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## DEPOSIT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

### GENERAL ACCOUNT TERMS

**Definitions.** Throughout these terms and conditions ("Terms"), these terms have the following meaning:

- "You," "your," "account owner," and "party" refer to the customer whether or not there are one or more customers named on the account.
- "We," "our," and "us" refer to the Bank, Always.bank, a division of 22nd State Banking Company.
- "Item" or "items," as defined by Article 4 of the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC), means an instrument or a promise or order to pay money handled by a financial institution for collection or payment. The term includes a check but does not include a payment order governed by Article 4A of the UCC or a credit or debit card slip.
- "Debit transactions," "debit," or "debits" refer to funds that are taken out of your account. Common types of debits may include: checks that you have written, ACH payments, wire transfers, PIN-based debit card transactions, and signature-based debit card transactions.
- "Credit transactions," "credit," or "credits" refer to deposits of funds into your account. Common types of credits include: cash deposits, direct deposits, check deposits, and ACH and wire transfers made payable to you. Credits are generally added to your account and are made available to you in accordance with our funds availability schedule.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT PROCEDURES FOR OPENING A NEW ACCOUNT

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, Federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person who opens an account. What this means for you: When you open an account, we will ask for your name, address, date of birth, and other information that will allow us to identify you. We may also ask to see your driver's license or other identifying documents.

You understand that the following Terms and any other documents applicable to your account that are provided to you govern your Checking account with us. You understand that your account is also governed by applicable law. These Terms include the fees and charges applicable to the account, minimum balance requirements, and other pertinent information related to the account. These Terms may change from time to time in our sole discretion. If the fees, charges, minimum balance requirements, or other provisions change in a manner that would adversely affect you, we will provide you with written notice 30 days prior to the change. You acknowledge and agree to these Terms governing your account with us and you accept these Terms by using any of your deposit account services.

Account Ownership Descriptions – Uniform Single-Party or Multiple-Party Account Form. Pursuant to Alabama law, we are required to provide you with this disclosure. The following paragraphs describe some of the accounts which are offered to you.

**Single-Party Account.** The named party in a single-party account owns the account and may withdraw all or some of the funds. On the death of the party, ownership passes as part of the party's estate. **Single-Party Account With P.O.D. (Pay On Death) Designation.** A single-party account with POD (Pay on Death) designation permits the party to transfer the account upon the death of the party to named beneficiaries. The named party in a single-party account may withdraw all or some of the account during his or her lifetime. The party may change the named beneficiaries at any time by written direction in a form acceptable to us. If one beneficiary survives the party, then ownership passes to the named beneficiary. If two or more beneficiaries survive the party, then they will be entitled to equal shares of the account without a right of survivorship, unless otherwise indicated. If no beneficiary survives the party, then the account will be treated as a single party account in the name of the party.

**Multiple-Party Account With Right of Survivorship** Any of the named parties may withdraw all or some of the funds during the party's lifetime. The parties own the account in proportion to their net contributions, absent clear and convincing evidence of a different intent. Absent sufficient proof, for married persons, the net contribution is assumed to be equal. Upon the death of a party, ownership passes to the surviving party or parties rather than passing as part of the decedent party's estate. If two or more parties survive the decedent party, then the decedent's ownership passes to the surviving parties in equal shares. However, if two or more parties survive the decedent party and one is the spouse of the decedent, then the decedent party's ownership share passes to his or her spouse. There will continue to be a right of survivorship between the surviving parties. When there is only one surviving party, the account shall be treated as a single-party account. **Multiple-Party Account With Right of Survivorship and P.O.D. (Pay On Death) Designation.** A multiple-party account with right of survivorship and POD (Pay on Death) designation permits the parties to transfer the account upon the death of all parties to named beneficiaries. Any party may withdraw all or some of the account during the party's lifetime. The parties own the account in proportion to their net contributions, absent clear and convincing evidence of a different intent. Absent sufficient proof, for married persons, the net contribution is assumed to be equal. Upon the death of a party, ownership passes to the surviving party or parties rather than passing as part of the decedent party's estate. If two or more parties survive the decedent party, then the decedent's ownership passes

to the surviving parties in equal shares. However, if two or more parties survive the decedent party and one is the spouse of the decedent, then the decedent party's ownership share passes to his or her spouse. There will continue to be a right of survivorship between the surviving parties. The parties may change the named beneficiaries at any time by written direction in a form acceptable to us. At the death of the last surviving party, ownership passes to the surviving POD beneficiaries and is not part of the last surviving party's estate. If two or more beneficiaries survive the party, then they will be entitled to equal shares of the account without a right of survivorship, unless otherwise indicated. If no beneficiary survives and there is only one surviving party, then the account will be treated as a single-party account and upon the death of that party, ownership passes as part of that party's estate. If two or more parties survive all beneficiaries, then the account will be treated as a multiple party account with right of survivorship.

**Your Choice of Account.** You have instructed us as to the title and type of the account that you have chosen. You acknowledge that it is your sole responsibility to determine the full legal effect of opening and maintaining the type of account you have chosen. We have not set forth all laws that may impact your chosen account. For example, there are conditions that may need to be satisfied before transferring accounts due to death or other events as well as reductions to an account required or permitted by law. You must determine whether the account you select is appropriate for your current and future needs. Except as required by law, we assume no legal responsibility to inform you as to the effect of your account choice on your legal interests.

**Authorization To Obtain Information.** You authorize us to check your account, credit and employment history, and obtain reports from third parties, including credit and consumer reporting agencies, to verify your eligibility for the account, products and services you request and for other accounts, products, or services we may offer you or for which you may qualify.

**Transfers and Assignments.** We may assign or transfer any or all of our interest in this account. You cannot assign or transfer any interest in your account unless we agree in writing.

