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## PATHFINDER BANCORP INC

## Form 10-Q

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        SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
        Washington, D.C. 20549
            FORM 10-Q
QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER SECTION 13 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 FOR THE
            QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2004
            SEC Exchange Act No. 000-23601
            Pathfinder Bancorp, Inc.
        (Exact name of Company as specified in its charter)
                            Federal
        (State or jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)
                            16-1540137
                (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
214 W. 1st Street
(Address of principal executive office)
    13126
                                    (Zip Code)
            Company's telephone number, including area code: (315) 343-0057
                Not Applicable
    (Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last
                            report)
                            Indicate by check mark whether the Company (1) has filed all reports
required to be filed by Section 13 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 whether the Registrant is an accelerated filer (as
defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes No X
    Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes
of common stock, as of the latest practicable date: There were 2,448,132 shares
of the Company's common stock outstanding as of May 6, 2004.
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SIGNATURES

PATHFINDER BANCORP, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CONDITION
MARCH 31, 2004 (UNAUDITED) AND DECEMBER 31, 2003

LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY
Deposits:
Interest-bearing . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$ 213,
Noninterest-bearing. ..... 17,
Total deposits. ..... 230 ,
Short-term borrowings. ..... 3,
Long-term borrowings ..... 37
Junior subordinated debentures ..... 5,
Company obligated mandatorily redeemable preferred securities of subsidiary, Pathfinder Statutory Trust $I$, holding solely junior subordinated debentures of the company Other liabilities. ..... 3,
Total liabilities ..... 280
Shareholders' equity:
Preferred stock, authorized shares $1,000,000$; no shares issued or outstanding Common stock, par value $\$ .01$; authorized $10,000,000$ shares; $2,935,419$ and $2,919,386$ shares issued; and 2,448,132 and 2,432,099 shares outstanding, respectively
Additional paid in capital. ..... 7,
Retained earnings ..... 20
Accumulated other comprehensive income Unearned ESOP shares.
Treasury Stock, at cost; 487,287 shares ..... ( 6 ,
Total shareholders' equity. ..... 22
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity. ..... \$ 302

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financialstatements.1
PATHFINDER BANCORP, INC.CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

For the three For the three months ended March 31, 2004 March 31, 2003
(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)
INTEREST INCOME:
Loans . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ ~ 2,990$ \$ 266

Debt securities:
Taxable. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 472
Tax-exempt ..... 61
Dividends ..... 36 ..... 55
Other ..... 15 ..... 12

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| Unearned |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ESOP | Treasury | Total |

BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2003 . . . . . . . $\$(78)$
Comprehensive income
Net income . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

Other comprehensive income, net of tax:
Unrealized net losses on securities. . . 211
Total Comprehensive income . . . . . . . $\quad 5 \quad 534$
ESOP shares earned . . . . . . . . . . . 11 37
Stock option exercised . . . . . . . . . 125
Dividends declared ( $\$ .10$ per share). . . (245)


BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2002 . . . . . . . \$ (125) \$ 3,815 ) $\$ 23,230$

Net income
493
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:
Unrealized net losses on securities. . .

| Total Comprehensive income |  |  | 355 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ESOP shares earned | 12 |  | 28 |
| Treasury stock purchased . |  | $(2,462)$ | $(2,462)$ |
| Dividends declared (\$.10 per share). |  |  | (242) |
| BALANCE, MARCH 31, 2003. | (113) | \$ 6,277$)$ | \$20,909 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements

| March 31, |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2004 | March 31, |
| 2003 |  |

(Dollars in thousands)
OPERATING ACTIVITIES:


INVESTING ACTIVITIES
Purchase of investment securities available-for-sale .
Proceeds from maturities and principal reductions of
investment securities available-for-sale . . . . . .


The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements

PATHFINDER BANCORP, INC.
Notes to Financial Statements

## (1) BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited financial statements were prepared in accordance with the instructions for Form 10-Q and Regulation $S-X$ and, therefore, do not include information for footnotes necessary for a complete presentation of financial position, results of operations, and cash flows in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The following material under the heading "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" is written with the presumption that the users of the interim financial statements have read, or have access to, the Company's latest audited financial statements and notes thereto, together with Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations as of December 31, 2003 and for the three year period then ended. Therefore, only material changes in financial condition and results of operations are discussed in the remainder of part 1 .

Operating results for the three months ended March 31, 2004 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2004 .

## (2) EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per share have been computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding throughout the three months ended March 31, 2004 and 2003, using 2,424,057 and 2,446,387 weighted average common shares outstanding. Diluted earnings per share for the three month period ending March 31, 2004 and 2003 have been computed using 2, 475, 687and 2,490,657 weighted average common shares outstanding. Diluted earnings per
share gives effect to weighted average shares that would be outstanding assuming the exercise of issued stock options using the treasury stock method.

## (3) STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION

The Company's stock-based compensation plan is accounted for based on the intrinsic value method set forth in Accounting Principles Board (APB) Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees", and related provisions. Compensation expense for employee stock options is generally not recognized if the exercise price of the option equals or exceeds the fair value of the stock on the date of the grant. Compensation expense for restricted share awards is ratably recognized over the period of vesting, usually the restricted period, based on the fair value of the stock on the grant date.

As of March 31, 2004, the stock options previously issued by the Company were fully vested. As such, there was no effect on pro forma net income for the three month period ended March 31, 2004. The following table illustrates the effect on net income and earnings per share for the period ended March 31, 2003, as if the Black-Scholes fair value method described in SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation", as amended, had been applied to the Company's stock-based compensation plan:

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { For } \\ & \text { (In } \end{aligned}$ | the quarter thousands, | ended except | March per | 2004 data) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net Income: |  |  |  |  |  |
| As reported . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 493$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less: Total stock-based employee compensation |  |  |  |  |  |
| expense determined under Black-Scholes option |  |  |  |  |  |
| pricing mode | ff | . . . . . . | . | 7 |  |
| Pro forma ne |  | . . |  | 86 |  |

For the quarter ended March 31, 2004
Earnings per share: Basic Diluted


As reported . . . .
Pro forma . . . $0^{2} .20$ \$ 0.20

For purposes of pro forma disclosures, the estimated fair value of the options is amortized to expense over the options vesting period. Therefore, the foregoing pro forma results are not likely to be representative of the effects of reported net income of future periods due to additional years of vesting. Since changes in the subjective input assumptions can materially affect the fair value estimates, the existing model, in management's opinion does not necessarily provide a single reliable measure of the fair value of its stock options. In addition, the pro forma effect on reported net income and earnings per share for the periods presented should not be considered representative of
the pro forma effects on reported net income and earnings per share for future periods.

## (4) RECLASSIFICATIONS

Certain prior period information has been reclassified to conform to the current period's presentation. These reclassifications had no affect on net income as previously reported.
(5) PENSION BENEFITS

The composition of net periodic benefit plan cost for the three months ended March 31, is as follows:

## PENSION BENEFITS




The Company previously disclosed in its financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2003, that it expected to contribute $\$ 250,000$ to its pension plan in 2004. As of March 31, 2004, no contributions have been made. The Company presently anticipates contributing $\$ 192,000$ to fund its pension plan in 2004. The reduction in the anticipated contribution resulted from a reduction in the plan's accrual formula effective May 1, 2004.
(6) DIVIDEND RESTRICTIONS

The Company maintains a restricted capital account with a $\$ 887,000$ balance, representing Pathfinder Bancorp, M.H.C.'s portion of dividends waived as of March 31, 2004.
(7) COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

The components of other comprehensive income (loss) and related tax effects for the three month period ended March 30, 2004 and 2003 are as follows:

(In thousands)
Gross change in unrealized gains on
securities available for sale. . . . \$ 506 (64)

## (8) GUARANTEES

The Company does not issue any guarantees that would require liability recognition or disclosure, other than its standby letters of credit. Standby letters of credit written are conditional commitments issued by the company to guarantee the performance of a customer to a third party. Generally, all letters of credit, when issued have expiration dates within one year. The credit risk involved in issuing letters of credit is essentially the same as those that are involved in extending loan facilities to customers. The Company, generally, holds collateral and/or personal guarantees supporting these commitments. The Company had $\$ 665,000$ of standby letters of credit as of March 31, 2004. Management believes that the proceeds obtained through a liquidation of collateral and the enforcement of guarantees would be sufficient to cover the potential amount of future payment required under the corresponding guarantees. The current amount of the liability as of March 31, 2004 for guarantees under standby letters of credit issued is not material.

## (9) NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In January 2003, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued FASB Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of ARB No. 51" which was revised in December 2003. This Interpretation provides guidance for the consolidation of variable interest entities (VIEs). Pathfinder Statutory Trust I qualifies as a variable interest entity under FIN 46. Pathfinder Statutory Trust I issued mandatorily redeemable preferred securities (Trust Preferred Securities) to third-party investors and loaned the proceeds to the Company. Pathfinder Statutory Trust $I$ holds, as it sole asset, subordinated debentures issued by the Company.
FIN 46 required the Company to deconsolidate Pathfinder Statutory Trust I from the consolidated financial statements as of March 31, 2004 . There has been no restatement of prior periods. The impact of this deconsolidation was to increase junior subordinated debentures by $\$ 5,155,000$ and reduce the mandatory redeemable preferred securities line item by $\$ 5,000,000$, which represented the trust preferred securities of the trust. The Company's equity interest in the trust subsidiary of $\$ 155,000$, which had previously been eliminated in consolidation, is now reported in "Other assets" as of March 31, 2004. For regulatory reporting purposes, the Federal Reserve Board has indicated that the preferred securities will continue to qualify as Tier 1 Capital subject to previously specified limitations, until further notice. If regulators make a determination that Trust Preferred Securities can no longer be considered in regulatory capital, the securities become callable and the Company may redeem them. The adoption of FIN 46 did not have an impact on the Company's results of operations or liquidity.

ITEM 2 - MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

GENERAL

Throughout the Management's Discussion and Analysis ("MD\&A") the term, "the

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Company", refers to the consolidated entity of Pathfinder Bancorp, Inc. Pathfinder Bank and Pathfinder Statutory Trust I are wholly owned subsidiaries of Pathfinder Bancorp, Inc. Pathfinder Commercial Bank, Pathfinder REIT, Inc. and Whispering Oaks Development Corp. represent wholly owned subsidiaries of Pathfinder Bank. Pathfinder Statutory Trust $I$ is not included in the consolidated financial statements for the quarter ended March 31, 2004. At March 31, 2004, Pathfinder Bancorp, M.H.C., the Company's mutual holding company parent, whose activities are not included in the M.D.\&A held $64.7 \%$ of the Company's common stock and the public held $35.3 \%$.

The following discussion reviews the Company's financial condition at March 31, 2004 and the results of operations for the three months ended March 31, 2004 and March 31, 2003.

This Quarterly Report contains certain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, including, among other things, changes in economic conditions in the company's market area, changes in policies by regulatory agencies, fluctuations in interest rates, demand for loans in the company's market areas and competition, that could cause actual results to differ materially from historical earnings and those presently anticipated or projected. The Company wishes to caution readers not to place undue reliance on any such forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date made. The Company wishes to advise readers that the factors listed above could affect the Company's financial performance and could cause the Company's actual results for future periods to differ materially from any opinions or statements expressed with respect to future periods in any current statements.

The Company does not undertake, and specifically declines any obligation, to publicly release the result of any revisions that may be made to any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of such statements or to reflect the occurrence of anticipated or unanticipated events.

The Company's net income is primarily dependent on its net interest income, which is the difference between interest income earned on its investments in mortgage loans, investment securities and other loans, and its cost of funds consisting of interest paid on deposits and borrowed funds. The Company's net income is also affected by its provision for loan losses, as well as by the amount of noninterest income, including income from fees and service charges, net gains and losses on sales of securities, loans and foreclosed real estate, and non interest expense such as employee compensation and benefits, occupancy and equipment costs, data processing and income taxes. Earnings of the Company also are affected significantly by general economic and competitive conditions, particularly changes in market interest rates, government policies and actions of regulatory authorities, which events are beyond the control of the company. In particular, the general level of market rates tends to be highly cyclical.

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APPLICATION OF CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Company's consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and follow practices within the banking industry. Application of these principles requires management to make estimates, assumptions and judgments that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. These estimates, assumptions and judgments are based on information available as of the date of the financial statements; accordingly, as this information changes, the financial statements could reflect different estimates, assumptions and judgments. Certain policies inherently have a greater reliance on the use of

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estimates, assumptions and judgments and as such have a greater possibility of producing results that could be materially different than originally reported. Estimates, assumptions and judgments are necessary when assets and liabilities are required to be recorded at fair value or when an asset or liability needs to be recorded contingent upon a future event. Carrying assets and liabilities at fair value inherently results in more financial statement volatility. The fair values and information used to record valuation adjustments for certain assets and liabilities are based on quoted market prices or are provided by other third-party sources, when available. When third party information is not available, valuation adjustments are estimated in good faith by management.

The most significant accounting policies followed by the Company are presented in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements included in the 2003 Annual Report on Form 10-K ("the Consolidated Financial Statements"). These policies, along with the disclosures presented in the other financial statement notes and in this discussion, provide information on how significant assets and liabilities are valued in the financial statements and how those values are determined. Based on the valuation techniques used and the sensitivity of financial statement amounts to the methods, assumptions and estimates underlying those amounts, management has identified the determination of the allowance for loan losses to be the accounting area that requires the most subjective and complex judgments, and as such could be the most subject to revision as new information becomes available.

The allowance for loan losses represents management's estimate of probable loan losses inherent in the loan portfolio. Determining the amount of the allowance for loan losses is considered a critical accounting estimate because it requires significant judgment and the use of estimates related to the amount and timing of expected future cash flows on impaired loans, estimated losses on pools of homogeneous loans based on historical loss experience, and consideration of current economic trends and conditions, all of which may be susceptible to significant change. The loan portfolio also represents the largest asset type on the consolidated balance sheet. Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements describes the methodology used to determine the allowance for loan losses, and a discussion of the factors driving changes in the amount of the allowance for loan losses is included in this report.

The Company carries all of its investments at fair value with any unrealized gains or losses reported net of tax as an adjustment to shareholders' equity. Based on management's assessment, at March 31, 2004, the Company did not hold any security that had a fair value decline that is currently expected to be other than temporary. Consequently, any declines in a specific security's fair value below amortized cost have not been provided for in the income statement. The Company's ability to fully realize the value of its investment in various securities, including corporate debt securities, is dependent on the underlying creditworthiness of the issuing organization.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Net income for the first quarter of 2004 was $\$ 323,000$, a decrease of $\$ 171,000$, or $35 \%$ as compared to net income of $\$ 493,000$ for the same period in 2003 . Basic earnings per share decreased to $\$ 0.13$ per share for the quarter ended March 31, 2004 from $\$ 0.20$ for the quarter ended March 31, 2003. The return on average assets and return on shareholder's equity were $0.45 \%$ and $5.83 \%$, respectively, for the three months ended March 31, 2004 , compared with $0.70 \%$ and $9.42 \%$ respectively, for the first quarter of 2003 . The decrease in net income for the first quarter of 2004 when compared to the prior period primarily 9
resulted from a decrease in net interest income of $\$ 198,000$ and an increase in the provision for loan losses of $\$ 82,000$, partially offset by a $\$ 115,000$

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increase in noninterest income. Management expects continued margin compression to challenge earnings growth over the near term.

