

ROMA FINANCIAL CORP  
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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K

(Mark One)

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2012

- OR -

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission File Number: 000-52000

ROMA FINANCIAL CORPORATION  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

United States  
(State or other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation or Organization)

51-0533946  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

2300 Route 33, Robbinsville, New Jersey  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

08691  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (609) 223-8300

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
Common Stock, \$0.10 par value	The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.  
 YES  NO

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act.  
 YES  NO

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) 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 has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

YES  NO

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definition of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer", and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act).  YES  NO

The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting equity held by non-affiliates of the Registrant on June 29, 2012 (the last business day of the Registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter) was \$84.2 million.

As of February 25, 2013 there were 30,116,769 shares of common stock outstanding.

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## PART I

### Forward-Looking Statements

Roma Financial Corporation (the “Company” or “Registrant”) may from time to time make written or oral “forward-looking statements,” including statements contained in the Company’s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (including this Annual Report on Form 10-K and the exhibits thereto), in its reports to stockholders and in other communications by the Company, which are made in good faith by the Company pursuant to the “safe harbor” provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, such as statements of the Company’s plans, objectives, expectations, estimates and intentions that are subject to change based on various important factors (some of which are beyond the Company’s control). In addition to the Risk Factors described in Item 1A, the following factors, among others, could cause the Company’s financial performance to differ materially from the plans, objectives, expectations, estimates and intentions expressed in such forward-looking statements: The strength of the United States economy in general and the strength of the local economies in which the Company conducts operations; the effects of, and changes in, trade, monetary and fiscal policies and laws, including interest rate policies of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, inflation, interest rate, market and monetary fluctuations; market volatility; the timely development of and acceptance of new products and services of the Company and the perceived overall value of these products and services by users, including the features, pricing and quality compared to competitors’ products and services; the willingness of users to substitute competitors’ products and services for the Company’s products and services; the success of the Company in gaining regulatory approval of its products and services, when required; the impact of changes in financial services’ laws and regulations (including laws concerning taxes, banking, securities and insurance); technological changes, acquisitions; changes in consumer spending and saving habits; and the success of the Company at managing the risks involved in the foregoing.

The Company cautions that the foregoing list of important factors is not exclusive. The Company does not undertake to update any forward-looking statement, whether written or oral, that may be made from time to time by or on behalf of the Company.

### Item 1. Business

#### General

The Company is a federally-chartered corporation organized in January 2005 for the purpose of acquiring all of the capital stock that Roma Bank issued in its mutual holding company reorganization. Roma Financial Corporation’s principal executive offices are located at 2300 Route 33, Robbinsville, New Jersey 08691 and its telephone number at that address is (609) 223-8300.

Roma Financial Corporation, MHC (the “MHC”) is a federally-chartered mutual holding company that was formed in January 2005 in connection with the mutual holding company reorganization. The MHC has not engaged in any significant business since its formation. So long as Roma Financial Corporation MHC is in existence, it will at all times own a majority of the outstanding stock of the Company. The MHC and the Company are now regulated as savings and loan holding companies by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (“Federal Reserve”) as successors to the Office of Thrift Supervision (“OTS”) under the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the “Dodd-Frank Act”).



Roma Bank is a federally-chartered stock savings bank. It was originally founded in 1920 and received its federal charter in 1991. Roma Bank's deposits are federally insured by the Deposit Insurance Fund as administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"). Roma Bank is regulated by the Office of the Controller of the Currency ("OCC") as successor to the OTS.

RomAsia Bank is a federally-chartered stock savings bank. It received all regulatory approvals and began operation on June 23, 2008. RomAsia Bank is regulated by the OCC as successor to the OTS. Roma Bank and RomAsia Bank are collectively referred to herein as (the "Banks").

The Banks offer traditional retail banking services, one-to four-family residential mortgage loans, multi-family and commercial mortgage loans, construction loans, commercial business loans and consumer loans, including home equity loans and lines of credit. Roma Bank operates from its main office in Robbinsville, New Jersey, and twenty-three branch offices located in Mercer, Burlington, Camden and Ocean Counties, New Jersey. RomAsia Bank operates from two branches located in Monmouth Junction and Edison, New Jersey. As of December 31, 2012, the Banks, and their subsidiaries, had 314 full-time employees and 62 part-time employees. Roma Bank maintains a website at [www.romabank.com](http://www.romabank.com). RomAsia Bank maintains a website at [www.romasiabank.com](http://www.romasiabank.com). Information on our websites should not be treated as part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K. The Company makes copies of its SEC filings available on the Investor Relations page of the Roma Bank website free of charge as soon as reasonably practicable after they are filed with the SEC.

The Company conducted a minority stock offering during 2006 in which 30% of its outstanding stock was sold to the public in a subscription offering. The offering closed July 11, 2006 and the net proceeds from the offering were approximately \$96.1 million (gross proceeds of \$98.2 million for the issuance of 9,819,562 shares, less offering costs of approximately \$2.1 million). The Company also issued 22,584,995 shares to the MHC and 327,318 shares to the Roma Bank Community Foundation, Inc., resulting in a total of 32,731,875 shares issued and outstanding after the completion of the offering. A portion of the proceeds were loaned to the Roma Bank Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) to purchase 811,750 shares of the Company's stock at a cost of \$8.1 million.

On July 16, 2010, the Company completed its acquisition of Sterling Banks, Inc., the holding company for Sterling Bank. The consideration paid in the transaction to stockholders of Sterling Banks, Inc. consisted of \$2.52 per share or \$14,725,000 in cash. We refer to this transaction as the "Sterling Merger".

Throughout this document, references to "we," "us," or "our" refer to the Banks or Company, or both, as the context indicates.

#### Merger Agreement

On December 19, 2012, Roma Financial Corporation, Roma Bank and Roma Financial Corporation, MHC entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement") with Investors Bancorp, Inc. ("Investors Bancorp"), Investors Bank ("Investors Bank") and Investors Bancorp, MHC ("Investors MHC"). Under the terms of the Merger Agreement, Roma MHC will merge into Investors MHC, with Investors MHC surviving, to be followed by the merger of Roma Financial Corporation into Investors Bancorp, with Investors Bancorp surviving, and the merger of Roma Bank into Investors Bank, with Investors Bank surviving. Depositors of Roma Bank will become depositors of Investors Bank, and will have the same rights and privileges in Investors MHC as if their accounts had been established in Investors Bank on the date established at Roma Bank. The merger has been approved by each company's board of directors and is subject to the approval of Investors Bancorp's and the Company's shareholders, the MHC members, regulatory approvals and other customary closing



conditions. In addition, on January 17, 2013, RomAsia Bank entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger with Investors Bank that provides for the merger of RomAsia Bank with and into Investors Bank. All of the transactions are expected to close in the second quarter of 2013 assuming all required approvals have been obtained.

### Competition

We operate in a market area with a high concentration of banking and financial institutions, and we face substantial competition in attracting deposits and in originating loans. A number of our competitors are significantly larger institutions with greater financial and managerial resources and lending limits. Our ability to compete successfully is a significant factor affecting our growth potential and profitability.

Our competition for deposits and loans historically has come from other insured financial institutions such as local and regional commercial banks, savings institutions, de novo banks, and credit unions located in our primary market area. We also compete with mortgage banking and finance companies for real estate loans and with commercial banks and savings institutions for consumer and commercial loans, and we face competition for funds from investment products such as mutual funds, short-term money funds and corporate and government securities. There are large competitors operating throughout our total market area, and we also face strong competition from other community-based financial institutions. Approximately ten other institutions operate in the Banks' market area, with asset sizes ranging from \$150 million to \$50+ billion. As of June 30, 2012, Roma Bank was fifth in market share in Mercer County and sixth in Burlington County according to FDIC data.

### Lending Activities

Analysis of Loan Portfolio. We have traditionally focused on the origination of one- to four-family loans, which comprised approximately 42.4% of the total loan portfolio at the end of 2012. We also provide financing for commercial real estate, including multi-family dwellings, service/retail and mixed-use properties, churches and non-profit properties, and other commercial real estate. After real estate mortgage lending, consumer lending is our next largest category of lending and is primarily composed of home equity loans and lines of credit. We also originate construction loans for individual single-family residences and commercial loans to businesses and non-profit organizations, generally secured by real estate.

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Loan Portfolio Composition. The following table analyzes the composition of our loan portfolio by loan category at the dates indicated. Except as set forth below, there were no concentrations of loans exceeding 10% of total loans.

Type of Loans:	At December 31, 2012		2011		2010		2009		2008	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
(Dollars in Thousands)										
Real estate mortgage - one to four family	\$452,537	42.41 %	\$394,206	40.24 %	\$358,503	39.41 %	\$251,937	42.21 %	\$230,956	43.63 %
Real estate mortgage - multi-family and commercial	321,586	30.14	292,646	29.87	273,177	30.03	172,334	28.87	128,990	24.37
Commercial business	49,169	4.60	39,184	4.00	36,125	3.97	12,302	2.06	5,762	1.09
Consumer:										
Home equity and second mortgage	216,383	20.28	217,472	22.20	202,926	22.31	133,199	22.32	133,855	25.28
Other	1,354	0.13	1,381	0.14	1,760	0.19	1,024	0.16	943	0.17
Total consumer loans	217,737	20.41	218,853	22.33	204,686	22.50	134,223	22.48	134,798	25.45
Construction	26,016	2.44	34,851	3.56	37,197	4.09	26,162	4.38	28,899	5.46
Total loans	1,067,045	100.00 %	979,740	100.00 %	909,688	100.00 %	596,958	100.00 %	529,405	100.00 %
Less:										
Construction loans in process	19,503		10,796		5,339		5,524		6,543	
Allowance for loan losses	8,669		5,416		9,844		5,243		2,223	
Deferred loan (costs) and fees, net	1,469		1,139		663		432		233	
	29,641		17,351		15,846		11,199		8,999	
Loans receivable, net	\$1,037,404		\$962,389		\$893,842		\$585,759		\$520,406	





Loan Maturity Schedule. The following tables set forth the maturity of our loan portfolio at December 31, 2012. Demand loans, loans having no stated maturity, and overdrafts are shown as due in one year or less. Loans are stated in the following tables at contractual maturity and actual maturities could differ due to prepayments.

	Real estate mortgage- One to four family	Real estate mortgage - Multi-family and commercial	Commercial Business	Home equity and second mortgage loans	Other	Construction	Total
	(In thousands)						
Amounts Due:							
Within 1 Year	\$9,033	\$ 37,078	\$ 20,439	\$828	\$1,264	\$ 25,327	\$93,969
After 1 year:							
1 to 3 years	453	15,260	2,988	3,564	90	687	23,044
3 to 5 years	2,928	25,227	5,376	14,821	-	-	48,352
5 to 10 years	25,354	63,896	17,669	52,961	-	-	159,880
10 to 15 years	98,316	46,026	2,252	63,721	-	-	210,315
Over 15 years	316,453	134,099	445	80,488	-	-	531,485
Total due after one year	443,504	284,508	28,730	215,555	90	687	973,076
Total amount due	\$452,537	\$ 321,586	\$ 49,169	\$216,383	\$1,354	\$ 26,016	\$1,067,045

The following table sets forth the amount of all loans at December 31, 2012 that are due one year or more after December 31, 2012.

	Fixed Rates	Floating or Adjustable Rates	Total
	(In thousands)		
Real estate mortgage – one to four family	\$361,465	\$82,039	\$443,504
Real estate mortgage - multi-family and commercial	124,579	159,929	284,508
Commercial business	15,245	13,485	28,730
Construction	397	292	689
Consumer:			
Home equity and second mortgage loans	164,985	50,570	215,555
Auto and other	90	-	90
Total	\$666,761	\$306,315	\$973,076

**Residential Mortgage Lending.** Our primary lending activity consists of the origination of one to four family first mortgage loans. Fixed rate, conventional mortgage loans are offered by the Banks with repayment terms ranging from ten years to forty years. One, three, five, seven, ten and fifteen year adjustable rate mortgages, or ARMs, are offered at rates based upon the one year U.S. Treasury Bill rate plus a margin. After the initial one, three, five, seven, ten or fifteen year term, the Banks' ARMs reset on an annual basis and, with the exception of the seven and fifteen year ARM, have two percent annual increase caps and six percent lifetime adjustment caps. The seven year product has an initial first adjustment cap of five percent (two percent thereafter) and a lifetime adjustment cap of six percent. There are no floors on the rate adjustments.

The Banks offer applicants the opportunity to “buy-down” mortgage loan interest rates by remitting one to three discount points for conventional loans and one point for ARMs. Borrowers may also accelerate the repayment of their loans by taking advantage of a bi-weekly payment program.

Substantially all residential mortgages include “due on sale” clauses, which are provisions giving the Banks the right to declare a loan immediately payable if the borrower sells or otherwise transfers an interest in the property to a third party. Property appraisals on real estate securing one- to four-family residential loans are made by state certified or licensed independent appraisers and are performed in accordance with applicable regulations and policies. The Banks require title insurance policies on all first mortgage real estate loans originated. Homeowners, liability, fire and, if applicable, flood insurance policies are also required.

One to four family first mortgage loans in excess of 80% loan-to-value for single family or detached residences and 75% on condominium units typically require private mortgage insurance. The Banks will originate residential mortgage loans up to a maximum of 95% loan-to-value. Underwriting guidelines prescribe a maximum debt-to-income ratio of forty percent; however, the Banks may approve loans with higher debt ratios with the requirement for a risk premium of twenty-five to fifty basis points above the prevailing rate.

All of the Banks' residential mortgage loan products are available to finance any owner occupied, primary or secondary (e.g., vacation homes), one- to four-family residential dwelling. Loans for non-owner occupied one to four family residences are originated in accordance with the Banks' commercial real estate lending policies as investment properties and are included under the commercial real estate category in the loan tables set forth herein.



We do not offer interest-only loan products because of our concern about the credit risks associated with these products. The Banks have never been involved in any type of subprime lending.

**Consumer Lending.** The Banks offer fixed rate home equity loans and variable rate, revolving home equity lines of credit, each with a \$10 thousand minimum and a \$500 thousand maximum loan amount. Loan requests in excess of \$500 thousand are considered on a case-by-case basis. There are no fees, points or closing costs associated with the application or closing of an equity loan or line of credit. All equity financing is secured by owner occupied, primary or secondary, one- to four-family residential property. Underwriting standards establish a maximum loan-to-value ratio of 75% for single family or detached residences and 75% for condominium units. Home equity loan appraisals may be done by automated appraisal valuation models for loans with a 60% or less loan-to-value ratio.

**Fixed rate home equity loans.** Fixed rate home equity loans are offered with repayment terms up to twenty years and are incrementally priced at thresholds up to 60, 120, 180 and 240 months. Loan rates are reviewed weekly to ensure competitive market pricing. Underwriting guidelines prescribe a maximum debt-to-income ratio of forty percent; however the Banks may approve loans with higher debt ratios with the requirement for a risk premium of twenty-five to fifty basis points above the prevailing rate.

**Variable rate, revolving home equity lines of credit.** The Banks' home equity lines of credit are generally among the most competitive in the market area. Lines of credit are priced at the highest published Wall Street Journal Prime Interest Rate minus one-half of one percent, adjusted monthly with a rate ceiling of eighteen percent. Repayment terms are based upon a twenty year amortization, requiring monthly payments equivalent to 1/240th of the outstanding principal balance (or \$100, whichever is greater) plus accrued interest on the unpaid balance for the billing cycle.

If the account is paid-off and closed via cancellation of the mortgage lien, then an early termination fee of \$300 is charged if closed during the first twelve billing cycles, or \$200 if closed during the next twelve billing cycles. There is no termination fee after twenty-four billing cycles.

**Account loans.** The Banks grant loans to customers of the Banks collateralized by deposits in specific types of savings/time deposit accounts. Money market deposit passbook accounts are not eligible for account loans. A ninety percent advance rate is provided at pricing three percent above the interest rate paid on the collateral account.

Consumer lending is generally considered to involve a higher degree of credit risk than residential mortgage lending. All consumer loans are secured with either a first or second lien position on owner occupied real estate. Account loans are fully secured. Consumer loan repayment is dependent on the borrower's continuing financial stability and can be adversely affected by job loss, divorce, illness or personal bankruptcy. The application of various federal laws, including federal and state bankruptcy and insolvency laws, may limit the amount which can be recovered on consumer loans in the event of a default.

**Commercial Lending.** Though Roma Bank has historically made loans to businesses and not-for-profit organizations, it formalized its commercial lending activities in 2003 with the establishment of a Commercial Loan Department. RomAsia Bank has offered commercial loan products since the time of opening.

The majority of commercial loans approved and funded are commercial real estate loans for acquisition or refinancing of commercial properties. The Banks also offer a full menu of non-mortgage commercial loan products, tailored to serve customer needs, as follows:

- Lines of credit to finance short term working capital needs;
- small business revolving lines of credit;
- equipment acquisition lines of credit convertible to term financing;
- short term time notes;
- term financing to finance capital acquisitions; and
- business vehicle financing.

We typically require personal guarantees on the majority of commercial loans. Values are established by conforming real estate appraisals. The Banks' guidelines for commercial real estate collateral are currently as follows:

Collateral	Maximum Loan-to-Value	Maximum Amortization
1-4 family residential (investment)	70%	25 years
Multi-family (5+ units)	70%	25 years
Commercial real estate (owner Occupied)	80%	25 years
Commercial real estate (non-owner Occupied)	70%	25 years

Current advance rates for other forms of collateral include the following:

Collateral	Maximum Loan-to-Value
Commercial equipment	60% - 70% of invoice
Owned equipment	50% - 60% depreciated book value
Accounts receivable	70% of eligible receivables
Inventory (including work-in-process)	50% of cost
Liquid collateral	publicly traded marketable securities, 70% U.S. Government securities, 90%

The pricing for fixed rate commercial real estate mortgage loans provides for rate adjustments after an initial term (generally five years), and at each anniversary thereafter, based on a margin plus the Banks' Reference Rate which is published in the Wall Street Journal as the prime interest rate, the London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), the 5 year Federal Home Loan Bank of New York rate ("FHLB NY") or the Federal Reserve 5 year, H-15, constant maturity Treasury rate, as applicable.

The variable rate loans are indexed to various indices including Wall Street Journal Prime, the FHLB rate or LIBOR.

Unlike single-family residential mortgage loans, which generally are made on the basis of the borrower's ability to make repayment from his or her employment and other income, and which are

secured by real property the value of which tends to be more easily ascertainable, commercial loans typically are made on the basis of the borrower's ability to make repayment from the cash flow of the borrower's business. As a result, the availability of funds for the repayment of commercial loans may be substantially dependent on the success of the business itself and the general economic environment. Commercial loans, therefore, have greater credit risk than residential mortgage or consumer loans. In addition, commercial loans generally result in larger balances to single borrowers, or related groups of borrowers, than one- to four-family loans. Commercial lending also generally requires substantially greater evaluation and oversight efforts.

**Construction Lending.** We originate construction loans for residential and commercial land acquisition and development, including loans to builders and developers to construct one- to four-family residences on undeveloped real estate, and retail, office, warehouse and industrial or other commercial space. Disbursements are made in accordance with an inspection report by an architect or, in the case of construction loans up to \$500 thousand, an inspection report by an approved appraiser or Bank personnel. Our construction lending includes loans for construction or major renovations or improvements of borrower-occupied residences; however, the majority of this portfolio is commercial in nature.

The Banks' guidelines for construction lending are currently as follows:

Collateral	Maximum Loan-to-Value	Maximum Amortization
Land	50% - unimproved 60% - with a 16-month extensions municipal approvals 60% - improved	1 year, with two 1 year, with two 6-month extensions 1 year, with two 6 -month extensions
Residential & commercial construction	70% (or 80% of cost)	1 year, with two 6-month extensions

Construction lending is generally considered to involve a higher degree of credit risk than residential mortgage lending. If the estimate of construction cost proves to be inaccurate, we may be compelled to advance additional funds to complete the construction with repayment dependent, in part, on the success of the ultimate project rather than the ability of a borrower or guarantor to repay the loan. If we are forced to foreclose on a project prior to completion, there is no assurance that we will be able to recover the entire unpaid portion of the loan. In addition, we may be required to fund additional amounts to complete a project and may have to hold the property for an indeterminate period of time.

**Loans to One Borrower.** Under federal law, savings institutions have, subject to certain exemptions, lending limits to one borrower in an amount equal to the greater of \$500 thousand or 15% of the institution's unimpaired capital and surplus. Accordingly, as of December 31, 2012, Roma Bank's loans to one borrower legal limit was \$25.8 million. However, Roma Bank has set an internal limit of \$5.0 million for the origination of loans to one borrower. RomAsia Bank's legal limit is \$2.3 million with and internal limit of \$1.5 million.

Roma Bank's Commercial Loan Policy requires Roma Bank Board approval for loans in excess of \$5.0 million. Prior to presentation to the Roma Bank Board, the loan request is underwritten in accordance with policy and presented to the Officers' Commercial Loan Committee for its consideration and recommendation to the Roma Bank Board for approval. The Roma Bank Board's determination to grant a credit in excess of the \$5.0 million internal limit is based



upon thorough underwriting which must clearly demonstrate repayment ability and collateral adequacy. Additionally, these loans are approved

only if the loan can be originated on terms which suit the needs of the borrower without exposing the Banks to unacceptable credit risk and interest rate risk. RomAsia Bank's Commercial Loan Policy requires the RomAsia Board Loan Committees approval for loans in excess of \$1.0 million.

At December 31, 2012, Roma Bank's largest single borrower had an aggregate loan balance of approximately \$15.2 million, secured by commercial real estate. The second largest single borrower had an aggregate loan balance of approximately \$9.6 million, secured by commercial real estate. The third largest borrower had an aggregate loan balance of \$8.3 million comprised of commercial real estate loans. At December 31, 2012, the loans of these first and second borrowers were current and performing in accordance with the terms of their loan agreements. The \$8.0 million loan to the third largest borrower is a TDR that is performing according to the terms of the restructure.

Loan Originations, Purchases, Sales, Solicitation and Processing. The following table shows total loans originated, purchased, sold and repaid during the periods indicated.

	For the Year Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
	(In thousands)		
Loan originations and draws:			
Real estate mortgage - one-to-four family	\$216,625	\$118,774	\$101,590
Real estate mortgage - multi-family and commercial	46,313	65,540	31,962
Commercial business	601	10,251	25,279
Construction	13,493	3,986	5,244
Consumer:			
Home equity loans and second mortgage	47,464	71,567	59,100
Passbook or certificate	454	380	586
Other	-	-	-
Total loan originations	324,950	270,498	223,761
Loan purchases, loans acquired in merger	-	-	272,313
Loans sold (mortgage loans)	55,996	24,492	20,343
Loan principal repayments	181,649	175,954	163,021
Total loans sold and principal repayments	237,645	200,446	183,364
Increase (decrease) due to other items	-	-	-
Net increase in loan portfolio	\$87,305	\$70,052	\$312,710

Sources of loan applications include repeat customers, referrals from realtors and other professionals, commissioned home mortgage consultants and "walk-in" customers. Our residential loan originations are largely reputational and advertisement driven.

The Banks adhere to the residential mortgage underwriting standards of the Mortgage Partnership Finance Program of the FHLB NY, as well the standards of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. From time to time, the Banks sell thirty year fixed rate mortgages that qualify for sale in the secondary mortgage market in order to lessen interest rate risk.

Since 2003, Roma Bank has had an Agreement with the FHLB NY to sell residential mortgages as a participating institution in its Mortgage Partnership Finance Program. Roma Bank agreed to deliver loans under a \$5.0 million Master Commitment which was subsequently increased in 2006 to \$10.0 million, to \$15.0 million in 2008, and to \$50 million which was renewed in 2011 and 2012.



Sales commenced in 2004 and, through December 31, 2012, \$77.9 million in loans had been delivered to the MPF program. In addition to an origination premium, the Bank also realizes income from credit enhancement fees and loan servicing income. During 2012, Roma Bank sold \$38.9 million of loans. RomAsia Bank also sold \$17.0 million of residential mortgage loans in 2012.

The Company did not purchase loans from any third parties in the year ended December 31, 2012. At December 31, 2012, the total outstanding balance of loan participations purchased was \$22.1 million, representing participations in commercial loans with area banks and thrifts.

**Loan Approval Procedures and Authority.** Lending policies and loan approval limits are approved and adopted by the respective Boards of Directors. Loan committees at Roma Bank have been established to administer lending activities as prescribed by lending policies. Two committee members may together approve non-commercial loans up to \$500 thousand. A majority of members is required to approve non-commercial loans that contain credit policy exceptions, with the condition that the President, the Chairman, or Executive Vice President is one of the approving members. Non-commercial loans over \$500 thousand require the approval of the Boards of Directors.

Commercial lending approval authority for Roma Bank is as follows: up to \$750 thousand, any two of the following: a commercial loan officer and either the Chief Lending Officer, or the President or the Executive Vice President; over \$750 thousand and up to \$1.5 million, any two of the following: the Chief Lending Officer and the President or the Executive Vice President; over \$1.5 million and up to \$5.0 million, the loan committee; and over \$5.0 million and up to 10% of the total equity of Roma Bank, the Boards of Directors.

Commercial lending approval authority for RomAsia Bank is as follows: up to \$500 thousand, any two of the following: the Residential Lending Manager, Commercial Loan Officer, Chief Loan Officer, Chief Financial Officer, and President, provided that either the Chief Loan Officer or the President is included; over \$500 thousand to \$1.0 million, any three members of the Officers' Loan Committee provided that either the Chief Lending Officer or the President is included. If any of the members of the Officers' Loan Committee is unavailable, any additional member of the Board Loan Committee may be added for that meeting; over \$1.0 million and up to 10% of the total equity of RomAsia Bank, the Board Loan Committee.

#### Asset Quality

**Loan Delinquencies and Collection Procedures.** The borrower is notified by both mail and telephone when a loan is thirty days past due. If the delinquency continues, subsequent efforts are made to contact the delinquent borrower and additional collection notices and letters are sent. When a loan is ninety days delinquent, it is our general practice to refer it to an attorney for collection, repossession or foreclosure action. All reasonable attempts are made to collect from borrowers prior to referral to an attorney for collection. In certain instances, we may modify the loan or grant a limited moratorium on loan payments to enable the borrower to reorganize his or her financial affairs, and we attempt to work with the borrower to establish a repayment schedule to cure the delinquency.

As to mortgage loans, if a foreclosure action is taken and the loan is not reinstated, paid in full or refinanced, the property is sold at judicial sale at which we may be the buyer if there are no adequate offers to satisfy the debt. Any property acquired as the result of foreclosure, or by deed in lieu of foreclosure, is classified as real estate owned until it is sold or otherwise disposed of. When real estate owned is acquired, it is recorded at the lower of the unpaid principal balance of the related loan or its fair market value less estimated selling costs. The initial write down of the property is charged to the



allowance for loan losses. Adjustments to the carrying value of the property that result from subsequent declines in value are charged to operations in the periods in which the declines occur.

Loans are reviewed on a regular basis and are placed on non-accrual status when they are more than ninety days delinquent, with the exception of a passbook loan, the outstanding balance of which is collected from the related passbook account along with accrued interest and a penalty when the loan is 90 days delinquent. Loans may be placed on a non-accrual status at any time if, in the opinion of management, the collection of additional interest is doubtful. Interest accrued and unpaid at the time a loan is placed on non-accrual status is charged against interest income. Payments received in cash on nonaccrual loans, including both the principal and interest portions of those payments, are generally applied to reduce the carrying value of the loan for financial statement purposes. At December 31, 2012, approximately \$47.3 million of loans were on a non-accrual basis.