**Financial Exploitation.** As permitted by law, we may act or decline to act to prevent, stop, or mitigate financial exploitation of an adult. For example, we may (1) delay, decline, or place a hold on a transaction or disbursement involving the adult; (2) approve or deny other requests or modifications to the account, such as a transfer of funds, change in ownership, or change in beneficiaries; or (3) notify a third party of the financial exploitation. We will not be liable for the actions we take on the account if we acted in good faith and exercised reasonable care. For purposes of this section, "adult" means vulnerable adult, elder adult, senior adult, eligible adult, or other person as defined by applicable law.

**Authorized Signer (Agent) Designation.** If you designate an agent, your named agent may make account transactions for parties but has no ownership or rights at death unless named as a POD (pay on death) beneficiary. If you designate that the agent shall continue to have power after your disability or incapacity, the agent's authority survives your disability or incapacity. The agent may act for a disabled or incapacitated party until the authority of the agent is terminated. If you designate that the agent shall not have power after your disability or incapacity, the agent's authority terminates upon your disability or incapacity. If you fail to specify whether or not the agent's authority survives or instead terminates upon your disability or incapacity, the authority will be presumed to survive your disability or incapacity. Death of the sole party or last surviving party terminates the authority of the agent. We may continue to rely on the agency designation to the extent permitted by law, until we have proper notice of an event of termination and have had a reasonable period of time to act upon it.

**Multiple Account Owners.** If there is more than one account owner for your account, all deposits are the property of the person(s) indicated on the account. We may release all or any part of the amount in the account to honor checks, orders, or other items, or withdrawals or requests from any person named on this account. However, the number of required signatures must be met. Any person named on the account is liable for an amount equal to the overdrawn balance plus any overdraft fees regardless of whether he or she signed the item or benefited from the proceeds of the item. Upon receiving written notice from any person named on the account, we may freeze the account. The account may be frozen until we receive written notice, signed by all parties named in the account, as to the disposition of funds. We may also freeze the account upon receipt of notice of the death or incapacity of an account owner until we have received all necessary documentation to establish to whom payment should be made. We may use the funds to satisfy a debt or judgment of any person named on this account if ordered to do so by a court of law.

**Power of Attorney.** If you wish to name another person to act as your attorney in fact or agent in connection with your account, we must approve the form of appointment.

**Restrictive Legends.** We are not required to honor any restrictive legend on checks you write unless we have agreed to the restriction in writing signed by an officer of the Bank. Examples of restrictive legends are "two signatures required", "must be presented within 90 days", or "not valid for more than \$1,000.00."

**Stale or Postdated Checks.** We reserve the right to pay or dishonor a check more than six (6) months old without prior notice to you. You agree not to postdate any check drawn on the account. If you do, and the check is presented for payment before the date of the check, we may pay it or return it unpaid. We are not liable for paying any stale or postdated check. Any damages you incur that we may be liable for are limited to actual damages not to exceed the amount of the check.

**Preauthorized Checks or Drafts.** You should guard information about your account (such as your routing number and your account number) as carefully as you would guard blank checks. If you voluntarily give such information about your account to a party which is seeking to sell you goods or services, without physically delivering a check to that party, any debit to or withdrawal from your account it initiates will be deemed authorized by you.

**Verifying Funds Availability For Check.** You authorize us to release funds availability information about your account to individuals or merchants who represent to us that they have received a check from you.

**Check Safekeeping.** If you utilize a check safekeeping system or any other system offered by us for the retention of your checks, you understand that the canceled checks will be retained by us and destroyed after a reasonable time period or as required by law. Any request for a copy of a check may be subject to a fee indicated in the Fee Schedule included in these Terms or other disclosures and as allowed by law. If for any reason we cannot provide you with a copy of a check, our liability will be limited to the lesser of the face amount of the check or the actual damages sustained by you.

**Your Responsibility For Back of Check.** All negotiable paper ("checks") presented for deposit must be in a format that can be processed and we may refuse to accept any check that does not meet this requirement. All endorsements on the reverse side of any check deposited into your account must be placed on the left side of the check when looking at it from the front, and the endorsements must be placed so as not to go beyond an area located 1-½ inches from the left edge of the check when looking at it from the front. It is your responsibility to ensure that these requirements are met and you are responsible for any loss incurred by us for failure of an endorsement to meet this requirement.

**Electronic Checks and Electronically-Created Items.** Pursuant to Regulation CC, electronic checks may be treated the same as paper checks for check collection and processing purposes. See the Substitute Checks section for more information.

Electronically-created items ("ECI") are check-like items created in electronic form that never existed in paper form. For example, you set up automatic bill payments with us to pay your utility bill. From your account information, we create an ECI that is sent to your utility company for payment. An ECI cannot be used to create a substitute check since it never existed in paper form.

**Substitute Checks.** To make check processing faster, federal law permits financial institutions to replace original checks with "substitute checks." These substitute checks are similar in size to the original checks with a slightly reduced image of the front and back of the original check. The front of a substitute check states: "This is a legal copy of your check. You can use it the same way you would use the original check." You may use a substitute check as proof of payment just like the original check. Some or all of the checks that you receive back from us may be substitute checks. An electronic check can be used to create a substitute check since the electronic image and electronic information was derived from its paper form.

**Remote Deposit Capture.** Remote deposit capture ("RDC") allows you to make deposits to your account from remote locations by electronically transmitting digital images of your original paper checks, which are drawn on or payable through United States financial institutions in United States dollars to us. We may then use the digital image to create an electronic check or substitute check for collection. If you use our RDC services, if applicable, we may require you to endorse the back of the paper check to indicate that it has been remotely deposited. For example, "for mobile deposit only" or "for mobile deposit at Always.bank, a division of 22nd State Banking Company only."

