdic.gov/news/news/SpecialAlert/2008/>.

Fraudulent Traveler's Checks Special Alert

The FDIC has issued a Special Alert regarding fraudulent traveler's checks which do not indicate any affiliation with a major traveler check issuer and are referred to as "TRAVELERS CHEQUES." The front of the items, which have been presented in \$100 denominations, shows an American flag overlaid with the Statue of Liberty and the U.S. Capitol Building. "Support Our Freedom" is directly beneath the image.

Sincerely,
NYSCUL Compliance Department