## NET INTEREST INCOME

Net interest income is the Company's primary source of operating income for payment of operating expenses and providing for possible loan losses. It is the amount by which interest earned on interest-earning deposits, loans and investment securities, exceeds the interest paid on deposits and other interest-bearing liabilities. Changes in net interest income and net interest margin ratio result from the interaction between the volume and composition of earning assets, interest-bearing liabilities, related yields and associated funding costs.

Net interest income, on a tax-equivalent basis, decreased $\$ 213,000$, or $9 \%$, to $\$ 2.2$ million for the three months ending March 31, 2004, as compared to the same period during 2003. The Company's net interest margin ratio for the first quarter of 2004 decreased to $3.36 \%$ from $3.84 \%$ for the same quarter in 2003 . The decline in net interest income is attributable to lower market interest rates which decreased earning asset yields to 5.41\% from 6.36\% when compared to the same period during 2003. Average interest-earning assets increased 4\% to $\$ 264.7$ million at March 31, 2004 as compared to $\$ 254.0$ million at March 31, 2003. The increase in average earning assets is primarily attributable to a $\$ 5.3$ million increase in net loans receivable and a $\$ 5.0$ million increase in investment securities. Average interest-bearing liabilities increased \$8.5 million, while the cost of funds decreased 49 basis points to $2.19 \%$ from $2.68 \%$ for the same period in 2003. The increase in the average balance of interest-bearing liabilities resulted primarily from a $\$ 10.3$ million growth in average deposits, primarily in money management accounts. The growth in deposits primarily resulted from the Company's focus on attracting new municipal deposit customers.

## INTEREST INCOME

Total interest income for the quarter ended March 31, 2004 decreased $\$ 441,000$, or $11 \%$, to $\$ 3.6$ million from $\$ 4.0$ million at the quarter ended March 31, 2003. Average loans increased $\$ 5.3$ million, with yields declining 77 basis points to $6.29 \%$ for the first quarter of 2004 . Average commercial loans increased, and experienced a decline in the average tax-equivalent yield of 179 basis points, to 4.92\% from 6.71\%, in 2003. The decrease in the yield on commercial loans was affected, in part, by the offering of short-term notes to municipalities beginning in 2003. The average balance of loans to municipal entities was $\$ 3.7$ million, having a tax-equivalent yield of $2.36 \%$. The Company's residential mortgage loan portfolio increased $\$ 1.8$ million, or $1 \%$, when comparing the first quarter of 2004 to the same period in 2003. The average yield on the residential mortgage loan portfolio decreased 63 basis points to $6.12 \%$ in 2004 from 6.75\% in 2003. New loans were originated at lower rates than in the prior period and a large volume of existing mortgages had their rates modified downward or were refinanced at lower rates. An increase in the average balance of consumer loans of $\$ 1.3$ million, or $9 \%$, resulted from an increase in home equity loans. The average yield declined 87 basis points, to $6.99 \%$ from $7.86 \%$ in 2003.

Average investment securities (taxable and tax-exempt) in 2004 increased by $\$ 5.0$ million, with a decrease in tax-equivalent interest income from investments of $\$ 190,000$, or $25 \%$, compared to 2003 . The average tax-equivalent yield of the portfolio declined 150 basis points, to $3.42 \%$ from $4.92 \%$. The increase in the average balance of investment securities is reflective of the expanded deposit growth with local municipalities.

INTEREST EXPENSE

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Total interest expense decreased $\$ 243,000$, or $15 \%$, to $\$ 1.4$ million for the first quarter of 2004 , from $\$ 1.6$ million for the same quarter in 2003. Interest expense on deposits decreased $\$ 175,000$, or $17 \%$, for the quarter ended March 31, 2004 when compared to the same period of 2003 , as lower interest rates favorably impacted the average rate paid on deposits, reducing it 46 basis points to $1.69 \%$ in 2004 from 2.15\% in 2003. The decrease in the cost of deposits was partially 10
offset by an increase in the average deposit balance to $\$ 201.5$ million in 2004 , from $\$ 191.2$ million for the same period in 2003. In addition to the decrease in the cost of deposits, interest expense on borrowings also decreased by $\$ 68,000$, or $12 \%$, from the prior period.

PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES

The provision for loans losses was $\$ 188,000$ for the first quarter of 2004 as compared to $\$ 106,000$ for the same period in 2003. The increase in the provision for the quarter primarily resulted from an increase in commercial charge-offs for the period.

## NONINTEREST INCOME

The Company's noninterest income is primarily comprised of fees on deposit account balances and transactions, loan servicing, commissions, and net gains on securities, loans and foreclosed real estate.

The following table sets forth certain information on noninterest income for the quarters indicated:

For the Quarter Ended

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { March 31, } \\ 2004 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { March 31, } \\ 2003 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (In thousands) |  |  |
| Service charges on deposit accounts. | - \$235 | \$161 |
| Loan servicing fees. . . . . | 41 | 50 |
| Bank owned life insurance. . | 48 | 43 |
| Net gains on sale of loans/foreclosed real estate. | . 80 | 42 |
| Other operating income. | 120 | 102 |
| Core noninterest income. | 524 | 398 |
| Net gains on sales of investment securities. . . | 154 | 165 |
| Total noninterest income . . . . . . . . . . . . . | . $\$ 678$ | \$563 |

For the comparable periods, noninterest income increased $20 \%$ as a result of a $32 \%$ increase in core noninterest income, slightly offset by a $7 \%$ decrease in the non-core item, net gains on sales of investment securities. The increase in the number of deposit accounts, the introduction of new services to customers and elimination of consulting fees associated with those new services, primarily accounted for the $46 \%$ increase in service charges on deposit accounts. Net gains on the sale of loans/foreclosed real estate increased 91\%, primarily resulting from a net gain on the sale of foreclosed real estate of $\$ 30,000$ and a $\$ 5,000$ increase in the net gain recognized on the sale of loans to the secondary market. The increase in other operating income was primarily due to increased
commissions associated with higher volume of sales of investment products and an increase in debit card fees. Investment security net gains for 2004 primarily consisted of gains associated with the sale of a corporate debt security.

Noninterest Expense

The following table sets forth certain information on noninterest expense for the quarters indicated:

| (In thousands) |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { h 31, } \\ & 004 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { March 31, } \\ 2003 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Salaries and employee benefits | \$ | 1,203 | \$ | 1,113 |
| Building occupancy |  | 277 |  | 257 |
| Data processing. |  | 225 |  | 198 |
| Professional and other services. |  | 146 |  | 163 |
| Amortization of intangible assets. |  | 56 |  | 56 |
| Other operating. |  | 343 |  | 414 |
| Total noninterest expense. | \$ | 2,250 | \$ | 2,201 |

Noninterest expenses increased $\$ 49,000$, or $2 \%$ for the three months ended March 31, 2004 when compared to the same period in 2003. Salaries and employee benefits increased $8 \%$ resulting from increased pension and health insurance costs and overall personnel costs due to increased staffing. The Company had 103 full time equivalent employees at March 31, 2004 compared to 97 at March 31, 2003. Building occupancy expenses increased 8\% resulting primarily from depreciation expenses associated with the new Fulton branch which opened in August of 2003, and higher than normal snow removal costs for the first quarter of 2004. The $14 \%$ increase in data processing charges was due to increased ATM servicing charges, the replenishment of the ATM debit card inventory and increased check processing charges incurred by the Commercial Bank. The decrease in both professional and other services and other operating expenses resulted primarily from a reduction in foreclosed real estate expenses and a reduction in legal expenses associated with those real estate properties.

INCOME TAX EXPENSE

Income taxes decreased $\$ 43,000$, or $26 \%$ for the quarter ended March 31, 2004 as compared to the same period in 2003. The decrease was attributable to a $\$ 214,000$ decrease in the Company's pre-tax income. The effective tax rate increased to $27 \%$ from $25 \%$ compared to the same period in the prior year primarily resulting from a decrease in tax-exempt interest income.

CHANGES IN FINANCIAL CONDITION

ASSETS

Total assets increased approximately $\$ 24.4$ million, or 9\%, to $\$ 302.3$ million at March 31, 2004, from $\$ 277.9$ million at December 31, 2003. The increase in total assets was primarily the result of an increase in investment securities of $\$ 18.5$ million, or $32 \%$ a $\$ 7.7$ million, or $88 \%$, increase in cash and cash equivalents and a $\$ 1.5$ million, or $24 \%$ increase in other assets. These increases were

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partially offset by a decrease in net loans of $\$ 2.1$ million, or $1 \%$. The growth in investment securities was funded by the increase in municipal deposits. The increase in cash and cash equivalents was primarily the result of the increased deposit levels and loans sales from the secondary market. The excess liquidity is expected to be invested primarily in the commercial real estate portfolio and investment securities. The increase in other assets was due to an increase in the cash value of life insurance resulting from the funding of the life insurance policies relating to the new executives and directors deferred compensation plan.

## LIABILITIES

Total liabilities increased $\$ 24.9$ million, or $10 \%$ to $\$ 280.1$ million at March 31, 2004 from $\$ 256.2$ million at December 31, 2003. The increase in liabilities is primarily due to a $\$ 22.4$ million growth in interest-bearing deposits and a \$1.6 million growth in noninterest-bearing deposits. The growth in deposits primarily resulted from the Company's focus on attracting new municipal deposit customers.

LOAN AND ASSET QUALITY AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES

The following table represents information concerning the aggregate amount of nonperforming assets:


Total nonperforming loans at March 31, 2004 were $\$ 3.0$ million, or $1.57 \%$ of total loans as compared to $\$ 3.0$ million, or $1.59 \%$ of total loans at December 31, 2003. Foreclosed real estate increased to $\$ 263,000$ at March 31, 2004 compared to $\$ 202,000$ at December 31, 2003. Nonperforming loans continue to be addressed primarily through foreclosure proceedings. Management believes that adequate reserves exist for any potential losses that may occur from the remediation process.

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The allowance for loan losses at March 31, 2004 was $\$ 1.8$ million, or $0.95 \%$ of period end loans, compared to $\$ 1.7 \mathrm{million}$, or $0.91 \%$ of period end loans, at December 31, 2003.

CAPITAL

Shareholders' equity increased $\$ 451,000$ million, or $2 \%$ to $\$ 22.2$ million at March 31, 2004. The increase in shareholders' equity primarily resulted from an $\$ 151,000$ increase in additional paid in capital, a $\$ 78,000$ increase in retained earnings and a $\$ 211,000$ increase in accumulated other comprehensive income. The Company added $\$ 323,000$ to retained earnings through net income and returned $\$ 245,000$ to its shareholders in the form of cash dividends. The Company's mutual holding company parent, Pathfinder Bancorp, M.H.C, accepted the dividend for the quarter ended March 31, 2004 to meet the cash flow needs of the mutual holding company.

Risk-based capital provides the basis for which all banks are evaluated in terms of capital adequacy. Capital adequacy is evaluated primarily by the use of ratios which measure capital against total assets, as well as against total assets that are weighted based on defined risk characteristics. The Company's goal is to maintain a strong capital position, consistent with the risk profile of its subsidiary banks that supports growth and expansion activities while at the same time exceeding regulatory standards. At March 31, 2004, Pathfinder Bank exceeded all regulatory required minimum capital ratios and met the regulatory definition of a "well-capitalized" institution, i.e. a leverage capital ratio exceeding 5\%, a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio exceeding $6 \%$ and a total risk-based capital ratio exceeding $10 \%$.

## LIQUIDITY

Liquidity management involves the Company's ability to generate cash or otherwise obtain funds at reasonable rates to support asset growth and reduce assets to meet deposit withdrawals, to maintain reserve requirements, and to otherwise operate the Company on an ongoing basis. The Company's primary 13
sources of funds are deposits, borrowed funds, amortization and prepayment of loans and maturities of investment securities and other short-term investments, and earnings and funds provided from operations. While scheduled principal repayments on loans are a relatively predictable source of funds, deposit flows and loan prepayments are greatly influenced by general interest rates, economic conditions and competition. The company manages the pricing of deposits to maintain a desired deposit balance. In addition, the Company invests excess funds in short-term interest-earning and other assets, which provide liquidity to meet lending requirements.

The Company's liquidity has been enhanced by its membership in the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, whose competitive advance programs and lines of credit provide the Company with a safe, reliable and convenient source of funds. A significant decrease in deposits in the future could result in the Company having to seek other sources of funds for liquidity purposes. Such sources could include, but are not limited to, additional borrowings, trust preferred security offerings, brokered deposits, negotiated time deposits, the sale of "available-for-sale" investment securities, the sale of securitized loans, or the sale of whole loans. Such actions could result in higher interest expense costs and/or losses on the sale of securities or loans.

The Asset Liability Management Committee (ALCO) of the Company is responsible for implementing the policies and guidelines for the maintenance of prudent levels of liquidity. As of March 31, 2004, management believes that liquidity as measured by the company is in compliance with its policy guidelines.

## ITEM 3 - QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

The Company's risk of loss arising from adverse changes in the fair value of financial instruments, or market risk, is composed primarily of interest rate risk. The management of interest rate sensitivity seeks to avoid fluctuating net interest margins and to provide consistent net interest income through periods of changing interest rates. The primary objective of the Company's asset-liability management activities is to maximize net interest income while maintaining acceptable levels of interest rate risk. The Company has an Asset-Liability Management Committee (ALCO) which is responsible for establishing policies to limit exposure to interest rate risk, and to ensure procedures are established to monitor compliance with those policies. Those procedures include reviewing the Company's assets and liability policies, setting prices and terms on rate-sensitive products, and monitoring and measuring the impact of interest rate changes on the company's earnings and capital. The Company's Board of Directors reviews the guidelines established by ALCO.

During the past three years, the Federal Reserve lowered interest rates thirteen times by a total of 550 basis points. These interest rate reductions have caused significant repricing of the bank's interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. With the overnight borrowing rate at a 40 year low, the Company is positioning itself for anticipated interest rate increases in the future. Efforts are being made to shorten the repricing duration of its rate sensitive assets by purchasing investment securities with maturities within the next 3 to 5 years and promoting portfolio ARM (adjustable rate mortgage) and hybrid ARM products. In addition, the Company is extending the duration of its rate sensitive liabilities by lengthening the maturities of its existing borrowings and offering certificates of deposit with three and four year terms which allow depositors to make a one-time election, at any time during the term of the certificate of deposit, to adjust the rate of the instrument to the then prevailing rate for the certificate of deposit with the same term.

GAP ANALYSIS. At March 31, 2004, the total interest bearing liabilities maturing or repricing within one year exceeded total interest-earning assets maturing or repricing in the same period by $\$ 41.2$ million, representing a cumulative one-year gap ratio of a negative $13.62 \%$.

