

# PENN ATTORNEYS TITLE ALERT

**DATE: 8/29/07**

**RE: Title Alert 2007-34**

**FDIC Alert: Commerce Bank**

Please be advised that the FDIC has issued the following Special Alerts:

SA-238-2007 August 29, 2007

TO: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (also of interest to Security Officer)  
 SUBJECT: Counterfeit Cashier's Checks  
 Summary: *Counterfeit cashier's checks bearing the name Commerce Bank, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, are reportedly in circulation.*

**Commerce Bank/Harrisburg National Association (Commerce Bank), Lemoyne, 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 **031301846**, which is assigned to Commerce Bank/Harrisburg National Association. The items are markedly dissimilar to authentic official checks. The counterfeit items display a security feature statement embedded within a darkened top border. The bank's logo, name and "Serving Central Pennsylvania" are embedded in a darkened rectangle in the top-left corner, and "MEMBER FDIC" and address ("4700 Jonestown Road, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania") are printed below. The words "CASHIER'S CHECK" appear in the top center and the word "PURCHASER" is on the left side. The phrase "NOT VALID FOR AMOUNTS GREATER THAN \$10,000.00" appears above the numerical amount. The items are brown and have only one signature line. A "VOID" background appears when the items are copied.

Commerce Bank/Harrisburg N.A. does not issue cashier's checks; however, it does issue official checks. Authentic official checks have ornate borders with squared corners containing dark circles. The words "OFFICIAL CHECK" and a Notice to Customers regarding indemnity bonds are printed vertically along the left border. The bank's logo, name and address ("3801 Paxton Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17111") are printed in the top-left corner. The letters "RE" are in the lower-left corner. Official checks are blue and have two signature lines.

Any information you have concerning this matter should be brought to the attention of: Eric Bischof, Corporate Security Team Leader, Commerce Bank/Harrisburg National Association, 3801 Paxton Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17111, Telephone: (717) 412-6296, Fax: (717) 920-4667, E-mail: [eric.bischof@commercepc.com](mailto:eric.bischof@commercepc.com)

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