**Non-Performing Assets.** The following table provides information regarding our non-performing loans. As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, Roma Bank also had non-performing assets in the form of real estate owned of \$8.3 million and \$3.3 million, respectively. At December 31, 2012, the allowance for loan losses totaled \$8.7 million, non-performing loans totaled \$47.3 million, and the ratio of allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans was 18.3%. Management believes that the non-performing loans are well secured and that adequate impairments have been recognized to absorb any losses which may occur upon the ultimate resolution. The legacy Roma Bank and RomAsia Bank loan portfolio includes 77 non-performing loans totaling \$30.8 million. The portfolio includes \$20.4 million in commercial real estate loans, \$3.2 million in commercial construction loans, and \$7.2 million of residential mortgage and equity loans. The ratio of allowance for loan losses to legacy Roma Bank and RomAsia Bank non-performing loans was 25.6%. Non-performing loans also includes \$15.7 million of non-performing loans acquired from Sterling net of \$2.9 million of credit marks. The loans primarily consist of \$5.3 million of residential construction loans, \$4.2 million in commercial real estate loans, and \$6.2 million of mortgage and equity secured by other than real estate. RomAsia Bank has \$0.8 million of non-performing loans.

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	At December 31,								
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008				
	(Dollars in thousands)								
Loans accounted for on a non-accrual basis:									
Residential real estate and construction Home equity and second mortgage loans	\$ 15,656	\$ 21,933	\$ 14,761	\$ 1,173	\$ 754				
Commercial, commercial real estate and const.	2,955	1,964	1,120	629	44				
	28,702	21,080	24,529	12,987	9,510				
Total	47,313	44,977	40,410	14,789	10,308				
Accruing loans three month or more past due:									
Residential real estate and construction Home equity and second mortgage loans	250	549	1,230	707	494				
Commercial, commercial real estate and Construction	-	228	79	207	2				
	-	614	437	1,204	238				
Total loans three months or more past due	250	1,391	1,746	2,118	737				
Total non-performing loans	47,563	46,368	42,156	16,907	11,042				
Real estate owned	8,340	3,276	3,689	1,928	68				
Total non-performing assets	55,903	49,644	45,845	18,835	11,110				
Performing troubled debt restructures	718	-	-	-	-				
Total performing troubled debt restructures and non-performing assets	\$ 56,621	\$ 49,644	\$ 45,845	\$ 18,835	\$ 11,110				
Total non-performing loans to total loans	4.45	% 4.73	% 4.63	% 2.83	% 2.08				
Total non-performing loans and performing troubled debt restructures to total loans	4.52	% 4.73	% 4.63	% 2.83	% 2.08				
Total non-performing assets to total assets	3.08	% 5.07	% 5.04	% 3.16	% 2.10				
Total non-performing assets and performing troubled debt restructures to total assets	3.12	% 5.07	% 5.04	% 3.16	% 2.10				

During the year ended December 31, 2012, gross interest income of \$1.8 million would have been recorded on loans accounted for on a non-accrual basis if those loans had been current, and \$40 thousand of interest from cash payments on such loans was included in income for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Classified Assets. Management, in compliance with OCC guidelines, has instituted an internal loan review program, whereby non-performing loans are classified as substandard, doubtful or loss. It is our policy to review the loan portfolio, in accordance with regulatory classification procedures, on at least a quarterly basis. When a loan is classified as substandard or doubtful, management is required to evaluate the loan for impairment. When management classifies a portion of a loan as loss, a reserve equal to 100% of the loss amount is required to be established or the loan is charged-off.

An asset is considered “substandard” if it is inadequately protected by the paying capacity and net worth of the obligor or the collateral pledged, if any. Substandard assets include those characterized by the distinct possibility that the Banks will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected. Assets classified as “doubtful” have all of the weaknesses inherent in those classified substandard, with the added characteristic that the weaknesses present make collection or liquidation in full highly questionable and improbable, on the basis of currently existing facts, conditions, and values. Assets, or portions



thereof, classified as “loss” are considered uncollectible and of so little value that their continuance as assets without the establishment of a specific loss reserve is not warranted. Assets which do not currently expose the Banks to a sufficient degree of risk to warrant classification in one of the aforementioned categories but which have credit deficiencies or potential weaknesses are required to be designated “special mention” by management.

Management’s classification of assets is reviewed by the Boards on a regular basis and by the regulatory agencies as part of their examination process. An independent loan review firm performs periodic reviews of our commercial loan portfolios, including the verification of commercial loan risk ratings. Any disagreements in risk rating assessments require mutual consent as to the final risk rating.

The following table discloses the classification of assets and designation of certain loans as special mention as of the dates indicated. At each date, all of the classified assets and special mention designated assets were loans.

	At December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
	(In thousands)		
Special Mention	\$27,714	\$18,653	\$29,803
Substandard	61,224	70,199	59,933
Doubtful	-	-	-
Loss	-	-	-
Total	\$88,938	\$88,852	\$89,736

At December 31, 2012, \$46.1 million of the loans classified as “substandard” are also classified as non-performing assets. The substandard loans not categorized as non-performing are primarily secured by real estate and consist of \$9.6 million of commercial loans and \$5.5 million of residential and consumer loans. Total classified loans at December 31, 2012 and 2011, include \$32.4 million and \$39.9 million, respectively, of loans acquired in the Sterling Merger.

Allowance for Loan Losses (“ALLL”). The allowance for loan losses is a valuation account that reflects our estimation of the losses in our loan portfolio to the extent they are both probable and reasonable to estimate. The allowance is established through provisions for loan losses that are charged to income in the period they are established. We charge losses on loans against the allowance for loan losses when we believe the collection of loan principal is unlikely. Recoveries on loans previously charged-off are added back to the allowance.

In order to comprehensively address periodic provisioning and the resultant ALLL, the Banks utilize a multidisciplinary approach which considers each of the following factors: historical realized losses in the credit portfolio; delinquency trends currently experienced in the current portfolio; internal risk rating system that assigns a risk factor, and therefore, a reserve to every outstanding credit exposure; external independent assessment of the adequacy of the ALLL and the entire credit management function; and current and anticipated economic conditions that could affect borrowers’ ability to continually meet their contractual repayment obligations.

A loan evaluated for impairment is deemed to be impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that we will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. All loans identified as impaired are evaluated independently. We do not aggregate such loans for evaluation purposes. Payments received on impaired loans are typically applied



first to principal and then to principal and unpaid interest depending on collateral coverage, and if the loan is in non-accrual status.

We maintain a loan review system which provides for a systematic review of the loan portfolios and the early identification of potential impaired loans. The review of residential real estate and home equity consumer loans, as well as other more complex loans, is triggered by identified evaluation factors, including delinquency status, size of loan, type of collateral and the financial condition of the borrower.

General loan loss allowances are based upon a combination of factors including, but not limited to, actual loan loss experience, composition of the loan portfolio, current economic conditions and management's judgment. Our charge-offs for the last several years were: \$59 thousand in 2007; \$181 thousand in 2008; \$278 thousand in 2009; \$2.3 million in 2010; \$9.0 million in 2011; and, \$3.6 million in 2012. In the last quarter of 2011, \$5.1 million of specific reserves were charged off against the respective impaired loans. Our provisions for loan losses are also reflective of other factors, including economic conditions, annual growth of the total loan portfolio of 10%, 12%, 12.8%, 6.8% and 8.9% in 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012, respectively, exclusive of loans acquired in merger.

The estimation of the allowance for loan losses is inherently subjective as it requires estimates and assumptions that are susceptible to significant revisions as more information becomes available or as future events change. Future additions to the allowance for loan losses may be necessary if economic and other conditions in the future differ substantially from the current operating environment. In addition, the OCC, as an integral part of its examination process, periodically reviews our loan and foreclosed real estate portfolios and the related allowance for loan losses and valuation allowance for foreclosed real estate. The OCC may require the allowance for loan losses or the valuation allowance for foreclosed real estate to be increased based on its review of information available at the time of the examination, which would negatively affect our earnings.

Loans acquired in the Sterling Merger are carried at fair value with no carryover of the related allowance for loan losses. Therefore, these acquired loans are not included in the allowance for loan loss calculation. Impaired loans include \$32.4 million of loans, net of credit marks of \$7.7 million, which were acquired in the merger. Loans totaling \$6.6 million, net of credit marks of \$4.0 million, which are performing, are also included in this total and are classified as impaired because at the effective time of the Sterling Merger there was evidence of deterioration of credit quality since origination, primarily collateral related.

The following table sets forth information with respect to our allowance for loan losses at the dates indicated.

	2012	For the Year Ended December 31,				2008
		2011	2010	2009	2009	
		(Dollars in thousands)				
Allowance balance (at beginning of period)	\$5,416	\$9,844	\$5,243	\$2,223	\$1,602	
Provision for loan losses	6,726	4,491	6,855	3,280	787	
Charge-offs:						
Commercial real estate	(2,446 )	(5,162 )	(2,254 )	(214 )	—	
Commercial construction	(297 )	(2,015 )	—	—	—	
Commercial	(387 )	(1,292 )	—	—	—	
Residential mortgage and equity	(347 )	(490 )	—	—	—	
Passbook, certificate, overdraft	(76 )	(64 )	—	(64 )	( 181 )	
Total charge-offs	(3,553 )	(9,023 )	(2,254 )	(278 )	(181 )	
Recoveries	80	104	—	18	15	
Net (charge-offs) recoveries	(3,432 )	(8,919 )	(2,254 )	(260 )	(166 )	
Allowance balance (at end of period)	\$8,669	\$5,416	\$9,844	\$5,243	\$2,223	
Total loans outstanding	\$1,067,045	\$979,740	\$909,688	\$596,958	\$529,405	
Total legacy Roma Bank loans outstanding	\$904,595	\$762,313	\$620,426	\$596,958	\$529,405	
Average loans outstanding	\$1,016,058	\$943,587	\$744,946	\$555,108	\$482,557	
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of total loans outstanding	0.81 %	0.55 %	1.08 %	0.88 %	0.42 %	
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of total legacy Roma Bank loans outstanding	0.96 %	0.71 %	1.59 %	0.88 %	0.42 %	
Net loans charged off as a percent of average loans outstanding	0.34 %	0.95 %	0.03 %	0.05 %	0.03 %	
Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans	18.30 %	12.04 %	24.4 %	35.4 %	21.42 %	
Allowance for loan losses to legacy Roma Bank non-performing loans	28.10 %	23.1 %	43.8 %	35.4 %	21.42 %	

Allocation of Allowance for Loan Losses. The following table sets forth the allocation of our allowance for loan losses by loan category based on the relative composition of loans in the portfolio and the percent of loans in each category to total loans at the dates indicated. The portion of the loan loss allowance allocated to each loan category does not represent the total available for future losses which may occur within the loan category since the entire loan loss allowance is a valuation reserve applicable to the aggregate loan portfolio. Non accretible fair market adjustments to acquired loans are not included.

	At December 31, 2012		2011		2010		2009		2008	
	Amount Loans	Percent of Loans to Total	Amount Loans	Percent of Loans to Total	Amount Loans	Percent of Loans to Total	Amount Loans	Percent of Loans to Total	Amount Loans	Percent of Loans to Total
(Dollars in thousands)										
At end of period allocated to:										
Real estate mortgage -										
One to four family	\$1,410	42.41 %	\$1,705	40.24 %	\$1,799	39.41 %	\$312	42.21 %	\$209	43.63 %
Commercial real estate	4,455	30.14	2,181	29.87	4,922	30.03	3,255	28.87	1,601	24.37
Commercial business	1,465	4.60	199	4.00	654	3.97	1,206	2.06	72	1.09
Consumer: Home equity and other consumer loans	536	20.41	663	22.34	372	22.31	156	22.32	119	25.28
Passbook, certificate, overdraft	-	-	-	-	-	.19	7	0.16	14	0.17
Construction	803	2.44	668	3.55	2,097	4.09	307	4.38	208	5.46
Total allowance	\$8,669	100.00 %	\$5,416	100.00 %	\$9,844	100.00 %	\$5,243	100.00 %	\$2,223	100.00 %

## Securities Portfolio

General. Our deposits have traditionally exceeded our loan originations, and we have invested these excess deposits primarily in mortgage-backed securities and investment securities.

Our investment policy is designed to foster earnings and manage cash flows within prudent interest rate risk and credit risk guidelines. Generally, our investment policy is to invest funds in various categories of securities and maturities based upon our liquidity needs, asset/liability management policies, pledging requirements, investment quality, marketability and performance objectives. Roma Bank's investment policies specify the responsibility for the investment portfolio, asset/liability management and liquidity management and established an oversight Investment Committee. The Investment Committee, which is comprised of at least one Board member and the members of management responsible for investment decisions and accountability, meets quarterly to review the portfolio and performance risks and future purchasing strategies. The investment officer is authorized to purchase securities to the limit of \$5.0 million per trade per issue with the prior approval of the President, Executive Vice President or Investment Committee.

All of our securities carry market risk insofar as increases in market rates of interest may cause a decrease in their market value. Prior to investing, consideration is given to the interest rate, tax considerations, market volatility, yield, settlement date and maturity of the security, our liquidity position, and anticipated cash needs and sources. The effect that the proposed security would have on our credit and interest rate risk and risk-based capital is also considered.

Federally chartered savings banks have the authority to invest in various types of liquid assets. The investments authorized under the Banks' investment policies include U.S. government and government agency obligations, municipal securities (consisting of bond obligations of state and local governments), mortgage-backed securities, collateralized mortgage obligations and corporate bonds. On a short-term basis, the investment policies authorize investment in federal funds, certificates of deposits and money market investments with insured institutions and with brokerage firms.

Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 320, "Investments-Debt and Equity Securities", requires that securities be categorized as "held to maturity," "trading securities" or "available-for-sale," based on management's intent as to the ultimate disposition of each security. FASB ASC Topic 320 allows debt securities to be classified as "held to maturity" and reported in financial statements at amortized cost only if the reporting entity has the positive intent and ability to hold these securities to maturity. Securities that might be sold in response to changes in market interest rates, changes in the security's prepayment risk, increases in loan demand, or other similar factors cannot be classified as "held to maturity."

We do not currently use or maintain a trading account. Securities not classified as "held to maturity" are classified as "available-for-sale." These securities are reported at fair value, and unrealized gains and losses on the securities are excluded from earnings and reported, net of deferred taxes, as a separate component of equity.

At December 31, 2012, our securities portfolio did not contain securities of any issuer, other than the U.S. government or its agencies, having an aggregate book value in excess of 10% of our equity. We do not currently participate in hedging programs, interest rate caps, floors or swaps, or other activities involving the use of off-balance sheet derivative financial instruments, however, we may in the future

utilize such instruments if we believe it would be beneficial for managing our interest rate risk. Further, we do not purchase securities which are not rated investment grade.

Actual maturities of the securities held by us may differ from contractual maturities because issuers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without prepayment penalties. At December 31, 2012, we had \$113.7 million of callable securities, net of premiums and discounts, in our portfolio. Callable securities pose reinvestment risk because we may not be able to reinvest the proceeds from called securities at an equivalent or higher interest rate.

**Mortgage-backed Securities and Collateralized Mortgage Obligations.** Mortgage-related securities represent a participation interest in a pool of one to four family or multi-family mortgages. We primarily invest in mortgage-backed securities secured by one-to-four-family mortgages. Our mortgage-related securities portfolio includes mortgage-backed securities and collateralized mortgage obligations issued by U.S. government agencies or government-sponsored entities, such as Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, the Government National Mortgage Association, and the Federal National Mortgage Association. We do not currently invest in mortgage-related securities issued by non-government, private corporate issuers.

Mortgage originators use intermediaries (generally government agencies and government-sponsored enterprises, but also a variety of private corporate issuers) to pool and repackage the participation interests in the form of securities, with investors receiving the principal and interest payments on the mortgages. Securities issued or sponsored by U.S. government agencies and government-sponsored entities are guaranteed as to the payment of principal and interest to investors. Privately issued non-government, corporate issuers' securities typically offer rates above those paid on government agency issued or sponsored securities, but lack the guaranty of those agencies and are generally less liquid investments.

Mortgage-backed securities are pass-through securities typically issued with stated principal amounts, and the securities are backed by pools of mortgages that have loans with interest rates that are within a specific range and have varying maturities. The life of a mortgage-backed security thus approximates the life of the underlying mortgages. Mortgage-backed securities generally yield less than the mortgage loans underlying the securities. The characteristics of the underlying pool of mortgages, i.e., fixed-rate or adjustable-rate, as well as prepayment risk, are passed on to the certificate holder. Mortgage-backed securities are generally referred to as mortgage participation certificates or pass-through certificates.

Collateralized mortgage obligations are mortgage-derivative products that aggregate pools of mortgages and mortgage-backed securities and create different classes of securities with varying maturities and amortization schedules as well as a residual interest with each class having different risk characteristics. The cash flows from the underlying collateral are usually divided into "tranches" or classes which have descending priorities with respect to the distribution of principal and interest repayment of the underlying mortgages and mortgage-backed securities as opposed to pass-through mortgage-backed securities where cash flows are distributed pro rata to all security holders. It is our policy to buy mortgage-derivative products that have no more risk than the underlying mortgages. The Banks have reviewed their portfolio of mortgage-backed securities and believe they do not have any subprime exposure in this area.

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The following table sets forth the carrying value of our securities portfolio at the dates indicated.

	At December 31,				
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
	(In Thousands)				
Securities Available for Sale:					
Mutual fund shares	\$ 3,048	\$ 2,935	\$ 2,794	\$ 2,686	\$ 2,449
Equity securities	56	49	53	1,387	2,881
Corporate bond	991	894	988	—	955
Mortgage-backed securities	12,278	23,368	23,999	8,308	3,056
U.S. Government agency obligations	8,648	9,639	16,019	8,307	2,869
Obligations of state and political subdivisions	3,900	5,606	8,660	9,456	4,790
Total securities available for sale	28,921	42,491	52,513	30,144	17,000
Investment Securities Held to Maturity:					
U.S. Government agency obligations	110,202	220,728	227,522	292,427	67,985
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	16,122	18,684	15,628	11,943	6,130
Corporate bond	1,592	1,773	1,271	979	—
Total investment securities held to maturity	127,916	241,185	244,421	305,349	74,115
Mortgage-Backed Securities Held to Maturity:					
Ginnie Mae	6,254	7,906	9,988	7,148	8,888
Freddie Mac	124,408	181,779	172,969	123,244	154,246
Fannie Mae	209,157	242,568	229,951	107,294	124,942
Collateralized mortgage obligations	3,499	6,270	8,206	10,740	13,802
Total mortgage-backed securities held to maturity	343,318	438,523	421,114	248,426	301,878
Total	\$ 500,155	\$ 722,199	\$ 718,048	\$ 583,919	\$ 392,993





The following table sets forth certain information regarding the carrying values, weighted average yields and maturities of our securities portfolio at December 31, 2012. This table shows contractual maturities and does not reflect re-pricing or the effect of prepayments. Actual maturities may differ.

	At December 31, 2012										
	One Year or Less		One to Five Years		Five to Ten Years		More than Ten Years		Total Investment Securities		Market Value
	Carrying Value	Average Yield	Carrying Value	Average Yield	Carrying Value	Average Yield	Carrying Value	Average Yield	Carrying Value	Average Yield	
	(Dollars in thousands)										
Mutual fund shares	\$ 3,048	4.00%	\$ -	- %	\$ -	- %	\$ -	- %	\$ 3,048	4.00%	\$ 3,048
Equity securities	56	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	56	2.52	56
Corporate bond	-	-	1,972	2.12	509	3.10	-	-	2,481	2.14	2,495
U.S. Government obligations	-	-	30,317	0.80	85,596	1.41	3,039	1.65	118,952	1.28	119,045
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	-	-	2,671	4.40	6,949	4.40	10,402	3.50	20,022	4.01	21,487
Ginnie Mae	-	-	18	1.00	304	1.74	8,307	3.20	8,629	2.74	8,678
Freddie Mac	-	-	3,060	4.89	7,570	4.18	116,153	3.57	126,783	3.57	132,090
Fannie Mae	-	-	3,695	5.09	71,626	3.76	140,294	3.80	215,615	3.86	230,711
Collateralized mortgage obligations	-	-	231	4.95	812	4.50	3,526	3.24	4,569	3.58	4,718
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,104</b>		<b>\$ 41,964</b>		<b>\$ 173,366</b>		<b>\$ 281,721</b>		<b>\$ 500,155</b>		<b>\$ 522,328</b>

## Sources of Funds

General. Deposits are the Banks' major source of funds for lending and other investment purposes. In addition, we derive funds from loan and mortgage-backed securities principal repayments, and proceeds from the maturity and call of investment securities. Loan and securities payments are a relatively stable source of funds, while deposit inflows are significantly influenced by pricing strategies and money market conditions. If required, borrowings (principally from the FHLBNY) may be used to supplement the amount of funds for lending and funding daily operations. Borrowings may also be utilized as part of a leverage strategy in which the borrowings fund securities purchases.

Deposits. Our current deposit products include checking and savings accounts, money market, and certificates of deposit accounts ranging in terms from ninety-one days to seven years, and individual retirement accounts. Deposit account terms vary, primarily as to the required minimum balance amount, the amount of time that the funds must remain on deposit and the applicable interest rate.

Deposits are obtained primarily from within New Jersey. Traditional methods of advertising are used, or may be used, to attract new customers and deposits, including radio, print media, direct mail and inserts included with customer statements. We do not currently utilize the services of deposit brokers. Premiums or incentives for opening accounts are sometimes offered, and we periodically select particular certificate of deposit maturities for promotion. The Banks have a tiered savings product that offers an interest rate related to predetermined tiered balance requirements. Customers that maintain a minimum balance requirement in the tiered account are not charged a monthly service fee for the savings account or for checking accounts and also receive overdraft protection, Visa check card and coin counting services.

The determination of deposit and certificate interest rates is based upon a number of factors, including: (1) need for funds based on loan demand, current maturities of deposits and other cash flow needs; (2) a current survey of a selected group of competitors' rates for similar products; (3) economic conditions; and (4) business plan projections. Interest rates are reviewed weekly at a meeting of the Asset Liability Committee which consists of senior management.

A large percentage of our deposits are in certificates of deposit, which totaled 44.2% of total deposits at December 31, 2012. The inflow of certificates of deposit and the retention of such deposits upon maturity are significantly influenced by general interest rates and money market conditions, making certificates of deposit traditionally a more volatile source of funding than core deposits. Our liquidity could be reduced if a significant amount of certificates of deposit maturing within a short period of time were not renewed. To the extent that such deposits do not remain with us, they may need to be replaced with borrowings which could increase our cost of funds and negatively impact our interest rate spread and our financial condition. Historically, a significant portion of the certificates of deposit remain with us after they mature and we believe that this will continue. At December 31, 2012, \$203.2 million, or 31.1%, of our certificates of deposit were "jumbo" certificates of \$100 thousand or more.

The following tables set forth the distribution of average deposits for the periods indicated and the weighted average nominal interest rates for each period on each category of deposits presented.

	For the Year Ended December 31,								
	2012			2011			2010		
	Average Balance	Percent of Total Deposits	Weighted Average Nominal Rate	Average Balance	Percent of Total Deposits	Weighted Average Nominal Rate	Average Balance	Percent of Total Deposits	Weighted Average Nominal Rate
	(Dollars in thousands)								
Non-interest-bearing demand	\$ 68,595	4.52%	0.00%	\$ 65,393	4.18%	0.00%	\$ 49,386	3.93%	0.00%
Interest-bearing demand	212,165	13.98	0.11	179,533	11.48	0.16	152,418	12.13	0.38
Money market demand	373,724	24.62	0.45	348,938	22.32	0.50	231,704	18.44	1.01
Savings and club	141,016	9.29	0.16	146,222	9.36	0.27	124,788	9.93	0.82
Certificates of deposit	722,209	47.59	1.31	823,007	52.66	1.62	698,246	55.57	1.98
Total deposits	\$ 1,517,709	100.00 %	0.69%	\$ 1,563,093	100.00%	0.98%	\$ 1,256,542	100.00%	1.41%

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The following table sets forth certificates of deposit classified by interest rate as of the dates indicated.

Interest Rate	2012	At December 31,	
		2011	2010
		(In thousands)	
0.00-1.99%	\$ 520,353	\$ 567,063	\$ 544,090
2.00-2.99%	98,909	186,339	204,973
3.00-3.99%	35,233	39,169	62,549
4.00-4.99%	1,712	3,547	5,334
5.00% and above	-	-	5,482
Total	\$ 656,207	\$ 796,118	\$ 822,428

The following table sets forth the amount and maturities of certificates of deposit at December 31, 2012.

Interest Rate	Amount Due						Total
	1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	3-4 years	4-5 years	5 years	
	(In thousands)						
0.00-1.99%	\$354,150	\$123,083	\$28,289	\$8,071	\$6,726	\$35	\$520,353
2.00-2.99%	34,814	7,187	18,756	37,737	123	292	98,909
3.00-3.99%	2,558	9,851	22,166	253	404	-	35,233
4.00-4.99%	1,592	1	119	-	-	-	1,712
5.00-5.99%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$393,114	\$140,122	\$69,330	\$46,061	\$7,253	\$327	\$656,207

The following table shows the amount of certificates of deposit of \$100 thousand or more by time remaining until maturity as of December 31, 2012.

Maturity Period	At December 31,
	2012
	(In thousands)
Within three months	\$ 42,555
Three through six months	29,742
Six through twelve months	47,688
Over twelve months	83,198
	\$ 203,183



Borrowings. To supplement deposits as a source of funds for lending or investment, the Banks' may borrow funds in the form of advances from the FHLBNY. At December 31, 2012, Roma Bank's borrowing limit with the FHLBNY was \$829.8 million or 50% of assets. At December 31, 2012, RomAsia Bank had an overnight borrowing capacity of \$77.2 million with the FHLBNY and \$2.0 million with Atlantic Central Bankers Bank.

We traditionally have enjoyed cash flows from deposit activities that were sufficient to meet our day-to-day funding obligations and in the past only occasionally used our overnight line of credit or borrowing facility with the FHLBNY. In the fourth quarter of 2005, we took a five year advance from the FHLBNY to meet the strong demand for loans. This advance was paid in full in 2010.

In the fourth quarter of 2007, Roma Bank took a ten year advance totaling \$23.0 million at a fixed rate of 3.90%, callable at three years, maturing October 2017. Interest is paid quarterly. Approximately \$8 million of the proceeds were used for the capital contribution to RomAsia Bank and the other \$15 million of proceeds was invested in mortgage-backed securities.

In the first quarter of 2012, Roma Bank borrowed \$15.0 million from the FHLBNY at a fixed rate of 1.03% amortizing over five years, maturing January 18, 2017. The balance at December 31, 2012 was \$12.6 million.

In the third quarter of 2008, we entered into a securities sold under agreement to repurchase with Credit Suisse for \$40.0 million, with a blended interest rate of 3.55%. We invested the proceeds into mortgage backed securities with average yields of 5.5%. The maturity dates for these borrowings are as follows: \$10.0 million August 2015; \$20.0 million August 2018; and, \$10.0 million August 2018.