EARNINGS AT RISK AND VALUE AT RISK. Management believes the simulation of net interest income (Earnings at Risk) and net portfolio value (Value at Risk) in different interest rate environments provides a more meaningful measure of interest rate risk. Income simulation analysis captures both the potential of all assets and liabilities to mature or reprice and the probability that they will do so. Income simulation also attends to the relative interest rate sensitivities of these items, and projects their behavior over an extended period of time. Finally, income simulation permits management to assess the probable effects on the balance sheet not only of changes in interest rates, but also of proposed strategies for responding to them. Net portfolio value represents the fair value of net assets (determined as the market value of assets minus the market value of liabilities using a discounted cash flow technique).

The following table measures the Company's interest rate risk exposure in terms of the percentage change in its net interest income and net portfolio value as a result of hypothetical changes in 100 basis point increments in market interest rates. The table quantifies the changes in net interest income and net portfolio value to parallel shifts in the yield curve. The column "Percentage Change in Net Interest Income" measures the change to the next twelve month's
projected net interest income, due to parallel shifts in the yield curve. The column "Percentage Change in Net Portfolio Value" measures changes in the current fair value of assets and liabilities to parallel shifts in the yield curve. The column "NPV Capital Ratio" measures the ratio of the fair value of net assets to the fair value of total assets at the base case and in 100 basis point incremental interest rate shocks. Currently, the Company's model projects a 300 basis point increase and a 100 basis point decrease during the next year. With the federal funds rate at a record low, the Company's ALCO believed it was a better measure of current risk assuming a minus 100 point scenario, as a minus 300 basis point reduction would be unlikely given that current short-term market interest rates are already below 3.00\%. The Company uses these percentage changes as a means to measure interest rate risk exposure and quantifies those changes against guidelines set by the Board of Directors as part of the Company's Interest Rate Risk policy. The Company's current interest rate risk exposure is within those guidelines set forth.


## ITEM 4 - CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, the Company has evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of its disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15 (e) and 15d-15 (e) under the Exchange Act) as of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this report, the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the reports that the Company files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms. There has been no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting during the most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonable likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II - OTHER INFORMATION
ITEM 1 - LEGAL PROCEEDINGS
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None

ITEM 2 - CHANGES IN SECURITIES, USE OF PROCEEDS AND ISSUE OR PURCHASES OF EQUITY
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Not applicable

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ITEM 3 - DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES
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Not applicable
ITEM 4 - SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS
Not applicable
ITEM 5 - OTHER INFORMATION

Not applicable
ITEM 6 - EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K
(a)


The Company has three Current Reports on Form 8-K during the first quarter of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2004 dated February 6, 2004, March 14, 2004 and March 19, 2004 reporting press releases relating to the fourth quarter earnings release, announcement of a stock repurchase plan and the announcement of the first quarter cash dividends, respectively.

SIGNATURES

Under the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

| Date: May 14, 2004 |  |
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| Date: | May 14, 2004 |

EXHIBITS

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/s/ Thomas W. Schneider
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Thomas W. Schneider
President, Chief Executive Officer
/s/ James A. Dowd
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James A. Dowd
Vice President, Chief Financial
Officer
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EXECUTIVE DEFERRED
COMPENSATION PLAN

This Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan"), effective as of the 31st day of December 2003, formalizes the understanding by and between PATHFINDER BANK (the "Bank"), a state chartered stock savings bank, and certain eligible Executives, hereinafter referred to as "Executive," who shall be approved by the Bank to participate and who shall elect to become a party to this Executive Deferred Compensation Plan by execution of an Executive Deferred Compensation Plan Deferral Agreement ("Deferral Agreement") in a form provided by the Bank. Pathfinder Bancorp, MHC, a Federal mutual holding company, and Pathfinder Bancorp, Inc. (the "Holding Company") are parties to this Agreement for the sole purpose of guaranteeing the Bank's performance hereunder.

W I T N E S S E T H :

WHEREAS, the Executives serve the Bank as members of the management; and

WHEREAS, the Bank recognizes the valuable services heretofore performed for it by such Executives and wishes to encourage continued service of each; and

WHEREAS, the Bank values the efforts, abilities and accomplishments of such Executives and recognizes that the Executives' services substantially contribute to its continued growth and profits in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Bank desires to adopt a deferred compensation plan for Executives in order to permit the Executives to defer a portion of their compensation;

WHEREAS, these Executives wish to defer a certain portion of their compensation to be earned in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Bank and the Executives intend this Plan to be considered an unfunded arrangement, maintained primarily to provide retirement income for such Executives, for tax purposes and for purposes of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Bank has adopted this Executive Deferred Compensation Plan which controls all issues relating to the Deferred Compensation Benefits as
described herein;
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises herein contained, the parties hereto agree to the following terms and conditions:

## SECTION I <br> DEFINITIONS

When used herein, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings below unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
1.1 "Bank" means Pathfinder Bank and any successor thereto.
1.2 "Beneficiary" means the person or persons (and their heirs) designated as Beneficiary in the Executive's Deferral Agreement to whom the deceased Executive's benefits are payable. If no Beneficiary is so designated, then the Executive's Spouse, if living, will be deemed the Beneficiary. If the Executive's Spouse is not living, then the Children of the Executive will be deemed the Beneficiaries and will take on a per stirpes basis. If there are no Children, then the Estate of the Executive will be deemed the Beneficiary.
1.3 "Benefit Age" shall be the birthday on which the Executive becomes eligible to receive benefits under the plan. Such birthday shall be designated in the Executive's Deferral Agreement.
1.4 "Benefit Eligibility Date" shall be the date on which a Executive is entitled to receive his Deferred Compensation Benefit. It shall be the first day of the month following the month in which the Executive attains the Benefit Age designated in his Deferral Agreement.
1.5 "Cause" means personal dishonesty, willful misconduct, willful malfeasance, breach of fiduciary duty involving personal profit, intentional failure to perform stated duties, willful violation of any law, rule, regulation (other than traffic violations or similar offenses), or final cease-and-desist order, material breach of any provision of this Plan, or gross negligence in matters of material importance to the Bank
1.6 "Change in Control" of the Bank or Holding Company means a change in control of a nature that: (i) would be required to be reported in response to Item $1(a)$ of the current report on Form 8-K, as in effect on the date hereof, pursuant to Section 13 or $15(d)$ of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"); or (ii) results in a Change in Control of the Company within the meaning of the Home Owners' Loan Act, as amended, and applicable rules and regulations promulgated thereunder (collectively, the "HOLA") as in effect at the time of the Change in Control; or (iii) without limitation such a Change in Control shall be deemed to have occurred at such time as (a) any "person" (as the term is used in Sections 13 (d) and $14(d)$ of the Exchange Act) is or becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rule $13 d-3$ under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing $25 \%$ or more of the combined voting power of the Company's outstanding securities except for any securities purchased by the Bank's employee stock ownership plan or trust; or (b) individuals who constitute the Board on the date hereof (the "Incumbent Board") cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority thereof, provided that any person becoming a director subsequent to the date hereof whose election was approved by a vote of at least three-quarters of the directors comprising the Incumbent Board, or whose nomination for election by the Company's stockholders was approved by the same Nominating Committee serving under an Incumbent Board, shall be, for purposes of this clause

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(b), considered as though he were a member of the Incumbent Board; or (c) a plan of reorganization, merger, consolidation, sale of all or substantially all the assets of the Company or similar transaction in which the Company is not the surviving institution occurs; or (d) a proxy statement soliciting proxies from stockholders of the Company, by someone other than the current management of the Company, seeking stockholder approval of a plan of reorganization, merger or consolidation of the Company or similar transaction with one or more corporations as a result of which the outstanding shares of the class of securities then subject to the Plan are to be exchanged for or converted into cash or property or securities not issued by the Company; or (e) a tender offer is made for $25 \%$ or more of the voting securities of the Company and the shareholders owning beneficially or of record $25 \%$ or more of the outstanding securities of the Company have
tendered or offered to sell their shares pursuant to such tender offer and such tendered shares have been accepted by the tender offeror.
Notwithstanding anything in this subsection (b) to the contrary, a change in control shall not be deemed to have occurred in the event of a conversion of the Company's or the Bank's mutual holding company to stock form, or in connection with any reorganization used to effect such a conversion.
1.7 "Children" means the Executive's children, both natural and adopted, determined at the time payments are due the Children under this Plan.
1.8 "Deferral Period" means the period of months designated in the Executive's Deferral Agreement during which the Executive shall defer current compensation. The Deferral Period shall commence on the date designated in the Executive's Deferral Agreement.
1.9 "Deferred Compensation Benefit" means the annuitized value (using the Interest Factor) of the Executive's Elective Contribution Account, measured as of the Executive's Benefit Age, payable in monthly installments throughout the Payout Period and commencing on the Executive's Benefit Eligibility Date.

1. 10 "Disability Benefit" means the monthly benefit payable to the Executive following a determination, in accordance with Subsection 5.2, that he is no longer able, properly and satisfactorily, to perform his duties as a Executive.
1.11 "Effective Date" of this Plan is December 31, 2003.
1.12 "Elective Contribution" shall refer to any bookkeeping entry required to record a Executive's voluntary monthly pre-tax deferral of compensation which shall be made in accordance with the Executive's Deferral Agreement.
1.13 "Elective Contribution Account" shall be represented by the bookkeeping entries required to record a Executive's Elective Contributions plus accrued interest calculated with the Interest Factor, earned to date on such amounts. However, neither the existence of such bookkeeping entries nor the Elective Contribution Account itself shall be deemed to create either a trust of any kind, or a fiduciary relationship between the Bank and the Executive or any Beneficiary.
2. 14 "Estate" means the estate of the Executive.
1.15 "Interest Factor" means either the Pre-Retirement Interest Factor or the Post-Retirement Interest Factor, as applicable.
1.16 "Payout Period" means the time frame during which certain benefits payable hereunder shall be distributed. Payments shall be made in equal monthly

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installments commencing on the first day of the first month following the occurrence of the event which triggers distribution and continuing for a period of one-hundred twenty (120) months, as designated in the Executive's Deferral Agreement.
1.17 "Plan Year" shall mean the twelve (12) month period from January 1 to December 31 of each year.
1.18 "Post-Retirement Interest Factor" means a rate applicable to annuitize the Elective Contribution Account of a Executive in connection with installment distributions made following a Executive's retirement or other termination of employment. Unless changed pursuant to a written resolution of the Board of Executives, the Post-Retirement Interest Factor shall be seven percent (7\%) per annum.
1.19 "Pre-Retirement Interest Factor" means a rate applied to accruals credited to a Executive's Elective Contribution Account prior to the Executive's retirement or other termination of employment. Unless changed pursuant to a
written resolution of the Board of Executives, the Pre-Retirement Interest Factor shall be a rate equivalent to the prime interest rate as published in the Wall Street Journal each January 1, plus three percent (3\%). For the initial Plan Year, the Pre-Retirement Interest Factor shall be seven percent (7\%). The Pre-Retirement Interest Factor shall be calculated each January 1 during the Deferral Period, and such rate shall be the applicable Pre-Retirement Interest Factor for the Plan Year for which it is calculated.
1.20 "Projected Deferral" is an estimate, determined upon execution of a Deferral Agreement, of the total amount of compensation to be deferred by the Executive during his Deferral Period (excluding any interest accrued on such deferrals), and so designated in the Executive's Deferral Agreement.
1.21 "Spouse" means the individual to whom the Executive is legally married at the time of the Executive's death.
1.22 "Survivor's Benefit" means if the Bank has obtained insurance on the life of the Executive, an annual amount payable to the Beneficiary in monthly installments throughout the Payout Period, equal to the amount designated in the Executive's Deferral Agreement. If the Bank has not obtained insurance on the life of the Executive, the Survivor's Benefit shall be equal to the accrued benefit in the Executive's Elective Contribution Account as of the Executive's date of death, annuitized (using the Post-Retirement Interest Factor) and payable in monthly installments throughout the Payout Period.

## SECTION II

ESTABLISHMENT OF RABBI TRUST

The Bank shall establish a rabbi trust into which the Bank shall contribute assets which shall be held therein, pursuant to the agreement which establishes such rabbi trust. The contributed assets shall be subject to the claims of the Bank's creditors in the event of the Bank's "Insolvency" as defined in the agreement which establishes such rabbi trust, until the contributed assets are paid to the Executive and his Beneficiary(ies) in such manner and at such times as specified in this Plan. It is the intention of the Bank to make a contribution or contributions to the rabbi trust to provide the Bank with a source of funds to assist it in meeting the liabilities of this Plan. The rabbi trust and any assets held therein shall conform to the terms of the rabbi trust agreement which has been established in conjunction with this Plan. Any contribution(s) to the rabbi trust shall be made in accordance with the rabbi
trust agreement. The amount and timing of such contribution(s) shall be specified in the agreement which establishes such rabbi trust.

SECTION III<br>DEFERRED COMPENSATION

Commencing on the Effective Date and continuing through the end of the Deferral Period, the Executive and the Bank agree that the Executive may defer into his Elective Contribution Account on a monthly basis a percentage or dollar amount of such Executive's compensation up to Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) which the Executive would otherwise be entitled to receive from the Bank for each month of the Deferral Period. The total deferral during the term of the Deferral Period shall not exceed the Executive's Projected Deferral, without Board of Executive approval. The specific amount of the Executive's monthly deferred compensation shall be designated in the Executive's Deferral Agreement and shall apply only to compensation attributable to services not yet performed.

## SECTION IV <br> ADJUSTMENT OF DEFERRAL AMOUNT

Deferral of the specific amount of compensation designated in the Executive's Deferral Agreement shall continue in effect pursuant to the terms of this Plan unless and until the Executive amends his Deferral Agreement by filing with the Administrator a Notice of Adjustment of Deferral Amount (Exhibit $C$ of
the Deferral Agreement). A Notice of Adjustment of Deferral Amount shall be effective if filed with the Administrator at least thirty (30) days prior to any January 1st during the Executive's Deferral Period. Such Notice of Adjustment of Deferral Amount shall be effective commencing with the January lst following its filing and shall be applicable only to compensation attributable to services not yet performed by the Executive.