**Remotely Created Checks.** A remotely created check, as defined in Regulation CC, means a check that is not created by the paying bank and that does not bear a signature applied, or purported to be applied, by the person on whose account the check is drawn. By having a deposit account with us, you certify that all remotely created checks deposited to your account(s) will be expressly and verifiably authorized by the payer. And we reserve the rights to refuse for deposit any such remotely created check if we have any reason to believe that the check is fraudulent in any manner and to obtain from you the payer's express, verifiable authorization for any such check.

**Withdrawals.** Deposits will be available for withdrawal consistent with these Terms or other disclosures. Withdrawals may be subject to a service charge.

Deposits. Deposits may be by mail, or in another form and manner as agreed by us in our sole discretion. We are not responsible for transactions mailed until we actually receive and record them. We may in our sole discretion refuse to accept particular instruments as a deposit to your account. Other items you deposit are handled by us according to our usual collection practices. If an item you deposit is returned unpaid, we will debit your account for the item and adjust any interest earned. You are liable to us for the amount of any check you deposit to your account that is returned unpaid and all costs and expenses related to the collection of all or part of such amount from you. Funds deposited to your account, excluding any Time Deposit accounts, are available in accordance with the Disclosures.

**Collection of Deposited Items.** In receiving items for deposit or collection, we act only as your agent and assume no responsibility beyond the exercise of ordinary care. All items are credited subject to final settlement in cash or credits. We shall have the right to forward items to correspondents including all Federal Reserve Banks, and we shall not be liable for default or neglect of said correspondents for loss in transit, nor shall any correspondent be liable except for its own negligence. You specifically authorize us or our correspondents to utilize Federal Reserve Banks to handle such items in accordance with provisions of Regulation J (12 CFR Part 210), as revised or amended from time to time by the Federal Reserve Board. In the event we are subject to local clearing house rules, you specifically authorize us to handle such items in accordance with the rules and regulations of the clearing house.

If we permit you to withdraw funds from your account before final settlement has been made for any deposited item, and final settlement is not made, we have the right to charge your account or obtain a refund from you. In addition, we may charge back any deposited item at any time before final settlement for whatever reason. We shall not be liable for any damages resulting from the exercise of these rights. Except as may be attributable to our lack of good faith or failure to exercise ordinary care, we will not be liable for dishonor resulting from any reversal of credit, return of deposited items or for any damages resulting from any of those actions.

**Statements.** We will provide you with a periodic statement showing the account activity. The last address you supply us in writing will be deemed the proper address for mailing this statement to you. The account owner who receives this statement is the agent for his/her co-account owner(s) for purposes of receiving the statement and items. You must exercise reasonable care in reviewing your statement and reasonable promptness in notifying us of any discrepancies, such as alterations or forged or unauthorized signatures, even if by the same wrongdoer. Reasonable promptness will not exist if you fail to notify us within 30 days after we mail or otherwise make the statement available to you. If you fail to notify us of any discrepancies, with reasonable promptness, your right to assert such discrepancies will be barred or limited to the extent permitted by law. Additionally, you agree that we will not be liable for your forged or unauthorized signature, any alteration on an item, any alteration on the back of the item, or any unauthorized indorsement reported to us after 180 days after we mail or otherwise make the statement or items available to you, even if we failed to exercise ordinary care. However, if the discrepancy is the result of an electronic fund transfer, the In Case of Errors or Questions About Your Transactions provision in the Electronic Funds Transfer Policy as included in these Terms will control its resolution. If you do not receive a statement from us because you have failed to claim it or have supplied us with an incorrect address, we may stop sending your statements until you specifically make written request that we resume sending your statements and you supply us with a proper address.

**Electronic Statements and Notices.** You may have the option to have statements and notices regarding this account provided to you in an electronic form, including to a designated e-mail address, through an online banking portal, or other electronic method, upon your authorization. The authorization may be withdrawn at any time to return to a mailed paper form by providing written notice to us at the address provided. The fees for receiving in either form, and for receiving paper copies, are described in these Terms or other disclosures.

**ACH and Wire Transfers.** This Agreement is subject to Article 4A of the Uniform Commercial Code - Funds Transfers as adopted in the State of Alabama. If you send or receive a wire transfer, you agree that Fedwire® Funds Service may be used. Federal Reserve Board Regulation J is the law that covers transactions made over Fedwire® Funds Service. When you originate a funds transfer for which Fedwire® Funds Service is used, and you identify by name and number a beneficiary financial institution, an intermediary financial institution or a beneficiary, we and every receiving or beneficiary institution may rely on the identifying number to make payment. We may rely on the number even if it identifies a financial institution, person or account other than the one named.

If you are a party to an Automated Clearing House ("ACH") entry, you agree that we may transmit an entry through the ACH, and you agree to be bound by the National Automated Clearing House Association ("Nacha") Operating Rules and Guidelines, the rules of any local ACH, and the rules of any other systems through which the entry is made.

**Provisional Payment.** Credit we give you is provisional until we receive final settlement for that entry. If we do not receive final settlement, you agree that we are entitled to a refund of the amount credited to you in connection with the entry, and the party making payment to you via such entry (i.e., the originator of the entry) shall not be deemed to have paid you in the amount of such entry.

**International ACH Transactions.** If your transaction originates from a financial agency that is outside of the territorial jurisdiction of the United States, it may be subject to additional review for compliance with the rules of the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC). If additional review is required, the International ACH transaction will not be available to you until it passes final verification.

**Notice of Receipt.** We will not provide you with notice of our receipt of the order, unless we are so requested by the transfer originator in the order. However, we will continue to notify you of the receipt of payments in the periodic statements we provide to you.