RomAsia Bank had \$16.8 million of outstanding long term borrowings from the FHLBNY at December 31, 2012.

Short-term FHLBNY advances generally have original maturities of less than one year, and are typically secured by the FHLBNY stock and by other assets, mainly securities which are obligations of, or guaranteed by, the U.S. government. Additional information regarding our borrowings is included under Note 18 to the consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this Form 10-K.

As a result of the Sterling Merger, Sterling Banks Capital trust 1, a Delaware statutory business trust became a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company (the "Trust") and the Company assumed Sterling's obligations in connection therewith. The Trust had issued \$6.2 million of variable rate capital pass-through securities ("capital securities") to investors. The variable interest rate reprices quarterly at the three month LIBOR plus 1.7%. The Trust purchased \$6.2 million of variable rate junior subordinated debentures from Sterling Banks Inc. The debentures are the sole asset of the Trust. The fair value of the subordinated debentures at the date of the Sterling Merger was \$5.1 million. On October 22, 2010, the Company repurchased \$4.0 million of these capital securities, with a discounted market value of \$3.2 million. In June of 2012 the remaining securities were redeemed in full.

#### Subsidiary Activity

Roma Financial Corporation has two direct subsidiaries, Roma Bank and RomAsia Bank. RomAsia Bank received all regulatory approvals and opened on June 23, 2008. As of December 31, 2012, the Company had invested \$15.9 million in organizational capital out of total capital of \$17.5 million, or 91.22% in RomAsia Bank. At December 31, 2012, RomAsia Bank had total assets of \$154.5 million.

Roma Bank has three wholly-owned subsidiaries: Roma Capital Investment Corporation, which was incorporated under New Jersey law in 2004 as an investment subsidiary, General Abstract & Title Agency, a New Jersey corporation and Roma Service Corp., a New Jersey corporation.





Roma Capital Investment Corporation is an investment subsidiary and its sole activity is to hold investment securities. Its total assets at December 31, 2012 were \$292.8 million. Its net income for 2012 was \$4.9 million.

General Abstract & Title Agency sells title insurance, performs title searches and provides real estate settlement and closing services. Its total assets at December 31, 2012 were \$524 thousand. Its operating revenue for 2012 consisted of \$1.2 million in premiums earned from the placement of title insurance and related title company services. Its net income for 2012 was \$100 thousand.

The Company's consolidated statements also include a 50% interest in 84 Hopewell, LLC (the "LLC"), a real estate investment which is consolidated according to the requirements FASB ASC Topic 810. All significant inter-company accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The 50% interest in 84 Hopewell, LLC is directly owned by Roma Service Corp.

## REGULATION AND SUPERVISION

Set forth below is a brief description of certain laws which relate to the regulation of the Company and the Banks. The description does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to applicable laws and regulations.

The Banks and the Company operate in a highly regulated industry. This regulation establishes a comprehensive framework of activities in which a savings and loan holding company and federal savings bank may engage and is intended primarily for the protection of the deposit insurance fund and depositors. Set forth below is a brief description of certain laws that relate to the regulation of the Banks and the Company. The description does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to applicable laws and regulations.

Regulatory authorities have extensive discretion in connection with their supervisory and enforcement activities, including the imposition of restrictions on the operation of an institution and its holding company, the classification of assets by the institution and the adequacy of an institution's allowance for loan losses. Any change in such regulation and oversight, whether in the form of regulatory policy, regulations, or legislation, including changes in the regulations governing mutual holding companies, could have a material adverse impact on the Company, the Banks and their operations. The adoption of regulations or the enactment of laws that restrict the operations of the Banks and/or the Company or impose burdensome requirements upon one or all of them could reduce their profitability and could impair the value of the Banks' franchises, resulting in negative effects on the trading price of the Company's common stock.

### Holding Company Regulation

General. The Company is a savings and loan holding company within the meaning of Section 10 of the Home owners' Loan Act ("HOLA"). As a result of the Dodd-Frank Act, the Company is now required to file reports with the Federal Reserve and is subject to regulation and examination by the Federal Reserve, as successor to the OTS. The Company must also obtain regulatory approval from the Federal Reserve before engaging in a certain transactions, such as mergers with or acquisitions of other financial institutions. In addition, the Federal Reserve has enforcement authority over the Company and any non-savings institution subsidiaries. This permits the Federal Reserve to restrict or prohibit activities that it determines to be a serious risk to the Banks. This regulation is intended primarily for the protection of the depositors and not for the benefit of stockholders of the Company.

The Federal Reserve has indicated that, to the greatest extent possible taking into account any unique characteristics of savings and loan holding companies and the requirements of the HOLA, it



intends to apply its current supervisory approach to the supervision of bank holding companies to savings and loan holding companies. The stated objective of the Federal Reserve will be to ensure the savings and loan holding company and its non-depository subsidiaries are effectively supervised and can serve as a source of strength for, and do not threaten the safety and soundness of the subsidiary depository institutions. The Federal Reserve has generally adopted the substantive provisions of OTS regulations governing savings and loan holding companies with certain modifications as discussed below.

**Activities Restrictions.** As a savings and loan holding company and as a subsidiary holding company of a mutual holding company, the Company is subject to statutory and regulatory restrictions on its business activities. The non-banking activities of the Company and its non-savings institution subsidiaries are restricted to certain activities specified by the Federal Reserve regulation, which include performing services and holding properties used by a savings institution subsidiary, activities authorized for savings and loan holding companies as of March 5, 1987 and non-banking activities permissible for bank holding companies pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended, or authorized for financial holding companies pursuant to the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act. Before engaging in any non-banking activity or acquiring a company engaged in any such activities, the Company must file with the Federal Reserve either a prior notice or (in the case of non-banking activities permissible for bank holding companies) an application regarding its planned activity or acquisition. Under the Dodd-Frank Act, a savings and loan holding company may only engage in activities authorized for financial holding companies if they meet all of the criteria to qualify as a financial holding company. Accordingly, the Federal Reserve will require savings and loan holding companies to elect to be treated as financial holding companies in order to engage in financial holding company activities. In order to make such an election, the savings and loan holding company and its depository institution subsidiaries must be well capitalized and well managed.

**Mergers and Acquisitions.** The Company must obtain approval from the Federal Reserve before acquiring, directly or indirectly, more than 5% of the voting stock of another savings institution or savings and loan holding company or acquiring such an institution or holding company by merger, consolidation, or purchase of its assets. Federal law also prohibits a savings and loan holding company from acquiring more than 5% of a company engaged in activities other than those authorized for savings and loan holding companies by federal law; or acquiring or retaining control of a depository institution that is not insured by the FDIC. In evaluating an application for the Company to acquire control of a savings institution, the Federal Reserve would consider the financial and managerial resources and future prospects of the Company and the target institution, the effect of the acquisition on the risk to the insurance funds, the convenience and the needs of the community and competitive factors.

**Waivers of Dividends by Roma MHC.** As permitted by OTS policies, the MHC had historically waived the receipt of dividends from the Company. The OTS reviewed dividend waiver notices on a case-by-case basis and, in general, did not object to any such waiver if: (i) the mutual holding company's board of directors determines that such waiver is consistent with such directors' fiduciary duties to the mutual holding company's members and (ii) the waiver would not be detrimental to the safe and sound operations of the subsidiary savings association.

The Federal Reserve's rule on dividend waivers requires that any notice of waiver of dividends include a board resolution together with any supporting materials relied upon by the mutual holding company board to conclude that the dividend waiver is consistent with the board's fiduciary duties. The resolution must include: (i) a description of the conflict of interest that exists because of a mutual holding company director's ownership of stock in the subsidiary declaring the dividend and any actions taken to eliminate the conflict of interest, such as a waiver by the directors of their right to receive dividends; (ii) a finding by the mutual holding company that the waiver is consistent with its fiduciary duties despite any conflict of interest; (iii) an affirmation that the mutual holding company is able to meet the terms of any loan agreement for which the stock of the subsidiary is pledged or to which the mutual holding company is subject; and (iv) any affirmation that a majority of the mutual holding company's members have



approved a waiver of dividends within the past 12 months and that the proxy statement used for such vote included certain disclosures.

**Conversion of the MHC to Stock Form.** Federal regulations permit the MHC to convert from the mutual form of organization to the capital stock form of organization, commonly referred to as a second step conversion. In a second step conversion a new holding company would be formed as a successor to the Company, the MHC's corporate existence would end and certain depositors of Roma Bank would receive the right to subscribe for shares of the new holding company. In a second step conversion, each share of common stock held by stockholders other than the MHC would be automatically converted into a number of shares of common stock of the new holding company determined pursuant to an exchange ratio that ensures that the Company's stockholders own the same percentage of common stock in the new holding company as they owned in the Company immediately prior to the second step conversion. The total number of shares held by the Company's stockholders after a second step conversion also would be increased by any purchases by the Company's stockholders in the stock offering of the new holding company conducted as part of the second step conversion.

Under the Dodd-Frank Act, waived dividends must be taken into account in determining the appropriate exchange ratio for a second-step conversion of a mutual holding company unless the mutual holding company has waived dividends prior to December 1, 2009.

**Acquisition of Control.** Under the federal Change in Bank Control Act, a notice must be submitted to the Federal Reserve if any person (including a company), or group acting in concert, seeks to acquire "control" of a savings and loan holding company. An acquisition of "control" can occur upon the acquisition of 10% or more of the voting stock of a savings and loan holding company or as otherwise defined by the Federal Reserve. Under the Change in Bank Control Act, the Federal Reserve has 60 days from the filing of a complete notice to act, taking into consideration certain factors, including the financial and managerial resources of the acquirer and the anti-trust effects of the acquisition. Any company that so acquires control is then subject to regulation as a savings and loan holding company.

**Holding Company Capital Requirements.** Effective as of the transfer date, the Federal Reserve was authorized to establish capital requirements for savings and loan holding companies. These capital requirements must be countercyclical so that the required amount of capital increases in times of economical expansion and decrease in times of economic contraction, consistent with safety and soundness. Savings and loan holding companies will also be required to serve as a source of financial strength for their depository institution subsidiaries. Within five years after enactment, the Dodd-Frank Act requires the Federal Reserve to apply consolidated capital requirements that are no less stringent than those currently applied to depository institutions and to depository institution holding companies that were not supervised by the Federal Reserve as of May 19, 2009. Under these standards, trust preferred securities will be excluded from Tier 1 capital unless such securities were issued prior to May 19, 2010 by a bank or savings and loan holding company with less than \$15 billion in assets.

The Federal Reserve stated that it is considering applying the same consolidated risk-based and leverage capital requirements to savings and loan holding companies as those applied to bank holding companies under Basel III to the extent reasonable and feasible taking into consideration the unique characteristics of savings and loan holding companies and requirements of the HOLA. The Federal Reserve expects these rules to be finalized in 2012 and implementation to begin in 2013.

#### Regulation of the Banks

**General.** As federally chartered savings banks with deposits insured by the FDIC, the Banks are subject to extensive regulation by federal banking regulators. This regulatory structure gives the regulatory authorities extensive discretion in connection with their supervisory and enforcement activities and examination policies, including policies

regarding the classification of assets and the level of the

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allowance for loan losses. The activities of federal savings banks are subject to extensive regulation including restrictions or requirements with respect to loans to one borrower, the percentage of non-mortgage loans or investments to total assets, capital distributions, permissible investments and lending activities, liquidity, transactions with affiliates and community reinvestment. Federal savings banks are also subject to reserve requirements imposed by the Federal Reserve. Both state and federal law regulate a federal savings bank's relationship with its depositors and borrowers, especially in such matters as the ownership of savings accounts and the form and content of the bank's mortgage documents.

As a result of the Dodd-Frank Act, the OCC assumed principal regulatory responsibility for federal savings banks from the OTS effective July 21, 2011. Under the Dodd-Frank Act, all existing OTS guidance, orders, interpretations, procedures and other advisory in the effect prior to that date will continue in effect and shall be enforceable against the OCC until modified, terminated, set aside or superseded by the OCC in accordance with applicable law. The OCC has adopted most of the substantive OTS regulations.

The Banks must file reports with the OCC concerning their respective activities and financial condition and must obtain regulatory approvals prior to entering into certain transactions such as mergers with or acquisitions of other financial institutions. The OCC will regularly examine the Banks and prepare reports to the Banks' respective Boards of Directors on deficiencies, if any, found in its operations. The OCC will have substantial discretion to impose enforcement action on an institution that fails to comply with applicable regulatory requirements, particularly with respect to its capital requirements. In addition, the FDIC has the authority to recommend to the OCC to take enforcement action with respect to a particular federally chartered savings bank, and if the OCC does not take action, the FDIC has authority to take such action under certain circumstances.

Federal Deposit Insurance. The Banks' deposits are insured to applicable limits by the FDIC. Under the Dodd-Frank Act, the maximum deposit insurance amount has been permanently increased from \$100,000 to \$250,000 and unlimited deposit insurance was extended to non-interest-bearing transaction accounts until December 31, 2012.

The FDIC has adopted a risk-based premium system. Starting in 2009, the FDIC significantly raised the assessment rate in order to restore the reserve ratio of the Deposit Insurance Fund to the statutory minimum of 1.15%. The FDIC imposed a special assessment equal to five basis points of assets less Tier I capital as of June 30, 2009, payable on September 30, 2009, and reserved the right to impose special assessments. In November 2009, instead of imposing additional special assessments, the FDIC amended the assessment regulations to require all insured depository institutions to prepay their estimated risk-based assessments for the fourth quarter of 2009, and for all of 2010, 2011 and 2012 on December 30, 2009. For purposes of estimating the future assessments, each institution's base assessment rate in effect on September 30, 2009 was used, assuming a 5% annual growth rate in the assessment base and a 3 basis point increase in the assessment rate in 2011 and 2012. The prepaid assessment will be applied against actual quarterly assessments until exhausted. Any funds remaining after June 30, 2013 will be returned to the institution.

The Dodd-Frank Act required the FDIC to take such steps as necessary to increase the reserve ratio of the Deposit Insurance Fund from 1.15% to 1.35% of insured deposits by 2020. In setting the assessments, the FDIC is required to offset the effect of the higher reserve ratio against insured depository institutions with total consolidated assets of less than \$10 billion. The Dodd-Frank Act also broadens the base for FDIC insurance assessments so that assessments are now based on the average consolidated total assets less average tangible equity capital of a financial institution rather than on its insured deposits.

The FDIC has adopted new assessment regulations that redefine the assessment base as average consolidated assets less average tangible equity. Insured banks with more than \$1.0 billion in assets must calculate quarterly average assets based on daily balances while smaller banks and new chartered banks may use weekly averages. In the case of a merger, the average assets of the surviving bank for the quarter





must include the average assets of the merged institution for the period in the quarter prior to the merger. Average assets would be reduced by goodwill and other intangibles. Average tangible equity will equal Tier 1 capital. For institutions with more than \$1.0 billion in assets average tangible equity will be calculated on a weekly basis while smaller institutions may use the quarter-end balance. Beginning April 1, 2011, the base assessment rate for insured institutions in Risk Category 1 ranges between 5 and 9 basis points for institutions in Risk Categories II, III and IV will be 14, 23, and 35 basis points. An institution's assessment rate will be reduced based on the amount of its outstanding unsecured long-term debt and for institutions in Risk Categories II, III and IV may be increased based on their brokered deposits. Risk Categories are eliminated for institutions with more than \$10 billion in assets which will be assessed at a rate between 5 and 35 basis points.

In addition, all FDIC-insured institutions are required to pay assessments to the FDIC to fund interest payments on bonds issued by the Financing Corporation ("FICO"), an agency of the Federal government established to recapitalize the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation. The FICO assessment rates, which are determined quarterly, averaged 0.0066% of insured deposits on an annualized basis in fiscal year 2011. These assessments will continue until the FICO bonds mature in 2017.

**Regulatory Capital Requirements.** Under the HOLA, savings institutions are required to meet three minimum capital standards: (1) tangible capital equal to 1.5% of total adjusted assets, (2) "Tier 1" or "core" capital equal to at least 4% of total adjusted assets and (3) risk-based capital equal to 8% of total risk-weighted assets. For information on the Banks' respective compliance with these regulatory capital standards, see Note 17 to Consolidated Financial Statements, included elsewhere in this Form 10-K. In assessing an institution's capital adequacy, the OCC takes into consideration not only these numeric factors but also qualitative factors as well and has the authority to establish higher capital requirements for individual institutions where necessary.

In addition, the OCC may require that a savings institution that has a risk-based capital ratio of less than 8%, a ratio of Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets of less than 4%, or Tier 1 capital to total adjusted assets of less than 4%, to take certain action to increase its capital ratios. If the savings institution's capital is significantly below the minimum required levels of capital or if it is unsuccessful in increasing its capital ratios, the OCC may restrict its activities.

For purposes of these capital regulations, tangible capital is defined as core capital less all intangible assets except for certain mortgage servicing rights. Tier 1 or core capital is defined as common stockholders' equity (including retained earnings), non-cumulative perpetual preferred stock and related surplus, minority interest in the equity accounts of consolidated subsidiaries and certain non-withdrawable account and pledged deposits of mutual savings banks. The Banks do not have any non-withdrawable accounts or pledged deposits. Tier 1 or core capital is reduced by an institution's intangible assets, with limited exceptions for certain mortgage and non-mortgage servicing rights and purchased credit card relationships. Both core and tangible capital are further reduced by an amount equal to the savings institution's debt and equity investments in "non-includable" subsidiaries engaged in activities not permissible for national banks other than subsidiaries engaged in activities undertaken as agent for customers or in mortgage banking activities and subsidiary depository institutions or their holding companies.

The risk-based capital standard for savings institutions requires the maintenance of total capital of 8% of risk-weighted assets. Total capital equals the sum of core and supplementary capital. The components of supplementary capital include, among other items, cumulative perpetual preferred stock, perpetual subordinated debt, mandatory convertible subordinated debt and intermediate-term preferred stock, the portion of the allowance for loan losses not designated for specific loan losses and up to 45% of unrealized gains on equity securities. The portion of the allowance for loan and lease losses includable in supplementary capital is limited to a maximum of 1.25% of risk-weighted assets. Overall, supplementary capital is limited to 100% of core capital. For purposes of determining total capital, a savings institution's



assets are reduced by the amount of capital instruments held by other depository institutions pursuant to reciprocal arrangements and by the amount of the institution's equity investments (other than those deducted from core and tangible capital) and its high loan-to-value ratio land loans and commercial construction loans.

A savings institution's risk-based capital requirement is measured against risk-weighted assets, which equal the sum of each on-balance-sheet asset and the credit-equivalent amount of each off-balance-sheet item after being multiplied by an assigned risk weight. These risk weights generally range from 0% for cash to 100% for delinquent loans, property acquired through foreclosure, commercial loans and certain other assets.

**Dividend and Other Capital Distribution Limitations.** Federal regulations impose various restrictions or requirements on the ability of savings institutions to make capital distributions, including cash dividends. A savings institution that is a subsidiary of a savings and loan holding company, such as the Banks, must file notice with Federal Reserve and an application or a notice with the OCC at least thirty days before making a capital distribution, such as paying a dividend to the Company. A savings institution must file an application with the OCC for prior approval of a capital distribution if: (i) it is not eligible for expedited treatment under the applications processing rules; (ii) the total amount of all capital distributions, including the proposed capital distribution, for the applicable calendar year would exceed an amount equal to the savings institution's net income for that year to date plus the institution's retained net income for the preceding two years; (iii) it would not adequately be capitalized after the capital distribution; or (iv) the distribution would violate an agreement with the OCC or applicable regulations. The Federal Reserve may disapprove a notice and the OCC may disapprove a notice to deny an application for a capital distribution if: (i) the savings institution would be undercapitalized following the capital distribution; (ii) the proposed capital distribution raises safety and soundness concerns; or (iii) the capital distribution would violate a prohibition contained in any statute, regulation, enforcement action or agreement or condition imposed in connection with an application.

**Qualified Thrift Lender Tests.** Federal savings institutions must meet a qualified thrift lender test or they become subject to the business activity restrictions and branching rules applicable to national banks. Under the Dodd-Frank Act, a savings institution that fails to satisfy the qualified thrift lender test will be deemed to have violated Section 5 of the HOLA. To qualify as a qualified thrift lender, a savings institution must either (i) be deemed a "domestic building and loan association" under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Internal Revenue Code") by maintaining at least 60% of its total assets in specified types of assets, including cash, certain government securities, loans secured by and other assets related to residential real property, educational loans and investments in premises of the institution or (ii) satisfy the statutory qualified thrift lender test set forth in the Home Owners' Loan Act by maintaining at least 65% of its portfolio assets in qualified thrift investments (defined to include residential mortgages and related equity investments, certain mortgage-related securities, small business loans, student loans and credit card loans). For purposes of the statutory qualified thrift lender test, portfolio assets are defined as total assets minus goodwill and other intangible assets, the value of property used by the institution in conducting its business and specified liquid assets up to 20% of total assets. A savings institution must maintain its status as a qualified thrift lender on a monthly basis in at least nine out of every twelve months.

A savings bank that fails the qualified thrift lender test and does not convert to a bank charter generally will be prohibited from: (i) engaging in any new activity not permissible for a national bank; (ii) paying dividends not permissible under national bank regulations; and (iii) establishing any new branch office in a location not permissible for a national bank in the institution's home state. In addition, if the institution does not requalify under the qualified thrift lender test within three years after failing the test, the institution would be prohibited from engaging in any activity not permissible for a national bank and would have to repay any outstanding advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank ("FHLB") as promptly as possible.

Community Reinvestment Act (“CRA”). Under the CRA, every insured depository institution, including the Bank, has a continuing and affirmative obligation consistent with its safe and sound operation to help meet the credit needs of its entire community, including low and moderate income neighborhoods. The CRA does not establish specific lending requirements or programs for financial institutions nor does it limit an institution’s discretion to develop the types of products and services that it believes are best suited to its particular community. The CRA requires the OCC to assess the depository institution’s record of meeting the credit needs of its community and to consider such record in its evaluation of certain applications by such institution, such as a merger or the establishment of a branch office by the Bank. The OCC may use an unsatisfactory CRA examination rating as the basis for the denial of an application. The Banks both received a satisfactory CRA rating on their most recent CRA examination.

Federal Home Loan Bank System. The Banks are both members of the FHLB, which is one of twelve regional FHLBs. Each FHLB serves as a reserve or central bank for its members within its assigned region. It is funded primarily from funds deposited by financial institutions and proceeds derived from the sale of consolidated obligations of the FHLB System. It makes loans to members pursuant to policies and procedures established by the Board of Directors of the FHLB.

As a member, the Banks are required to purchase and maintain stock in the FHLB of New York in an amount equal to the greater of 1% of our aggregate unpaid residential mortgage loans, home purchase contracts or similar obligations at the beginning of each year or 5% of our outstanding FHLB advances. The FHLB imposes various limitations on advances such as limiting the amount of certain types of real estate related collateral to 30% of a member’s capital and limiting total advances to a member.

The FHLBs are required to provide funds for the resolution of troubled savings institutions and to contribute to affordable housing programs through direct loans or interest subsidies on advances targeted for community investment and low- and moderate-income housing projects.

The USA Patriot Act. The Banks are subject to OCC regulations implementing the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001, or the USA Patriot Act. The USA Patriot Act gives the federal government powers to address terrorist threats through enhanced domestic security measures, expanded surveillance powers, increased information sharing and broadened anti-money laundering requirements. By way of amendments to the Bank Secrecy Act, Title III of the USA Patriot Act takes measures intended to encourage information sharing among bank regulatory agencies and law enforcement bodies. Further, certain provisions of Title III impose affirmative obligations on a broad range of financial institutions, including banks, thrifts, brokers, dealers, credit unions, money transfer agents and parties registered under the Commodity Exchange Act.

Among other requirements, Title III of the USA Patriot Act and the related regulations of the OCC impose the following requirements with respect to financial institutions.

Establishment of anti-money laundering programs that include, at minimum; (i) internal policies, procedures and controls; (ii) specified designation of an anti-money laundering compliance officer; (iii) ongoing employee training programs; and (iv) an independent audit function to test the anti-money laundering program.

Establishment of a program specifying procedures for obtaining identifying information from customers seeking to open new accounts, including verifying the identity of customers within a reasonable period.

Establishment of appropriate, specific and, where necessary, enhanced due diligence policies, procedures and controls designed to detect and report money laundering.

Prohibitions on establishing, maintaining, administering or managing correspondent accounts for foreign shell banks (foreign banks that do not have a physical presence in any country) and compliance with certain record keeping obligations with respect to correspondent accounts of foreign banks.

Bank regulators are directed to consider a holding company's effectiveness in combating money laundering when ruling on Federal Reserve Act and Bank Merger Act applications.

#### Proposed Changes to Regulatory Capital Requirements

The federal banking agencies have issued a series of proposed rulemakings to conform their regulatory capital rules with the international regulatory standards agreed to by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision in the accord often referred to as "Basel III". The proposed revisions would establish new higher capital ratio requirements, tighten the definitions of capital, impose new operating restrictions on banking organizations with insufficient capital buffers and increase the risk weighting of certain assets including residential mortgages. The proposed new capital requirements would apply to all banks and savings associations, bank holding companies with more than \$500 million in assets and all savings and loan holding companies regardless of asset size. The following discussion summarizes the proposed changes which are most likely to affect the Company and the Bank.

**New and Higher Capital Requirements.** The proposed regulations would establish a new capital measure called "Common Equity Tier 1 Capital" which would consist of common stock instruments and related surplus (net of treasury stock), retained earnings, accumulated other comprehensive income and, subject to certain adjustments, minority common equity interests in subsidiaries. Unlike the current rules which exclude unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale debt securities from regulatory capital, the proposed rules would generally require accumulated other comprehensive income to flow through to regulatory capital. Depository institutions and their holding companies would be required to maintain Common Equity Tier 1 Capital equal to 4.5% of risk-weighted assets by 2015.

The proposed regulations would increase the required ratio of Tier 1 Capital to risk-weighted assets from the current 4% to 6% by 2015. Tier 1 Capital would consist of Common Equity Tier 1 Capital plus Additional Tier 1 Capital elements which would include non-cumulative perpetual preferred stock. Neither cumulative preferred stock (other than cumulative preferred stock issued to the U.S. Treasury under the Troubled Asset Relief Program ("TARP") Capital Purchase Program or the Small Business Lending Fund) nor trust preferred would qualify as Additional Tier 1 Capital. These elements, however, could be included in Tier 2 Capital which could also include qualifying subordinated debt. The proposed regulations would also require a minimum Tier 1 leverage ratio of 4% for all institutions eliminating the 3% option for institutions with the highest supervisory ratings. The minimum required ratio of total capital to risk-weighted assets would remain at 8%.

**Capital Buffer Requirement.** In addition to higher capital requirements, depository institutions and their holding companies would be required to maintain a capital buffer of at least 2.5% of risk-weighted assets over and above the minimum risk-based capital requirements. Institutions that do not maintain the required capital buffer will become subject to progressively more stringent limitations on the percentage of earnings that can be paid out in dividends or used for stock repurchases and on the payment of discretionary bonuses to senior executive management. The capital buffer requirement would be phased in over four years beginning in 2016. The capital buffer requirement effectively raises the minimum required risk-based capital ratios to 7% Common Equity Tier 1 Capital, 8.5% Tier 1 Capital and 10.5% Total Capital on a fully phased-in basis.