SECTION V
RETIREMENT BENEFIT
5.1 Retirement Benefit. Subject to Subsection 6.1 of this Plan, the Bank agrees to pay the Executive the Deferred Compensation Benefit commencing on the Executive's Benefit Eligibility Date. Such payments will be made over the term of the Payout Period. In the event of the Executive's death after commencement of the Deferred Compensation Benefit, but prior to completion of all such payments due and owing hereunder, the Bank shall pay to the Executive's Beneficiary a continuation of the monthly installments for the number of months remaining in the Payout Period.
5.2 Disability Benefit. If requested by the Executive and approved by the Board of Trustees, the Executive shall be entitled to receive the Disability Benefit hereunder, in any case in which it is determined by a duly licensed independent physician selected by the Bank, that the Executive is no longer able, properly and satisfactorily, to perform his regular duties as a Executive because of ill health, accident, disability or general inability due to age. If the Executive's service is terminated pursuant to this Subsection and Board of Executive approval is obtained, the Executive may elect to begin receiving the Disability Benefit in lieu of the Deferred Compensation Benefit, which is not available prior to the Executive's Benefit Eligibility Date. The benefit shall begin within thirty (30) days of the Board of Trustees' approval of such benefit. The amount of the monthly benefit shall be the annuitized value of the Executive's Elective Contribution Account, measured as of the date of the disability determination and payable over the Payout Period. The Post-Retirement Interest Factor shall be used to annuitize the Elective Contribution Account. In the event the Executive dies while receiving Disability Benefit
payments pursuant to this Subsection, or after becoming eligible for such payments but before the actual commencement of such payments, his Beneficiary shall be entitled to receive those benefits provided for in Subsection $6.1(a)$ and the Disability Benefits provided for in this Subsection shall terminate upon the Executive's death.
5.3 Removal For Cause. In the event the Executive is removed for Cause at any time prior to reaching his Benefit Age, he shall be entitled to receive the balance of his Elective Contribution Account, measured as of the date of removal. Such amount shall be paid in a lump sum within thirty (30) days of the Executive's date of removal. All other benefits provided for the Executive or his Beneficiary under this Plan shall be forfeited and the Plan shall become null and void with respect to such Executive.
5.4 Voluntary or Involuntary Termination Other Than for Cause. If the Executive's employment with the Bank is voluntarily or involuntarily terminated prior to the attainment of his Benefit Eligibility Date, for any reason other than for Cause, the Executive's death or disability, then commencing on his Benefit Eligibility Date, the Executive shall be entitled to the annuitized value (using the Interest Factor) of his Elective Contribution Account calculated as of his Benefit Eligibility Date, and payable over the Payout Period.
5.5 Termination of Employment Related to a Change in Control. If a Change in Control occurs, and thereafter the Executive's employment is terminated (either voluntarily or involuntarily) within thirty-six (36) months, the Executive shall be entitled to receive his Deferred Compensation Benefit calculated as if Executive had made all of his elective deferrals through his Benefit Age. Such benefit shall be annuitized (using the Interest Factor) and be payable commencing on such Executive's Benefit Eligibility Date in monthly installments throughout the Payout Period. In the event the Executive dies at any time after termination of employment, but prior to commencement of such payments due and owing hereunder, the Bank or its successor, shall pay to the Executive's Beneficiary, the Survivor's

Benefit. In the event the Executive dies at any time after commencement of such payments, but prior to completion of all such payments due and owing hereunder, the Bank or its successor shall pay to the Executive's Beneficiary a continuation of the monthly installments for the remainder of the Payout Period.
5.6 Modification of Benefit Age. If the Executive elects to modify his Benefit Age ("Modified Benefit Age") and to commence receiving benefits hereunder before attainment of his Benefit Age as set forth on his Deferral
Agreement, Executive shall be entitled to receive the value of his Elective Contribution Account calculated as of the last day of the month in which Executive attains his Modified Benefit Age, provided, however, that Executive must have made such an election at least thirteen (13) months prior to the first day of the month in which Executive attains his Modified Benefit Age (as set forth herein at Exhibit D). Such early benefit shall be annuitized (using the Interest Factor) and be payable commencing on the first day of the second month following Executive's attaining his Modified Benefit Age in monthly installments throughout the Payout Period. In the event the Executive dies at any time after designating his Modified Benefit Age, but prior to commencement of such payments due and owing hereunder, the Bank or its successor shall pay to the Executive's Beneficiary the Survivor's Benefit. In the event the Executive dies at any time after commencement of the benefit payments, but prior to completion of all such payments due and owing hereunder, the Bank or its successor shall pay to the Executive's Beneficiary a continuation of the monthly installments for the remainder of the Payout Period.

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SECTION VI<br>DEATH BENEFITS

6.1 Death Benefit Prior to Commencement of Deferred Compensation Benefit. In the event of the Executive's death prior to commencement of the Deferred Compensation Benefit, the Bank shall pay the Executive's Beneficiary a monthly benefit for the Payout Period, commencing within thirty (30) days of the Executive's death. The amount of such monthly benefit payments shall be determined as follows:
(a) (1) In the event death occurs (i) while the Executive is receiving the Disability Benefit provided for in Subsection 5.2, or (ii) after the Executive has become eligible for such Disability Benefit payments but before such payments have commenced, the Executive's Beneficiary shall be entitled to receive the Survivor's Benefit for the number of months in the Payout Period, reduced by the number of months Disability Benefit payments were made to the Executive. In the event death occurs after the Executive has received the Disability Benefit provided for in Subsection 5.2 for the entire Payout Period, the Executive's Beneficiary shall not be entitled to the Survivor's Benefit for any length of time. However, the lump sum payment described in paragraph two (2) of this Subsection $6.1(a)$ if approved by the Board of Executives, and the payment described in Section 6.2 , shall still be applicable to such Beneficiary.
(2) If (i) the total dollar amount of Disability Benefit payments received by the Executive under Subsection 5.2 is less than the total dollar amount of payments which would have been received had the Survivor's Benefit been paid in lieu of the Disability Benefit which was paid during the Executive's life, and (ii) Board of Director approval is obtained, the Bank shall pay the Executive's Beneficiary a lump sum payment for the difference. This lump sum payment shall be made within thirty (30) days of the Executive's death.
(b) In the event death occurs while the Executive is (i) in the employment of the Bank, (ii) deferring compensation pursuant to Section II and (iii) prior to any reduction or discontinuance (via an effective filing of a Notice of Adjustment of Deferral Amount) in the level of deferrals reflected in the Executive's Deferral Agreement, the Executive's Beneficiary shall be paid the Survivor's Benefit.
(c) In the event death occurs while the Executive is (i) in the employment of the Bank, (ii) deferring compensation pursuant to Section II, and (iii) after any reduction or discontinuance (via an effective filing
of a Notice of Adjustment of Deferral Amount) in the level of deferrals reflected in the Executive's Deferral Agreement, the Executive's Beneficiary shall be paid a reduced Survivor's Benefit. The amount of such reduced Survivor's Benefit shall be determined by multiplying the monthly payment available as a Survivor's Benefit by a fraction, the numerator of which is equal to the total compensation actually deferred by the Executive as of his death, and the denominator of which is equal to the total amount of compensation which would have been deferred as of his death, if no reduction or discontinuance in the level of deferrals had occurred at any time following execution of the Deferral Agreement and during the Deferral Period.
(d) In the event the Executive completes less than One Hundred Percent ( $100 \%$ ) of his Projected Deferrals due to any voluntary or involuntary

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termination other than removal for Cause, the Executive's Beneficiary shall be paid a reduced Survivor's Benefit. The amount of such reduced Survivor's Benefit shall be determined by multiplying the monthly payment available as a Survivor's Benefit by a fraction, the numerator of which is equal to the total compensation actually deferred by the Executive, and the denominator of which is equal to the Executive's Projected Deferral.
(e) In the event the Executive completes One Hundred Percent (100\%) of his Projected Deferrals prior to any voluntary or involuntary termination other than removal for Cause, and provided no payments have been made pursuant to Subsection 5.2, the Executive's Beneficiary shall be paid the Survivor's Benefit.


#### Abstract

6.2 Additional Death Benefit - Burial Expense. In addition to the above-described death benefits, upon the Executive's death, the Executive's Beneficiary shall be entitled to receive a one-time lump sum death benefit in the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars $(\$ 10,000.00)$. This benefit shall be provided specifically for the purpose of providing payment for burial and/or funeral expenses of the Executive. Such benefit shall be payable within thirty (30) days of the Executive's death. The Executive's Beneficiary shall not be entitled to such benefit if the Executive is removed for Cause prior to death, or if a similar lump sum death benefit is paid by the Bank to the Beneficiary under another similar plan of the Bank.


## SECTION VII <br> BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION

The Executive shall make an initial designation of primary and secondary Beneficiaries upon execution of his Deferral Agreement and shall have the right to change such designation, at any subsequent time, by submitting to the Administrator in substantially the form attached as Exhibit A to the Deferral Agreement, a written designation of primary and secondary Beneficiaries. Any Beneficiary designation made subsequent to execution of the Deferral Agreement shall become effective only when receipt thereof is acknowledged in writing by the Administrator.

## SECTION VIII

## EXECUTIVE'S RIGHT TO ASSETS

The rights of the Executive, any Beneficiary, or any other person claiming through the Executive under this Plan, shall be solely those of an unsecured general creditor of the Bank. The Executive, the Beneficiary, or any other person claiming through the Executive, shall only have the right to receive from the Bank those payments so specified under this Plan. The Executive agrees that he, his Beneficiary, or any other person claiming through him shall have no rights or interests whatsoever in any asset of the Bank, including any insurance policies or contracts which the Bank may possess or obtain to informally fund this Plan.

Any asset used or acquired by the Bank in connection with the liabilities it has assumed under this Plan, unless expressly provided herein, shall not be deemed to be held under any trust for the benefit of the Executive or his Beneficiaries, nor shall any asset be considered security for the performance of the obligations of the Bank. Any such asset shall be and remain, a general, unpledged, and unrestricted asset of the Bank.

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or money with which to pay its obligations under this Plan. The Executive, his Beneficiaries or any successor in interest to him shall be and remain simply a general unsecured creditor of the Bank in the same manner as any other creditor having a general claim for matured and unpaid compensation. The Bank reserves the absolute right in its sole discretion to either purchase assets to meet its obligations undertaken by this Plan or to refrain from the same and to determine the extent, nature, and method of any such asset purchases. Should the Bank decide to purchase assets such as life insurance, mutual funds, disability policies or annuities, the Bank reserves the absolute right, in its sole discretion, to terminate such assets at any time, in whole or in part. At no time shall the Executive be deemed to have any lien, right, title or interest in or to any specific investment or to any assets of the Bank. If the Bank elects to invest in a life insurance, disability or annuity policy upon the life of the Executive, then the Executive shall assist the Bank by freely submitting to a physical examination and by supplying such additional information necessary to obtain such insurance or annuities.

SECTION X
ALIENABILITY AND ASSIGNMENT PROHIBITION

Neither the Executive nor any Beneficiary under this Plan shall have any power or right to transfer, assign, anticipate, hypothecate, mortgage, commute, modify or otherwise encumber in advance any of the benefits payable hereunder, nor shall any of said benefits be subject to seizure for the payment of any debts, judgments, alimony or separate maintenance owed by the Executive or his Beneficiary, nor be transferable by operation of law in the event of bankruptcy, insolvency or otherwise. In the event the Executive or any Beneficiary attempts assignment, communication, hypothecation, transfer or disposal of the benefits hereunder, the Bank's liabilities shall forthwith cease and terminate.

## SECTION XI <br> ACT PROVISIONS

11.1 Named Fiduciary and Administrator. The Bank shall be the Named Fiduciary and Administrator (the "Administrator") of this Plan. As Administrator, the Bank shall be responsible for the management, control and administration of the Plan as established herein. The Administrator may delegate to others certain aspects of the management and operational responsibilities of the Plan, including the employment of advisors and the delegation of ministerial duties to qualified individuals.
11.2 Claims Procedure and Arbitration. In the event that benefits under this Plan are not paid to the Executive (or to his Beneficiary in the case of the Executive's death) and such claimants feel they are entitled to receive such benefits, then a written claim must be made to the Administrator within sixty (60) days from the date payments are refused. The Administrator shall review the written claim and, if the claim is denied, in whole or in part, they shall provide in writing, within ninety (90) days of receipt of such claim, their specific reasons for such denial, reference to the provisions of this Plan or the Deferral Agreement upon which the denial is based, and any additional material or information necessary to perfect the claim. Such writing by the Administrator shall further indicate the additional steps which must be undertaken by claimants if an additional review of the claim denial is desired.

If claimants desire a second review, they shall notify the Administrator in writing within sixty (60) days of the first claim denial. Claimants may review this Plan, the Deferral Agreement or any documents relating thereto and submit any issues and comments, in writing, they may feel appropriate. In its sole discretion, the Administrator shall then review the second claim and provide a written decision within sixty (60) days of receipt of such claim. This decision shall state the specific reasons for the decision
and shall include reference to specific provisions of this Plan or the Deferral Agreement upon which the decision is based.

If claimants continue to dispute the benefit denial based upon completed performance of this Plan and the Deferral Agreement or the meaning and effect of the terms and conditions thereof, then claimants may submit the dispute to mediation, administered by the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") (or a mediator selected by the parties) in accordance with the AAA's Commercial Mediation Rules. If mediation is not successful in resolving the dispute, it shall be settled by arbitration administered by the AAA under its Commercial Arbitration Rules, and judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

## SECTION XII

MISCELLANEOUS
12.1 No Guarantee of Employment. Nothing contained herein will confer upon the Executive the right to be retained in the service of the Bank nor limit the right of the Bank to discharge or otherwise deal with the Executive without regard to the existence of the Plan. Notwithstanding anything herein contained to the contrary, any payment to the Executive by the Holding Company are subject to and conditioned upon their compliance with Section $18(k)$ of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, 12 U.S.C. Section $1828(k)$, and the regulations promulgated thereunder in 12 C.F.R. Part 359.
12.2 State Law. The Plan is established under, and will be construed according to, the laws of the state of New York.
12.3 Severability and Interpretation of Provisions. In the event that any of the provisions of this Plan or portion thereof, are held to be inoperative or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, or in the event that any legislation adopted by any government body having jurisdiction over the Bank would be retroactively applied to invalidate this Plan or any provision hereof or cause the benefits hereunder to be taxable, then: (1) insofar as is reasonable, effect will be given to the intent manifested in the provisions held invalid or inoperative, and (2) the validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions will not be affected thereby. In the event that the intent of any provision shall need to be construed in any manner to avoid taxability, such construction shall be made by the Plan Administrator in a manner that would manifest to the maximum extent possible the original meaning of such provisions.
12.4 Incapacity of Recipient. In the event the Executive is declared incompetent and a conservator or other person legally charged with the care of his person or Estate is appointed, any benefits under the Plan to which such Executive is entitled shall be paid to such conservator or other person legally charged with the care of his person or Estate.
12.5 Unclaimed Benefit. The Executive shall keep the Bank informed of his current address and the current address of his Beneficiaries. If the location of the Executive is not made known to the Bank within three (3) years after the date on which any payment of the Deferred Compensation Benefit may first be made, payment may be made as though the Executive had died at the end of the three (3) year period.
12.6 Limitations on Liability. Notwithstanding any of the preceding provisions of the Plan, no individual acting as an employee or agent of the Bank, or as a member of the Board of Trustees shall be personally liable to the Executive or any other person for any claim, loss, liability or expense incurred in connection with this Plan.
12.7 Gender. Whenever in this Plan words are used in the masculine or neuter gender, they shall be read and construed as in the masculine, feminine or neuter gender, whenever they should so apply.
12.8 Effect on Other Corporate Benefit Plans. Nothing contained in this Plan shall affect the right of the Executive to participate in or be covered by any qualified or non-qualified pension, profit sharing, group, bonus or other supplemental compensation or fringe benefit agreement constituting a part of the Bank's existing or future compensation structure.
12.9 Suicide. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Plan, the benefits otherwise provided herein shall not be payable if the Executive's death results from suicide, whether sane or insane, within twenty-six (26) months after the execution of his Deferral Agreement. If the Executive dies during this twenty-six (26) month period due to suicide, the balance of his Elective Contribution Account will be paid to the Executive's Beneficiary in a single payment. Payment is to be made within thirty (30) days after the Executive's death is declared a suicide by competent legal authority.