**Choice of Law.** We may accept on your behalf payments to your account which have been transmitted, that are not subject to the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, and your rights and obligations with respect to such payments shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of Alabama.

**Stop Payments.**

**Stop Payment on Checks.** You may stop payment on a check drawn against your account by a record or written order or other confirmation as allowed by us, provided that we receive the Stop Payment Order in a time and manner that gives us a reasonable opportunity to act on it. The Stop Payment Order must describe the check or account with reasonable certainty. Oral requests for a Stop Payment Order are binding on us for 14 calendar days only and must be confirmed by you in a record or writing within that period. If the record or written confirmation is not received as specified, we will no longer be bound by your request. Upon receipt of confirmation in a record or writing, a Stop Payment Order on a check remains in effect for 6 months or until we receive a record or writing revoking the Stop Payment Order, whichever occurs first. If the check on which a Stop Payment Order has been placed has not cleared or been returned to you by the payee, you may renew the Stop Payment Order for an additional six months by providing a request to us in a record or writing within the time period the Stop Payment Order is in effect. You understand that we may accept the Stop Payment Order request from any of the authorized signers of the account regardless of who signed the check. We have a daily cutoff time by which we must receive any knowledge, notice, Stop Payment Order, set-off or legal process affecting our right or duty to pay a check. That cutoff time is one hour after the opening of your branch's banking day, following the banking day on which your branch received the check.

**Stop Payment on EFT Debits.** A Stop Payment Order may be placed on either a one-time debit transfer or on a multiple debit entry transfer. If you request a Stop Payment Order on an Electronic Check Conversion or other one-time debit transfer, we must receive the request, orally or in a record or writing, in a period of time that provides us a reasonable opportunity to act on it prior to acting on the debit entry, otherwise the Stop Payment Order shall be of no effect. If you requested a stop payment on a multiple debit entry transfer, we must receive the Stop Payment Order, orally or in a record or writing, at least three business days before a scheduled multiple debit entry. Oral stop payment orders are binding on us for 14 calendar days only and must be confirmed by you in a record or writing within that period. A Stop Payment Order on an EFT debit will remain in effect until the earlier of 1) your withdrawal of the Stop Payment Order, or 2) the return of the debit entry, or, where a Stop Payment Order is applied to more than one debit entry under a specific authorization involving a specific payee (Originator), the return of all such debits. When a stop is placed on a multiple debit entry transfer, we may require your confirmation in a record or writing stating that you have canceled your authorization for the transfer with the payee (a Stop Payment Order does not revoke authorization).

The Stop Payment Order shall be governed by the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code 4A in effect in the state in which we are located, the Electronic Fund Transfer Act (Regulation E), Nacha, and any applicable state law. You may be charged a fee every time you request a Stop Payment Order, and for each Stop Payment Order renewal you make. A release of the Stop Payment Order may be made by the person who initiated the stop payment request or any of the authorized signers on the account. Our acceptance of a stop payment request does not constitute a representation by us that the item has not already been paid or that we have had a reasonable opportunity to act on the request.

**Death or Incompetency.** Neither your death nor a legal adjudication of incompetence revokes our authority to accept, pay, or collect items until we know of the fact of death or of an adjudication of incompetence and have a reasonable opportunity to act on it. To the extent permitted by law, even with knowledge, we may for 10 days after the date of death, pay checks drawn on or before the date of death unless ordered to stop payment by a person claiming an interest in the account.

#### **Non-Sufficient Funds and Overdrafts - Available Balance.**

**How We Decide To Pay An Item or Debit.** We use an available balance method to determine if there are sufficient funds in your account to pay an item or debit transaction. The available balance reflects deposits and transactions that have been posted to your account, such as checks you have written, and transactions that have been authorized but not yet posted to your account, including deposit holds and holds on debit card transactions that have been authorized but not yet posted (i.e., preauthorization holds). These pending transactions and holds reduce your available balance. For example, you have \$100 in your account and a pending transaction of \$30. Your available balance is \$70 because the pending \$30 transaction reduces your available account balance.

**How We Assess Fees.** If there are insufficient funds to pay a debit transaction or item based on your available balance, we may either: 1) return the debit or item or 2) pay the debit or item at our discretion. We may charge you fees if we return the debit or item or pay the debit or item on your behalf.

**Return Item For Non-Sufficient Funds.** If we do not pay the debit transaction or item on your behalf and return the debit or item, we may charge you non-sufficient funds fee. Pursuant to Nacha and other applicable laws, a debit or item may be presented for payment more than one time.

**Overdrafts.** If we pay the debit transaction or item on your behalf, you will be responsible for the overdrawn balance, and we may charge you overdraft fees. As discussed above, subsequent pending transactions and holds impact your available balance, which may cause your account to become overdrawn and subject to overdraft fees. For example, you have \$100 in your account. You use your debit card at a gas station and a preauthorization hold of \$60 is placed on your account because the amount of the transaction is not known at the time of authorization even though your gas was only \$50. The authorization hold reduces your available account balance to \$40. You then spend \$50 on groceries. If we pay this debit on your behalf, you will be responsible for paying the overdrawn balance, and we may charge you overdraft fees.

**Processing Order.** We will process debit and credit transactions in accordance with our processing order policy. The processing order of these debits and credits is important because if your account balance has insufficient funds to pay for them in the order that they are processed, we may charge you non-sufficient funds fees if we return the debit or charge you overdraft fees if we pay the debit on your behalf.

