

# PENN ATTORNEYS TITLE ALERT

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**RE: Title Alert 2007-22**

**FDIC Alert: Parkvale Savings Bank, Monroeville, PA**

**Special Alert** SA-172-2007

July 2, 2007

**SUBJECT:** Counterfeit Cashier's Checks  
**Summary:** Counterfeit cashier's checks bearing the name Parkvale Savings Bank, Monroeville, Pennsylvania, are reportedly in circulation.

**Parkvale Savings Bank (known as Parkvale Bank), Monroeville, Pennsylvania**, has contacted the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) to report that counterfeit cashier's checks bearing the institution's name are in circulation.

The counterfeit items display the routing number **243073852**, which is assigned to Parkvale Savings Bank, but are markedly dissimilar to authentic treasurer's checks. The counterfeit items have ornate borders on three sides. They items also display the words "CASHIER'S CHECK" inside a rectangle with rounded corners centered within the top border. The following security statement appears on each side of the rectangle: "HOLD THIS DOCUMENT UP TO THE LIGHT TO VIEW TRUE WATERMARK." The bank's name and address appear in the top-left corner. The bank's name is repeated above the signature line. A "MEMO" line is printed in the lower-left corner. Be aware that the appearance of counterfeit items can be modified and that additional variations may be presented.

Parkvale Savings Bank issues treasurer's checks, rather than cashier's checks. Authentic checks display "TREASURER'S CHECK" in the top right. "Parkvale Bank" and "ALQUIPPA OFFICE" appear in the top-left corner. "MONROEVILLE, PA" is printed below the dollar amount line.

Any information you have concerning this matter should be brought to the attention of: Margaret L. Ocepek, Security Officer, Parkvale Bank, 4220 William Penn Highway, Monroeville, Pennsylvania 15146, Telephone: (412) 373-4821, Fax: (412) 856-7104, E-mail: [margaret.ocepek@parkvale.com](mailto:margaret.ocepek@parkvale.com)

Information about counterfeit items, cyber-fraud incidents and other fraudulent activity may be forwarded to the FDIC's Cyber-Fraud and Financial Crimes Section, 550 17th Street, N.W., Room F-4004, Washington, D.C. 20429, or transmitted electronically to [alert@fdic.gov](mailto:alert@fdic.gov). Questions related to federal deposit insurance or consumer issues should be submitted to the FDIC using an online form that can be accessed at <http://www2.fdic.gov/starsmail/index.asp>. For your reference, FDIC Special Alerts may be accessed from the FDIC's website at [www.fdic.gov/news/news/SpecialAlert/2007/index.html](http://www.fdic.gov/news/news/SpecialAlert/2007/index.html). To learn how to automatically receive FDIC Alerts through e-mail, please visit [www.fdic.gov/about/subscriptions/index.html](http://www.fdic.gov/about/subscriptions/index.html).

*NOTE: As a security precaution, the FDIC does not post to its Web site electronic images of fraudulent items or authentic checks that have been counterfeited. This is to avoid attempts by others to use these instruments to facilitate additional fraud. Financial institutions can view images of the fraudulent items and authentic checks (marked as VOID) using the FDIC's free, secure Web site, FDICconnect. (See more information about FDICconnect at <http://www.fdic.gov/news/news/financial/2006/fil06032.html>.) Printed copies of each Special Alert and its attachment(s) may also be obtained from the FDIC's Public Information Center (telephone: 1-877-275-3342 or 703-562-2200; fax: 703-562-2296; or e-mail: [publicinfo@fdic.gov](mailto:publicinfo@fdic.gov)).*

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