Changes to Prompt Corrective Action Capital Categories. The Prompt Corrective Action rules would be amended to incorporate a Common Equity Tier 1 Capital requirement and to raise the capital requirements for certain capital categories. In order to be adequately capitalized for purposes of the prompt corrective action rules, a banking organization would be required to have at least an 8% Total Risk-Based Capital Ratio, a 6% Tier 1 Risk-Based Capital Ratio, a 4.5% Common Equity Tier 1 Risk Based Capital Ratio and a 4% Tier 1 Leverage Ratio. To be well capitalized, a banking organization would be required to have at least a 10% Total Risk-Based Capital Ratio, an 8% Tier 1 Risk-Based Capital Ratio, a 6.5% Common Equity Tier 1 Risk Based Capital Ratio and a 5% Tier 1 Leverage Ratio.

Additional Deductions from Capital. Banking organizations would be required to deduct goodwill and other intangible assets (other than certain mortgage servicing assets), net of associated deferred tax liabilities, from Common Equity Tier 1 Capital. Deferred tax assets arising from temporary timing differences that could not be realized through net operating loss carrybacks would continue to be deducted if they exceed 10% of Common Equity Tier 1 Capital. Deferred tax assets that could be realized through NOL carrybacks would not be deducted but would be subject to 100% risk weighting. Defined benefit pension fund assets, net of any associated deferred tax liability, would be deducted from Common Equity Tier 1 Capital unless the banking organization has unrestricted and unfettered access to such assets. Reciprocal cross-holdings in the capital instruments of any other financial institution would now be deducted from capital, not just holdings in other depository institutions. For this purpose, financial institutions are broadly defined to include securities and commodities firms, hedge and private equity funds and non-depository lenders. Banking organizations would also be required to deduct non-significant investments (less than 10% of outstanding stock) in other financial institutions to the extent these exceed 10% of Common Equity Tier 1 Capital subject to a 15% of Common Equity Tier 1 Capital cap. Greater than 10% investments must be deducted if they exceed 10% of Common Equity Tier 1 Capital. If the aggregate amount of certain items excluded from capital deduction due to a 10% threshold exceeds 17.65% of Common Equity Tier 1 Capital, the excess must be deducted. Savings associations would continue to be required to deduct investments in subsidiaries engaged in activities not permitted for national banks.

Changes in Risk-Weightings. The proposed regulations would apply a 250% risk-weighting to mortgage servicing rights, deferred tax assets that cannot be realized through NOL carrybacks and significant (greater than 10%) investments in other financial institutions. The proposed rules would also significantly change the risk-weighting for residential mortgages. Current capital rules assign a 50% risk-weighting to “qualifying mortgage loans” which generally consist of residential first mortgages with an 80% loan-to-value ratio (or which carry mortgage insurance that reduces the bank’s exposure to 80%) that are not more than 90 days past due. All other mortgage loans have a 100% risk weight. Under the proposed regulations, one-to-four family residential mortgage loans would be divided into two broad risk categories with their risk-weighting determined by their loan-to-value ratio without regard to mortgage insurance. Prudently underwritten 30-year residential mortgages providing for regular periodic payments that do not result in negative amortization or balloon payments or allow payment deferrals and caps on annual and lifetime interest rate adjustments and which are not more than 90 days past due would be assigned a risk weighting from 35% for loans with a 60% or lower loan-to-value ratio to 100% for loans over 90%. Residential mortgage loans in this category with a loan-to-value ratio greater than 60% but not more than 80% would continue to carry a 50% risk weighting. All other residential mortgage loans would be risk-weighted between 100% to 200%. The proposal also creates a new 150% risk-weighting category for “high volatility commercial real estate loans” which are credit facilities for the acquisition, construction or development of real property other than one- to four-family residential properties or commercial real projects where: (i) the loan-to-value ratio is not in excess of interagency real estate lending standards; and (ii) the borrower has contributed capital equal to not less than 15% of the real estate’s “as completed” value before the loan was made.





Item 1A. Risk Factors

Failure to complete the pending Mergers with Investors Bancorp, Inc. could negatively impact the stock prices and future business and financial results of Roma Financial.

On December 19, 2012, Roma Financial, MHC, Roma Financial Corporation and Roma Bank entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger with Investors Bancorp, MHC, Investors Bancorp, Inc. and Investors Bank which provides for the merger of Roma MHC with and into Investors MHC, the merger of Roma Financial with and into Investors Bancorp and the merger of Roma Bank with and into Investors Bank. On January 17, 2013, RomAsia Bank, of which Roma Financial is the majority owner, also entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger with Investors Bank which provides for the merger of RomAsia Bank with and into Investors Bank. We refer to all of these merger transactions as the “Mergers.” As a result of the merger of Roma Financial with and into Investors Bancorp, each outstanding share of Roma Financial common stock will be converted into 0.8653 of a share of Investors Bancorp common stock with cash being paid in lieu of fractional shares. If the Mergers are not completed, the ongoing business of Roma Financial may be adversely affected and Roma Financial will be subject to several risks, including the following:

- Roma Financial, Roma Bank and RomAsia Bank will be required to pay certain costs relating to the Mergers, whether or not the Mergers are completed, such as legal, accounting, financial advisory and printing fees and, in certain circumstances, a termination fee to Investors;
- Under the Merger Agreement, Roma Financial is subject to certain restrictions on the conduct of its business prior to completing the Mergers, which may adversely affect its ability to execute certain of its business strategies;
- Roma Bank will continue to be required to operate under the enforcement agreement entered into with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, effective September 21, 2012; and
- Matters relating to the Mergers may require substantial commitments of time and resources by Roma Financial management, which could otherwise have been devoted to other opportunities that may have been beneficial to Roma Financial as an independent company.

In addition, if the Mergers are not completed, Roma Financial may experience negative reactions from the financial markets and from its customers and employees. Roma Financial also could be subject to litigation related to any failure to complete the Mergers or to enforcement proceedings commenced against Roma Financial to perform its obligations under the Merger Agreement. These risks may materially affect the business, financial results and stock price of Roma Financial.

The termination fee and the restrictions on solicitation contained in the Merger Agreement may discourage other companies from trying to acquire Roma Financial.

Until the completion of the Mergers, with some exceptions, Roma Financial is prohibited from soliciting, initiating, encouraging or participating in any discussion of or otherwise considering any inquiries or proposals that may lead to an acquisition proposal, such as a merger or other business combination transaction, with any person other than Investors Bancorp. In addition, Roma Financial has agreed to pay a termination fee to Investors Bancorp in specified circumstances. These provisions could discourage other companies from trying to acquire Roma Financial even though those other companies might be willing to offer greater value to Roma Financial’s stockholders than Investors Bancorp has agreed to pay.

We may be unable to satisfy the written agreement with the OCC which requires us to designate a significant amount of resources in order to remain in compliance.

On September 21, 2012, Roma Bank entered into an agreement with the OCC (the “OCC Agreement”), Roma Bank’s primary regulator. The OCC Agreement requires Roma Bank to take certain actions, including, but not limited to:

- Establishing a compliance committee to oversee Roma Bank’s obligations under the OCC Agreement and to prepare and submit written progress reports to the OCC on a periodic basis regarding Roma Bank’s compliance with the terms of the Agreement;
- Completing a review of the Roma Bank Board’s processes regarding oversight of management and risk management and adopting and implementing a plan, acceptable to the OCC to strengthen oversight of management and operations;
- Adopting a plan, acceptable to the OCC, to strengthen Roma Bank’s credit risk management practices;
- Adopting and implementing a program, acceptable to the OCC, for the maintenance of an adequate allowance for loan and lease losses;
- Adopting and implementing a program, acceptable to the OCC, to reduce Roma Bank’s interest in criticized or classified assets;
- Adopting and implementing an updated program, acceptable to the OCC, to ensure Roma Bank’s compliance with the Bank Secrecy Act and to ensure implementation of a Bank Secrecy Act/Anti-Money Laundering Risk Assessment process;
- Adopting and implementing and ensuring compliance with an independent internal audit program, acceptable to the OCC; and,
- Establishing a committee to ensure oversight of Roma Bank’s information technology activities.

While we are subject to the OCC Agreement, we expect that our management and board of directors will be required to focus considerable time and attention on taking corrective actions to comply with its terms. There also is no assurance that we will successfully address the OCC’s concerns in the OCC Agreement or that we will be able to fully comply with the OCC Agreement. If we do not fully comply with the OCC Agreement, Roma Bank could be subject to further regulatory actions, including enforcement actions.

Shareholders own a minority of Roma Financial Corporation’s common stock and are not able to exercise voting control over most matters put to a vote of stockholders.

Roma Financial Corporation, MHC owned 71% of Roma Financial Corporation’s outstanding common stock at December 31, 2012 and is able to exercise voting control over most matters put to a vote of shareholders, including the election of directors. Roma Financial Corporation, MHC may also exercise its voting control to prevent a sale or merger transaction in which stockholders could receive a premium for their shares. The Board of Directors of Roma Financial Corporation, MHC is also the Board of Directors of Roma Financial Corporation.

Federal Reserve Regulations could affect the ability of Roma Financial Corporation, MHC to waive dividends.

In accordance with prior OTS policies, our mutual holding company, Roma Financial Corporation, MHC had historically waived receipts of all or substantially all of dividends paid by the Company. These dividend waivers allowed the Company to pay higher dividends than would otherwise be feasible without the waiver. Pursuant to the Dodd-Frank Act, the Federal Reserve assumed jurisdiction over dividend waivers by federal mutual holding companies, like Roma Financial Corporation, MHC. Under regulations adopted by the Federal Reserve on an interim final basis, requests for approvals of dividend waivers are subject to additional requirements. Any application for a waiver of dividends must include a description of the conflict of interest that exists because of a mutual holding company director’s ownership of stock in the subsidiary declaring the dividend and any actions taken to address the conflict, such as waiver by the directors of their right to receive dividends. In addition,



waivers of dividends must be approved by the mutual holding company's members at least every 12 months pursuant to a proxy statement with a detailed description of the dividend waivers and reasons therefore. These regulation requirements increase the costs of obtaining dividend waivers and, if no waiver is obtained, significantly increase the amount of earnings paid out in the form of dividends. As a result of the new requirements, in June 2012, Roma Financial reduced the amount of its quarterly cash dividend and subsequently suspended its dividend entirely. There can be no assurance that any dividends would be paid in the future.

The Dodd-Frank Act could substantially increase our compliance burden and costs and necessitate changes in the conduct of our business.

On July 21, 2010, the Dodd-Frank Act was signed into law. The Dodd-Frank Act has had and will continue to have a broad impact on the financial services industry, including significant regulatory and compliance changes. Many of the requirements called for in the Dodd-Frank Act will be implemented over time and most will be subject to implementing regulations over the course of several years. Given the uncertainty associated with the manner in which the provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act will be implemented by the various regulatory agencies and through regulations, the full extent of the impact such requirements will have on our operations is unclear. The changes resulting from the Dodd-Frank Act may impact the profitability of our business activities, require changes to certain of our business practices, impose upon us more stringent capital, liquidity and leverage requirements or otherwise adversely affect our business. In particular, the following provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act, among others, are expected to impact our operations and activities, both currently and prospectively:

Elimination of the OTS as our primary federal regulator:

New requirements for waivers of dividends by Roma Financial Corporation MHC, which could affect our dividend policies;

Weakening of federal preemption standards applicable to Roma Financial Corporation which could expose us to state regulation;

Changes in methodologies for calculating deposit insurance premiums and increases in required deposit insurance fund reserve levels, which could increase our deposit insurance expense;

Potential application of regulatory capital requirements to Roma Financial Corporation;  
and

Imposition of comprehensive, new consumer protection requirements, which could substantially increase our compliance burden and potentially expose us to new liabilities.

Further, we may be required to invest significant management attention and resources to evaluate and make any changes necessary to comply with new statutory and regulatory requirements under the Dodd-Frank Act. Failure to comply with the new requirements may negatively impact our results of operations and financial condition. While we cannot predict what effect any presently contemplated or future changes in the laws or regulations or their interpretations would have on us, these changes could be materially adverse to our investors.

A continuation or worsening of national and local economic conditions could result in increases in our level of non-performing loans and/or reduce demand for our products and services, which may negatively impact our financial condition and results of operations.



Our business activities and earnings are affected by general business conditions in the United States and in our primary market area. These conditions include short-term and long-term interest rates, inflation, unemployment levels, monetary supply, consumer confidence and spending, fluctuations in both debt and equity capital markets and the strength of the economy in the United States generally and in our primary market area in particular. In recent years, the national economy has experienced recessionary conditions that have resulted in general economic downturns, with rising unemployment levels, declines in real estate values and erosion in consumer confidence. The economic recession has also had a negative impact on our primary market area. A prolonged or more severe economic downturn, continued elevated levels of unemployment, further declines in the values of real estate, or other events that affect household and/or corporate incomes could impair the ability of our borrowers to repay their loans in accordance with their terms. Continued or further deterioration in local economic conditions could also drive the level of loan losses beyond the level we have provided for in our allowance for loan losses, which could necessitate increasing our provision for loans losses and reduce our earnings. Additionally, the demand for our products and services could be reduced, which would adversely impact our liquidity and the level of revenues we generate.

If our allowance for loan losses is not sufficient to cover actual loan losses, our earnings will decrease.

We make various assumptions and judgments about the collectability of our loan portfolio, including the creditworthiness of our borrowers and the value of the real estate and other assets serving as collateral for the repayment of many of our loans. In determining the required amount of the allowance for loan losses, we evaluate certain loans individually and establish specific loan loss allowances for identified impairments. For all non-impaired loans, including those not individually reviewed, we estimate losses and establish general loan loss allowances based upon historical and environmental loss factors. If the assumptions used in our calculation methodology are incorrect, our allowance for loan losses may not be sufficient to cover losses inherent in our loan portfolio, resulting in further additions to our allowance. While our allowance for loan losses was 0.81% of total loans at December 31, 2012, significant additions to our allowance could materially decrease our net income. However, it should be noted that as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, the Company has \$9.2 million and \$12.4 million, respectively, of non-accretable adjustments available on the acquired loans, which are not included in the above numbers.

In addition, bank regulators periodically review our allowance for loan losses and may require us to increase our provision for loan losses or recognize further loan charge-offs. Any increase in our allowance for loan losses or loan charge-offs as required by these regulatory authorities might have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

A significant portion of our loan portfolio is secured by real estate; therefore we have a high degree of risk from a downturn in our real estate markets and the local economy and face risks that are unique to holding foreclosed real estate.

A significant portion of our loans are secured by real estate located in New Jersey. Real estate values and real estate markets are generally affected by, among other things, changes in regional or local economic conditions, fluctuations in interest rates, and the availability of loans to potential purchasers. If real estate values decline in our market area, the value of real estate collateral securing our loans could be significantly reduced. Our ability to recover on defaulted loans by foreclosing and selling the real estate collateral would then be diminished and we would be more likely to suffer losses on defaulted loans.

In addition, the process of foreclosure in New Jersey is quite lengthy. During the time period between when the process is begun and Roma Financial is able to complete the process, the value of the collateral could decline further. Additionally, Roma Financial faces certain risks that are unique to holding foreclosed real estate, such as the risk that hazardous or toxic substances are found on the





foreclosed property, which could require it to incur substantial expenses to remediate or materially reduce the property's value. The remediation costs and any other financial liabilities associated with an environmental hazard in connection with foreclosed real estate could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Changes in interest rates may adversely affect our net interest rate spread and net interest margin, which would hurt our earnings.

We derive our income mainly from the difference or "spread" between the interest earned on loans, securities and other interest-earning assets and interest paid on deposits, borrowings and other interest-bearing liabilities. In general, the larger the spread, the more we earn. When market rates of interest change, the interest we receive on our assets and the interest we pay on our liabilities will fluctuate. This can cause decreases in our spread and can adversely affect our income.

From an interest rate risk perspective, the Company has generally been liability sensitive, which indicates that liabilities generally re-price faster than assets. The difference in price sensitivity of the Bank's assets and liabilities is measured using the Economic Value of Equity ("EVE") under various rate shock scenarios. EVE is defined as the market value of assets less the market value of liabilities. The Bank's EVE using a 300bp shock has steadily improved from (44.14)% at September 30, 2011 to (24.09)% at December 31, 2012.

In response to negative economic developments, the Federal Open Market Committee has steadily reduced its federal funds rate target from 5.25% in September 2007 to between 0.00% and 0.25% currently which has had the effect of reducing our cost of funds. However, the benefits to earnings arising from the reduction in our cost of interest-cost liabilities have been partially offset by reducing yields on the Company's interest-earning assets. The Company's net interest rate spread increased by 7 basis points to 2.85% for the year ended December 31, 2012 from 2.78% for the year ended December 31, 2011.

The decline in the Company's net interest spread are partially indicative of its overall level of asset sensitivity. However, the Company's asset sensitivity may adversely affect net income and earnings in the future when market interest rates ultimately increase from their historical lows and its cost of interest-bearing liabilities rises faster than its yield on interest-earning assets.

Interest rates also affect how much money we lend. For example, when interest rates rise, the cost of borrowing increases and loan originations tend to decrease. In addition, changes in interest rates can affect the average life of loans and securities. A reduction in interest rates generally results in increased prepayments of loans and mortgage-backed securities, as borrowers refinance their debt in order to reduce their borrowing cost. This causes reinvestment risk, because we generally are not able to reinvest prepayments at rates that are comparable to the rates we earned on the prepaid loans or securities. Changes in market interest rates could also reduce the value of our financial assets. If we are unsuccessful in managing the effects of changes in interest rates, our financial condition and profitability could suffer.

We may be required to record additional impairment charges with respect to our investment securities portfolio.

We review our securities portfolio at the end of each quarter to determine whether the fair value is below the current carrying value. When the fair value of any of our investment securities has declined below its carrying value, we are required to assess whether the impairment is other than temporary. If we conclude that the impairment is other than temporary, we are required to write down the value of that security. The "credit-related" portion of the impairment is recognized through earnings whereas the "noncredit-related" portion is generally recognized through other comprehensive income in the circumstances where the future sale of the security is unlikely.



At December 31, 2012, we had investment securities with fair values of approximately \$41.4 million which had approximately \$1.1 million in related gross unrealized losses. All unrealized losses on investment securities at December 31, 2012 represented temporary impairments of value. However, if changes in the expected cash flows of these securities and/or prolonged price declines result in our concluding in future periods that the impairment of these securities is other than temporary, we will be required to record an impairment charge against income equal to the credit-related impairment.

Strong competition within our market area may limit our growth and profitability.

Competition is intense within the banking and financial services industry in New Jersey. In our market area, we compete with commercial banks, savings institutions, mortgage brokerage firms, credit unions, finance companies, mutual funds, insurance companies, brokerage and investment banking firms operating locally and elsewhere. Many of these competitors have substantially greater resources, higher lending limits and offer services that we do not or cannot provide. This competition makes it more difficult for us to originate new loans and retain and attract new deposits. Price competition for loans may result in originating fewer loans, or earning less on our loans and price competition for deposits may result in a reduction of our deposit base or paying more on our deposits.

Our business is geographically concentrated in New Jersey and a downturn in economic conditions within the state could adversely affect our profitability.

A substantial majority of our loans are to individuals and businesses in New Jersey. The decline in the economy of the state could continue to have an adverse impact on our earnings. We have a significant amount of real estate mortgages, such that continuing decreases in local real estate values may adversely affect the value of property used as collateral. Adverse changes in the economy may also have a negative effect on the ability of our borrowers to make timely repayments of their loans, which may adversely influence our profitability.

Our return on equity compares unfavorably to other companies. This could negatively influence the price of our stock.

The net proceeds from our initial public offering in July 2006 substantially increased our equity capital. The costs of our growth programs utilizing this capital have tightened earnings. As a result, our return on equity, which is the ratio of earnings divided by average equity capital, while it has been rising since 2009, is lower than that of many similar companies. To the extent that the stock market values a company based, in part, on its return on equity, our low return on equity relative to our peer group could negatively affect the trading price of our common stock. The Company expects to continue efforts to grow and diversify the balance sheet with the goals of improving profitability.

#### Storm Related Events May Have Negative Impact on Future Earnings

We are continuing to assess the impact of Hurricane Sandy which struck our region on October 29, 2012. The storm resulted in considerable damage throughout our market area. We determined all loans that were on properties in the affected areas. Flood insurance on each property was verified, where necessary properties were visited by Bank personnel, and to the extent that any damage was evident, the damage was documented. To date, those loans continue to perform.

We may not realize the anticipated benefits from our acquisition of Sterling Banks, Inc.

On July 16, 2010, we completed our acquisition of Sterling Banks, Inc. and its wholly owned subsidiary, Sterling Bank. The acquisition of Sterling was undertaken to strengthen our market position. The success of this transaction, however, will depend on, among other things, our ability to



realize anticipated cost savings and to combine the businesses of Sterling Bank and Roma Bank in a manner that permits growth opportunities and does not materially disrupt the existing customer relationships of Sterling Bank or result in decreased revenues resulting from any loss of customers. In addition, as a result of the merger, we acquired \$47.4 million in additional criticized and nonperforming loans. While we believe that we appropriately estimated the potential losses in Sterling's loan portfolio when we priced the transaction, if we underestimated the potential losses, the anticipated benefits of the merger may not be realized fully or at all or may take longer to realize than expected.

The short-term and long-term impact of the changing regulatory capital requirements and anticipated new capital rules is uncertain.

The federal banking agencies have proposed rules that would substantially amend the regulatory risk-based capital rules applicable to Roma Financial and the Banks. The proposed rules implement the "Basel III" regulatory capital reforms and changes required by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. The proposed rules include new minimum risk-based capital and leverage ratios, which would be phased in during 2013 and 2014, and would refine the definition of what constitutes "capital" for purposes of calculating those ratios. The proposed new minimum capital level requirements applicable to the Company and the Banks would include: (i) a new common equity Tier 1 capital ratio of 4.5%; (ii) a Tier 1 capital ratio of 6% (increased from 4%); (iii) a total capital ratio of 8% (unchanged from current rules); and (iv) a Tier 1 leverage ratio of 4% for all institutions. The proposed rules would also establish a "capital conservation buffer" of 2.5% above the new regulatory minimum capital ratios, and would result in the following minimum ratios: (i) a common equity Tier 1 capital ratio of 7.0%, (ii) a Tier 1 capital ratio of 8.5%, and (iii) a total capital ratio of 10.5%. The new capital conservation buffer requirement would be phased in beginning in January 2016 at 0.625% of risk-weighted assets and would increase each year until fully implemented in January 2019. An institution would be subject to limitations on paying dividends, engaging in share repurchases, and paying discretionary bonuses if its capital level falls below the buffer amount. These limitations would establish a maximum percentage of eligible retained income that could be utilized for such actions. While the proposed Basel III changes and other regulatory capital requirements will likely result in generally higher regulatory capital standards, it is difficult at this time to predict when or how any new standards will ultimately be applied to the Company and the Banks.

The application of more stringent capital requirements to the Company and the Bank could, among other things, result in lower returns on invested capital, require the raising of additional capital, and result in regulatory actions if we were to be unable to comply with such requirements. Furthermore, the imposition of liquidity requirements in connection with the implementation of Basel III could result in our having to lengthen the term of our funding, restructure our business models, and/or increase our holdings of liquid assets. Implementation of changes to asset risk weightings for risk based capital calculations, items included or deducted in calculating regulatory capital and/or additional capital conservation buffers could result in management modifying its business strategy and could further limit our ability to make distributions, including paying out dividends or buying back shares.

#### Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

Not applicable.

#### Item 2. Properties

At December 31, 2012, our net investment in property and equipment totaled \$47.0 million, including land held for future development and construction in progress.



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The following table sets forth the location of our main office and branch offices, the year each office was opened and the net book value of each office.

Office Location	Year Facility Opened	Leased or Owned	Net Book Value at December 31, 2012 (In thousands)
Corporate Headquarters and Robbinsville Town Center Office: 2300 Route 33 Robbinsville, NJ	2005	Owned	\$12,349
Chambersburg Office: 485 Hamilton Avenue Trenton, NJ	1962	Owned	409
Mercerville Office: 500 Route 33 Hamilton, NJ	1971	Owned	671
Yardville Office: 4500 South Broad Street Hamilton, NJ	1984	Owned	1,205
West Trenton Office: 79 West Upper Ferry Road West Trenton, NJ	1986	Owned	1,130
Hamilton Center City Office: 1155 Whitehorse-Mercerville Road Hamilton, NJ	1991	Owned	5,106
South Trenton Office: 1450 South Broad Street Trenton, NJ	1993	Owned	778
Florence Township Office: 2150 Route 130 North Florence Township Burlington, NJ	2003	Owned	2,215
Plumsted Office: 400 Route 539 Cream Ridge, NJ	2007	Owned	2,460
Bordentown Office: 213 Route 130 Bordentown, NJ 08505	2008	Leased	498
Whiting Office: 451 Lacey Road Whiting, NJ 08759	2008	Leased	1,485
Hopewell Office: 84 route 31, Suite 101 Hopewell, NJ 08534	2008	Leased	584
Columbus Office: 23201 Columbus Road Columbus, NJ 08022	2008	Leased	1,267
Lawrenceville Office:	2008	Leased	261

160 Lawrenceville-Pennington  
Road, Suite 14  
Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

RomAsia Bank:	2008	Owned*	3,186
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4287 Rt. 1 South

Monmouth Jct., NJ 08852

Larchmont Office:	2010	Leased	1,018
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3100 Route 38

Mount Laurel, NJ 08054



Office Location	Year Facility Opened	Leased or Owned	Net Book Value at December 31, 2012 (In thousands)
Vincentown Office: 52 Main Street Vincentown, NJ 08088	2010	Owned	279
Marlton Office: 320 Evesboro-Medford Road Marlton, NJ 08053	2010	Leased	287
Medford Office: 415 Stokes Road Medford, NJ 08055	2010	Leased	94
Bordentown (Farnsworth) Office: 789 Farnsworth Avenue Bordentown, NJ 08505	2010	Owned	1,396
Florence (Broad Street) Office: 4 Broad Street Florence, NJ 08518	2010	Owned	189
Maple Shade Office: 124 East Main Street Maple Shade, NJ 08052	2010	Owned	1,343
Delran Office: 80 Hartford Road Moorestown, NJ 08057	2010	Leased	1,658
Voorhees Office: 1006 Kresson Road Voorhees, NJ 08043	2010	Leased	747
Wexford Office: 1951 Route 70 East Cherry Hill, NJ 08003	2010	Owned	1,193
Edison Office (RomAsia Bank):* 561 US Highway 1 Edison, NJ 08817	2010	Leased	481

\*Owned by Roma Financial Corporation leased to RomAsia Bank.

### Item 3. Legal Proceedings

On January 3, 2013, a Roma Financial stockholder filed a putative class action lawsuit on behalf of Roma Financial stockholders in the Superior Court of the State of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Mercer County, against Roma Financial, Roma MHC, Roma Bank, each member of the Roma Financial board of directors, and Investors Bancorp, Investors MHC and Investors Bank. The case is captioned Joseph T. Zalescik v. Peter Inverso, Michele Siekerka, Alfred DeBlasio, Jr., Thomas Bracken, Robert Albanese, William Walsh, Jr., Dennis Bone, Robert Rosen, Jeffrey Taylor, Roma Financial Corporation, Roma Financial Corporation, MHC, Roma Bank, Investors Bancorp, Inc., Investors Bancorp MHC and Investors Bank. The complaint alleges, among other things, that the Roma Financial board of directors breached its fiduciary duties by allegedly agreeing to inadequate consideration and onerous terms for the merger transaction and allegedly engaging in a process that involved conflicts of interest. The complaint also

alleges that Roma Financial and Investors Bancorp aided and abetted the Roma Financial board of directors' breaches of fiduciary duties. Roma Financial and Investors Bancorp believe the allegations in the complaint are without merit and intend to vigorously defend against the lawsuit.