Credit shall be given to the Bank for payments made prior to determination of suicide.
12.10 Inurement. This Plan shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the Bank, its successors and assigns, and the Executive, his successors, heirs, executors, administrators, and Beneficiaries.
12.11 Source of Payments. All payments provided in this Plan shall be timely paid in cash or check from the general funds of the Bank or the assets of the rabbi trust. The Holding Company guarantees payment and provision of all amounts and benefits due to the Executives and, if such amounts and benefits are not timely paid or provided by the Bank, or the rabbi trust, such amounts and benefits shall be paid or provided by the Holding Company.
12.12 Modification of Benefit Eligibility Date. In the event that a Executive desires to modify his Benefit Eligibility Date or Payout Period with respect to future Elective Contributions, the Executive may do so at the time and in the manner that the Executive is entitled to adjust his Elective Contribution, pursuant to Section IV of the Plan. In the event that a Executive desires to modify his Benefit Eligibility Date or Payout Period with respect to amounts accrued in his Elective Contribution Account the Executive may do so, provided, however, that any such modification is made no later than twenty-four (24) months prior to the date of both (i) the Executive's existing Benefit Eligibility (at the time of such modification) and (ii) the Executive's Benefit Eligibility Date, as modified.
12.13 Tax Withholding. If applicable, the Bank may withhold from any benefits payable under this Plan all federal, state, city, or other taxes as shall be required pursuant to any law or governmental regulation then in effect.
12. 14 Headings. Headings and sub-headings in this Plan are inserted for reference and convenience only and shall not be deemed a part of this Plan.

## SECTION XIII AMENDMENT / REVOCATION

This Plan shall not be amended, modified or revoked at any time, in whole or part, without the mutual written consent of the Executive and the Bank, and such mutual consent shall be required even if the Executive is no longer serving the Bank as a member of the Board; provided, however, mutual consent shall not

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be required if such amendment or modification is required by a regulatory agency having jurisdiction over the Bank or the Holding Company or is necessary to avoid taxation of the benefits payable hereunder prior to their distribution or is desirable or required pursuant to Section 12.3 hereof.

## SECTION XIV <br> EXECUTION

14.1 This Plan sets forth the entire understanding of the parties hereto with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby, and any previous agreements or understandings between the parties hereto regarding the subject matter hereof are merged into and superseded by this Plan.
14.2 This Plan shall be executed in triplicate, each copy of which, when so executed and delivered, shall be an original, but all three copies shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

## [Signature Page Follows]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Bank has caused this Plan to be executed on the day and date first above written.
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ATTEST: PATHFINDER BANK


ATTEST:
PATHFINDER BANCORP, INC.


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PATHFINDER BANK<br>EXECUTIVE DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN<br>DEFERRAL AGREEMENT

I, Thomas W. Schneider, and PATHFINDER BANK hereby agree for good and valuable consideration, the value of which is hereby acknowledged, that I shall participate in the Pathfinder Bank Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan"), effective December 31, 2003, as such Plan may now exist or hereafter be amended or modified, and do further agree to the terms and conditions thereof.

I hereby elect to defer Percent (_ or or $\$ 417$ of my monthly Compensation. Such deferrals shall commence on January 1, 2004, and shall continue for a period of one hundred twenty (120) months, known as the Deferral Period, and will result in a Projected Deferral in the amount of $\$ 50,000$. I understand that this election to defer applies only to Compensation attributable to services not yet performed.

I understand that my election to defer shall continue in accordance with this Deferral Agreement until such time as I submit a "Notice of Adjustment of Deferral" (Exhibit $C$ hereto) to the Administrator, at least fifteen (15) days prior to any January lst during my Deferral Period. A Notice of Adjustment of Deferral can be used to adjust the amount of Compensation to be deferred or to discontinue deferrals altogether.

I understand that $I$ will be entitled to a distribution of my deferrals upon attainment of my elected Benefit Age of 70. Distribution will be made in installments over a period of one hundred twenty (120) months.

In general, I understand that my designated Beneficiary may be entitled to a monthly Survivor's Benefit of $\$ 2,857$ pursuant to section 6.1 of the Plan and subject to all relevant subsections of the Plan.

I understand that $I$ am entitled to review or obtain a copy of the Plan, at any time, and may do so by contacting the committee.

This Deferral Agreement shall become effective upon execution (below) by both the Executive and a duly authorized officer of the Bank.

Dated this 31st day of December, 2003.


EXHIBIT B

## PATHFINDER BANK <br> EXECUTIVE DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION

The Executive, under the terms of the Pathfinder Bank Executive Deferred Compensation Plan hereby designates the following Beneficiary to receive any

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guaranteed payments or death benefits* under such Plan, following his death:


DATE: $\qquad$ , 20 $\qquad$

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/s/ W. J. Landers
/s/--------------------
WITNESS
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/s/ Thomas Schneider
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EXECUTIVE

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/s/ Chris C. Gagas
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WITNESS
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* I understand and agree that no death benefit in excess of the deferrals made by me (plus earnings thereon) will be paid unless Pathfinder Bank has acquired insurance on my life and such insurance is in place.


## PATHFINDER BANK <br> EXECUTIVE DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

DEFERRAL AGREEMENT

I, Melissa A. Miller, and PATHFINDER BANK hereby agree for good and valuable consideration, the value of which is hereby acknowledged, that I shall participate in the Pathfinder Bank Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan"), effective December 31, 2003, as such Plan may now exist or hereafter be amended or modified, and do further agree to the terms and conditions thereof.

I hereby elect to defer_ Percent (__ or $\$ 417$ of my monthly Compensation. Such deferrals shall commence on February 1, 2004, and shall continue for a period of one hundred twenty (120) months, known as the Deferral Period, and will result in a Projected Deferral in the amount of $\$ 50,000$. I understand that this election to defer applies only to Compensation attributable to services not yet performed.

I understand that my election to defer shall continue in accordance with

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this Deferral Agreement until such time as I submit a "Notice of Adjustment of Deferral" (Exhibit C hereto) to the Administrator, at least fifteen (15) days prior to any January lst during my Deferral Period. A Notice of Adjustment of Deferral can be used to adjust the amount of Compensation to be deferred or to discontinue deferrals altogether.

I understand that $I$ will be entitled to a distribution of my deferrals upon attainment of my elected Benefit Age of 70. Distribution will be made in installments over a period of one hundred twenty (120) months.

In general, I understand that my designated Beneficiary may be entitled to a monthly Survivor's Benefit of $\$ 2,174$ pursuant to section 6.1 of the Plan and subject to all relevant subsections of the Plan.

I understand that $I$ am entitled to review or obtain a copy of the Plan, at any time, and may do so by contacting the committee.

This Deferral Agreement shall become effective upon execution (below) by both the Executive and a duly authorized officer of the Bank.

Dated this _ day of January, 2004.

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/s/ Melissa A. Miller /s/ Thomas W. Schneider
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Executive
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/s/ Thomas W. Schneider
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Duly Authorized Officer of Pathfinder Bank

# PATHFINDER BANK <br> EXECUTIVE DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN 

BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION

The Executive, under the terms of the Pathfinder Bank Executive Deferred Compensation Plan hereby designates the following Beneficiary to receive any guaranteed payments or death benefits* under such Plan, following his death:

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PRIMARY BENEFICIARY: Lisa E. Dashnau
SECONDARY BENEFICIAY: Makayla Dashnau (Mesec) and Madison Dashnau
    This Beneficiary Designation hereby revokes any prior Beneficiary
Designation which may have been in effect.
    Such Beneficiary Designation is revocable.
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DATE:
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/s/ James A. Dowd
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WITNESS
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* I understand and agree that no death benefit in excess of the deferrals made by me (plus earnings thereon) will be paid unless Pathfinder Bank has acquired insurance on my life and such insurance is in place.

PATHFINDER BANK<br>EXECUTIVE DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

DEFERRAL AGREEMENT

I, James A. Dowd, and PATHFINDER BANK hereby agree for good and valuable consideration, the value of which is hereby acknowledged, that I shall participate in the Pathfinder Bank Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan"), effective December 31, 2003, as such Plan may now exist or hereafter be amended or modified, and do further agree to the terms and conditions thereof.

I hereby elect to defer_ Percent (_ or or $\$ 417$ of my monthly Compensation. Such deferrals shall commence on January 1, 2004, and shall continue for a period of one hundred twenty (120) months, known as the Deferral Period, and will result in a Projected Deferral in the amount of $\$ 50,000$. I understand that this election to defer applies only to Compensation attributable to services not yet performed.

I understand that my election to defer shall continue in accordance with this Deferral Agreement until such time as I submit a "Notice of Adjustment of Deferral" (Exhibit $C$ hereto) to the Administrator, at least fifteen (15) days prior to any January lst during my Deferral Period. A Notice of Adjustment of Deferral can be used to adjust the amount of Compensation to be deferred or to discontinue deferrals altogether.

I understand that $I$ will be entitled to a distribution of my deferrals upon attainment of my elected Benefit Age of 70. Distribution will be made in installments over a period of one hundred twenty (120) months.

In general, I understand that my designated Beneficiary may be entitled to a monthly Survivor's Benefit of $\$ 4,394$ pursuant to section 6.1 of the Plan and subject to all relevant subsections of the Plan.

I understand that $I$ am entitled to review or obtain a copy of the Plan, at any time, and may do so by contacting the committee.

This Deferral Agreement shall become effective upon execution (below) by both the Executive and a duly authorized officer of the Bank.

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Dated this 31st day of December, 2003.
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Executive

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/s/ James A. Dowd
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/s/ James A. Dowd

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/s/ Thomas W. Schneider
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Duly Authorized Officer of Pathfinder Bank
PATHFINDER BANK
EXECUTIVE DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN
BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION
The Executive, under the terms of the Pathfinder Bank Executive Deferred Compensation Plan hereby designates the following Beneficiary to receive any guaranteed payments or death benefits* under such Plan, following his death:
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PRIMARY BENEFICIARY: & \begin{tabular}{l} 
Nancy J. Dowd (Mother) \\
SECONDARY BENEFICIAY:
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This Beneficiary Designation hereby revokes any prior Beneficiary \\
Designation which may have been in effect.
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/s/ W. J. Landers
WITNESS
/s/ James A. Dowd
EXECUTIVE
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/s/ Thomas Schneider
s/
WITNESS

* I understand and agree that no death benefit in excess of the deferrals made by me (plus earnings thereon) will be paid unless Pathfinder Bank has acquired insurance on my life and such insurance is in place.

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This Trustee Deferred Fee Plan (the "Plan"), effective as of the 31st day of December 2003, formalizes the understanding by and between PATHFINDER BANK (the "Bank"), a state chartered stock savings bank, and certain eligible Trustees, hereinafter referred to as "Trustee", who shall be approved by the Bank to participate and who shall elect to become a party to this Trustee Deferred Fee Plan by execution of a Trustee Deferred Fee Plan Deferral Agreement ("Deferral Agreement") in a form provided by the Bank. Pathfinder Bancorp, MHC, a Federal mutual holding company, and Pathfinder Bancorp, Inc. (the "Holding Company") are parties to this Agreement for the sole purpose of guaranteeing the Bank's performance hereunder.

\section*{W I T N E S S E T H :}

WHEREAS, the Bank recognizes the valuable services heretofore performed for it by its Trustees and wishes to encourage continued service of each; and

WHEREAS, the Bank values the efforts, abilities and accomplishments of such Trustees and recognizes that the Trustees' services substantially contribute to its continued growth and profits in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Bank desires to adopt a deferred compensation plan for Trustees in order to permit the Trustees to defer a portion of their fees; and

WHEREAS, these Trustees wish to defer a certain portion of their fees to be earned in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Bank and the Trustees intend this Plan to be considered an unfunded arrangement, maintained primarily to provide retirement income for such Trustees, for tax purposes and for purposes of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Bank has adopted this Trustee Deferred Fee Plan which controls all issues relating to the Deferred Compensation Benefits as described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises herein contained, the parties hereto agree to the following terms and conditions:

\section*{SECTION I \\ DEFINITIONS}

When used herein, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings below unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
1.1 "Bank" means Pathfinder Bank and any successor thereto.
1.2 "Beneficiary" means the person or persons (and their heirs) designated as Beneficiary in the Trustee's Deferral Agreement to whom the deceased Trustee's benefits are payable. If no Beneficiary is so designated, then the Trustee's Spouse, if living, will be deemed the Beneficiary. If the Trustee's Spouse is not living, then the Children of the Trustee will be deemed the Beneficiaries and will take on a per stirpes basis. If there are no Children, then the Estate of the Trustee will be deemed the Beneficiary.
1.3 "Benefit Age" shall be the birthday on which the Trustee becomes eligible to receive benefits under the plan. Such birthday shall be designated in the Trustee's Deferral Agreement.
1.4 "Benefit Eligibility Date" shall be the date on which a Trustee is entitled to receive his Deferred Compensation Benefit. It shall be the first day of the month following the month in which the Trustee attains the Benefit Age
designated in his Deferral Agreement.
1.5 "Cause" means personal dishonesty, willful misconduct, willful malfeasance, breach of fiduciary duty involving personal profit, intentional failure to perform stated duties, willful violation of any law, rule, regulation (other than traffic violations or similar offenses), or final cease-and-desist order, material breach of any provision of this Plan, or gross negligence in matters of material importance to the Bank.
1.6 "Change in Control" of the Bank or Holding Company means a change in control of a nature that: (i) would be required to be reported in response to Item \(1(a)\) of the current report on Form \(8-K\), as in effect on the date hereof, pursuant to Section 13 or \(15(\mathrm{~d})\) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"); or (ii) results in a Change in Control of the Company within the meaning of the Home Owners' Loan Act, as amended, and applicable rules and regulations promulgated thereunder (collectively, the "HOLA") as in effect at the time of the Change in Control; or (iii) without limitation such a Change in Control shall be deemed to have occurred at such time as (a) any "person" (as the term is used in Sections 13(d) and \(14(d)\) of the Exchange Act) is or becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing \(25 \%\) or more of the combined voting power of the Company's outstanding securities except for any securities purchased by the Bank's employee stock ownership plan or trust; or (b) individuals who constitute the Board on the date hereof (the "Incumbent Board") cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority thereof, provided that any person becoming a director subsequent to the date hereof whose election was approved by a vote of at least three-quarters of the directors comprising the Incumbent Board, or whose nomination for election by the Company's stockholders was approved by the same Nominating Committee serving under an Incumbent Board, shall be, for purposes of this clause (b), considered as though he were a member of the Incumbent Board; or (c) a plan of reorganization, merger, consolidation, sale of all or substantially all the assets of the Company or similar transaction in which the Company is not the surviving institution occurs; or (d) a proxy statement soliciting proxies from stockholders of the Company, by someone other than the current management of the Company, seeking stockholder approval of a plan of reorganization, merger or consolidation of the Company or similar transaction with one or more corporations as a result of which the outstanding shares of the class of securities then subject to the Plan are to be exchanged for or converted into cash or property or securities not issued by the Company; or (e) a tender offer is made for \(25 \%\) or more of the voting securities of the Company and the shareholders owning beneficially or of record 25 \% or more of the outstanding securities of the Company have
tendered or offered to sell their shares pursuant to such tender offer and such tendered shares have been accepted by the tender offeror.
Notwithstanding anything in this subsection (b) to the contrary, a change in control shall not be deemed to have occurred in the event of a conversion of the Company's or the Bank's mutual holding company to stock form, or in connection with any reorganization used to effect such a conversion.
1.7 "Children" means the Trustee's children, both natural and adopted, determined at the time payments are due the Children under this Plan.
1.8 "Deferral Period" means the period of months designated in the Trustee's Deferral Agreement during which the Trustee shall defer current fees. The Deferral Period shall commence on the date designated in the Trustee's Deferral Agreement.