**Signatures.** You authorize us, at any time, to charge you for all checks, drafts, orders, or other items for the payment of money, that are drawn on us regardless of by whom or by what means your signature may have been affixed so long as the signature resembles the signature specimen in our files. For withdrawal and other purposes relating to any account you have with us, we are authorized to recognize your signature; and we will not be liable to you for refusing to honor signed instruments or instructions if we believe in good faith that one or more of the signatures appearing on the instrument or instructions is not genuine.

Further, most checks, and other items are processed automatically, i.e., without individual review of each item. Therefore, unless we agree in a separate writing, in our sole discretion, upon your request and due to unique circumstances to conduct individual review of each item, you agree that we are acting within common and reasonable banking practices by automatically processing checks, and other items, i.e., without individual review of each check, or item. You agree to indemnify, defend, and hold us harmless from and against all loss, costs, damage, liability, and other injury (including reasonable attorney fees) that you or we may suffer or incur as a result of this practice.

**Fees, Service Charges and Balance Requirements.** You agree to pay us and are responsible for any fees, charges, or balance/deposit requirements included in the Truth In Savings Disclosure and these Terms. Fees, charges, and balance requirements may change from time to time. We also reserve the right to impose a service charge for cashing checks drawn on your account if the person cashing the check is not a customer of this Bank.

**Special Account Instructions.** You may request that we facilitate certain trust, will, or court-ordered account arrangements. However, because we do not give legal advice, we cannot counsel you as to which account arrangement most appropriately meets the specific requirements of your trust, will, or court order. If you ask us to follow any instructions that we believe might expose us to claims, lawsuits, expenses, liabilities, or damages, whether directly or indirectly, we may refuse to follow your instructions or may require you to indemnify us or provide us with other protection. We may require that account changes requested by any account owner, such as adding or closing an account or service, be evidenced by a signed document that evidences a change to an account and accepted by us. You and any surviving owner or beneficiary agree to indemnify and hold us harmless from any claim or liability asserted against us as a result of the disposition of funds in reliance on these Terms and any account designations of yours.

**Set-Offs and Security Interests.** If you ever owe us money as a borrower, guarantor, or otherwise, and it becomes due, we have the right under the law (called "set-off") and under these Terms (by which you grant us a security interest in your deposit account and any other accounts held by you) to use your account funds to pay the debt, where permitted by law. If your account is held jointly, that is, if there is more than one account owner, we may offset funds for the debt of any one of the joint owners. Similarly, we may also set-off funds from the individual accounts of any one of the joint owners to satisfy obligations or debts in the joint account. The security interest granted by this Agreement is consensual and is in addition to our right of set-off.

**Claims.** In response to any garnishment, attachment, restraining order, injunction, levy, citation to discover assets, judgment, reclamation, other order of court, or other legal process ("Claim(s)"), we have the right to place a hold on, remove from your account(s) and/or remit to the designated third party(ies) any amount on deposit in your account(s) as set forth in and required by such Claim(s). If the account(s) is/are held jointly, we may place the hold, remove from the account(s) and/or remit the amounts from the account(s) arising from any Claim(s) relating to any one or more of the account owners. In addition, we may charge against your account(s) any fee authorized by law in connection with the Claim(s) or as otherwise set forth in these Terms or other disclosures.

Dormant/Inactive Accounts you agree that we are relieved of all responsibility if your account balance is escheated (that is, turned over to the state) in accordance with state law.

**Attorneys' Fees and Expenses.** You agree to be liable to us for any loss, costs or expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees to the extent permitted by law, that we incur as a result of any dispute involving your account, and you authorize us to deduct any such loss, costs or expense from your account without prior notice to you. This obligation includes disputes between yourself and us involving the account and situations where we become involved in disputes between you and an authorized signer, another joint owner, or a third party claiming an interest in the account. It also includes situations where you, an authorized signer, another joint owner, or a third party takes action with respect to the account that causes us, in good faith, to seek the advice of counsel, whether or not we actually become involved in a dispute.

**Legal Process Against Account.** You agree to be responsible for, to reimburse us, and/or have your account charged for any expenses or reasonable attorney fees we incur due to an attachment, garnishment, levy or subpoena of records of your account. Any garnishment or other levy against your account is subject to our right of set-off and security interest. We may restrict the use of your account if it is involved in any legal proceeding.

**Closing Account.** We may close the account at any time, with or without cause, after sending you notice if advance notice is required by law. If applicable, a notice may be sent to you that specifies when the account will be closed. At our discretion, we have the authority to pay an otherwise properly payable check, which is presented after the closing of your account. Such a termination will not release you from any fees or other obligations incurred before the termination. We will send a check for the balance in our possession to which you are entitled.

**Our Waiver of Rights.** You understand and agree that no delay or failure on our part to exercise any right, remedy, power or privilege available to us shall affect or preclude our future exercise of that right, remedy, power or privilege.

**Your Waiver of Notice.** You waive any notice of non-payment, dishonor or protest regarding any items credited to or charged against your deposit account. For example, if a check that you deposited is dishonored and returned to us, we are not required to notify you of the dishonor.

**Notice.** You are responsible for notifying us of any address or name changes, death of an account owner, or other information affecting your account. Notices must be in a form and manner acceptable to us with enough information to allow us to identify the account. Notice sent by you to us is not effective until we have received it and have had a reasonable opportunity to act upon it. Written notice sent by us to you is effective when mailed to the last address supplied.

**Liability.** If we do not properly complete a transaction according to these Terms, we will be liable for your losses or damages not to exceed the amount of the transaction, except as otherwise provided by law. We will not be liable if, for example: (1) your account contains an insufficient available balance for the transaction; (2) circumstances beyond our control prevent the transaction; (3) your loss is caused by your or another financial institution's negligence; or (4) your account funds are subject to legal process or other claim. We will not be liable for consequential damages, except liability for wrongful dishonor. We are not responsible for a check that is paid by us if we acted in a commercially reasonable manner and exercised ordinary care. We exercise ordinary care if our actions or non-actions are consistent with applicable state law, Federal Reserve regulations and operating letters, clearing house rules, and general financial institution practices followed in the area we serve. You grant us the right, in making payments of deposited funds, to rely exclusively on the form of the account and the terms of these Terms. Any conflict regarding what you and our employees say or write will be resolved by reference to these Terms.