In addition, the Banks, from time to time, are party to routine litigation which arises in the normal course of business, such as claims to enforce liens, condemnation proceedings on properties in which we hold security interests, claims involving the making and servicing of real property loans, and other issues incident to our business. There were no lawsuits pending or known to be contemplated against the Company, the Banks or subsidiaries at December 31, 2012 that would have a material effect on our operations or income.

Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

## PART II

## Item 5. Market for the Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Upon completion of the Company's minority stock offering in July 2006, the Company's common stock commenced trading on The NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "ROMA". The table below shows the reported high and low closing prices of common stock and dividends paid during the periods indicated.

Quarters Ended	High	Low	Dividends
March 31, 2011	\$ 11.15	\$ 10.16	\$ .08
June 30, 2011	\$ 10.91	\$ 9.52	\$ .08
September 30, 2011	\$ 10.57	\$ 7.85	\$ .08
December 31, 2011	\$ 10.12	\$ 7.99	\$ .08
March 31, 2012	\$ 11.20	\$ 9.65	\$ .08
June 30, 2012	\$ 9.84	\$ 7.82	\$ .04
September 30, 2012	\$ 9.78	\$ 8.52	\$ -
December 31, 2012	\$ 15.15	\$ 8.27	\$ -

Declarations of dividends by the Board of Directors depend on a number of factors, including investment opportunities, growth objectives, financial condition, profitability, tax considerations, minimum capital requirements, regulatory limitations, stock market characteristics and general economic conditions. The timing, frequency and amount of dividends are determined by the Board.

During the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010, the MHC waived its right, upon non-objection from the OTS and the Federal Reserve, to receive cash dividends of \$1.8 million, \$7.2 million and \$7.2 million, respectively, declared by the Company during the year.

As of February 19, 2013, there were approximately 3,369 shareholders of record of the Company's common stock, including brokerage firms, banks and registered clearing agents acting as nominees for an indeterminate number of beneficial owners.

Historically, the OTS had allowed mutual holding companies to waive the receipt of dividends without taking waived dividends into account in determining an appropriate exchange ratio in the event of a conversion of the mutual holding company to stock form. However, the Dodd-Frank Act transferred the authority to review and approve mutual holding company dividend waivers to the Federal Reserve and required that waived dividends be taken into account in determining an appropriate exchange ratio in a conversion of a mutual holding company to stock form, except in the event of a mutual-to-stock conversion of a federal mutual holding company, such as the MHC, that has waived dividends prior to December 1, 2009. Under Federal reserve regulations, a mutual holding company may only waive



dividends if the notice of waiver of dividends include a board resolution together with any supporting materials relied upon by the mutual holding company board to conclude that the dividend waiver is consistent with the board's fiduciary's duties. The resolution must include: (i) a description of the conflict of interest that exists because of a mutual holding company director's ownership of stock in the subsidiary declaring the dividend and any actions taken to eliminate the conflict of interest, such as a waiver by the directors of their right to receive dividends; (ii) a finding by the mutual holding company that the waiver is consistent with its fiduciary duties despite any conflict of interest; (iii) an affirmation that the mutual holding company is able to meet the terms of any loan agreement for which the stock of its subsidiary is pledged or to which the MHC is subject; and, (iv) any affirmation that a majority of the mutual holding company's members have approved a waiver of dividends within the past 12 months and that the proxy statement used for such vote included certain disclosures. As a result of these requirements, the Company decided to declare a reduced cash dividend for the quarter ended June 30, 2012 and suspended its payment of cash dividends thereafter.

On March 18, 2010, the Company announced a third five percent stock repurchase plan, equivalent to 360,680 shares. The repurchase was completed on September 23, 2010 at a total cost of \$4.1 million, or approximately \$11.67 per share.

On September 17, 2010, the Company announced a fourth five percent stock repurchase plan equivalent to 342,646 shares. The repurchase was completed on December 3, 2010 at a total cost of \$3.4 million, or approximately \$9.78 per share.

On December 22, 2011, the Company announced a fifth 5% stock repurchase plan, equivalent to 330,093 shares. At December 31, 2012, 256,700 shares had been repurchased under this program.

Period	Total Number of Shares Repurchased	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans	Maximum Number of shares that may Yet Be Purchased Under the Plan
October 1-31, 2012	40,000	\$ 9.08	40,000	99,393
November 1-30, 2012	26,000	\$ 8.50	26,000	73,393
Total	66,000	\$ 8.85	66,000	73,393

Set forth below is a stock performance graph comparing the cumulative total shareholder return on the Company's common stock with (a) the cumulative total shareholder return on stocks included in the NASDAQ Composite Index and (b) the cumulative total shareholder return on stocks included in the SNL MHC Index, in each case assuming an investment of \$100 as of December 31, 2007. The cumulative total returns for the indices and the Company are computed assuming the reinvestment of dividends that were paid during the period. It is assumed that the investment in the Company's common stock was made at the initial public offering price of \$10.00 per share.

## Roma Financial Corporation

Index	Period Ending					
	12/31/07	12/31/08	12/31/09	12/31/10	12/31/11	12/31/12
Roma Financial Corporation (MHC)	100.00	81.94	82.59	72.84	70.43	109.61
NASDAQ Composite	100.00	60.02	87.24	103.08	102.26	120.42
SNL Thrift MHCs	100.00	104.91	94.46	87.27	87.66	104.70

The NASDAQ Composite Index measures all domestic and international based common type stocks listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market. The SNL MHC Index was prepared by SNL Financial Securities, LC, Charlottesville, Virginia and includes all publicly traded mutual holding companies.

There can be no assurance that the Company's future stock performance will be the same or similar to the historical stock performance shown in the graph above. The Company neither makes nor endorses any predictions as to stock performance.

## Item 6. Selected Financial Data

The following financial information and other data in this section is derived from the Company's audited consolidated financial statements and should be read together therewith.

	2012	2011	At December 31,		
			2010	2009	2008
			(In thousands)		
Balance Sheet Data:					
Total assets	\$1,814,140	\$1,888,084	\$1,819,154	\$1,312,001	\$1,077,095
Loans receivable, net	1,037,404	962,389	893,842	585,759	520,406
Mortgage backed securities held to maturity	343,318	438,523	421,114	248,426	301,878
Securities available for sale	28,921	42,491	52,513	30,144	17,000
Investment securities held to maturity	127,916	241,185	244,421	305,349	74,115
Cash and cash equivalents	144,451	84,659	89,587	50,895	80,419
Goodwill	1,826	1,826	1,826	572	572
Deposits	1,484,569	1,575,606	1,503,560	1,015,755	764,233
Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings	52,385	33,316	35,000	24,826	46,929
Securities sold under agreement to repurchase	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Total stockholders' equity	215,609	217,955	212,476	216,220	213,016

	Year Ending December 31,				
	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
	(In thousands, except share and per share data)				
Summary of Operations:					
Interest income	\$66,298	\$73,552	\$66,413	\$54,813	\$48,095
Interest expense	15,480	20,797	20,276	21,683	19,720
Net interest income	50,818	52,755	46,137	33,130	28,375
Provision for loan losses	6,726	4,491	6,855	3,280	787
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	44,092	48,264	39,282	29,850	27,588
Non-interest income	7,466	5,170	7,369	2,804	4,229
Non-interest expense	49,905	43,028	38,477	29,012	25,120
Income before income taxes	1,653	10,406	8,174	3,642	6,697
Provisions for income taxes	907	3,303	2,981	1,035	2,190
Net income before noncontrolling interests	746	7,103	5,193	2,607	4,507
Noncontrolling interests	(122)	(123)	(87)	8	161
Net Income	\$624	\$6,980	\$5,106	\$2,615	\$4,668
Net income per share – basic and diluted	\$0.02	\$0.23	\$0.17	\$0.09	\$0.15
Dividends per share	\$0.12	\$0.32	\$0.32	\$0.32	\$0.32
Dividend payout ratio	268.43	% 31.83	% 45.56	% 92.16	% 53.85
Weighted number of common shares outstanding	29,757	29,759	30,554	30,680	30,584





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	At or For the Years Ended December 31,									
	2012	2011		2010		2009		2008		
Performance Ratios:										
Return on average assets (net income divided by average total assets)	0.03	%	0.37	%	0.32	%	0.22	%	0.48	%
Return on average equity (net income divided by average equity)	0.03		3.23		2.38		1.23		2.15	
Net interest rate spread	2.85		2.77		3.18		3.46		2.67	
Net interest margin on average interest-earning assets	2.91		2.97		3.10		2.94		3.18	
Average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities	1.14	x	1.13	x	1.16	x	1.19	x	1.23	x
Efficiency ratio (Non-interest expense divided by the sum of net interest income and non-interest income)	85.62	%	74.28	%	82.77	%	89.56	%	78.95	%
Non-interest expense to average assets	2.70		2.30		2.50		2.57		2.81	
Asset Quality Ratios:										
Non-performing loans to total loans	4.34		4.59		4.44		2.48		1.98	
Non-performing assets to total assets	3.07		2.56		2.42		1.27		0.96	
Net charge-offs to average loans outstanding	0.34		0.98		0.03		0.05		0.03	
Allowance for loan losses to total loans	0.81		0.55		1.08		0.88		0.42	
Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans	18.32		12.04		24.4		35.40		21.42	
Allowance for loan losses to legacy Roma non-performing loans	28.10		23.1		43.8		35.40		21.42	
Capital Ratios:										
Average equity to average assets (average equity divided by average total assets)	11.72		11.50		13.65		17.50		22.37	
Equity to assets at period end	11.88		11.55		11.68		16.48		19.62	
Tangible equity to tangible assets at period end	11.79		11.50		11.63		15.75		18.25	
Number of Offices:										
Offices	26		26		26		15		15	

## Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

### General

This discussion and analysis reflects the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements and other relevant statistical data. We include it to enhance your understanding of our financial condition and results of operation. You should read the information in this section in conjunction with the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, and other statistical data provided herein.

On July 16, 2010, the Company completed its acquisition of Sterling Banks Inc. (the "Sterling Merger"). At the time of the Sterling Merger, Sterling had \$360.4 million in total assets, \$272.3 million in loans receivable and \$320.7 million in deposits. Pursuant to purchase accounting, the Company's results of operations include the effect of the merger subsequent to July 16, 2010.

### Overview

**Financial Condition and Results of Operations.** The Company's results of operations depend primarily on its net interest income. Net interest income is the difference between the interest income we earn on our interest-earning assets and the interest we pay on our interest-bearing liabilities. It is a function of the average balances of loans and investments versus average balances of deposits and borrowed funds outstanding in any one period and the yields earned on those loans and investments and the cost of those deposits and borrowed funds.

Our interest-earning assets primarily consist of loans, mortgage-backed securities and investment securities. At December 31, 2012, net loans comprised 57.2% of our total assets and our securities portfolio comprised 27.6% of our total assets. The most significant change in interest-earning assets from the prior year was a \$77.8 million, or 7.8%, increase in the average balance of loans receivable, net from \$920.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, to \$998.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2012. At year end, actual loans receivable, net, totaled \$1.0 billion, an increase of \$75.0 million over the prior year. During 2012 and 2011, a key goal of management was growth in the loan portfolio, particularly multi-family and commercial real estate loans. Multi-family and commercial real estate loans increased by 9.9%, or \$28.9 million, from 2011 to 2012.

During 2012, the amount of mortgage backed securities decreased \$95.2 million, primarily due to principal repayments.

Our interest-bearing liabilities consist primarily of retail deposits, borrowings from the FHLBNY, and, securities sold under agreements to repurchase. At December 31, 2012, our total deposits were \$1.5 billion, compared to \$1.6 billion at December 31, 2011. The \$91.0 million, or 5.8%, decrease in deposits was primarily in certificates of deposit which declined \$139.9 million as management tightly controlled deposit pricing in order to reduce and achieve a reduction in the average cost of funds.

Borrowings from the FHLBNY were \$52.4 million at December 31, 2012 compared to \$33.3 million a year earlier. The Company acquired in the Sterling Merger \$6.2 million of subordinated debt maturing in 2037 with an interest rate of 6.7%. In October 2010, the Company repurchased \$4.0 million of the debt, at a discounted amount. In June 2012, at the first available call date, the remaining balance was repaid.

Our net interest income decreased 3.8% to \$50.8 million in 2012, from \$52.8 million in 2011. The average net interest spread decreased to 2.78% from 2.82% in 2011, as the average cost of interest bearing liabilities decreased 31 basis points, while the average yield on interest-earning assets declined 35 basis points. For 2012, the average cost of interest-bearing liabilities was 1.01% and the average yield on interest-earning assets was 3.79%. Total interest income decreased 9.9%, due mainly to a 35 basis point decrease in the average yield, partially offset by a 1.6% increase in the average balance of interest-earning assets. Interest expense decreased 25.6%, reflecting a 2.2% decrease in average interest bearing liabilities and a 31 basis point decline in the cost of interest bearing liabilities.

Our results of operations were also influenced by our provisions for loan losses, non-interest income and non-interest expense. The provision for loan losses increased as it was driven by continued declines in collateral values. In addition, we increased our percentages in various environmental areas for the general reserve. Non-interest income includes service fees and charges, including income generated by the Banks' retail branch networks and operations, income from bank-owned life insurance ("BOLI"), and title insurance revenue from our title agency subsidiary. Non-interest expense includes salaries and employee benefits, occupancy expenses and other general and administrative expenses.

Non-interest income increased \$2.3 million to \$7.5 million in 2012, compared to \$5.2 million in 2011. The increase was primarily due to a \$1.6 million increase in the premiums earned on the sale of mortgage loans, a \$262 thousand increase in commissions on the sale of title policies, a \$203 thousand increase in income from bank-owned life insurance and a \$357 thousand increase in the gain on sale of available for sale securities. Non-interest expense includes salaries and employee benefits, occupancy expenses and other general and administrative expenses. Non-interest expense in 2012 also included certain costs associated with the negotiation of the Merger Agreement. Non-interest expense increased by \$6.9 million, or 16.0%, to \$49.9 million in 2012, compared to \$43.0 million in 2011. The increase was primarily due to merger related expenses of \$1.9 million, salary increase of \$1.6 million, an increase in commercial and residential problem loan resolution expenses of \$1.1 million and an increase in real estate owned expense of \$781 thousand.

Net income for the year ended December 31, 2012 was \$624 thousand, a decrease of \$6.4 million or 91.1% from \$7.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2011.

Total assets decreased \$73.9 million, or 3.9%, to \$1.8 billion, at December 31, 2012, from \$1.9 billion at December 31, 2011. Cash and cash equivalents increased \$60.0 million from year to year. Loans receivable, net, increased \$75.0 million, available for sale securities decreased \$13.6 million, investments held to maturity decreased \$113.3 million, while mortgage backed securities decreased \$95.2 million at December 31, 2012, as compared to December 31, 2011.

Stockholders' equity decreased \$2.4 million, or 1.1%, to \$215.6 million at December 31, 2012 as dividend payments and funds used for stock repurchases exceeded net income from the period.

Business Strategy. Our current business strategy is to seek growth and improve profitability by:

- Increasing the volume of loan originations and the size of our loan portfolio relative to our securities portfolio;
  - Increasing originations of commercial real estate loans and commercial business loans;
  - Improved asset quality;
  - Lowering the level of non-performing assets;



- Building core banking business through internal growth and growing our branches; and

• Developing a sales culture by training and encouraging branch personnel to promote existing products and services to our customers.

Historically, our deposits have exceeded our loan originations, and we have invested those deposits primarily in mortgage-backed securities and investment securities. Over the last few years, however, we have focused on enlarging our non-residential loan portfolio.

**Critical Accounting Policies.** Our accounting policies are integral to understanding the results reported and are described in detail in Note 1 to Consolidated Financial Statements contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K. In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the dates of the consolidated statements of financial condition and income for the periods then ended. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates. Material estimates that are particularly susceptible to significant changes relate primarily to the determination of the allowance for loan losses.

**Allowance for Loan Losses.** The allowance for loan losses represents our best estimate of losses known and inherent in our loan portfolio that are both probable and reasonable to estimate. In determining the amount of the allowance for loan losses, we consider the losses inherent in our loan portfolio and changes in the nature and volume of our loan activities, along with general economic and real estate market conditions. We utilize a segmented approach which identifies: (1) impaired loans for which, prior to September 2011, specific reserves were established; (2) classified loans for which a higher allowance is established; and (3) performing loans for which a general valuation allowance is established. We maintain a loan review system which provides for a systematic review of the loan portfolios and the early identification of impaired loans. The review of residential real estate and home equity consumer loans, as well as other more complex loans, is triggered by identified evaluation factors, including delinquency status, size of loan, type of collateral and the financial condition of the borrower. All commercial loans are evaluated individually for impairment. Specific loan loss allowances are established for impaired loans based on a review of such information and/or appraisals of the underlying collateral. General loan loss allowances are based upon a combination of factors including, but not limited to, actual loan loss experience, composition of the loan portfolio, current economic conditions and management's judgment.

Although specific and general loan loss allowances are established in accordance with management's best estimate, actual losses are dependent upon future events, and as such, further provisions for loan losses may be necessary in order to increase the level of the allowance for loan losses. For example, our evaluation of the allowance includes consideration of current economic conditions, and a change in economic conditions could reduce the ability of borrowers to make timely repayments of their loans. This could result in increased delinquencies and increased non-performing loans, and thus a need to make increased provisions to the allowance for loan losses. Any such increase in provisions would result in a reduction to our earnings. A change in economic conditions could also adversely affect the value of properties collateralizing real estate loans, resulting in increased charges against the allowance and reduced recoveries, and require increased provisions to the allowance for loan losses. Furthermore, a change in the composition, or growth, of our loan portfolio could result in the need for additional provisions.

**Acquired Loans.** Loans that we acquired in the Sterling Merger were recorded at fair value with no carryover of the related allowance for credit losses. Determining the fair value of the loans involves estimating the amount and timing of principal and interest cash flows expected to be collected on the loans and discounting those cash flows at a market rate of interest.



The excess of cash flows expected at acquisition over the estimated fair value is referred to as the accretable discount or premium and is recognized into interest income over the remaining life of the loan. The difference between the contractually required payments at acquisition and the cash flows expected to be collected at acquisition is referred to as the non accretable discount. The nonaccretable discount represents estimated future credit losses expected to be incurred over the life of the loan. Subsequent decreases to the expected cash flows require us to evaluate the need for an allowance for loan losses. Subsequent improvements in expected cash flows result in the reversal of a corresponding amount of the nonaccretable discount which we then reclassify as an accretable discount that is recognized into interest income over the remaining life of the loan using the interest method. Our evaluation of the amount of future cash flows that we expect to collect is performed in a similar manner as that used to determine our allowance for credit losses. Charge-offs of the principal amount on acquired loans would be first applied to the nonaccretable discount portion of the fair value adjustment.

#### Comparison of Financial Condition at December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011

**General.** Total assets decreased by \$73.9 million, or 3.9%, to \$1.8 billion at December 31, 2012, compared to \$1.9 billion at December 31, 2011, primarily due to a decrease of \$222.0 million in total investment securities, offset by an increase of \$75.0 million in net loans.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents.** Cash and cash equivalents increased \$60.0 million, or 70.6%, to \$144.4 million at December 31, 2012 from \$84.7 million at December 31, 2011.

**Securities Available for Sale.** Securities available for sale decreased \$13.6 million, or 31.9%, to \$28.9 million at December 31, 2012 compared to \$42.5 million at December 31, 2011. The decrease was primarily due to \$16.7 million of available for sale securities sold or called during the year, net of purchases of additional securities classified as available for sale during the year and \$5.1 million of principal repayments on mortgage-backed securities carried as available for sale.

**Investment Securities Held to Maturity.** Investment securities held to maturity decreased \$113.3 million, or 47.0%, to \$127.9 million at December 31, 2012 from \$241.2 million at December 31, 2011. The decrease in the investments held to maturity portfolio was primarily due to calls of securities. The weighted yield of the portfolio at December 31, 2012 was 2.45%.

**Mortgage-Backed Securities.** Mortgage-backed securities decreased \$95.2 million, or 21.7%, to \$343.3 million at December 31, 2012, from \$438.5 million at December 31, 2011. The average yield on mortgage-backed securities at December 31, 2012 was 3.55%. Unattractive yields on these long-term investments did not make them a desirable investment option.

**Loans.** Loans receivable, net, increased \$75.0 million or 7.8% to \$1.0 billion at December 31, 2012, compared to \$962.4 million at December 31, 2011. Conventional one-to four-family mortgages increased \$58.3 million, or 14.8%, to \$452.5 million at December 31, 2012, compared to \$394.2 million at December 31, 2011. Loans in this category increased primarily due to the lower rate environment generating demand for refinancing. Commercial and multi-family mortgages, construction and commercial loans increased \$33.3 million, an increase of 9.4%, to \$388.9 million at December 31, 2012, compared to \$366.7 million in the prior year. The majority of the growth was in commercial real estate loans. Home equity and consumer loans decreased \$1.1 million, or 0.51%, to \$217.7 million at December 31, 2012, compared to \$218.9 million the prior year-end.

**Premises and Equipment.** Premises and equipment, net of depreciation, decreased minimally by \$0.4 million from year to year to \$47.0 million at December 31, 2012 compared to \$47.4 million at December 31, 2011. Roma Bank also holds a 50% interest in a variable interest entity which owns real





estate which is listed separately on the balance sheet as real estate owned via equity investment. The Company also held for sale at December 31, 2012 its former loan center and a parcel of land at a branch location. The loan center sale closed in January 2013 for a gain of \$557 thousand. The parcel of land is under contract and is expected to close in the second quarter of 2013. Both of these assets are listed separately on the balance sheet as held for sale.

Bank Owned Life Insurance. BOLI increased \$5.7 million to \$34.6 million at December 31, 2012 compared to \$28.9 million the prior year. In January of 2012, the Company invested an additional \$4.6 million in BOLI.

Real Estate Owned. Real estate owned increased \$5.0 million to \$8.3 million at December 31, 2012, compared to \$3.3 million at December 31, 2011. During 2012, 25 new properties were added to real estate owned and 13 were sold. At December 31, 2012, the Company held 23 residential properties and 4 commercial properties. The Company recorded a \$783 thousand impairment on real estate owned during 2012. The Company received and accepted an offer on a commercial property held for sale in January 2013 and recorded an impairment based on the offer less selling costs of \$446 thousand. The remainder of the impairment charges were related to new appraisals received in the last quarter of 2012.

Other Assets. All other assets increased \$2.4 million to \$36.8 million at December 31, 2012, compared to \$34.4 million a year earlier. The increase was primarily a result of an increase of \$3.2 million in FHLB stock, an increase of \$2.0 million of prepaid federal and state tax, offset by decreases of \$1.8 million in deferred taxes and \$1.0 million in accrued interest receivable.

Deposits. Deposits decreased by \$91.0 million, or 5.78%, to \$1.5 billion at December 31, 2012, compared to \$1.6 billion at the prior year-end. Non-interest bearing demand deposits increased \$7.5 million, or 11.8%, to \$71.3 million at December 31, 2012, compared to \$63.8 million at December 31, 2011. Interest bearing checking accounts increased \$44.8 million, or 22.5%, to \$243.4 million at December 31, 2012, compared to \$198.6 million in the prior year. The weighted average interest rate of total checking accounts, including both interest bearing and non-interest bearing, was 0.10% at December 31, 2012, compared to 0.20% in the prior year. Money market and savings accounts decreased \$3.4 million, or 0.66%, to \$513.7 million at December 31, 2012, compared to \$517.1 million at December 31, 2011. The weighted average interest rate of savings and club accounts at December 31, 2012 was 0.33%, compared to 0.44% in the prior year. Certificates of deposit decreased \$139.9 million, or 17.6%, to \$656.2 million at December 31, 2012, compared to \$796.1 million at the end of the prior year. The weighted average interest rate of certificates of deposit at December 31, 2012 was 1.31%, compared to 1.62% in the prior year. Action was taken to reduce excess liquidity and lower the cost of deposits by allowing higher cost of funds certificates to run off.

FHLB Advances. FHLB NY advances increased \$19.1 million to \$52.4 million at December 31, 2012 compared to \$33.3 million at December 31, 2011. Roma Bank has a \$23.0 million advance with the FHLB NY for ten years, with a three year call, at 3.9% interest, with interest paid quarterly. Roma Bank also has a \$12.6 million advance at 1.03% amortizing over five years and maturing January 2017. RomAsia Bank has various long term advances totaling \$16.8 million.

Subordinated Debentures. On May 1, 2007, Sterling Banks Capital Trust I, a Delaware statutory business trust (the "Trust"), issued \$6.2 million of variable rate capital trust pass-through securities ("capital securities") to investors. The Company assumed Sterling's obligation under the capital securities as part of the Sterling Merger. On October 22, 2010, the Company repurchased \$4.0 million of these capital securities at a discounted market value of \$3.2 million. In June 2012, the first call date subsequent to the Sterling Merger, the Company redeemed the remaining balance.

Securities Sold Under Agreements to Repurchase. In August 2008, the Company entered into an agreement to sell securities under agreement to repurchase in the amount of \$40.0 million. The maturities and respective interest rates are as follows: \$10.0 million maturing in 2015 at 3.22%; \$20.0 million maturing in 2018 at 3.51%; and, \$10.0 million maturing in 2018 at 3.955%. The agreement is collateralized by securities described in the underlying agreement which are held in safekeeping at the FHLBNY.

Other Liabilities. Other liabilities increased by \$2.0 million, or 12.1%, to \$18.1 million at December 31, 2012, compared to \$16.2 million at December 31, 2011. The increase was primarily due to a \$1.5 million increase in the pension liability.

Stockholders' Equity. Stockholders' equity decreased \$2.4 million, or 1.1%, to \$215.6 million at December 31, 2012. The decrease was primarily a result of dividends paid to minority shareholders and the MHC of \$1.7 million, and stock repurchases of \$2.3 million, exceeding net income of \$624 thousand.

#### Comparison of Operating Results for the Years Ended December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011

General. Net income for the year ended December 31, 2012 was \$624 thousand, or \$0.02 per basic and diluted share, a decrease of \$6.4 million, or 91.0%, from \$7.0 million, or \$0.23 per basic and diluted share, for the year ended December 31, 2011.

Net Interest Income. Net interest income, after the provision for loan loss decreased \$4.2 million, or 8.6%, to \$44.1 million, compared to \$48.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2011. Our net interest rate spread on the balance sheet decreased 4 basis points to 2.78%, compared to 2.82% the prior year. The average yield on interest earning assets decreased 35 basis points, while the average cost of interest bearing liabilities decreased 31 basis points. The average yield on interest bearing assets was 3.79% and 4.14% for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively. The average cost of interest-bearing liabilities for the years ending December 31, 2012 and 2011 was 1.01% and 1.32%, respectively.