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\hline 1.9 & "Deferred Compensation Benefit" means the annuitized value (using the Interest Factor) of the Trustee's Elective Contribution Account, measured as of the Trustee's Benefit Age, payable in monthly installments throughout the Payout Period and commencing on the Trustee's Benefit Eligibility Date. \\
\hline 1.10 & "Disability Benefit" means the monthly benefit payable to the Trustee following a determination, in accordance with Subsection 5.2, that he is no longer able, properly and satisfactorily, to perform his duties as a Trustee. \\
\hline 1.11 & "Effective Date" of this Plan is December 31, 2003. \\
\hline 1.12 & "Elective Contribution" shall refer to any bookkeeping entry required to record a Trustee's voluntary monthly pre-tax deferral of fees which shall be made in accordance with the Trustee's Deferral Agreement. \\
\hline 1.13 & "Elective Contribution Account" shall be represented by the bookkeeping entries required to record a Trustee's Elective Contributions plus accrued interest calculated with the Interest Factor, earned to date on such amounts. However, neither the existence of such bookkeeping entries nor the Elective Contribution Account itself shall be deemed to create either a trust of any kind, or a fiduciary relationship between the Bank and the Trustee or any Beneficiary. \\
\hline 1.14 & "Estate" means the estate of the Trustee. \\
\hline 1.15 & "Interest Factor" means either the Pre-Retirement Interest Factor or the Post-Retirement Interest Factor, as applicable. \\
\hline 1.16 & "Payout Period" means the time frame during which certain benefits payable hereunder shall be distributed. Payments shall be made in equal monthly installments commencing on the first day of the first month following the occurrence of the event which triggers distribution and continuing for a period of one-hundred twenty (120) months, as designated in the Trustee's Deferral Agreement. \\
\hline 1.17 & "Plan Year" shall mean the twelve (12) month period from January 1 to December 31 of each year. \\
\hline 1.18 & "Post-Retirement Interest Factor" means a rate applicable to annuitize the Elective Contribution Account of a Trustee in connection with installment distributions made following a Trustee's retirement or other termination of service. Unless changed pursuant to a written resolution of the Board of Trustees, the Post-Retirement Interest Factor shall be seven percent (7\%) per annum. \\
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1.19 "Pre-Retirement Interest Factor" means a rate applied to accruals credited to a Trustee's Elective Contribution Account prior to the Trustee's retirement or other termination of service. Unless changed pursuant to a written resolution of the Board of Trustees, the Pre-Retirement Interest Factor shall be a rate equivalent to the prime interest rate as published in the Wall Street Journal each January 1, plus three percent (3\%). For the initial Plan Year, the Pre-Retirement Interest Factor shall be seven percent (7\%). The Pre-Retirement Interest Factor shall be calculated each January 1 during the Deferral Period, and such rate shall be the applicable Pre-Retirement Interest Factor for the Plan Year for which it is calculated.
1.20 "Projected Deferral" is an estimate, determined upon execution of a Deferral Agreement, of the total amount of compensation to be deferred by the Trustee during his Deferral Period (excluding any interest accrued on

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such deferrals), and so designated in the Trustee's Deferral Agreement.
1.21 "Spouse" means the individual to whom the Trustee is legally married at the time of the Trustee's death.
1. 22 "Survivor's Benefit" means if the Bank has obtained insurance on the life of the Trustee, an annual amount payable to the Beneficiary in monthly installments throughout the Payout Period, equal to the amount designated in the Trustee's Deferral Agreement. If the Bank has not obtained insurance on the life of the Trustee, the Survivor's Benefit shall be equal to the accrued benefit in the Trustee's Elective Contribution Account as of the Trustee's date of death, annuitized (using the Post-Retirement Interest Factor) and payable in monthly installments throughout the Payout Period.

\section*{SECTION II \\ ESTABLISHMENT OF RABBI TRUST}

The Bank shall establish a rabbi trust into which the Bank shall contribute assets which shall be held therein, pursuant to the agreement which establishes such rabbi trust. The contributed assets shall be subject to the claims of the Bank's creditors in the event of the Bank's "Insolvency" as defined in the agreement which establishes such rabbi trust, until the contributed assets are paid to the Trustee and his Beneficiary(ies) in such manner and at such times as specified in this Plan. It is the intention of the Bank to make a contribution or contributions to the rabbi trust to provide the Bank with a source of funds to assist it in meeting the liabilities of this Plan. The rabbi trust and any assets held therein shall conform to the terms of the rabbi trust agreement which has been established in conjunction with this Plan. Any contribution(s) to the rabbi trust shall be made in accordance with the rabbi trust agreement. The amount and timing of such contribution(s) shall be specified in the agreement which establishes such rabbi trust.

\section*{SECTION III \\ DEFERRED COMPENSATION}

Commencing on the Effective Date and continuing through the end of the Deferral Period, the Trustee and the Bank agree that the Trustee may defer into his Elective Contribution Account on a monthly basis up to the lesser of (i) Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00), or (ii) One Hundred Percent (100\%) of the monthly fees which the Trustee would otherwise be entitled to receive from the Bank for each month of the Deferral Period. The total deferral during the term of the Deferral Period shall not exceed the Trustee's Projected Deferral, without Board of Trustee approval. The specific amount of the Trustee's monthly deferred compensation shall be designated in the Trustee's Deferral Agreement and shall apply only to compensation attributable to services not yet performed.

\section*{SECTION IV}

ADJUSTMENT OF DEFERRAL AMOUNT

Deferral of the specific amount of fees designated in the Trustee's Deferral Agreement shall continue in effect pursuant to the terms of this Plan unless and until the Trustee amends his Deferral Agreement by filing with the Administrator a Notice of Adjustment of Deferral Amount (Exhibit B of the Deferral Agreement). If the Bank increases the amount of fees and/or retainer earned by the Trustee, the Trustee can include such additional amounts in his monthly deferral, subject to the limits of Section III herein, provided approval from the Board of Trustees is obtained, by filing a Notice of Adjustment of Deferral Amount. A Notice of Adjustment of Deferral Amount shall be effective if filed with the Administrator at least thirty (30) days prior to any January 1st during the Trustee's Deferral Period. Such Notice of Adjustment of Deferral Amount shall be effective commencing with the January lst following its filing

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and shall be applicable only to compensation attributable to services not yet performed by the Trustee.

\section*{SECTION V \\ RETIREMENT BENEFIT}
5.1 Retirement Benefit. Subject to Subsection 6.1 of this Plan, the Bank agrees to pay the Trustee the Deferred Compensation Benefit commencing on the Trustee's Benefit Eligibility Date. Such payments will be made over the term of the Payout Period. In the event of the Trustee's death after commencement of the Deferred Compensation Benefit, but prior to completion of all such payments due and owing hereunder, the Bank shall pay to the Trustee's Beneficiary a continuation of the monthly installments for the number of months remaining in the Payout Period.
5.2 Disability Benefit. If requested by the Trustee and approved by the Board of Trustees, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive the Disability Benefit hereunder, in any case in which it is determined by a duly licensed independent physician selected by the Bank, that the Trustee is no longer able, properly and satisfactorily, to perform his regular duties as a Trustee because of ill health, accident, disability or general inability due to age. If the Trustee's service is terminated pursuant to this Subsection and Board of Trustee approval is obtained, the Trustee may elect to begin receiving the Disability Benefit in lieu of the Deferred Compensation Benefit, which is not available prior to the Trustee's Benefit Eligibility Date. The benefit shall begin within thirty (30) days of Board of Trustees' approval of such benefit. The amount of the monthly benefit shall be the annuitized value of the Trustee's Elective Contribution Account, measured as of the date of the disability determination and payable over the Payout Period. The Post-Retirement Interest Factor shall be used to annuitize the Elective Contribution Account. In the event the Trustee dies while receiving Disability Benefit payments pursuant to this Subsection, or after becoming eligible for such payments but before the actual commencement of such payments, his Beneficiary shall be entitled to receive those benefits provided for in Subsection \(6.1(a)\) and the Disability Benefits provided for in this Subsection shall terminate upon the Trustee's death.
5.3 Removal For Cause. In the event the Trustee is removed for Cause at any time prior to reaching his Benefit Age, he shall be entitled to receive the balance of his Elective Contribution Account, measured as of the date of removal. Such amount shall be paid in a lump sum within thirty (30) days of the Trustee's date of removal. All other benefits provided for the Trustee or his Beneficiary under this Plan shall be forfeited and the Plan shall become null and void with respect to such Trustee.
5.4 Voluntary or Involuntary Termination Other Than for Cause. If the Trustee's service with the Bank is voluntarily or involuntarily terminated prior to
the attainment of his Benefit Eligibility Date, for any reason other than for Cause, the Trustee's death or disability, then commencing on his Benefit Eligibility Date, the Trustee shall be entitled to the annuitized value (using the Interest Factor) of his Elective Contribution Account calculated as of his Benefit Eligibility Date, and payable over the Payout Period.
5.5 Termination of Service Related to a Change in Control. If a Change in Control occurs, and thereafter the Trustee's service is terminated (either voluntarily or involuntarily) within thirty-six (36) months, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive his Deferred Compensation Benefit calculated
as if the Trustee had made all of his elective deferrals through his Benefit Age. Such benefit shall be annuitized (using the Interest Factor) and be payable commencing on such Trustee's Benefit Eligibility Date in monthly installments throughout the Payout Period. In the event the Trustee dies at any time after termination of employment, but prior to commencement of such payments due and owing hereunder, the Bank or its successor, shall pay to the Trustee's Beneficiary, the Survivor's Benefit. In the event the Trustee dies at any time after commencement of such payments, but prior to completion of all such payments due and owing hereunder, the Bank or its successor shall pay to the Trustee's Beneficiary, continuation of the monthly installments for the remainder of the Payout Period.
5.6 Modification of Benefit Age. If the Trustee elects to modify his Benefit Age ("Modified Benefit Age") and to commence receiving benefits hereunder before attainment of his Benefit Age as set forth on his Deferral Agreement, Trustee shall be entitled to receive the value of his Elective Contribution Account calculated as of the last day of the month in which Trustee attains his Modified Benefit Age, provided, however, that Trustee must have made such an election at least thirteen (13) months prior to the first day of the month in which Trustee attains his Modified Benefit Age (as set forth herein at Exhibit D). Such early benefit shall be annuitized (using the Interest Factor) and be payable commencing on the first day of the second month following Trustee's attaining his Modified Benefit Age in monthly installments throughout the Payout Period. In the event the Trustee dies at any time after designating his Modified Benefit Age, but prior to commencement of such payments due and owing hereunder, the Bank or its successor shall pay to the Trustee's Beneficiary the Survivor's Benefit. In the event the Executive dies at any time after commencement of the benefit payments, but prior to completion of all such payments due and owing hereunder, the Bank or its successor shall pay to the Trustee's Beneficiary a continuation of the monthly installments for the remainder of the Payout Period.

\section*{SECTION VI \\ DEATH BENEFITS}
6.1 Death Benefit Prior to Commencement of Deferred Compensation Benefit. In the event of the Trustee's death prior to commencement of the Deferred Compensation Benefit, the Bank shall pay the Trustee's Beneficiary a monthly benefit for the Payout Period, commencing within thirty (30) days of the Trustee's death. The amount of such monthly benefit payments shall be determined as follows:
(a) (1) In the event death occurs (i) while the Trustee is receiving the Disability Benefit provided for in Subsection 5.2, or (ii) after the Trustee has become eligible for such Disability Benefit payments but before such payments have commenced, the Trustee's Beneficiary shall be entitled to receive the Survivor's Benefit for the number of months in the Payout Period, reduced by the number of months Disability Benefit payments were made to the Trustee. In the event death occurs after the Trustee has received the Disability Benefit provided for in Subsection 5.2 for the entire Payout Period, the Trustee's Beneficiary shall not be entitled to the Survivor's Benefit for any length of time. However, the lump sum payment described in paragraph two (2) of this Subsection 6.1 (a) if approved by the Board of Trustees, and the payment described in Section 6.2 , shall still be applicable to such Beneficiary.
(2) If (i) the total dollar amount of Disability Benefit payments received by the Trustee under Subsection 5.2 is less than the total dollar amount of payments which would have been received had the

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Survivor's Benefit been paid in lieu of the Disability Benefit which was paid during the Trustee's life, and (ii) Board of Trustee approval is obtained, the Bank shall pay the Trustee's Beneficiary a lump sum payment for the difference. This lump sum payment shall be made within thirty (30) days of the Trustee's death.
(b) In the event death occurs while the Trustee is (i) in the service of the Bank, (ii) deferring fees pursuant to Section II and (iii) prior to any to any reduction or discontinuance (via an effective filing of a Notice of Adjustment of Deferral Amount) in the level of deferrals reflected in the Trustee's Deferral Agreement, the Trustee's Beneficiary shall be paid the Survivor's Benefit.
(c) In the event death occurs while the Trustee is (i) in the service of the Bank, (ii) deferring fees pursuant to Section II, and (iii) after any reduction or discontinuance (via an effective filing of a Notice of Adjustment of Deferral Amount) in the level of deferrals reflected in the Trustee's Deferral Agreement, the Trustee's Beneficiary shall be paid a reduced Survivor's Benefit. The amount of such reduced Survivor's Benefit shall be determined by multiplying the monthly payment available as a Survivor's Benefit by a fraction, the numerator of which is equal to the total Board fees actually deferred by the Trustee as of his death, and the denominator of which is equal to the total amount of Board fees which would have been deferred as of his death, if no reduction or discontinuance in the level of deferrals had occurred at any time following execution of the Deferral Agreement and during the Deferral Period.
(d) In the event the Trustee completes less than One Hundred Percent ( \(100 \%\) ) of his Projected Deferrals due to any voluntary or involuntary termination other than removal for Cause, the Trustee's Beneficiary shall be paid a reduced Survivor's Benefit. The amount of such reduced Survivor's Benefit shall be determined by multiplying the monthly payment available as a Survivor's Benefit by a fraction, the numerator of which is equal to the total Board fees actually deferred by the Trustee, and the denominator of which is equal to the Trustee's Projected Deferral.
(e) In the event the Trustee completes One Hundred Percent (100\%) of his Projected Deferrals prior to any voluntary or involuntary termination other than removal for Cause, and provided no payments have been made pursuant to Subsection 5.2, the Trustee's Beneficiary shall be paid the Survivor's Benefit.
6.2 Additional Death Benefit - Burial Expense. In addition to the above-described death benefits, upon the Trustee's death, the Trustee's Beneficiary shall be entitled to receive a one-time lump sum death benefit in the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00). This benefit shall be provided specifically for the purpose of providing payment for burial and/or funeral expenses of the Trustee. Such benefit shall be payable within thirty (30) days of the Trustee's death. The Trustee's Beneficiary shall not be entitled to such benefit if the Trustee is removed for cause prior to death, or if a similar lump sum death benefit is paid by the Bank to the Beneficiary under another similar plan of the Bank.