**Taxpayer Identification Number and Backup Withholding.** You must provide a taxpayer identification number (hereinafter TIN) with your account with us. If you fail to provide your TIN within a reasonable time, we may suspend opening your account or close your account and return the balance to you, less any applicable service fees. Your failure to furnish a correct TIN or meet other requirements may result in backup withholding. If your account is subject to backup withholding, we must withhold and pay to the Internal Revenue Service a percentage of payments.

**Telephone and Electronic Communication.** You agree that we may call or send text messages to you at the telephone numbers that you provide to us, including a cell phone number, which may result in charges to you, for informational purposes regarding your account(s) with us. These calls and text messages may be made from an automatic telephone dialing system (i.e., an autodialer) or from an artificial or prerecorded voice message system. Additionally, you agree that we may send electronic communication to you at the email addresses you provide to us. You may contact us at any time if you no longer want to receive these communications from us. You also agree that we may monitor and record telephone and electronic communications that affect your account(s) with us to the extent permitted by law. We need not provide further notice to you or receive additional approval.

**Online or Mobile Services.** If you open an account or obtain a product or service from us using our online or mobile services, we may record your personal information from a scan or a copy of your driver's license or other personal identification card, or we may receive an image or make a copy of your driver's license or other personal identification card. We may store or retain this information to the extent permitted by law.

**Amendments and Alterations.** Except as prohibited by law, we may amend this Agreement by adding, removing, or changing terms at any time. We will notify you of amendments as required by applicable law. Your continued use of the account evidences your agreement to any amendments. Notices will be sent to the most recent address shown on the account records. Only one notice will be given in the case of joint account owners.

**Severability.** If a court for any reason holds a provision of these Terms to be unenforceable, the rest remains fully enforceable. All headings are intended for reference only and are not to be construed as part of these Terms.

**Enforcement.** You are liable to us for any losses, costs, or expenses we incur resulting from your failure to follow these Terms. You authorize us to deduct any such losses, costs, or expenses from your account without prior notice to you. If we bring a legal action to collect any amount due under or to enforce these Terms, we shall be entitled, subject to applicable law, to payment of reasonable attorney's fees and costs, including fees on any appeal, bankruptcy proceedings, and any post judgment collection actions.

**Effective Applicable Laws and Regulations.** You understand that these Terms are governed by the laws of Alabama, except to the extent that federal law is controlling. Changes in these laws and regulations may modify these Terms. We do not have to notify you of these changes, unless required to do so by law. If any of these Terms come into conflict with the applicable law and are declared to be invalid or unenforceable, they will be nullified to the extent that they are inconsistent with the law and the applicable law will govern. However, this shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions.

**Certificate of Deposit Provisions: Account Terms.** The Certificate bears interest at the rate and basis as set forth on the Certificate. The terms of the Certificate, such as the interest rate(s), annual percentage yield (APY), length of term period, renewability, and date of maturity are specified on the Certificate and in these Terms or other disclosures provided to you at the time of account opening. Interest will not be compounded unless noted in the Certificate and these Terms or other disclosures and will be paid to you at the frequency and in the method noted. If interest compounds during the term of the Certificate and may be withdrawn prior to maturity, the withdrawal of interest prior to maturity will affect the annual percentage yield (APY). **Withdrawal Prior To Maturity.** You have contracted to keep the account funds on deposit from the issue date until the maturity date. We may accept a request by you for withdrawal of some or all of the account funds prior to the maturity date at our discretion or as otherwise described in these Terms or other disclosures. **Additional Deposits During The Term.** No additional deposits will be allowed to this account during its term unless otherwise described in these Terms or other disclosures. **Early Withdrawal Penalty.** Unless provided otherwise in these Terms or other disclosures, we will assess an early withdrawal penalty on any withdrawal, either partial or in whole, that we allow you to make from your account prior to the account's maturity date. The method for determining that penalty is described in these Terms or other disclosures. **IRA Early Withdrawal Penalty.** We may waive the early withdrawal penalty if the withdrawal is due to one of the following reasons: (1) the withdrawal is a result of the revocation of the Traditional Individual Retirement Account within seven (7) days of its establishment; (2) the withdrawal occurs once you are age 59 ½ or older; (3) the withdrawal is made due to your death; or (4) the withdrawal is made after you are disabled as defined in Internal Revenue Code Section 72(m), or after a court determines you are legally incompetent. We reserve the right to establish a policy regarding waiver of the early withdrawal penalty for certain Traditional Individual Retirement Account distributions consistent with the applicable laws. **Renewal.** Automatic Renewal Certificates will renew automatically on the stated maturity date of its term. Such renewal will be for a time period equal or similar to the original term and subject to these terms and conditions. Interest for that renewal term will be paid at the interest rate then in effect at this financial institution for similar accounts. If you close the Certificate within the grace period following the maturity date, we will not charge an early withdrawal penalty for that withdrawal. When applicable to your Certificate, the grace period following the maturity date is described in these Terms or other disclosures. **Single Maturity.** Single Maturity Certificates will not automatically renew at maturity. These Terms or other disclosures describe our policy concerning the account's status following the maturity date. To ensure a continuation of interest earning, you must arrange for a new investment of the account balance.