Interest Income. Total interest income decreased \$7.3 million, or 9.9%, to \$66.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to \$73.6 million for the prior year. The decline in interest income resulted from the decline in the yield on average interest earning assets. While average interest earning assets also declined year over year, the composition of the assets also changed with higher-yielding loans increasing in 2012 as compared to 2011 while investment securities and mortgage-backed securities which yield a lower return decreased year over year.

Interest income on loans increased \$323 thousand, or 0.7%, to \$47.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to \$47.0 million for the prior year. The increase resulted from an increase in the average balance of loans from \$920.8 million to \$998.6 million; an increase of \$77.8 million over 2011. This was offset by a decrease in the average yield on loans year-over-year of 37 basis points.

Interest income on mortgage-backed securities held to maturity decreased \$3.1 million, or 18.3%, to \$14.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to \$17.2 million in the prior year. This decrease was due primarily to an average portfolio decrease of \$43.6 million, offset by a 36 basis point decrease in average yield.

Interest income on investment securities available for sale and held to maturity decreased \$4.5 million, or 50.9%, to \$4.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 compared to \$8.8 million for the prior year. The average yield on investment securities available for sale and held to maturity decreased 61 basis points to 2.45%, compared to 3.06% in the prior year. The average balance of investment securities



available for sale and held to maturity decreased \$80.3 million to \$207.7 million in 2012, compared to \$288.0 million in the prior year. The decrease in the average balance was primarily due to investment calls.

Interest income on other interest-earning assets increased slightly by \$53 thousand to \$530 thousand in 2012 compared to \$477 thousand in the prior year. The average yield on other interest-bearing assets was virtually unchanged at 0.36% in 2012, compared to 0.37% in the prior year. The decrease was primarily the result of a small decline then leveling off in overnight interest rates in 2012. The average balance of other interest-bearing assets increased \$16.9 million to \$145.4 million in 2012, compared to \$128.5 million in 2011.

**Interest Expense.** Total interest expense decreased \$5.3 million, or 25.6%, to \$15.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2012, compared to \$20.8 million in the prior year. The decrease primarily was from a 5.3% decrease in interest bearing liabilities and a 31 basis point decrease in the average cost of interest bearing liabilities to 1.01% compared to 1.32% in the prior year. The average balance of interest-bearing liabilities decreased \$33.4 million to \$1.5 billion compared to \$1.6 billion in the prior year.

Interest expense on deposits decreased \$5.5 million, or 30.7%, to \$12.5 million in 2012, compared to \$18.0 million in 2011. Average interest-bearing demand deposits increased \$32.7 million, or 18.1%, to \$212.2 million for the year ending December 31, 2012, compared to \$179.5 million at the end of the prior year. The average cost of interest bearing demand deposits decreased 12 basis points from year to year. Average money market and savings accounts increased \$19.5 million, or 4.0%, to \$514.7 million, compared to \$495.2 million in the prior year. The average cost of money market and savings accounts decreased 35 basis points to 0.33%, compared to 0.68% in the prior year. The average cost of certificates of deposits decreased 26 basis points to 1.46%, compared to 1.72% in the prior year. The average balance of certificates of deposit decreased \$100.8 million, or 12.2%, to \$722.2 million, compared to \$823.0 million in 2011.

Interest expense on FHLB NY advances increased slightly by \$42 thousand to \$1.2 million, compared to the prior year. The average cost of borrowings decreased 108 basis points to 2.50% compared to 3.58% in the prior year. In late October 2007, the Company borrowed \$23.0 million in the form of a ten year advance with a three year call, interest only quarterly at 3.90%. In January 2012 the Company borrowed \$15.0 million from the FHLB NY amortizing over five years and maturing in January 2017 at a rate of 1.03%. In August 2008, the Company borrowed \$40.0 million under an agreement to repurchase securities at a blended interest rate of 3.55%. RomAsia Bank has \$16.9 million of short-term borrowings from FHLB NY.

The Company assumed in the Sterling Merger Sterling's obligations under subordinated debentures totaling \$6.2 million. The Company paid off a portion of this debt in October 2010. In June 2012, at the first available call date after the Sterling Merger, the Company redeemed the remainder. Interest expense for the subordinated debentures includes \$271 thousand for the amortization of the discount booked at the time of the merger.

**Provision for Loan Losses.** The provision for loan losses increased \$2.2 million to \$6.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 compared to \$4.5 million in the prior year. The allowance was increased as impairments were recognized. The allowance for loan loss was 0.81% of total loans, and, 0.96% of legacy Roma loans, at December 31, 2012, compared to 0.55% of total loans and 0.76% of the Roma legacy loans in the prior year. The loans acquired in the Sterling Merger have non-accretable credit marks of \$9.2 million at December 31, 2012 on gross loans totaling \$171.4 million, or 5.4%. Charge-offs totaled \$3.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 compared to \$9.0 million for the year ended

December 31, 2011. In 2011 the Company charged off its specific reserves totaling \$5.1 million. The largest single charge-off in 2012 was a on a commercial real estate loan where the Company sold the note and recognized a charge-off of \$829 thousand. The Company also recognized charge-offs in the fourth quarter of 2012 totaling \$760 thousand as new appraisals continued to reflect depressed values.

**Non-Interest Income.** Non-interest income includes fees and service charges on loans, commissions on the sale of title insurance policies, BOLI income, and other miscellaneous income. Non-interest income increased \$2.3 million, or 44.4%, to \$7.5 million in 2012, compared to \$5.2 million in the prior year. The increase was primarily due to an increase in premiums on sales of mortgage loans of \$1.6 million.

Commissions on sales of title policies increased \$262 thousand due to an increase in transactions.

Fees and service charges on deposits and loans increased minimally by \$35 thousand, to \$1.6 million, compared to the prior year. Fees and service-charges on deposits decreased \$263 thousand, or 18.3%, to \$1.4 million. The decrease was primarily due to decreased fees from our overdraft protection program. Fees and service charges on loans increased by \$298 thousand primarily from an increase in prepayment penalties.

Income from BOLI increased \$203 thousand in 2012. In January 2012, Roma Bank purchased an additional \$4.6 million of BOLI.

Other categories of non-interest income increased \$182 thousand, in the aggregate, to \$1.1 million in 2012, compared to \$900 thousand in the prior year. The increase was primarily due to an increase in fees, ATM income and refunds of back year real estate taxes.

**Non-Interest Expense.** Non-interest expense increased \$6.9 million, or 16.0%, to \$49.9 million in 2012, compared to \$43.0 million in the prior year. The increase was primarily due to increases in merger expenses, increased costs of real estate owned and problem loan resolution, and consulting fees.

Salaries and employee benefits increased \$1.7 million, or 6.9%, to \$25.7 million in 2012, compared to \$24.0 million in the prior year. The increase was primarily due to increased pension costs of \$578 thousand and payroll increases of \$920 thousand, including additional staff in response to increased regulatory requirements.

Net occupancy expense of premises decreased approximately \$320 thousand, or 6.7%, to \$4.4 million in 2012 compared to \$4.7 million in the prior year. The reductions in costs occurred at a majority of the branch locations.

Equipment costs increased \$143 thousand, or 4.0%, to \$3.7 million for the year ended December 31, 2012 compared to \$3.5 million in the prior year. Approximately \$115 thousand of the increase is related to typical smaller furniture and fixtures and depreciation increases and \$28 thousand is related to increased processing costs.

Data processing costs were essentially flat, decreasing by only \$25 thousand, or 1.1%, to \$2.3 million in 2012, compared to \$2.3 million in the prior year.

Advertising increased \$180 thousand to \$980 thousand in 2012, compared to \$800 thousand in the prior year. The majority of the increase was related to a one-time targeted marketing and advertising campaign.

Commercial and residential loan expense increase \$1.1 million or 68.2% to \$2.7 million in 2012, compared to \$1.6 million in the prior year. The increase was primarily related to the payment of real estate taxes on loans in foreclosure and the legal costs related to foreclosure process.

Real estate owned expense increased \$781 thousand to \$1.0 million in 2012, compared to \$263 thousand in 2011. The increase was primarily due to \$597 thousand of repair costs on a commercial REO incurred to obtain a certificate of occupancy and the increased costs of having more properties in REO throughout the year.

On December 19, 2012, the Company entered into a definitive merger agreement to merge. Merger costs of \$1.9 million were incurred in December 2012.

Other non-interest expense decreased \$1.4 million, or 24.6%, to \$5.4 million in 2012, compared to \$4.0 million in the prior year. The increase was primarily due to increased consulting costs of approximately \$390 thousand as the Company engaged in a search for a new president and chief executive officer, an increase in the liability for undrawn commitments of \$213,000 thousand, increased legal costs not related to loan resolutions of \$65,000, increased directors' fees of approximately \$78 thousand primarily due to RomAsia paying board fees for the first time, and other normal increases.

Provision for Income Taxes. The provision for income taxes decreased \$2.4 million, or 72.5%, to \$907 thousand in 2012 compared to \$3.3 million in the prior year. The decrease is primarily related to a decline in pre-tax income. The effective tax rate for 2012 was 54.8%, compared to 31.74% for 2011. The increase in the effective rate is primarily due to the \$1.9 million of merger expenses which are primarily non-deductable.

#### Comparison of Operating Results for the Years Ended December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010

General. Net income for the year ended December 31, 2011 was \$7.0 million, an increase of \$1.9 million, or 36.7%, from \$5.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2010.

Net Interest Income. Net interest income, after the provision for loan loss increased \$9.0 million, or 22.9%, to \$48.3 million, compared to \$39.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2010. Our net interest rate spread on the average balance sheet decreased 6 basis points to 2.82%, compared to 2.88% the prior year. The average yield on interest earning assets decreased 33 basis points, while the average cost of interest bearing liabilities decreased 27 basis points. The average yield on interest bearing assets was 4.14% and 4.47% for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The average cost of interest-bearing liabilities for the years ending December 31, 2011 and 2010 were 1.32% and 1.59%, respectively.

Interest Income. Total interest income increased \$7.1 million, or 10.7%, to \$73.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to \$66.4 million for the prior year. The improvement in interest income resulted from an increase in the average balance of interest earning assets.

Interest income on loans increased \$7.0 million, or 17.6%, to \$47.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to \$40.0 million for the prior year. The increase resulted from an increase in the average balance of loans from \$730.5 million to \$920.8 million; an increase of \$190.2 million over 2010. This was offset by a decrease in the average yield on loans year over year of 37 basis points.

Interest income on mortgage-backed securities held to maturity increased \$3.7 million, or 27.5%, to \$17.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to \$13.5 million in the prior year. This





increase was due primarily to an average volume increase of \$146.2 million offset by a 68 basis point decrease in average yield.

Interest income on investment securities available for sale and held to maturity decreased \$3.6 million, or 28.86%, to \$8.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 compared to \$12.4 million for the prior year. The average yield on investment securities available for sale and held to maturity decreased 63 basis points to 3.06%, compared to 3.69% in the prior year. The average balance of investment securities available for sale and held to maturity decreased \$46.2 million to \$288.0 million in 2011, compared to \$334.2 million in the prior year. The decrease in the average balance was primarily due to more favorable rates and prices in other investment options.

Interest income on other interest-earning assets decreased \$34 thousand to \$0.5 million in 2011, compared to \$0.5 million in the prior year. The average yield on other interest-bearing assets decreased 3 basis points to 0.37% in 2011, compared to 0.40% in the prior year. The decrease was primarily the result of a continued decline in overnight interest rates in 2011. The average balance of other interest-bearing assets increased \$789 thousand to \$128.5 million in 2011, compared to \$127.8 million in 2010.

Interest Expense. Total interest expense increased \$521 thousand, or 2.6%, to \$20.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2011, compared to \$20.3 million in the prior year. The increase primarily was from 23.0% increase in interest bearing liabilities offsetting a 27 basis point decrease in the average cost of interest bearing liabilities, which, decreased 27 basis points to 1.32% compared to 1.59% in the prior year. The average balance of interest-bearing liabilities increased \$295.1 million to \$1.6 billion compared to \$1.3 billion in the prior year.

Interest expense on deposits increased \$326 thousand, or 1.8%, to \$18.0 million in 2011, compared to \$17.7 million in 2010. Average interest-bearing demand deposits increased \$27.1 million, or 17.8%, to \$179.5 million for the year ending December 31, 2011, compared to \$152.4 million at the end of the prior year. The average cost of interest bearing demand deposits decreased 14 basis points from year to year. Average savings and club accounts increased \$138.7 million, or 38.9%, to \$495.2 million, compared to \$356.5 million in the prior year. The average cost of savings and club accounts decreased 24 basis points to 0.68%, compared to 0.92% in the prior year. The average cost of certificates of deposits decreased 26 basis points to 1.72%, compared to 1.98% in the prior year. The average balance of certificates of deposit increased \$124.8 million, or 17.9%, to \$823.0 million, compared to \$698.2 million in 2010.

Interest expense on FHLBNY advances increased \$195 thousand to \$1.2 million, compared to \$1.0 million in the prior year. The average cost of borrowings increased 13 basis points to 3.58% compared to 3.45% in the prior year. In late October 2007, the Company borrowed \$23.0 million in the form of a ten year advance with a three year call, interest only quarterly at 3.90%. In August 2008, the Company borrowed \$40.0 million under an agreement to repurchase securities at a blended interest rate of 3.55%. RomAsia Bank has \$10.3 million of short-term borrowing from FHLBNY.

The Company assumed in the Sterling Merger Sterling's obligation under subordinated debentures totaling \$6.2 million at a rate of 6.8%. The Company repurchased a portion of this debt in October 2010. At December 31, 2011, the balance was \$1.9 million.

Provision for Loan Losses. The provision for loan losses decreased \$2.4 million to \$4.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 compared to \$6.9 million in the prior year. The provision was decreased as impairments were recognized and loans were charged off. The allowance for loan loss was 0.55% of total loans, and, 0.76% of legacy Roma loans, at December 31, 2011, compared to 1.59% in the



prior year. The loans acquired from Sterling Bank have non-accretable credit marks of \$12.5 million at December 31, 2011 on gross loans totaling \$218.1 million, or 5.7%.

**Non-Interest Income.** Non-interest income includes fees and service charges on loans, commissions on the sale of title insurance policies, BOLI income, and other miscellaneous income. Non-interest income decreased \$2.2 million, or 29.8%, to \$5.2 million in 2011 compared to \$7.4 million in the prior year. The decrease was primarily due to a realized gain of \$2.2 million on an equity security in 2010.

Commissions on sale of title policies decreased minimally primarily due to static real estate transactions.

Fees and service charges on deposits and loans decreased minimally, \$289 thousand, to \$1.5 million, compared to \$1.8 million in the prior year. Fees and service-charges on deposits decreased \$61 thousand, or 4%, to \$1.4 million, compared to \$1.5 million in the prior year. The minimal decrease was primarily due to decreased fees from our overdraft protection program. Fees and service charges on loans decreased minimally by \$228 thousand primarily from a decline in late charge fees.

Income from BOLI increased \$46 thousand in 2011. No new policies were purchased in 2011, however, in January 2012, Roma Bank purchased an additional \$4.6 million of BOLI.

Other categories of non-interest income decreased \$1.9 million, in the aggregate, to \$1.5 million in 2011, compared to \$4.1 million in the prior year. The decrease was primarily due to realized gain of \$2.2 million on an equity security in the prior year.

**Non-Interest Expense.** Non-interest expense increased \$4.6 million, or 11.8%, to \$43.0 million in 2011, compared to \$38.5 million in the prior year. The increase was primarily due to the full year of costs related to the Sterling Merger with Sterling Bank in July 2010 and the related costs associated with the ten branches acquired in the Sterling Merger.

Salaries and employee benefits increased \$3.1 million, or 15.0%, to \$24.0 million in 2011, compared to \$20.9 million in the prior year. The increase in costs was primarily related to the full year of personnel related to the Sterling Merger in 2010. Full-time equivalent employees decreased by 12 from December 31, 2010 to December 31, 2011.

Net occupancy expense of premises increased approximately \$980 thousand, or 26.1%, to \$4.7 million in 2011 compared to \$3.7 million in the prior year. Costs related to the full year costs for the ten branches acquired in the Sterling Merger were \$781 thousand.

Equipment costs increased \$454 thousand, or 14.7%, to \$3.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2011 compared to \$3.1 million in the prior year. Approximately \$275 thousand of the increase is related to full year costs related to the Sterling Merger.

Data processing costs increased \$302 thousand, or 15.3%, to \$2.3 million in 2011, compared to \$2.0 million in the prior year. This increase was primarily related to the Sterling Merger and the need to have duplicate systems for a short period of time.

Advertising decreased \$27 thousand to \$800 thousand in 2011, compared to \$827 thousand in the prior year.

Other non-interest expense decreased \$282 thousand, or 3.5%, to \$7.7 million in 2011, compared to \$7.9 million in the prior year. The decrease was primarily due to Sterling Merger costs of \$924 thousand in 2010, primarily offset by increases in costs relating to impaired loans of \$525 thousand and increased compliance related consulting costs of approximately \$65 thousand, and other minimal increases in various categories.

Provision for Income Taxes. The provision for income taxes increased \$322 thousand, or 10.8%, to \$3.3 million in 2011 compared to \$3.0 million in the prior year. The increase is primarily related to an increase of 27.3% in pre-tax income lowered by increases in tax free income primarily from BOLI. The effective tax rate for 2011 was 31.74%, compared to 36.47% for 2010.

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Average Balance Sheet. The average yields and costs shown in the following table are derived by dividing income or expense by the daily average balance of assets or liabilities, respectively, for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011, and 2010. No tax equivalent adjustments have been made.

	2012		2012			2011		2010	
	Actual Balance	Actual Yield/ Cost	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/ Cost	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/ Cost	Average Balance
<b>Interest-earnings assets:</b>									
Loans receivable, net (1)	\$ 1,037,405	4.56%	\$ 998,587	\$ 47,356	4.74%	\$ 920,778	\$ 47,033	5.11%	\$ 730,532
Mortgage-backed securities held to maturity	343,318	4.10	397,204	14,092	3.55	440,782	17,238	3.91	294,579
<b>Investment securities: (2)</b>									
Tax-exempt	11,202	2.64	13,604	388	2.96	13,637	469	3.44	11,095
Taxable	145,635	2.70	194,623	3,932	2.02	274,376	8,335	3.03	323,139
<b>Other interest-earning assets (3)</b>									
	169,517	0.32	145,436	530	0.36	128,543	477	0.37	127,754
<b>Total interest-earning assets</b>	<b>1,707,077</b>	<b>3.88</b>	<b>1,749,454</b>	<b>66,298</b>	<b>3.79</b>	<b>1,778,116</b>	<b>73,552</b>	<b>4.14</b>	<b>1,487,099</b>
<b>Non-interest-earning assets</b>	<b>107,063</b>		<b>101,861</b>			<b>101,551</b>			<b>86,263</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,814,140</b>		<b>\$ 1,851,315</b>			<b>\$ 1,879,667</b>			<b>\$ 1,573,362</b>
<b>Interest-bearing liabilities:</b>									
<b>Interest-bearing demand</b>									
	\$ 243,379	0.10	\$ 212,165	\$ 248	0.12	\$ 179,533	434	0.24	\$ 152,418
<b>Money market and savings</b>									
	513,695	0.33	514,741	1,695	0.33	495,160	3,412	0.68	356,492
<b>Certificates of deposit</b>									
	656,207	1.61	722,208	10,549	1.46	823,007	14,190	1.72	698,247
<b>Subordinated debentures (4)</b>									
	-		885	323	36.5	1,910	138	7.22	1,788
<b>Securities sold under agreement to repurchase</b>									
	40,000	3.55	40,000	1,420	3.55	40,000	1,420	3.55	40,000
<b>Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings</b>									
	52,385	2.38	49,802	1,245	2.50	33,624	1,203	3.58	29,179
<b>Total interest-bearing liabilities</b>	<b>1,505,666</b>	<b>1.03</b>	<b>1,539,801</b>	<b>15,480</b>	<b>1.01</b>	<b>1,573,234</b>	<b>20,797</b>	<b>1.32</b>	<b>1,278,124</b>
<b>Non-interest-bearing liabilities</b>	<b>92,865</b>		<b>92,566</b>			<b>90,223</b>			<b>78,753</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>1,598,531</b>		<b>1,632,367</b>			<b>1,663,457</b>			<b>1,356,877</b>

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Minority interest	1,977	1,920	1,688	1,688
Stockholders' equity	213,632	217,028	214,523	214,797
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 1,814,140	\$ 1,851,315	\$ 1,879,667	\$ 1,573,362
Net interest income		\$ 50,818	\$ 52,755	\$
Interest rate spread (5)	2.85%		2.78%	2.82%
Net yield on interest-earning assets (6)		2.91 %		2.97%
Ratio of average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities		1.14x	1.13x	1.16x

- (1) Non-accruing loans have been included in loans receivable, and the effect of such inclusion was not material.
- (2) Includes both available for sale and held to maturity securities.
- (3) Includes interest-bearing deposits at other banks, federal funds purchased, FHLB NY capital stock and BOLI.
- (4) Interest expense on subordinated debt includes full amortization of premium/discount from acquisition at payoff.
- (5) Interest rate spread represents the difference between the average yield on interest-earning assets and the average cost of interest-bearing liabilities.
- (6) Net yield on interest-earning assets represents net interest income as a percentage of average interest-earning assets.

Rate/Volume Analysis. The following table reflects the sensitivity of our interest income and interest expense to changes in volume and in prevailing interest rates during the periods indicated. Each category reflects the: (1) changes in volume (changes in volume multiplied by old rate); (2) changes in rate (changes in rate multiplied by old volume); and (3) net change. The net change attributable to the combined impact of volume and rate has been allocated proportionally to the absolute dollar amounts of change in each.

	Year Ended December 31, 2012 vs. 2011			Year Ended December 31, 2011 vs. 2010		
	Increase (Decrease) Due to			Increase (Decrease) Due to		
	Volume	Rate	Net	Volume	Rate	Net
	(In thousands)					
Interest and dividend income:						
Loans receivable	\$3,730	\$(3,407)	) \$323	\$9,733	\$(2,702)	) \$7,031
Mortgage-backed securities, held to maturity	(1,632)	) (1,514)	) (3,146)	) 5,716	(2,003)	) 3,713
Investment securities:						
Tax-exempt	(20)	) (61)	) (81)	) 87	(65)	) 22
Taxable	(2,048)	) (2,355)	) (4,403)	) (2,016)	) (1,577)	) (3,593)
Other interest earnings assets	66	(13)	) 53	(17)	) (17)	) (34)
Total interest-earning assets	\$96	\$(7,350)	) \$(7,254)	) \$13,503	\$(6,364)	) \$7,139
Interest expense:						
Interest-bearing demand	\$78	\$(264)	) \$(186)	) \$(11)	) \$(135)	) \$(146)
Money market and savings	133	(1,850)	) (1,717)	) 1,073	(956)	) 117
Certificates of deposit	(1,656)	) (1,985)	) (3,641)	) 2,270	(1,915)	) 355
Securities sold under agreement to repurchase	-	-	-	-	-	-
Subordinated debentures	-	-	-	-	-	-
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank	590	(363)	) 227	157	38	195
Total interest-bearing liabilities	\$(855)	) \$(4,462)	) \$(5,317)	) \$3,489	\$(2,968)	) \$521
Change in net interest income	\$951	\$(2,888)	) \$(1,937)	) \$10,014	\$(3,396)	) \$6,618

## Liquidity, Commitments and Capital Resources

The Banks' liquidity, represented by cash and cash equivalents, is a product of their operating, investing and financing activities. The Banks' primary sources of funds are deposits; amortization, prepayments and maturities of mortgage-backed securities and outstanding loans; maturities of investment securities; and funds provided from operations. In addition, the Banks invest excess funds in short-term interest-earnings assets such as overnight deposits or U.S. agency securities, which provide liquidity to meet lending requirements. While scheduled payments from the amortization of loans and mortgage-backed securities and maturing investment securities and short-term investments are relatively predictable sources of funds, general interest rates, economic conditions and competition greatly influence deposit flows and prepayments on loans and mortgage-backed securities.

The Banks are required to have enough investments that qualify as liquid assets in order to maintain sufficient liquidity to ensure a safe operation. Liquidity may increase or decrease depending upon the availability of funds and comparative yields on investments in relation to the return on loans. The Banks attempt to maintain adequate but not excessive liquidity, and liquidity management is both a daily and long-term function of business management.

The Banks review cash flow projections regularly and update them in order to maintain liquid assets at levels believed to meet the requirements of normal operations, including loan commitments and potential deposit outflows from maturing certificates of deposit and savings withdrawals. At December 31, 2012, the Banks had outstanding commitments to originate loans of \$41.9 million, and unused lines and letters of credit of \$106.4 million. Certificates of deposit scheduled to mature in one year or less at December 31, 2012 totaled \$393.1 million.

While deposits are the Banks' primary source of funds, they also generate cash through borrowings from the FHLB NY. The Banks have traditionally enjoyed cash flows from deposit activities that were sufficient to meet their day-to-day funding obligations and only occasionally used overnight lines of credit or other borrowings with the FHLB NY. In October 2007, Roma Bank borrowed \$23.0 million from the FHLB NY at 3.90%, interest only quarterly, for ten years with a three year call. In January 2012, Roma Bank borrowed an additional \$15.0 million at 1.03% amortizing over five years. At December 31, 2012, Roma Bank's borrowing limit with the FHLB NY was \$830.0 million, and RomAsia Bank's was \$77.7 million. Roma Bank also had at December 31, 2012 securities sold under an agreement to repurchase in the amount of \$40.0 million. RomAsia Bank at December 31, 2012 had \$16.8 million of long-term advances with FHLB NY.



The following table discloses our contractual obligations and commitments as of December 31, 2012.

	Total	Less Than 1 Year	1-3 Years (In thousands)	4-5 Years	After 5 years
Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings	\$52,385	\$3,750	\$3,500	\$42,291	\$2,844
Securities sold under agreement to repurchase	\$40,000	\$-	\$10,000	\$-	\$30,000

  

	Total Amounts Committed	Less Than 1 Year	1-3 Years (In thousands)	4-5 Years	Over 5 Years
Lines of credit	\$106,382	\$106,382	\$-	\$-	\$-
Construction loans in process	19,503	19,503	-	-	-
Other commitments to extend credit	41,921	41,921	-	-	-
Total	\$167,806	\$167,806	\$-	\$-	\$-

Roma Bank has non-cancelable operating leases for branch offices. The following is a schedule by years of future minimum rental payments required under operating leases that have initial or remaining non-cancelable lease terms in excess of one year at December 31, 2012:

Years Ended December 31:	(In thousands)
2013	\$ 1,177
2014	970
2015	870
2016	892
2017	901
Thereafter	7,750
Total Minimum Payments Required	\$ 12,560

Included in the total required minimum lease payments are \$1.6 million of payments to the "LLC" a variable interest entity in which the Company hold a 50% ownership interest. The Company eliminates these payments in consolidation.

Consistent with their goals to operate sound and profitable financial organizations, the Banks actively seek to maintain their status as well-capitalized institutions in accordance with regulatory standards. As of December 31, 2012, the Banks exceeded all capital requirements of the OCC.

### Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We are a party to financial instruments with off-balance-sheet risk in the normal course of our business of investing in loans and securities as well as in the normal course of maintaining and improving the Banks' facilities. These financial instruments include significant purchase commitments, such as commitments related to capital expenditure plans and commitments to purchase investment securities or mortgage backed securities, and commitments to extend credit to meet the financial needs of our customers.

Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the contract. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of a fee. Our exposure to credit loss in the event of non-performance by the other party to the financial instrument for commitments to extend credit is represented by the contractual notional amount of those instruments. We use the same credit policies in making commitments and conditional obligations as we do for on-balance-sheet instruments. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future cash requirements. For additional information regarding our outstanding lending commitments at December 31, 2012, see Note 21 to the consolidated financial statements contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

### Impact of Inflation

The financial statements included in this document have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These principles require the measurement of financial position and operating results in terms of historical dollars, without considering changes in the relative purchasing power of money over time due to inflation.

Our primary assets and liabilities are monetary in nature. As a result, interest rates have a more significant impact on our performance than the effects of general levels of inflation. Interest rates, however, do not necessarily move in the same direction or with the same magnitude as the price of goods and services, since such prices are affected by inflation. In a period of rapidly rising interest rates, the liquidity and maturities of our assets and liabilities are critical.

The principal effect of inflation on earnings, as distinct from levels of interest rates, is in the area of non-interest expense. Expense items such as employee compensation, employee benefits and occupancy and equipment costs may be subject to increases as a result of inflation. An additional effect of inflation is the possible increase in the dollar value of the collateral securing loans that we have made. We are unable to determine the extent, if any, to which properties securing our loans have appreciated in dollar value due to inflation.

### Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

#### Management of Interest Rate Risk and Market Risk

**Qualitative Analysis.** Because the majority of our assets and liabilities are sensitive to changes in interest rates, a significant form of market risk for us is interest rate risk, or changes in interest rates.

We derive our income mainly from the difference or "spread" between the interest earned on loans, securities and other interest-earning assets, and interest paid on deposits, borrowings and other interest-bearing liabilities. In general, the larger the spread, the more we earn. When market rates of



interest change, the interest we receive on our assets and the interest we pay on our liabilities will fluctuate. This can cause decreases in our spread and can adversely affect our income.

The rates that we earn on our assets are generally fixed for a contractual period of time. We, like many savings institutions, have liabilities that have generally shorter contractual maturities than our assets, such as certificates of deposit, or have no stated maturity, such as savings and money market deposits. This imbalance can create significant volatility because market interest rates change over time. In a period of rising interest rates, the interest income earned on our assets, which consist primarily of long-term fixed rate securities, may not increase as rapidly as the interest paid on our liabilities.

While the federal funds rate and other short-term market interest rates, which we use as a guide to our deposit pricing, have decreased, intermediate-and long-term market interest rates, which we use as a guide to our loan pricing, have decreased to a larger extent than deposit rates. Although the yield curve has steepened, competitive deposit rates in our market areas have not permitted the Bank to lower rates in proportion to loan rates. This has led to a tightening of our interest spread. If short-term interest rates continue to be high in the market area, we would expect that our interest spread and net interest margin would continue to compress, which would hurt our net interest income.

A falling rate environment would result in a decrease in rates we pay on deposits and borrowings, but the decrease in the cost of our funds may not be as great as the decrease in the yields on our loan portfolio and mortgage-backed securities and loan portfolios. This could cause a narrowing of our net interest rate spread and could cause a decrease in our earnings.

Quantitative Analysis. The following table presents Roma Bank's net portfolio value as of December 31, 2012. The net portfolio values shown in this table were calculated using an independently prepared Asset Liability Management Report, based on information provided by Roma Bank (in thousands).

Changes in rate	December 31, 2012		Net Portfolio Value as % of Present Value of Assets		
	Net Portfolio Value		Net Portfolio Value		
	\$ Amount	\$ Change	% Change	Ratio	Basis Point Change
+300 bp	177,144	(56,339)	(24.09)%	11.33%	(247) pb
+200 bp	211,210	(22,162)	(9.50)%	13.08%	(72) bp
+100 bp	231,114	(2,258)	(0.97)%	13.93%	13 bp
0 bp	233,372	-	-	13.80%	-
-100 bp	236,740	3,368	1.44%	13.84%	4 bp

(1) The -200bp and -300bp scenarios are not shown due to the low prevailing interest rate environment.

The following table presents RomAsia Bank's net portfolio value as of December 31, 2012. The net portfolio values shown in this table were calculated using an independently prepared Asset Liability Management Report, based on information provided by RomAsia Bank (in thousands).

Changes in rate	December 31, 2012		Net Portfolio Value		
	\$ Amount	\$ Change	% Change	as % of Present Value of Assets	Net Portfolio Value Ratio
+300 bp	13,939	(7,145)	(48.31)%	7.72%	(535) bp
+200 bp	16,990	(4,094)	(19.42)%	11.17%	(356) bp
+100 bp	19,494	(1,591)	(7.54)%	12.40%	(190) bp
0 bp	21,084	-	-	13.07%	-
-100 bp	21,437	352	1.67%	13.15%	8 bp

(1) The -200bp and -300bp scenarios are not shown due to the low prevailing interest rate environment.

Future interest rates or their effect on net portfolio value or net interest income are not predictable. Computations of prospective effects of hypothetical interest rate changes are based on numerous assumptions, including relative levels of market interest rates, prepayments, and deposit run-offs, and should not be relied upon as indicative of actual results. Certain shortcomings are inherent in this type of computation. Although certain assets and liabilities may have similar maturity or periods of repricing, they may react in different times and in different degrees to changes in the market interest rates. The interest rate on certain types of assets and liabilities, such as demand deposits and savings accounts, may fluctuate in advance of changes in market interest rates, while rates on other types of assets and liabilities may lag behind changes in market interest rates. Certain assets, such as adjustable rate mortgages, generally have features which restrict changes in interest rates on a short-term basis and over the life of the asset. In the event of a change in interest rates, prepayments and early withdrawal levels could deviate significantly from those assumed in making the calculations set forth above. Additionally, an increased credit risk may result as the ability of many borrowers to service their debt may decrease in the event of an interest rate increase.

Notwithstanding the discussion above, the quantitative interest rate analysis presented above indicates that a rapid increase in interest rates would adversely affect our net interest margin and earnings.

#### Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

The Company's financial statements and supplementary data are contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K immediately following Item 15.

#### Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

Not applicable.

#### Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

(a)

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

An evaluation was performed under the supervision, and with the participation of the Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-

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15(e) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) as of December 31, 2012. Based on such evaluation, the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective as of December 31, 2012.

(b) Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

1. Management's Annual Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting.

Management's report on the Company's internal control over financial reporting appears in the Company's financial statements that are contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K immediately following Item 15. Such report is incorporated herein by reference.

2. Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.

The report of ParenteBeard LLC on the Company's internal control over financial reporting appears in the Company's financial statements that are contained in this Annual Report on Form 10-K immediately following Item 15. Such report is incorporated herein by reference.

3. Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting.

During the last quarter of the year under report, there was no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 9B. Other Information

None.

PART III

Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

The Company's Board of Directors is comprised of nine members each of whom serves for a term of three years and until their successors are elected and qualified. The Company's officers are elected annually by the Board and serve at the Board's discretion. The Company's directors are divided into three classes, one of which stands for election at each annual meeting.

The following table sets forth information with respect to the Company's directors and executive officers including their age as of December 31, 2012, their period of service as directors of the Company and the expiration of their current term as a director of the Company.

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Name	Age	Positions with the Company	Director Since	Current Term to Expire
<b>Directors:</b>				
Peter A. Inverso	74	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director	1998	2015
Michele N. Siekerka	48	Chair of the Board and Director	2005	2015
Alfred DeBlasio, Jr.	57	Director	2008	2015
Thomas A. Bracken	65	Director	2012	2015
Robert C. Albanese	64	Director	2009	2013
William J. Walsh, Jr.	57	Director	2010	2013
Dennis M. Bone	61	Director	2011	2014
Robert H. Rosen	70	Director	2006	2014
Jeffrey P. Taylor	59	Director	2010	2014

**Executive Officers:**

Sharon L. Lamont, CPA	65	Chief Financial Officer	N/A	N/A
Barry J. Zadworny	68	Senior Vice President	N/A	N/A
C. Keith Pericoloso	49	Executive Vice President	N/A	N/A
Suzette Nanovic Berrios, Esq.	50	Senior Vice President	N/A	N/A

The Board believes that the many years of service that our directors have had at the Company and the Bank or at other financial institutions is one of the directors' most important qualifications for service on the Board. This service has given them extensive knowledge of the banking business and the Company. Furthermore, their service on Board committees, especially in areas of audit, compliance and compensation is critical to their ability to oversee the management of the Company by our executive officers. Each outside director brings special skills, experience and expertise to the Board as a result of their other business activities and associations.

Peter A. Inverso, CPA has been president and chief executive officer of Roma Bank since 2000 and has served as president and chief executive officer of Roma Financial Corporation and Roma Financial Corporation, MHC since their incorporation in 2005. Mr. Inverso has been a director of Roma Bank since 1998. He served as a New Jersey state senator from 1992 to January 2008. Active in several civic and charitable organizations, Mr. Inverso is Past Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital Health Care Corp. Hamilton, New Jersey, a past member of the Board of Trustees of Rider University and vice chair of Catholic Charities Diocese of Trenton, a member of the New Jersey Joint Legislative Committee on Ethical Standards, Chairman of the Capital City Redevelopment Corporation, New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance Advisory Board, and a past member of the Board of Governors of the New Jersey League of Community Bankers. Mr. Inverso is also Chairman of the Board of Directors of RomAsia Bank. Mr. Inverso's many years of service with Roma as well as his accounting and political background enhance the depth of the Board.

Michele N. Siekerka, Esq. is a licensed attorney and Assistant Commissioner of Water Resource Management with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. From 2004 to 2010, she served as the president and chief executive officer of the Mercer Regional Chamber of Commerce. From 2000 to 2004, Ms. Siekerka was employed by AAA Mid-Atlantic, first as vice president of human resources and then as senior counsel. Active in numerous civic organizations, Ms. Siekerka is a member





of, among other organizations, the Mercer County Community College Foundation, the Roma Bank Community Foundation, the YWCA of Trenton, and the RomAsia Bank Board. She is on the Regional Advisory Board for AAA Mid-Atlantic, and is a former member of the Robbinsville Township Board of Education. Ms. Siekerka's legal and government affairs expertise and market knowledge are assets to the Board.

Alfred DeBlasio, Jr. was appointed a director of the Company and Roma Bank in October 2008. He is President and Chief Executive Officer of General Sullivan Group, Inc., a distributor of industrial products located in Pennington, New Jersey. Mr. DeBlasio serves on the board of the MidJersey Chamber of Commerce and he also serves as chairman of the MidJersey Chamber of Commerce's Investment Committee along with various other Chamber committees. Mr. DeBlasio is also Vice President of the West Trenton Italian American Club. Mr. DeBlasio brings to the Board business expertise, as well as, knowledge of the market in which the Company operates.

Thomas A. Bracken was elected as a director of the Company and Roma Bank in April 2012. He has served as the President and CEO of the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce in February 2011. Mr. Bracken served as the President of TriState Capital Bank's New Jersey operation, which served mid-market businesses in Pennsylvania, Ohio and New Jersey. Prior to that, he was President and CEO of Sun Bancorp, Inc. for six years. He also held executive positions with First Union Bank. Mr. Bracken serves as chairman of the Finance Committee of the Cancer Institute of New Jersey Foundation, chairman of the New Jersey Alliance for Action Foundation, and is a board member for Public Media NJ, the subsidiary of WNET that runs NJTV. He is a former chairman of the Economic Development Corporation of Trenton and the New Jersey Bankers Association. He is a graduate of Bucknell University. Mr. Bracken brings many years of banking experience to the Board of Directors.

Robert C. Albanese was appointed a director of the Company in June 2009. He is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Pentegra Retirement Services, located in White Plains, New York. Prior to becoming CEO, he served on Pentegra's Board of Directors for over ten years. Mr. Albanese served as Regional Director of the Northeast Region of the Office of Thrift Supervision from 1996 through 2007 and, prior to that, served in various other capacities with the Office of Thrift Supervision and its predecessor, The Federal Home Loan Bank Board. He has also been involved in many civic activities, most prominently as past President and Treasurer of the Waldwick, NJ Jaycees. Mr. Albanese brings many years of bank regulatory experience and knowledge of the financial services industry to the Board.

William J. Walsh, Jr. joined New Jersey American Water Company, the state's largest investor owned water utility in May 2011 as Vice President Government Affairs. In December 2012 he was promoted to Vice President Business and Government Affairs. He is responsible for leading the company's strategic state, county and local government affairs and business development program. Mr. Walsh retired from Public Service Enterprise Group (PSEG) in January 2011, with over 33 years experience in corporate responsibility, government and regulatory affairs and policy. Active in his community, Mr. Walsh is a member of the Board of Trustees of Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital Hamilton, and chairs the Finance and Human Resources Committee. He also serves as a Trustee of the Hamilton Area YMCA. He is a Lifetime member of Eta Kappa Nu-National Engineering Honor Society. He has also served as a trustee of such organizations as: The Drumthwacket Foundation; The Home Port Alliance for the Battleship New Jersey; Co-Chair of the New Jersey Steering Committee of the Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars; United Way of Essex/ West Hudson; and, was an initial incorporator of New Jersey After 3. Mr. Walsh's extensive public and regulatory affairs experience are assets to the Board.

Dennis M. Bone is the Director of the Feliciano Center for Entrepreneurship at Montclair State University. Previously, Mr. Bone served as President of Verizon New Jersey. Mr. Bone has over 33 years

experience with Verizon and was responsible for all of Verizon's corporate interests in New Jersey. Active in his community, Mr. Bone is on the Board of Trustees of the New Jersey Institute of Technology, the New Jersey Center for Teaching and Learning, and the New Jersey State Chamber of Commerce. In addition, Mr. Bone is Chairman of the New Jersey State Employment and training Commission, and was the founding Chairman of Choose New Jersey. Mr. Bone previously served on the Board of Trustees of the Liberty Science Center (12 years), the Board of Directors of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center (12 years), the Aviation Research Technology Park (2years), and the New Jersey Utilities Association (12 years). Mr. Bone's experience brings a larger corporation perspective to the Board, coupled with his extensive community involvement.

Robert H. Rosen, CPA has been a certified public accountant with the firm of Klatzkin and Company in Hamilton, New Jersey for forty-four years and served as managing partner for six years. As a CPA, Mr. Rosen advises his clients on various tax and financial matters. He chairs Roma Financial Corporation's Audit Committee and is a business referral source. Mr. Rosen is a member of the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants, the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. He is past president of the Mercer County Chapter of the NJSCPA, a past president of the Mercer County Estate Planning Council, and he has also been selected to the Temple University Alumni Hall of Fame. He is also an active member of the Hamilton Chapter of the MidJersey Chamber of Commerce, and a past member of the Board of Directors of the Lower Bucks County Chamber of Commerce, and chairs the Youth Aid Panel of Lower Makefield Township, Pennsylvania, and has been a Big Brother for over ten years. Mr. Rosen's accounting and tax expertise have been invaluable to the Board.

Jeffrey P. Taylor was appointed a director of the Company and Roma Bank in August 2010. He is a licensed professional Engineer and Professional Planner in the State of New Jersey. He has been employed by the Engineering Department of the Township of Burlington since 2008. From 2005 to 2008, Mr. Taylor served as City Engineer/Director in the City of Burlington. From 1997 to 2005, Mr. Taylor was President of Environmental Resolutions, Inc. an environmental engineering firm in Mount Laurel, New Jersey. Active in his community, Mr. Taylor is a member of the Burlington Township Green Team, the River Route Advisory Committee and is a Trustee and Treasurer of the Burlington County Historical Society. He is also a council member of Proprietors of West New Jersey. Mr. Taylor was a former Board member of Sterling Banks, Inc. Due to Mr. Taylor's experience as a small business owner and borrower, together with his engineering background, and 21 years of bank director experience, Mr. Taylor brings valuable skill sets to the Board.

Sharon L. Lamont, CPA was appointed as Chief Financial Officer in April 2006. She served as a director of Roma Bank from 1993 until her appointment as an officer, on which date she resigned her position as a director. She was previously the sole owner of Sharon Lamont & Associates, a certified public accounting firm which she founded in 2001. From 1988 to 2001, Ms. Lamont was a partner with Schaeffer, Lamont & Associates, a certified public accounting firm. Her civic activities include serving as a Director of the Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital Hamilton, and ARC Mercer. She previously served as a board member and past chair of the Hamilton Area YMCA, and as a council member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Ms. Lamont is also a past president of the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Barry J. Zadworny has been Senior Vice President of Policy and Compliance at Roma Bank since 1989. Mr. Zadworny serves as chairman of the Community Reinvestment Act committee, and is a member of the Internal Loan Review Committee, the Bank Secrecy Act Committee, the Disaster Recovery Planning Committee and the Safeguarding of Customer Information Committee of Roma Bank. He is also a member of the CRA, Compliance and Legislative Committees of the New Jersey Bankers Association, and the Independent Community Bankers of America. An ordained deacon in the Catholic



Church, Mr. Zadworny was appointed by the Bishop of Trenton to the Council of Deacons, and served a two year term as the president of the Council. He also serves as an Annulment Advocate for the Diocesan Tribunal of the Diocese of Trenton. He is also a member of the Mercer County Advisory Board of Catholic Charities.

C. Keith Pericoloso currently serves as Executive Vice President, a position to which he was appointed in October 2009. Mr. Pericoloso joined Roma Bank in 1981 and previously served as Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. In his current position, Mr. Pericoloso is responsible for Roma Bank's daily operations, general bank development and expansion. Mr. Pericoloso serves on many bank committees and is involved in various community organizations, including the Italian American Festival. He serves as a Board member of the MidJersey County Chamber of Commerce and the George Pelletiere Memorial Home.

Suzette Nanovic Berrios, Esq. joined Roma Bank as Vice President, Legal in 2011 and was promoted to Senior Vice President, Legal in April 2012. Ms. Berrios has been practicing law for over 25 years, in both an in-house and private law firm setting, in the New Jersey and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania areas. From October 2009 to August 2010 she served as Senior Council at Superior Mortgage. From November 2005 to June 2009 she served as Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of Hanover Capital Mortgage Holdings, Inc. She had previously served as General Counsel for two publicly traded companies in different industries, including Hanover Capital Mortgage.. She is a member of the New Jersey and Pennsylvania bars, as well as the New Jersey Bar Association, Pennsylvania Bar Association, and the Association of Corporate Counsel.

#### Audit Committee Matters

The Board of Directors maintains a separately designated audit committee. The members of the Audit Committee are Directors Dennis M. Bone, Alfred DeBlasio, Jr., Robert H. Rosen (Chair), and Michele N. Siekerka.

The Board of Directors has determined that Messrs. Rosen and DeBlasio, Jr. are audit committee financial experts within the meaning of the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### Code of Ethics

The Company has adopted a Code of Ethics that applies to its principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller or persons performing similar functions. A copy of the Code of Ethics will be furnished without charge upon written request to the Chief Financial Officer, Roma Financial Corporation, 2300 Route 33, Robbinsville, New Jersey, 08691.

#### Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

The Company's Common Stock is registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The officers and directors of the Company and beneficial owners of greater than 10% of the Common Stock ("10% beneficial owners") are required by Section 16(a) of such act to file reports of ownership and changes in beneficial ownership of the Common Stock with the Securities and Exchange Commission and NASDAQ and to provide copies of those reports to the Company. The Company is not aware of any beneficial owner, as defined under Section 16(a), of more than ten percent of the Common Stock, other than the MHC. To the Company's knowledge, all Section 16(a) filing requirements applicable to its officers and directors were complied with during the 2012 fiscal year with the exception of one Form 4 for Director Siekerka which was subsequently filed.

Shareholder Nomination Process

There were no material changes in the procedures by which a shareholder may nominate individuals for the Board of Directors during the year ended December 31, 2012.

## Item 11. Executive Compensation

Summary Compensation Table. The following table sets forth the cash and non-cash compensation awarded to, or earned by, our principal executive officer, principal financial officer and the top three other executive officers of the Company during the last fiscal year. We refer to these individuals as the “Named Executive Officers.”

	Year	Salary (a)	Bonus (b)	Stock Awards (c)	Option Awards (d)	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation (e)	Change in Pension Value and Non-Equity Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings (f)	All Other Compensation (g)	Total (h)
Peter A. Inverso President and Chief Executive Officer	2012	\$ 344,000	\$ 41,280	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 34,508	\$ 104,974	\$ 45,361	\$ 570,123
	2011	\$ 344,000	\$ 68,800	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ 110,241	\$ 76,005	\$ 36,831	\$ 685,877
	2010	\$ 335,600	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 131,003	\$ 51,414	\$ 38,033	\$ 581,050
C. Keith Pericoloso Executive Vice President	2012	\$ 228,000	\$ 22,344	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,875	\$ 117,931	\$ 25,632	\$ 419,782
	2011	\$ 188,000	\$ 13,160	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ 50,642	\$ 225,703	\$ 18,738	\$ 521,243
	2010	\$ 163,500	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 47,330	\$ 127,640	\$ 18,280	\$ 366,750
Sharon Lamont Chief Financial Officer	2012	\$ 210,000	\$ 16,800	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,444	\$ 92,377	\$ 27,158	\$ 355,799
	2011	\$ 205,000	\$ 16,400	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ 30,810	\$ 91,816	\$ 21,247	\$ 390,273
	2010	\$ 195,000	\$ 23,100	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,773	\$ 66,869	\$ 21,080	\$ 332,822
Barry J. Zadworny Senior Vice President	2012	\$ 140,000	\$ 1,120	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,824	\$ 90,607	\$ 21,727	\$ 261,278
	2011	\$ 137,500	\$ 1,100	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,227	\$ 117,953	\$ 19,100	\$ 299,800
	2010	\$ 135,000	\$ 1,080	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,462	\$ 83,968	\$ 19,326	\$ 259,836
Suzette Nanovic Berrios Senior Vice President	2012	\$ 152,062	\$ 9,270	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,264	\$ 16,871	\$ 2,618	\$ 185,085
	2011	\$ 59,712	\$ 1,000	\$ 5,002	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 109	\$ 65,823

In the table above:

- The 2012 bonus amounts in column (b) were based on the cash incentive plan implemented in 2008 and were paid in February 2013 based on 2012 results:

Named Executive Officers	Total
Peter A. Inverso	\$ 41,280
C. Keith Pericoloso	\$ 22,344
Sharon L. Lamont	\$ 16,800
Barry J. Zadworny	\$ 1,120
Suzette Nanovic Berrios	\$ 9,270

- The amount shown in columns (c) and (d) reflect the grant date fair value for the awards as calculated in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Topic 718. Assumptions used in determining the fair values of the restricted stock awards are set forth in Note 20 "Benefit Plans" of the Company's financial statements included in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for fiscal year ended December 31, 2012.
- When we refer to non-equity incentive plan compensation in column (e) above, we are referring to both the increase in the value of awards made under the Phantom Stock Appreciation Rights Plan implemented in 2002 and non-equity incentive portion of the awards made under the Company's non-equity incentive plan implemented in 2007 as part of our Cash Incentive Compensation Plan which includes the Named Executive Officers. That plan, as explained elsewhere in the section entitled "Compensation Discussion and Analysis - Specific Elements of Our Compensation Program", is comprised of two components: (1) a "non-equity incentive" component based upon performance metrics that are established at the beginning of the year, and (2) a discretionary bonus portion determined at the end of the performance year based upon individual performance. The breakdown between the non-equity portion of the award and the phantom stock award's increase in value in 2012, 2011 and 2010 is as follows:

Officer	Non-Equity Incentive Plan	Phantom Stock Plan
Inverso	2012 - \$ 23,736	2012 - \$ 10,772
	2011 - \$ 78,463	2011 - \$ 31,778
	2010 - \$113,768	2010 - \$ 17,233
Pericoloso	2012 - \$ 14,683	2012 - \$ 11,192
	2011 - \$ 40,022	2011 - \$ 10,620
	2010 - \$ 41,570	2010 - \$ 5,760



Officer	Non-Equity Incentive Plan	Phantom Stock Plan
Lamont	2012 - \$ 5,796	2012 - \$ 3,648
	2011 - \$ 18,703	2011 - \$ 12,107
	2010 - \$ 19,832	2010 - \$ 6,941
Zadworny	2012 - \$ 3,864	2012 - \$ 3,960
	2011 - \$ 12,545	2011 - \$ 11,682
	2010 - \$ 6,814	2010 - \$ 6,732
Berrios	2012 - \$ 4,264	2012 - \$ -
	2011 - \$ -	2011 - \$ -

- The breakdown between the actual awards and the components under which the awards were granted was as follows for 2012:

NEO	Non-Equity Component	Discretionary	Total
Peter Inverso	\$ 23,736	\$ 41,280	\$ 65,016
C. Keith Pericoloso	14,683	22,344	37,027
Sharon Lamont	5,796	16,800	22,596
Barry J. Zadworny	3,864	1,120	4,984
Suzette Berrios	4,264	9,270	13,535

- Non-Equity Incentive Component

For the non-equity component, 75% of the awards were determined based upon the Company's actual performance as compared to budgeted performance for certain metrics, with the remaining 25% to be determined based upon the Company's actual performance as compared to its peer group. The targeted awards as a percentage of salary were 50% for the CEO, 35% for the Executive Vice President, and 20% for the other Named Executive Officers, with a maximum payout of 140% of target award. For 2011 and 2010, RomAsia Bank was included in the Company result versus budget for the CEO, Executive Vice President, and other Named Executive officers. Overall, as detailed below, for the Named Executive Officers, the consolidated Company achieved 23.00% of its targeted performance. This percentage was then applied to the targeted awards as a percentage of salary for each Named Executive Officers to calculate the non-equity incentive plan component.

- Company Performance

The table below sets forth the consolidated performance metrics established by the Company at the beginning of the period, actual results as compared to these metrics and the respective weighting of each metric in determining the overall weighting of the Company's performance.