\section*{SECTION VII BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION}

The Trustee shall make an initial designation of primary and secondary Beneficiaries upon execution of his Deferral Agreement and shall have the right to change such designation, at any subsequent time, by submitting to the

Administrator in substantially the form attached as Exhibit A to the Deferral Agreement, a written designation of primary and secondary Beneficiaries. Any Beneficiary designation made subsequent to execution of the Deferral Agreement shall become effective only when receipt thereof is acknowledged in writing by the Administrator.

\section*{SECTION VIII}

\section*{TRUSTEE'S RIGHT TO ASSETS}

The rights of the Trustee, any Beneficiary, or any other person claiming through the Trustee under this Plan, shall be solely those of an unsecured general creditor of the Bank. The Trustee, the Beneficiary, or any other person claiming through the Trustee, shall only have the right to receive from the Bank those payments so specified under this Plan. The Trustee agrees that he, his Beneficiary, or any other person claiming through him shall have no rights or interests whatsoever in any asset of the Bank, including any insurance policies or contracts which the Bank may possess or obtain to informally fund this Plan.

Any asset used or acquired by the Bank in connection with the liabilities it has assumed under this Plan, unless expressly provided herein, shall not be deemed to be held under any trust for the benefit of the Trustee or his Beneficiaries, nor shall any asset be considered security for the performance of the obligations of the Bank. Any such asset shall be and remain, a general, unpledged, and unrestricted asset of the Bank.

\section*{SECTION IX \\ RESTRICTIONS UPON FUNDING}

The Bank shall have no obligation to set aside, earmark or entrust any fund or money with which to pay its obligations under this Plan. The Trustee, his Beneficiaries or any successor in interest to him shall be and remain simply a general unsecured creditor of the Bank in the same manner as any other creditor having a general claim for matured and unpaid compensation. The Bank reserves the absolute right in its sole discretion to either purchase assets to meet its obligations undertaken by this Plan or to refrain from the same and to determine the extent, nature, and method of any such asset purchases. Should the Bank decide to purchase assets such as life insurance, mutual funds, disability policies or annuities, the Bank reserves the absolute right, in its sole discretion, to terminate such assets at any time, in whole or in part. At no time shall the Trustee be deemed to have any lien, right, title or interest in or to any specific investment or to any assets of the Bank. If the Bank elects to invest in a life insurance, disability or annuity policy upon the life of the Trustee, then the Trustee shall assist the Bank by freely submitting to a physical examination and by supplying such additional information necessary to obtain such insurance or annuities.

\section*{SECTION X \\ ALIENABILITY AND ASSIGNMENT PROHIBITION}

Neither the Trustee nor any Beneficiary under this Plan shall have any power or right to transfer, assign, anticipate, hypothecate, mortgage, commute, modify or otherwise encumber in advance any of the benefits payable hereunder, nor shall any of said benefits be subject to seizure for the payment of any debts, judgments, alimony or separate maintenance owed by the Trustee or his Beneficiary, nor be transferable by operation of law in the event of bankruptcy, insolvency or otherwise. In the event the Trustee or any Beneficiary attempts assignment, communication, hypothecation, transfer or disposal of the benefits hereunder, the Bank's liabilities shall forthwith cease and terminate.
11.1 Named Fiduciary and Administrator. The Bank shall be the Named Fiduciary and Administrator (the "Administrator") of this Plan. As Administrator, the Bank shall be responsible for the management, control and administration of the Plan as established herein. The Administrator may delegate to others certain aspects of the management and operational responsibilities of the Plan, including the employment of advisors and the delegation of ministerial duties to qualified individuals.
11.2 Claims Procedure and Arbitration. In the event that benefits under this Plan are not paid to the Trustee (or to his Beneficiary in the case of the Trustee's death) and such claimants feel they are entitled to receive such benefits, then a written claim must be made to the Administrator within sixty (60) days from the date payments are refused. The Administrator shall review the written claim and, if the claim is denied, in whole or in part, they shall provide in writing, within ninety (90) days of receipt of such claim, their specific reasons for such denial, reference to the provisions of this Plan or the Deferral Agreement upon which the denial is based, and any additional material or information necessary to perfect the claim. Such writing by the Administrator shall further indicate the additional steps which must be undertaken by claimants if an additional review of the claim denial is desired.

If claimants desire a second review, they shall notify the Administrator in writing within sixty (60) days of the first claim denial. Claimants may review this Plan, the Deferral Agreement or any documents relating thereto and submit any issues and comments, in writing, they may feel appropriate. In its sole discretion, the Administrator shall then review the second claim and provide a written decision within sixty (60) days of receipt of such claim. This decision shall state the specific reasons for the decision and shall include reference to specific provisions of this Plan or the Deferral Agreement upon which the decision is based.

If claimants continue to dispute the benefit denial based upon completed performance of this Plan and the Deferral Agreement or the meaning and effect of the terms and conditions thereof, then claimants may submit the dispute to mediation, administered by the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") (or a mediator selected by the parties) in accordance with the AAA's Commercial Mediation Rules. If mediation is not successful in resolving the dispute, it shall be settled by arbitration administered by the AAA under its Commercial Arbitration Rules, and judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

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SECTION XII \\ MISCELLANEOUS
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12.1 No Effect on Trusteeship Rights. Nothing contained herein will confer upon the Executive the right to be retained in the service of the Bank nor limit the right of the Bank to discharge or otherwise deal with the Executive without regard to the existence of the Plan. Notwithstanding anything herein contained to the contrary, any payment to the Executive by the Holding Company are subject to and conditioned upon their compliance with Section \(18(k)\) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, 12 U.S.C. Section \(1828(k)\), and the regulations promulgated thereunder in 12 C.F.R. Part 359.
12.2 State Law. The Plan is established under, and will be construed according to, the laws of the state of New York.
12.3 Severability and Interpretation of Provisions. In the event that any of the provisions of this Plan or portion thereof, are held to be inoperative or

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invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, or in the event that any legislation adopted by any government body having jurisdiction over the Bank would be retroactively applied to invalidate this Plan or any provision hereof or cause the benefits hereunder to be taxable, then: (1) insofar as is reasonable, effect will be given to the intent manifested in the provisions held invalid or inoperative, and (2) the validity and enforceability of the remaining provisions will not be affected thereby. In the event that the intent of any provision shall need to be construed in any manner to avoid taxability, such construction shall be made by the Plan Administrator in a manner that would manifest to the maximum extent possible the original meaning of such provisions.
12.4 Incapacity of Recipient. In the event the Trustee is declared incompetent and a conservator or other person legally charged with the care of his person or Estate is appointed, any benefits under the Plan to which such Trustee is entitled shall be paid to such conservator or other person legally charged with the care of his person or Estate.
12.5 Unclaimed Benefit. The Trustee shall keep the Bank informed of his current address and the current address of his Beneficiaries. If the location of the Trustee is not made known to the Bank within three (3) years after the date on which any payment of the Deferred Compensation Benefit may first be made, payment may be made as though the Trustee had died at the end of the three (3) year period.
12. 6 Limitations on Liability. Notwithstanding any of the preceding provisions of the Plan, no individual acting as an employee or agent of the Bank, or as a member of the Board of Trustees shall be personally liable to the Trustee or any other person for any claim, loss, liability or expense incurred in connection with this Plan.
12.7 Gender. Whenever in this Plan words are used in the masculine or neuter gender, they shall be read and construed as in the masculine, feminine or neuter gender, whenever they should so apply.
12.8 Effect on Other Corporate Benefit Plans. Nothing contained in this Plan shall affect the right of the Trustee to participate in or be covered by any qualified or non-qualified pension, profit sharing, group, bonus or other supplemental compensation or fringe benefit agreement constituting a part of the Bank's existing or future compensation structure.
12.9 Suicide. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Plan, the benefits otherwise provided herein shall not be payable if the Trustee's death results from suicide, whether sane or insane, within twenty-six(26) months after the execution of his Deferral Agreement. If the Trustee dies during this twenty-six (26) month period due to suicide, the balance of his Elective Contribution Account will be paid to the Trustee's Beneficiary in a single payment. Payment is to be made within thirty (30) days after the Trustee's death is declared a suicide by competent legal authority.

Credit shall be given to the Bank for payments made prior to determination of suicide.
12.10 Inurement. This Plan shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the Bank, its successors and assigns, and the Trustee, his successors, heirs, executors, administrators, and Beneficiaries.
12.11 Source of Payments. All payments provided in this Plan shall be timely paid in cash or check from the general funds of the Bank or the assets of
the rabbi trust. The Holding Company guarantees payment and provision of

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all amounts and benefits due to the Trustees and, if such amounts and benefits are not timely paid or provided by the Bank, or the rabbi trust, such amounts and benefits shall be paid or provided by the Holding Company.
12.12 Modification of Benefit Eligibility Date. In the event that a Trustee desires to modify his Benefit Eligibility Date or Payout Period with respect to future Elective Contributions, the Trustee may do so at the time and in the manner that the Trustee is entitled to adjust his Elective Contribution, pursuant to Section IV of the Plan. In the event that a Trustee desires to modify his Benefit Eligibility Date or Payout Period with respect to amounts accrued in his Elective Contribution Account the Trustee may do so, provided, however, that any such modification is made no later than twenty-four (24) months prior to the date of both (i) the Trustee's existing Benefit Eligibility (at the time of such modification) and (ii) the Trustee's Benefit Eligibility Date, as modified.
12.13 Tax Withholding. If applicable, the Bank may withhold from any benefits payable under this Plan all federal, state, city, or other taxes as shall be required pursuant to any law or governmental regulation then in effect.
12. 14 Headings. Headings and sub-headings in this Plan are inserted for reference and convenience only and shall not be deemed a part of this Plan.

SECTION XIII

\section*{AMENDMENT/REVOCATION}

This Plan shall not be amended, modified or revoked at any time, in whole or part, without the mutual written consent of the Trustee and the Bank, and such mutual consent shall be required even if the Trustee is no longer serving the Bank as a member of the Board; provided, however, mutual consent shall not be required if such amendment or modification is required by a regulatory agency having jurisdiction over the Bank or the Holding Company or is necessary to avoid taxation of the benefits payable hereunder prior to their distribution or is desirable or required pursuant to Section 12.3 hereof.

\section*{SECTION XIV \\ EXECUTION}
14.1 This Plan sets forth the entire understanding of the parties hereto with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby, and any previous agreements or understandings between the parties hereto regarding the subject matter hereof are merged into and superseded by this Plan.
14.2 This Plan shall be executed in triplicate, each copy of which, when so executed and delivered, shall be an original, but all three copies shall together constitute one and the same instrument.
[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Bank has caused this Plan to be executed on the day and date first above written.
/s/ Melissa A. Miller
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Secretary

By: /s/ Thomas W. Schneider

Title: President and CEO

ATTEST:
PATHFINDER BANCORP, INC.
/s/ Melissa A. Miller
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Secretary

ATTEST:
/s/ Melissa A. Miller By: /s/ Thomas W. Schneider

Secretary

PATHFINDER BANCORP, MHC
\(\begin{array}{cc}\text { By: } & \text { /s/ Thomas W. Schneider } \\ \text { Title: } & \text { President and CEO }\end{array}\)

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EXHIBIT A

\author{
PATHFINDER BANK \\ TRUSTEE DEFERRED FEE PLAN
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DEFERRAL AGREEMENT

I, Steven W. Thomas, and PATHFINDER BANK hereby agree for good and valuable consideration, the value of which is hereby acknowledged, that I shall participate in the Pathfinder Bank Trustee Deferred Fee Plan (the "Plan"), effective December 31, 2003, as such Plan may now exist or hereafter be amended or modified, and do further agree to the terms and conditions thereof.

I hereby elect to defer_ Percent (__ or or \(\$ 750\) of my monthly Trustee Fees. Such deferrals shall commence on January 1, 2004, and shall continue for a period of one hundred twenty (120) months, known as the Deferral Period, and will result in a Projected Deferral in the amount of \(\$ 90,000\). I understand that this election to defer applies only to fees attributable to services not yet performed.

I understand that my election to defer shall continue in accordance with this Deferral Agreement until such time as I submit a "Notice of Adjustment of Deferral" (Exhibit \(C\) hereto) to the Administrator, at least fifteen (15) days prior to any January lst during my Deferral Period. A Notice of Adjustment of Deferral can be used to adjust the amount of Trustee fees to be deferred or to

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discontinue deferrals altogether.

In general, I understand that my designated Beneficiary may be entitled to a monthly Survivor's Benefit of \(\$ 5,356\) pursuant to section 6.1 of the Plan and subject to all relevant subsections of the Plan.

I understand that \(I\) will be entitled to a distribution of my deferrals upon attainment of my elected Benefit Age of 70. Distribution will be made in installments over a period of one hundred twenty (120) months.

I understand that \(I\) am entitled to review or obtain a copy of the Plan, at any time, and may do so by contacting the committee.

This Deferral Agreement shall become effective upon execution (below) by both the Trustee and a duly authorized officer of the Bank.

Dated this 31st day of December, 2003.
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/s/ Steven W. Thomas /s/ Thomas Schneider
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Trustee
Duly Authorized Officer of Pathfinder Bank

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EXHIBIT B

\section*{PATHFINDER BANK \\ TRUSTEE DEFERRED FEE PLAN \\ BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION}

The Trustee, under the terms of the Pathfinder Bank Deferred Fee Plan hereby designates the following Beneficiary to receive any guaranteed payments or death benefits* under such Plan, following his death:


DATE: \(\qquad\) , 20 \(\qquad\)
/s/ Thomas Schneider

WITNESS
/s/ Steven W. Thomas
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TRUSTEE

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/s/ James A. Dowd
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\section*{WITNESS}
* I understand and agree that no death benefit in excess of the deferrals made by me (plus earnings thereon) will be paid unless Pathfinder Bank has acquired insurance on my life and such insurance is in place.