**Savings/Money Market Provision: Transaction Limitations.** We limit the number of transfers or withdrawals you can make on a savings account. You understand that we will not allow more transfers or withdrawals than the maximum number specified in these Terms or other disclosures, and we may close your account, take away your ability to transfer funds, charge you a fee, or convert the account to a checking or other transaction account if the restriction is violated.

**Notice of Potential Disclosure of Negative Information To Consumer Reporting Agencies**

This notice is being furnished pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act (15 U.S.C. 1681) as amended by the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act of 2003 (FACT Act).

**Notice**

**We may report information about your account to credit bureaus. Late payments, missed payments, or other defaults on your account may be reflected in your credit report.**

## **SUBSTITUTE CHECK POLICY**

**What Is a Substitute Check?** To make check processing faster, federal law permits banks to replace original checks with "substitute checks." These checks are similar in size to original checks with a slightly reduced image of the front and back of the original check. The front of a substitute check states: "This is a legal copy of your check. You can use it the same way you would use the original check." You may use a substitute check as proof of payment just like the original check.

Some or all of the checks that you receive back from us may be substitute checks. This notice describes rights you have when you receive substitute checks from us. The rights in this notice do not apply to original checks or to electronic debits to your account. However, you have rights under other law with respect to those transactions.

**What Are My Rights Regarding Substitute Checks?** In certain cases, federal law provides a special procedure that allows you to request a refund for losses you suffer if a substitute check is posted to your account (for example, if you think that we withdrew the wrong amount from your account or that we withdrew money from your account more than once for the same check). The losses you may attempt to recover under this procedure may include the amount that was withdrawn from your account and fees that were charged as a result of the withdrawal (for example, bounced check fees).

The amount of your refund under this procedure is limited to the amount of your loss or the amount of the substitute check, whichever is less. You also are entitled to interest on the amount of your refund if your account is an interest-bearing account. If your loss exceeds the amount of the substitute check, you may be able to recover additional amounts under other law.

If you use this procedure, you may receive up to \$2,500.00 of your refund (plus interest if your account earns interest) within 10 business days after we received your claim and the remainder of your refund (plus interest if your account earns interest) not later than 45 calendar days after we received your claim. We may reverse the refund (including any interest on the refund) if we later are able to demonstrate that the substitute check was correctly posted to your account.

**How Do I Make a Claim for a Refund?** If you believe that you have suffered a loss relating to a substitute check that you received and that was posted to your account, please contact us by:

Phone at: [\(877\)259-2979](tel:(877)259-2979) or

Mail at: Always.bank, a division of 22nd State Banking Company  
PO Box 2127  
Mobile, AL 36652

You must contact us within 40 calendar days of the date that we mailed (or otherwise delivered by a means to which you agreed) the substitute check in question or the account statement showing that the substitute check was posted to your account, whichever is later. We will extend this time period if you were not able to make a timely claim because of extraordinary circumstances.

Your claim must include:

- A description of why you have suffered a loss (for example, you think the amount withdrawn was incorrect);
- An estimate of the amount of your loss;
- An explanation of why the substitute check you received is insufficient to confirm that you suffered a loss;  
and
- A copy of the substitute check and/or the following information to help us identify the substitute check such as the check number, the name of the person to whom you wrote the check, the amount of the check.

## FUNDS AVAILABILITY POLICY DISCLOSURE

### Funds Availability Disclosure

This disclosure describes your ability to withdraw funds at Always.bank, a division of 22nd State Banking Company. It applies to the availability of funds in all of your accounts except for funds deposited to certificate of deposit (CD) accounts. We reserve the right to delay the availability of funds deposited to these accounts for periods longer than those outlined in this disclosure. Please ask us if you have a question about which accounts are affected by our availability policy.

For purposes of this disclosure, the terms "you" or "your" mean customer and the terms "our," "we," or "us" mean Always.bank, a division of 22nd State Banking Company.

**Your Ability to Withdraw Funds.** Our policy is to make funds from your cash and check deposits available to you on the first business day after the day we receive your deposit. Electronic direct deposits will be available on the day that we receive the deposit. Once they are available, you can withdraw the funds in cash, and we will use the funds to pay checks that you have written. For determining the availability of your deposits, every day is a business day, except Saturdays, Sundays, and federal holidays. If you make a deposit before the close of business on a business day that we are open, we will consider that day to be the day of your deposit. However, if you make a deposit after the close of business or on a day that we are not open, we will consider the deposit made on the next business day we are open.

**Deposits at Other Locations.** This availability policy only applies to funds deposited at Always.bank, a division of 22nd State Banking Company. Please inquire for information about the availability of funds deposited at other locations.

**Longer Delays May Apply.** In some cases, we will not make all of the funds that you deposit by check available to you on the first business day after we receive your deposit. Depending on the type of check that you deposit, funds may not be available until the second business day after the day of your deposit. The first \$225.00 of your deposits, however, may be available [D\\_GNL\\_XCLS\\_INST\\_ByCaseFundsAvailability - Case-by-case initial funds available dollar amount must be greater than \\$275](#) on the first business day after the day of deposit. If we are not going to make all of the funds from your deposit available on the first business day, we will notify you at the time you make your deposit. We will also tell you when the funds will be available. If your deposit is not made directly to one of our employees, or if we decide to take this action after you have left the premises, we will send you the notice by the day after we receive your deposit. If you will need the funds from a deposit right away, you should ask us when the funds will be available. In addition, funds you deposit by check may be delayed for a longer period under the following circumstances:

- (a) if we believe a check you deposit will not be paid;
- (b) if you deposit checks totaling more than \$6,725 on any one day;
- (c) if you redeposit a check that has been returned unpaid;
- (d) if you have overdrawn your account repeatedly in the last six months; or
- (e) if an emergency condition arises that would not enable us to make the funds available to you, such as the failure of computer or communications equipment.

We will notify you if we delay your ability to withdraw funds for any of these reasons, and we will tell you when the funds will be available. They will generally be available no later than the seventh business day after the day of your deposit.

**Special Rules for New Accounts.** If you are a new customer, the following special rules will apply during the first 30 days your account is open.

Funds from electronic direct deposits to your account will be available on the day we receive the deposit. Funds from deposits of cash, wire transfers, and the first \$6,725 of a day's total deposits of U.S. Treasury checks, U.S. Postal Service money orders, cashier's, certified, teller's, traveler's, and federal, state and local government checks will be available on the first business day after the day of deposit if the deposit meets certain conditions. For example, the checks must be payable to you. The excess over \$6,725 will be available on the ninth business day after the day of your deposit. If your deposit of these checks (other than a U.S. Treasury check) is not made in person to one of our employees, the first \$6,725 will not be available until the second business day after the day of deposit.

Funds from all other check deposits will be available on the ninth business day after the day of your deposit.

**Holds on Other Funds for Check Cashing.** If we cash a check for you that is drawn on another financial institution, we may withhold the availability of a corresponding amount of funds that are already in your account. Those funds will be available at the time funds from the check we cashed would have been available if you had deposited it.

**Holds on Other Funds in Another Account.** If we accept for deposit a check that is drawn on another financial institution, we may make funds from the deposit available for withdrawal immediately but delay your availability to withdraw a corresponding amount of funds that you have on deposit in another account with us. The funds in the other account would then not be available for withdrawal until the time periods that are described elsewhere in this disclosure for the type of check that you deposited.

**D\_GNL\_XCLS\_INST\_InitialAvailDepositAmount - The amount of initial availability cannot be less than \$275.**

**Cash Withdrawal Limitation.** We place certain limitations on withdrawals in cash. In general, \$225.00 of a deposit of checks is available for withdrawal in cash. on the first business day after the day of deposit. In addition, a total of up to \$550 of other funds becoming available on a given day is available for withdrawal in cash at or after 5:00 p.m. on that day. Any remaining funds will be available for withdrawal in cash on the following business day.

**Foreign Checks.** Checks drawn on financial institutions outside of the U.S. (foreign checks) cannot be processed the same as checks drawn on U.S. financial institutions and are exempt from the policies outlined in this disclosure. Generally, the availability of funds from deposits of foreign checks will be delayed for the time it takes us to collect the funds from the financial institutions upon which they are drawn.

## **ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER DISCLOSURE**

The Electronic Fund Transfer Act and Regulation E require institutions to provide certain information to customers regarding electronic fund transfers ("EFTs"). This disclosure applies to any EFT service you receive from us related to an account established primarily for personal, family or household purposes. Examples of EFT services include direct deposits to your account, automatic regular payments made from your account to a third party and one-time electronic payments from your account using information from your check to pay for purchases or to pay bills. For purposes of this disclosure, "Business Day" means

**D\_GNL\_XCLS\_INST\_DefinedInstitutionBusinessDaysType - Please provide the days during which you are open to the public for carrying on substantially all business functions.**

### **Electronic Fund Transfer Services Provided**

#### **Notice of Rights and Responsibilities**

The use of any electronic fund transfer services described in this document creates certain rights and responsibilities regarding these services as described below.

#### **Right to Receive Documentation of Your Transfers.**

**Periodic Statements.** If your account is subject to receiving a monthly statement, all EFT transactions will be reported on it. If your account is subject to receiving a statement less frequently than monthly, then you will continue to receive your statement on that cycle, unless there are EFT transactions, in which case you will receive a monthly statement. In any case you will receive your statement at least quarterly.

**In Case of Errors or Questions About Your Transactions.** In case of errors or questions about your electronic fund transfers,

call us at: [d\\_gnl\\_xcls\\_inst\\_reportefterrorscontactphone](#)

or

write to:

or

use the current information on your most recent account statement.

Notification should be made as soon as possible if you think your statement or receipt is wrong or if you need more information about a transaction listed on the statement or receipt. You must contact Always.bank, a division of 22nd State Banking Company no later than 60 days after we sent you the first statement on which the problem or error appears. You must be prepared to provide the following information:

- Your name and account number.
- A description of the error or transaction you are unsure about along with an explanation as to why you believe it is an error or why you need more information.
- The dollar amount of the suspected error.

If you provide oral notice, you be required to send in your complaint or question in writing within ten (10) business days.

We will determine whether an error occurred within ten (10) business days (twenty (20) business days for new accounts) after we hear from you and will correct any error promptly. If we need more time, however, we may take up to forty-five (45) days (ninety (90) days for new accounts and foreign initiated transfers) to investigate your complaint or question. If we decide to do this, we will credit your account within ten (10) business days (twenty (20) business days for new accounts) for the amount which you think is in error, so that you will have the use of the money during the time it takes to complete our investigation. If we ask you to put your complaint or question in writing and we do not receive it within ten (10) business days, we may not credit your account. The extended time periods for new accounts apply to all electronic fund transfers that occur within the first thirty (30) days after the first deposit to the account is made, including those for foreign initiated transactions.

We will tell you the results within three (3) business days after completing our investigation. If we decide that there was no error, we will send you a written explanation.

You may ask for copies of the documents that we used in our investigation.

**Disclosure of Account Information.** We will disclose information to third parties about your account or electronic fund transfers made to your account:

1. Where necessary to complete a transfer or to investigate and resolve errors involving the transfer(s); or
2. In order to verify the existence and condition of your account for a third party such as a credit bureau or merchant; or
3. In order to comply with government agency or court orders; or
4. If you give us your permission in a record or writing.