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PATHFINDER BANK \\ TRUSTEE DEFERRED FEE PLAN
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DEFERRAL AGREEMENT

I, L. William Nelson, Jr., and PATHFINDER BANK hereby agree for good and valuable consideration, the value of which is hereby acknowledged, that I shall participate in the Pathfinder Bank Trustee Deferred Fee Plan (the "Plan"), effective December 31, 2003, as such Plan may now exist or hereafter be amended or modified, and do further agree to the terms and conditions thereof.

I hereby elect to defer_ Percent (_ or \(\$ 750\) of my monthly Trustee Fees. Such deferrals shall commence on January 1, 2004, and shall continue for a period of one hundred fourteen (114) months, known as the Deferral Period, and will result in a Projected Deferral in the amount of \(\$ 85,500\). I understand that this election to defer applies only to fees attributable to services not yet performed.

I understand that my election to defer shall continue in accordance with this Deferral Agreement until such time as I submit a "Notice of Adjustment of Deferral" (Exhibit \(C\) hereto) to the Administrator, at least fifteen (15) days prior to any January lst during my Deferral Period. A Notice of Adjustment of Deferral can be used to adjust the amount of Trustee fees to be deferred or to discontinue deferrals altogether.

In general, I understand that my designated Beneficiary may be entitled to a monthly Survivor's Benefit of \(\$ 1,413\) pursuant to section 6.1 of the Plan and subject to all relevant subsections of the Plan.

I understand that \(I\) will be entitled to a distribution of my deferrals upon attainment of my elected Benefit Age of 70. Distribution will be made in installments over a period of one hundred twenty (120) months.

I understand that \(I\) am entitled to review or obtain a copy of the Plan, at any time, and may do so by contacting the committee.

This Deferral Agreement shall become effective upon execution (below) by both the Trustee and a duly authorized officer of the Bank.

Dated this 31st day of December, 2003.


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PATHFINDER BANK \\ TRUSTEE DEFERRED FEE PLAN
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BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION
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The Trustee, under the terms of the Pathfinder Bank Deferred Fee Plan hereby designates the following Beneficiary to receive any guaranteed payments or death benefits* under such Plan, following his death:

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DATE: January 20, 2004

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/s/ Thomas Schneider
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WITNESS

* I understand and agree that no death benefit in excess of the deferrals made by me (plus earnings thereon) will be paid unless Pathfinder Bank has acquired insurance on my life and such insurance is in place.

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PATHFINDER BANK
TRUSTEE DEFERRED FEE PLAN

DEFERRAL AGREEMENT

I, Bruce E. Manwaring, and PATHFINDER BANK hereby agree for good and valuable consideration, the value of which is hereby acknowledged, that \(I\) shall participate in the Pathfinder Bank Trustee Deferred Fee Plan (the "Plan"), effective December 31, 2003, as such Plan may now exist or hereafter be amended or modified, and do further agree to the terms and conditions thereof.

I hereby elect to defer Percent (__ or or \(\$ 417\) of my monthly Trustee Fees. Such deferrals shall commence on January 1, 2004, and shall continue for a period of ninety-one (91) months, known as the Deferral Period,

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and will result in a Projected Deferral in the amount of \(\$ 37,917\). I understand that this election to defer applies only to fees attributable to services not yet performed.

I understand that my election to defer shall continue in accordance with this Deferral Agreement until such time as I submit a "Notice of Adjustment of Deferral" (Exhibit \(C\) hereto) to the Administrator, at least fifteen (15) days prior to any January lst during my Deferral Period. A Notice of Adjustment of Deferral can be used to adjust the amount of Trustee fees to be deferred or to discontinue deferrals altogether.

In general, I understand that my designated Beneficiary may be entitled to a monthly Survivor's Benefit of \(\$ 582\) pursuant to section 6.1 of the Plan and subject to all relevant subsections of the Plan.

I understand that \(I\) will be entitled to a distribution of my deferrals upon attainment of my elected Benefit Age of 70. Distribution will be made in installments over a period of one hundred twenty (120) months.

I understand that \(I\) am entitled to review or obtain a copy of the Plan, at any time, and may do so by contacting the committee.

This Deferral Agreement shall become effective upon execution (below) by both the Trustee and a duly authorized officer of the Bank.

Dated this 31st day of December, 2003.


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PATHFINDER BANK \\ TRUSTEE DEFERRED FEE PLAN
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BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION
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The Trustee, under the terms of the Pathfinder Bank Deferred Fee Plan hereby designates the following Beneficiary to receive any guaranteed payments or death benefits* under such Plan, following his death:
PRIMARY BENEFICIARY: Ellen K. Manwaring, Spouse
SECONDARY BENEFICIAY: Children Doug, Derek, Mike, Karin per

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This Beneficiary Designation hereby revokes any prior Beneficiary Designation which may have been in effect.
Such Beneficiary Designation is revocable.

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DATE: January 20, 2004
/s/ W. J. Landers
WITNESS
/s/ Bruce E. Manwaring
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TRUSTEE
/s/ Thomas Schneider
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WITNESS
* I understand and agree that no death benefit in excess of the deferrals made by me (plus earnings thereon) will be paid unless Pathfinder Bank has acquired insurance on my life and such insurance is in place.

EXHIBIT A

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PATHFINDER BANK \\ TRUSTEE DEFERRED FEE PLAN
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DEFERRAL AGREEMENT

I, Chris R. Burritt, and PATHFINDER BANK hereby agree for good and valuable consideration, the value of which is hereby acknowledged, that I shall participate in the Pathfinder Bank Trustee Deferred Fee Plan (the "Plan"), effective December 31, 2003, as such Plan may now exist or hereafter be amended or modified, and do further agree to the terms and conditions thereof.

I hereby elect to defer Percent (__ or or \(\$ 750\) of my monthly Trustee Fees. Such deferrals shall commence on January 1, 2004, and shall continue for a period of one hundred twenty (120) months, known as the Deferral Period, and will result in a Projected Deferral in the amount of \(\$ 90,000\). I understand that this election to defer applies only to fees attributable to services not yet performed.

I understand that my election to defer shall continue in accordance with this Deferral Agreement until such time as I submit a "Notice of Adjustment of Deferral" (Exhibit \(C\) hereto) to the Administrator, at least fifteen (15) days prior to any January lst during my Deferral Period. A Notice of Adjustment of Deferral can be used to adjust the amount of Trustee fees to be deferred or to discontinue deferrals altogether.

In general, I understand that my designated Beneficiary may be entitled to a monthly Survivor's Benefit of \(\$ 2,858\) pursuant to section 6.1 of the Plan and subject to all relevant subsections of the Plan.

I understand that \(I\) will be entitled to a distribution of my deferrals upon attainment of my elected Benefit Age of 70. Distribution will be made in installments over a period of one hundred twenty (120) months.

I understand that \(I\) am entitled to review or obtain a copy of the \(P l a n\), at any time, and may do so by contacting the Committee.

This Deferral Agreement shall become effective upon execution (below) by both the Trustee and a duly authorized officer of the Bank.

Dated this 31st day of December, 2003.

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/s/ Chris R. Burritt
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Trustee
/s/ Thomas Schneider
Duly Authorized Officer of Pathfinder Bank

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PATHFINDER BANK \\ TRUSTEE DEFERRED FEE PLAN
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BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION
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    The Trustee, under the terms of the Pathfinder Bank Deferred Fee Plan
    hereby designates the following Beneficiary to receive any guaranteed payments
or death benefits* under such Plan, following his death:
PRIMARY BENEFICIARY: Susan Burritt
SECONDARY BENEFICIAY: My Children - Andrea Burritt, Danielle
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Burritt, Richard Burritt, Jennifer White
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This Beneficiary Designation hereby revokes any prior Beneficiary Designation
which may have been in effect.
Such Beneficiary Designation is revocable.

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DATE:
/s/ W. J. Landers
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WITNESS
/s/ Chris R. Burritt
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    TRUSTEE
/s/ Thomas Schneider
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WITNESS
* I understand and agree that no death benefit in excess of the deferrals
made by me (plus earnings thereon) will be paid unless Pathfinder Bank has
acquired insurance on my life and such insurance is in place.

DEFERRAL AGREEMENT

I, Corte J. Spencer, and PATHFINDER BANK hereby agree for good and valuable
consideration, the value of which is hereby acknowledged, that I shall participate in the Pathfinder Bank Trustee Deferred Fee Plan (the "Plan"), effective December 31, 2003, as such Plan may now exist or hereafter be amended or modified, and do further agree to the terms and conditions thereof.

I hereby elect to defer Percent (_ or or \(\$ 750\) of my monthly Trustee Fees. Such deferrals shall commence on January 1, 2004, and shall continue for a period of one hundred four (104) months, known as the Deferral Period, and will result in a Projected Deferral in the amount of \(\$ 78,000\). I understand that this election to defer applies only to fees attributable to services not yet performed.

I understand that my election to defer shall continue in accordance with this Deferral Agreement until such time as I submit a "Notice of Adjustment of Deferral" (Exhibit \(C\) hereto) to the Administrator, at least fifteen (15) days prior to any January lst during my Deferral Period. A Notice of Adjustment of Deferral can be used to adjust the amount of Trustee fees to be deferred or to discontinue deferrals altogether.

In general, I understand that my designated Beneficiary may be entitled to a monthly Survivor's Benefit of \(\$ 1,248\) pursuant to section 6.1 of the \(P l a n\) and subject to all relevant subsections of the Plan.

I understand that \(I\) will be entitled to a distribution of my deferrals upon attainment of my elected Benefit Age of 70 . Distribution will be made in installments over a period of one hundred twenty (120) months.

I understand that \(I\) am entitled to review or obtain a copy of the Plan, at any time, and may do so by contacting the committee.

This Deferral Agreement shall become effective upon execution (below) by both the Trustee and a duly authorized officer of the Bank.

Dated this 31st day of December, 2003.


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PATHFINDER BANK \\ TRUSTEE DEFERRED FEE PLAN
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BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION

The Trustee, under the terms of the Pathfinder Bank Deferred Fee Plan hereby designates the following Beneficiary to receive any guaranteed payments or death benefits* under such Plan, following his death:
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My daughters equally per stirpes
Cathleen S. Dorr, Mary M. Spencer, Sara A.
Spencer

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SECONDARY BENEFICIARY:
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This Beneficiary Designation hereby revokes any prior Beneficiary
Designation which may have been in effect.
Such Beneficiary Designation is revocable.

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DATE:
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/s/ W. J. Landers /s/ Corte J. Spencer
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WITNESS
TRUSTEE

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/s/ Thomas Schneider
WITNESS
* I understand and agree that no death benefit in excess of the deferrals made by me (plus earnings thereon) will be paid unless Pathfinder Bank has acquired insurance on my life and such insurance is in place.

EXHIBIT A

\section*{PATHFINDER BANK TRUSTEE DEFERRED FEE PLAN}

DEFERRAL AGREEMENT

I, George P. Joyce, and PATHFINDER BANK hereby agree for good and valuable consideration, the value of which is hereby acknowledged, that \(I\) shall participate in the Pathfinder Bank Trustee Deferred Fee Plan (the "Plan"), effective December 31, 2003, as such Plan may now exist or hereafter be amended or modified, and do further agree to the terms and conditions thereof. I hereby elect to defer__ Percent (___ or or \(\$ 750\) of my monthly Trustee Fees. Such deferrals shall commence on January 1, 2004, and shall continue for a period of one hundred twenty (120) months, known as the Deferral Period, and will result in a Projected Deferral in the amount of \(\$ 90,000\). I understand that this election to defer applies only to fees attributable to services not yet performed.

I understand that my election to defer shall continue in accordance with this Deferral Agreement until such time as I submit a "Notice of Adjustment of Deferral" (Exhibit C hereto) to the Administrator, at least fifteen (15) days prior to any January 1st during my Deferral Period. A Notice of Adjustment of Deferral can be used to adjust the amount of Trustee fees to be deferred or to discontinue deferrals altogether.

In general, \(I\) understand that my designated Beneficiary may be entitled to a monthly Survivor's Benefit of \(\$ 2,457\) pursuant to section 6.1 of the Plan and subject to all relevant subsections of the Plan.
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I understand that $I$ will be entitled to a distribution of my deferrals upon attainment of my elected Benefit Age of 70. Distribution will be made in installments over a period of one hundred twenty (120) months.
I understand that $I$ am entitled to review or obtain a copy of the $P l a n$, at any time, and may do so by contacting the Committee.
This Deferral Agreement shall become effective upon execution (below) by both the Trustee and a duly authorized officer of the Bank.
Dated this 31st day of December, 2003.

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/s/ George Joyce /s/ Thomas Schneider

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/s/ George Joyce /s/ Thomas Schneider
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Trustee Duly Authorized Officer of Pathfinder Bank
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PATHFINDER BANK \\ TRUSTEE DEFERRED FEE PLAN \\ BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION
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The Trustee, under the terms of the Pathfinder Bank Deferred Fee Plan hereby designates the following Beneficiary to receive any guaranteed payments or death benefits* under such Plan, following his death:

PRIMARY BENEFICIARY: Christine A. Joyce

SECONDARY BENEFICIARY: Children equally per stirpes - George
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Jennifer, Kathleen, Christopher

This Beneficiary Designation hereby revokes any prior Beneficiary Designation which may have been in effect.

Such Beneficiary Designation is revocable.

DATE:
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/s/ W. J. Landers
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WITNESS
/s/ George Joyce
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TRUSTEE

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/s/ Thomas Schneider

\section*{WITNESS}
* I understand and agree that no death benefit in excess of the deferrals made by me (plus earnings thereon) will be paid unless Pathfinder Bank has acquired insurance on my life and such insurance is in place.

EXHIBIT 31.1

Rule 13a-14(a) / 15d-14(a) Certification of the Chief Executive Officer
Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

I, Thomas W. Schneider, President and Chief Executive Officer, certify that:
1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Pathfinder Bancorp, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules \(13 a-15(e)\) and \(15 d-15(e))\) for the registrant and have:
a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
(b) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
(c) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors:
(a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

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(b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

May 14, 2004

Date

\section*{/s/ Thomas W. Schneider}

Thomas W. Schneider President and Chief Executive Officer

EXHIBIT 31.2

Rule 13a-14(a) / 15d-14(a) Certification of the Chief Financial Officer

Certification of Chief Financial Officer
Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

I, James A. Dowd, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, certify that:
1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Pathfinder Bancorp, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules \(13 a-15(e)\) and \(15 d-15(e))\) for the registrant and have:
a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
(b) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
(c) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors:
(a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are

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reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
(b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.


EXHIBIT 32.1

Section 1350 Certification of the Chief Executive and Chief Financial Officer

Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to
Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

Thomas W. Schneider, President and Chief Executive Officer, and James A. Dowd, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Pathfinder Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company"), each certify in his capacity as an officer of the Company that he has reviewed the Quarterly Report of the Company on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2004 and that to the best of his knowledge:
1. the report fully complies with the requirements of Sections \(13(a)\) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. the information contained in the report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

The purpose of this statement is solely to comply with Title 18, Chapter 63, Section 1350 of the United States Code, as amended by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 .
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