## Company Performance

Achievement of Budget -70% Minimum Achievement of Goal Required, Maximum 140% Credit

Metric	Budget (Dollars in Thousands)	Actual (\$)	Actual (%)	Metric Weight	Result %
Net Income	\$ 8,170	\$ 2,546	31.16%	60.00%	0.00%
Res. Loan Growth	\$ 233,000	\$ 279,146	119.81	10.00	11.98
Comm. Loan Growth	\$ 210,000	\$ 108,195	51.52	10.00	0.00
Core Deposit Growth	10.00%	6.11%	61.10	10.00	0.00

Year to Year Improvement 70% Minimum Achievement of Goal Required, Maximum 140% Credit

Metric	2011	2012	% of Target	Metric Weight	Result %
NPLs/Total Loans	4.65%	4.75%	97.89	3.34%	3.27%
ROE	3.25	1.11	50.77	3.33	0.00
Net Loans/Assets	52.10	58.69	112.65	3.33	3.75
Total				100.00%	
Total Company Performance					19.00%

- Peer Group Comparison (Roma Bank only) (Trailing 12 months as of 9-30-12)

Metric	Peers	Company	Quartile Weighting	Metric Weight	Result %
ROA	0.54%	0.19%	4th	50.00%	0.00 %
Efficiency Ratio	73.12	79.63	3rd	50.00 %	35.00 %
Total Peer Group Comparison					35.00 %

- Overall Non-Equity Incentive Plan Component

75% of Company Performance Percentage	14.25%
25% of Peer Group Comparison Percentage	8.75%
Grand Total Percentage	23.00%

## Discretionary Component

- Targeted discretionary bonuses were 20% for the CEO, 7% for the EVP, and 8% for the other Named Executive Officers of their respective salary. Targeted and actual discretionary bonuses (component 2) for the Named Executive officers were as follows:

NEO	Target (\$)	Actual (\$)	Actual (% of Target)	
Peter Inverso	\$ 68,800	\$ 41,280	60.00	%
C. Keith Pericoloso	\$ 15,960	\$ 22,344	140.00	%
Sharon Lamont	\$ 16,800	\$ 16,800	100.00	%
Barry J. Zadworny	\$ 11,200	\$ 1,120	10.00	%
Suzette Berrios	\$ 12,360	\$ 9,270	75.00	%

When we refer to changes in pension values in column (f) above, we are referring to the aggregate change in the present value of the Named Executive Officer's accumulated benefit under all defined benefit and actuarial plans from the measurement date used for preparing our 2010, 2011 and 2012 year-end financial statements from the measurement date used for preparing our 2009, 2010 and 2011 year-end financial statements. For Mr. Inverso, the change in value under the Roma Bank Defined Benefit Pension Plan (the Retirement Plan") and the Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan was \$62,975 and \$38,999 respectively, for 2012; \$76,005 and \$0.0, respectively, for 2011, and \$51,413 and \$0.0, respectively, for 2010. Ms. Lamont does not participate in the Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan. Ms. Lamont's change in value under the Retirement Plan was \$92,377, \$91,816 and \$66,869, respectively, for 2012, 2011 and 2010. Mr. Pericoloso does not participate in the Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan. The change in value under the Retirement Plan for Mr. Pericoloso was \$117,931, \$225,703 and \$127,640, respectively, for 2012, 2011 and 2010. For Mr. Zadworny, the change in value under the Retirement Plan and the Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan was \$90,607 and \$0.0, respectively, for 2012; \$117,953 and \$0.0, respectively, for 2011, and \$51,413 and \$0.00, respectively, for 2010. For Ms. Berrios the change in value under the Retirement Plan for 2012 was \$16,871. Ms. Berrios does not participate in the Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan and was not eligible for the Retirement Plan in 2011.

- "All Other Compensation" in column (g) above includes the following:
  - for Mr. Inverso in 2012: \$12,087 of life and disability insurance premiums; 1,518.124 shares under the Roma Bank Employee Stock Ownership Plan (valued at \$22,954 based on a closing stock price of \$15.12 per share) and \$10,320 representing matching payments we made under our 401(k) plan.
  - for Mr. Pericoloso in 2012: \$1,369 of life and disability insurance premiums; 1,303.131 shares under the Roma Bank Employee Stock Ownership Plan (valued at \$19,703 based on a closing stock price of \$15.12 per share) and \$4,560 representing matching payments we made under our 401(k) plan.
  - for Ms. Lamont in 2012: \$3,293 of life and disability insurance premiums; 1,162.855 shares under the Roma Bank Employee Stock Ownership Plan (valued at \$17,582 based on a closing stock price of \$15.12 per share) and \$6,283 representing matching payments we made under our 401(k) plan.

- for Mr. Zadworny in 2012: \$4,051 of life and disability insurance premiums; 938.021 shares under the Roma Bank Employee Stock Ownership Plan (valued at \$14,183 based on a closing stock price of \$15.12 per share) and \$3,493 representing matching payments we made under our 401(k) plan.
- for Ms. Berrios in 2012: \$657 of life and disability insurance premiums; based on and \$1,961 representing matching payments we made under our 401(k) plan.

#### Grants of Plan-Based Awards

The Named Executive Officers were not granted any restricted stock awards or options in 2012.

#### Outstanding Equity Awards at Fiscal Year End

The following table provides information regarding options held by the Named Executive Officers as of December 31, 2012. There were no outstanding awards under any equity incentive plan at December 31, 2012.

Name	Option Awards				Stock Awards	
	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options Exercisable	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options Unexercisable(1)	Option Exercise Price	Option Expiration Date	Number of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested(1)	Market Value of Shares or Units of Stock That Have Not Vested(2)
Peter A. Inverso	92,800	23,200	\$ 13.67	06/25/19	13,766	\$ 208,142
C. Keith Pericoloso	30,400	7,600	\$ 13.67	06/25/19	4,283	\$ 64,759
Sharon Lamont	30,400	7,600	\$ 13.67	06/25/19	4,283	\$ 64,759
Barry J. Zadworny	30,400	7,600	\$ 13.67	06/25/19	2,000	\$ 30,240
Suzette Nanovic Berrios	-	-	-	-	456	\$ 6,895

- (1) Such awards (with the exception of the awards to Ms. Berrios) were made on June 25, 2008 and vest at the rate of 20% per year, beginning on the one-year anniversary of the date of the award. Ms. Berrios was granted 571 shares of restricted stock on November 16, 2011. Such award vests at the rate of 20% per year, beginning on the one-year anniversary of the date of the award.
- (2) The market value is calculated using the closing market price of the Company's Common Stock as of December 31, 2012 of \$15.12.

## Option Exercises and Stock Vested

The following table provides information regarding option exercises and vesting of restricted stock held by the Named Executive Officers for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Name	Option Awards		Stock Awards	
	Number of Shares Acquired Upon Exercise	Value Realized on Exercise (1)	Number of Shares Acquired on Vesting	Value Realized on Vesting (2)
Peter A. Inverso	-	\$ -	10,342	\$ 89,829
C. Keith Pericoloso	-	\$ -	2,571	\$ 22,216
Sharon Lamont	-	\$ -	2,571	\$ 22,216
Barry J. Zadworny	-	\$ -	2,000	\$ 17,460
Suzette Nanovic Berrios	-	\$ -	115	\$ 1,012

(1) Value Realized is calculated as the difference between the market price of the Common Stock at exercise and exercise or base price of the option on an aggregate basis.

(2) Value Realized is calculated as equal to the number of shares that have vested multiplied by the market value of the Common Stock on the vesting date.

## Pension Benefits

The following table sets forth, for each of the Named Executive Officers, information regarding the benefits payable under each of our plans that provides for payments or other benefits at, following, or in connection with such Named Executive Officer's retirement. Those plans are summarized below in the following table. The following table does not provide information regarding tax-qualified defined contribution plans or nonqualified defined contribution plans.

Name	Plan Name	Number of Years Credited Service	Present Value of Accumulated Benefit	Payments During Last Fiscal Year
Peter A. Inverso	Roma Bank Pension Plan Trust	12	\$ 537,365	\$ -
	Roma Bank SERP		\$ 453,854	\$ -
C. Keith Pericoloso	Roma Bank Pension Plan Trust	32	\$ 693,341	\$ -
Sharon Lamont	Roma Bank Pension Plan Trust	7	\$ 382,174	\$ -
Barry J. Zadworny	Roma Bank Pension Plan Trust	24	\$ 810,216	\$ -
	Roma Bank SERP		\$ 179,770	\$ -
Suzette Berrios	Roma Bank Pension Plan Trust	1	\$ 16,871	\$ -

In the table above:

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We have determined the years of credited service based on the same pension plan measurement date that we used in preparing our audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012. We refer to that date as the “Plan Measurement Date.”

- When we use the phrase “present value of accumulated benefit”, we are referring to the actuarial present value of the Named Executive Officer’s accumulated benefits under our pension plans, calculated as of the Plan Measurement Date.
- The present value of accumulated benefits shown in the table above has been determined using the assumptions set forth in our consolidated audited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012.
- No amounts were actually paid or provided to the Named Executive Officers during 2012.

The Roma Bank Retirement Plan, which we refer to as the “Retirement Plan”, is intended to be a tax-qualified defined benefit plan under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Retirement Plan, which has been in effect since 1970, generally covers employees of the Bank who have completed one year of service.

#### Supplemental Executive Retirement Agreements

The Bank has entered into supplemental executive retirement agreements with Named Executive Officers Inverso, and Zadworny. The supplemental executive retirement agreements provide benefits upon termination on or after normal retirement age of 69 for Mr. Inverso, and 65 for Mr. Zadworny. The benefits at normal retirement age are approximately \$60,000 per year for Mr. Inverso for ten years and \$50,000 a year for seven years, and \$26,000 per year for Mr. Zadworny.. The benefits will be paid in equal monthly installments for the terms specified in the individual agreements. If the participant terminates employment prior to a normal retirement age, there is a lower annual benefit for early termination, disability, or a change in control. If the participant dies while still employed by the Bank, the beneficiary would receive a lump sum payment within 60 days of the participant’s death. If the participant dies after benefit payments have commenced, the participant’s beneficiary will receive the remaining payment as if the participant had survived. If the participant dies after termination of employment, but prior to receiving benefits under the plan, the beneficiary will receive the payments in the same manner as they would be paid to the participant within 60 days of the death of the participant.

As of December 31, 2012, the Bank had accrued approximately \$453,854 under Mr. Inverso’s supplemental executive retirement agreement, and \$179,770 under Mr. Zadworny’s supplemental executive retirement agreement. These accruals reflect the scheduled accruals under the plan in order for the retirement benefit provided by the plan to be fully accrued at the expected retirement date.

#### Nonqualified Deferred Compensation

The following table sets forth information with respect to the Bank’s Phantom Stock Appreciation Rights Plan, which provides for deferral of compensation on a non tax-qualified basis.

	Executive Contributions in Last Fiscal Year	Registrant Contributions in Last Fiscal Year	Aggregate Earnings in Last Fiscal Year	Aggregate Withdrawals/ Distributions	Aggregate Balance at Fiscal Year End
Peter A. Inverso	\$ -	\$ -	\$10,772	\$ -	\$281,160
C. Keith Pericoloso	\$ -	\$ -	\$11,192	\$ -	\$79,518
Sharon Lamont	\$ -	\$ -	\$3,648	\$ -	\$90,650
Barry J. Zadworny	\$ -	\$ -	\$3,960	\$ -	\$87,469
Suzette Berrios	\$ -	\$ -	\$-	\$ -	\$-





## Potential Payments Upon Termination or Change in Control

The Named Executive Officers are parties to various agreements that provide for payments in connection with any termination of their employment. For a description of the Employment Contracts between the Company and Mr. Inverso, and the Change in Control Severance Agreements between the Company and Mr. Pericoloso, and Ms. Lamont, see “Compensation Discussion and Analysis”- “Specific Elements of Our Compensation Program; Employment Contracts and Change in Control Agreement” herein. The following table shows the payments that would be made to the Named Executive Officers at, following or in connection with any termination of their employment in the specified circumstances as of the last business day of the last fiscal year.

	Death/ Retirement	Disability	Change in Control	Termination Without Cause (1)	Termination With Cause
Peter Inverso					
President and CEO					
Employment Agreement	\$344,000	\$1,032,000	\$1,473,789	\$ 1,473,789	\$ -
Benefits Continuation	7,764	20,670	20,670	20,670	-
Restricted stock (2)	208,142	208,142	208,142	208,142	-
Options (3):	168,200	168,200	168,200	168,200	-
Supplemental retirement benefit:					
Lump sum	453,834				
Equal annual installments over 10 years (4)		60,000	60,000	60,000	-
Equal annual installments over 7 years (4)		50,000	50,000	50,000	-
Phantom stock:					
Lump sum	281,160		281,160		
Normal benefit age (74) payable annually over 4 years (4)		70,290		70,290	-
C. Keith Pericoloso					
Executive Vice President					
Employment Agreement (5)	\$N/A	\$228,000	\$620,308	\$ 620,308	\$ -
Benefits Continuation	-	8,349	-	8,349	-
Restricted stock (2)	64,759	64,759	64,759	64,759	-
Options (3)	55,100	55,100	55,100	55,100	-
Phantom stock:					
Lump sum	79,518				
Normal benefit age (49) payable annually over three years (4)		19,880	19,880	19,880	-
Sharon Lamont					
Chief Financial Officer					
Employment Agreement (5)	\$N/A	\$210,000	\$668,857	\$ 210,000	\$ -
Benefits Continuation	-	4,454	-	4,454	-
Restricted stock (2)	64,759	64,759	64,759	64,759	-
Options (3):	55,100	55,100	55,100	55,100	-
Phantom stock:					
Lump sum	90,650				
Normal benefit age (65) payable annually over 5 years (4)		22,663	22,663	22,663	-



	Death/ Retirement	Disability	Change in Control	Termination Without Cause (1)	Termination With Cause
Barry J. Zadworny Senior Vice President					
Employment Agreement (6)	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$ -
Benefits Continuation	-	746	-	746	-
Restricted stock (2)	30,240	30,240	30,240	30,240	-
Options (3):	55,100	55,100	55,100	55,100	-
Supplemental retirement benefit:					
Lump sum	179,770				
Equal annual installments over 10 years (4)		26,000	26,000	26,000	-
Phantom stock:					
Lump sum	87,469	-	-	-	-
Normal benefit age (65) payable annually over 5 years (4)		21,867	21,867	21,867	-
Suzette Nanovic Berrios Senior Vice President					
Employment Agreement (6)	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$N/A	\$ N/A	\$ -
Benefits Continuation	-	657	-	657	-
Restricted stock (2)	6,895	6 ,895	6,895	6,895	-

(1) Represents allotment vesting of stock awards. Termination Without Cause includes involuntary termination by the Company or termination by the Executive for “good reason.”

(2) As of December 31, 2012, the market price of the Common Stock was \$15.12.

(3) As of December 31, 2012, the market price of the Common Stock was \$15.12 with an option exercise price of \$13.67.

(4) Installment payment.

(5) Pursuant to the terms of the Employment Agreements, these amounts include a reduction to the extent necessary to prevent an “excess parachute payment” under Section 280G of the Internal revenue Code.

(6) Mr. Zadworny and Ms. Berrios do not have employment agreements.

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## DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

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Directors received an annual retainer of \$39,000 in 2012 for service on Roma Bank’s Board of Directors. In addition the chairs of the Audit, Compensation, Enterprise Risk and Internal Loan Review committees, received \$5,000 for those positions and the Chair received \$10,000 for the chair position. No additional compensation is paid for serving on the Boards of Roma Bank’s subsidiaries; the Company and its other subsidiaries; or, the MHC. The aggregate director fees paid to the directors of Roma Bank for the year ended December 31, 2012 was \$339,846. Directors who also serve as employees do not receive compensation as directors.

The following table sets forth information regarding the compensation paid to our outside directors for 2012.

	Fees Earned Or Paid In Cash (1)	Stock Awards	Option Awards	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation	Total
Robert C. Albanese	\$45,054	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$45,054
Thomas A. Bracken(2)	\$26,000	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$26,000
Alfred DeBlasio, Jr.	\$46,304	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$46,304
Dennis M. Bone.	\$45,152	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$45,152
Robert H. Rosen	\$46,016	\$-	\$	\$ -	\$46,016
Michele N. Siekerka	\$51,016	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$51,016
Jeffrey P. Taylor	\$40,152	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$40,152
William J. Walsh, Jr.	\$40,152	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$40,152

- (1) Includes cash compensation paid in lieu of dividends on unvested Stock Awards.
- (2) Mr. Bracken was elected to the Board in April 2012 and therefore received a prorated retainer for his service on the Board in 2012.
- (3) At December 31, 2012, the aggregate number of unexercised options with an exercise price of \$13.67 and shares of unvested restricted stock held by each director were as follows:

Name	Stock Awards	Options
Albanese	9,600	12,800
DeBlasio, Jr.	9,600	12,800
Bone	4,800	-
Bracken	-	-
Rosen	7,200	6,400
Siekerka	7,200	6,400
Taylor	4,800	-
Walsh, Jr.	4,800	-

## Compensation Discussion and Analysis

### Executive Summary

During the year ended December 31, 2012, Michele N. Siekerka, Esq. completed her first full year as Board Chair. Peter A. Inverso, President and Chief Executive Officer announced his anticipated retirement date and the Board began its search to fill that position. On December 19, 2012, Roma Financial Corporation, Roma Bank and Roma Financial Corporation, MHC entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger with Investors Bancorp, Inc., Investors Bank and Investors Bancorp MHC.

### General

The purpose of this Compensation Discussion and Analysis (“CD&A”) is to provide information about each material element of compensation earned by our Named Executive Officers (those officers required to be named in the Summary Compensation Table included in this proxy statement) for fiscal 2012. Compensation for all Named Executive Officers of the Company, including the President and Chief Executive Officer, is determined by the

Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Committee" or the "Compensation Committee").

The Compensation Committee, which consists entirely of independent directors of the Board, adopted a formal charter on August 8, 2007, amended on January 16, 2013, detailing its Mission Statement and Principal Functions, Membership, and Responsibilities.

As outlined in its charter, the duties and responsibilities of the Committee include:

Assist the corporation in defining an executive total compensation policy that (i) supports the Company's overall business strategy and objectives, (ii) attracts and retains key executives, (iii) links total compensation with business objectives and organizational performance, and (iv) provides competitive total compensation opportunities at a reasonable cost while enhancing shareholder value.

Act on behalf of the Board in administering compensation plans approved by the Board and shareholders and in developing recommendations with respect to the compensation of corporate executives.

Evaluate annually the total compensation of corporate executives against (i) pre-established performance goals and objectives, and (ii) an appropriate peer group of similar financial organizations.

Review the retirement plans of the corporation and determine any differences between plan objectives, needs and current benefit levels, approve any amendments, and review the results of the retirement plan investments for compliance with organization policies, tax law, Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the like.

Select and control the activities of independent compensation consultants to advise the Committee, when appropriate.

Review and oversee the Management Succession Program.

See that an appropriate training program for management and staff is developed, delivered and appropriately staffed in order to assist the individuals in performing their assigned duties.

Advise the Board with respect to outside directors' compensation, as well as its components (retainers, fees, long term incentive plans, benefits, and perquisites).

Keep abreast of current developments in executive compensation in the financial community.

Review and discuss with the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer the Compensation Discussion and Analysis required in the Company's annual report or proxy statements and determine whether to recommend to the Board that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in the Company's annual reports or proxy statements for the annual meetings of stockholders.

Provide the names of the members of the Committee, the annual Compensation Committee report for the Company's annual reports or proxy

statements for the annual meeting of stockholders with respect to those matters required by Securities and Exchange Commission and appropriate regulatory bodies.

Determine annual retainer, meeting fees and stock awards for members of the Board and its committees.



Monitor compliance by directors and executive officers with the Company's stock ownership guidelines, if any.

Perform the responsibilities of the Committee with respect to the Company's equity program.

Undertake such other responsibilities as may be assigned to the Committee, from time to time, by the Board or as designated in compensation or benefit plan documents.

Peter A. Inverso, President and Chief Executive Officer, participated in determinations regarding the compensation and design of our benefit programs for all employees. However, he did not participate in setting his own compensation.

#### Shareholder Advisory Votes on Compensation

At the 2011 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, the shareholders approved the advisory vote on the Company's executive compensation policies and practices as disclosed in the CD&A and the proxy by more than 99% of the shares voting on the matter. In addition, the shareholders approved an advisory vote recommending that such advisory vote be taken every three years in the proxy by more than 92% of the shares voting on the matter. The Company intends to follow this advisory vote on the three year frequency of such shareholder advisory votes.

#### Our Compensation Objectives and the Focus of Our Compensation Rewards

Our compensation philosophy is dictated by the Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors. We believe that an appropriate compensation program should have a balance between providing rewards to executive officers while at the same time effectively controlling compensation costs. Our objective is to provide overall competitive pay levels in order to attract highly qualified individuals and to retain those individuals in a highly competitive marketplace for executive talent, to reward executive officers for superior performance and incent them to perform in a manner that maximizes our corporate performance and enhances long-term stockholder value. Accordingly, our intent is to structure our executive compensation with a focus on a pay-for-performance approach and to offer executive compensation programs that align each individual's financial incentives with our strategic direction and corporate values.

We view our executive compensation as having the following key elements:

- a current cash compensation program consisting of salary and cash bonus incentives;

- long-term equity incentives reflected in awards under our Roma Financial Corporation 2008 Equity Incentive Plan and previously adopted Phantom Stock Appreciation Rights Plan;

- our tax qualified retirement programs (pension, 401(k) plan and employee stock ownership plan), and;

- other executive retirement benefits and perquisites.

These programs have as their objective to provide our senior officers with overall compensation that is competitive with comparable financial institutions, aligns individual performance with our business objectives, and aligns senior officer long-term interests with those of the Company's stockholders.

## Comparative Market Data

We annually review our mix of short term performance incentives and longer term incentives, and compare them to market competitive levels of compensation and benefits. We do not have set percentages of short term versus long term incentives, nor do we currently have a specific marketplace percentile positioning that must be attained for executive compensation. Instead, we look to provide a reasonable balance of those incentives, consistent with competitive standards obtained from available market studies and data obtained of peer institutions.

The primary data sources used in setting competitive market levels for executive officer pay are the information contained in survey studies and publicly disclosed data by other comparable community banks. These comparable companies are reviewed annually and may change from year-to-year. These companies, which have been carefully reviewed and considered by the Compensation Committee, include community banks of similar size and business strategy located in our geographic region. The Compensation Committee reviews such data collected in order to determine market competitive levels of compensation, as well as to review internal pay levels within the executive group. The Compensation Committee makes decisions regarding each individual executive's target total compensation opportunity with consideration of the goal of motivating and retaining an experienced and effective management team.

In May 2012, a compensation study covering our senior officers, vice presidents and above, as well as our non-employee directors, was performed by GK Partners, a compensation consulting firm hired by our Compensation Committee. The comparative group of companies reviewed in 2012 consisted of fifteen other publicly traded financial institutions ranging in asset size from \$1.1 billion to \$4.0 billion. The peer group averaged \$2.1 billion in assets, versus our size, at the time, of approximately \$1.9 billion in assets. Each peer group financial institution was selected because of its size and similarity in operations, as well as general geographic proximity to us. The fifteen financial institutions that comprised the 2012 study peer group were from the states of New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and New York. The peer group included: Bryn Mawr Bank Corp.; Cape Bancorp, Inc.; Center Bancorp, Inc.; Clifton Savings Bancorp, Inc.; Dime Community Bancorp, Inc.; First of Long Island Corp.; Fox Chase Bancorp, Inc.; Hudson Valley Holding Corp.; Kearny Financial Corp.; Lakeland Bancorp, Inc.; Northfield Bancorp, Inc.; OceanFirst Financial Corp.; Oritani Financial Corp.; Peapack-Gladstone Financial Corp.; and, Suffolk Bancorp, Inc.

In the 2012 study, we compared our compensation programs to industry available databases and to the above mentioned updated peer group. Our independent compensation consulting firm, GK Partners, performed the following:

- Gathered data from banking industry and proprietary compensation databases based upon company size and scope.

- Determined an appropriate peer group of financial institutions based upon similar size, operations and geography.

- Developed data points at the average and median for salary and total cash compensation comparisons and reviewed equity grants for peer institutions.

- Compared our compensation levels to the "market" data points and determined our relative positioning for competitiveness as to salary, total cash compensation and non-cash compensation.



Evaluated other compensation components, including executive benefits as compared to competitive standards.

In the evaluation process, the salary, total cash and equity compensation of our executive officers were compared to corresponding data points of the peer group as well as data available from proprietary compensation databases. “Market” cash compensation was determined by reviewing the average and median cash compensation within the peer group data.

Although, we gain considerable knowledge about the competitiveness of our compensation programs through the comparative process and by conducting periodic studies, we recognize that each financial institution is unique and that significant differences exist between institutions in regard to executive compensation practices.

We believe that the aggregate of the executive compensation programs that we provide will fulfill our objectives of providing a competitive level of compensation and benefits in order to attract and retain key executives. We also believe that our current executive compensation program rewards performance and promotes our objectives to achieve profitability and growth while, at the same time, mitigating risk in the cash incentive compensation plan through diversity in the number, type and weight of performance measures, as well as limiting maximum incentive payouts at 140% of each performance target and limiting the overall target percentage of incentive compensation as a percentage of salary with a limitation of 140% of target, thereby, allowing us to also maintain controls over our compensation costs.

Our policy for allocating between long-term and currently paid compensation is to ensure adequate base compensation to attract and retain personnel, while providing incentives to maximize long-term value for our Company and our shareholders. Our objective is to provide cash compensation in the form of base salary to meet competitive salary norms and to incentivize and reward superior performance on an annual basis against specific short term goals through our cash incentive compensation plan. Our intent is to provide long-term equity value that rewards efforts to increase long-term shareholder value.

#### Specific Elements of Our Compensation Program

We have described below the specific elements of our compensation program for executive officers.

**Salary.** Consolidation continues within the banking industry, and recent experience continues to demonstrate that there remains a limited supply of qualified experienced executives and other officers, particularly in a number of specialized areas. We believe that it is important that we retain a competitive salary structure in order to retain our existing qualified officers and to maintain a base pay structure consistent with the structures utilized for the compensation of similarly situated executives in the industry and at similarly size institutions. During 2007 and 2008, we established structured salary ranges and guidelines for our executive officers as well as for our other officers and employees. It will be reviewed periodically, in the future, based upon industry standards developed through studies by independent compensation consulting firms engaged by our Compensation Committee for that purpose. A key objective of our salary structure is to maintain reasonable “fixed” compensation costs by targeting base salaries within a competitive range, taking into account performance as well as experience. Salary increases for the Named Executive Officers were considered in November of 2011 and in early 2012, with the help of GK Partners. Salaries for the Named Executive Officers were increased in 2012 based on that review between 0% and 40 % to bring salaries into the competitive range. No increases for the Named Executive Officers were given in 2013.

Short-Term Incentive Compensation. We maintain an annual cash incentive compensation plan which incorporates a strong pay-for-performance orientation. In 2007, the Company began a transition to the restructured cash incentive program which was fully operative in 2008. We also revised and formalized our performance objective setting and performance evaluation process throughout the Company in order to support this increased emphasis on “pay for performance.”

Individual performance goals under our 2012 cash incentive program varied by officer job level and function and were based upon our tactical and strategic objectives. The extent to which we achieved our corporate goals and financial results versus budgeted goals were factors considered in the corporate performance portion of our cash incentive plan.

The Compensation Committee reviews in detail the design of each year’s cash incentive compensation plan including the desired performance outputs and the program factors that will impact total bonus payouts. The Compensation Committee reviews the various performance factors, the weighting of various factors, and the potential impact and the possible risks to the Company of incenting performance in the various factors selected under the plan to be certain that the plan’s design and its performance components are consistent with the Company’s risk tolerance and internal lending policies.

As of January 1, 2008, the Roma Bank Cash Incentive Compensation Plan was fully implemented. The Plan is an integral part of officer cash compensation for Branch Managers and above. It is designed to promote the Board’s performance strategy and to drive the Bank’s business plan on a structured basis for the eligible officers, to reinforce a common focus among eligible officers on the Bank’s continued need for maximum profitability, efficiency and growth, consistent with risk tolerance, and to reinforce the concept of “team” and overall results, as well as individual performance and results. The cash incentive compensation plan employs targeted awards as a percentage of base salary, determined by a competitive analysis previously performed by our consultant, GK Partners. The target cash incentive awards for 2012 were as follows: President & CEO 40% of salary; Executive Vice President 30% of salary; Senior Vice Presidents 20% of salary; and other lesser job titles are similarly structured with a lesser targeted percentage of salary. Awards under the cash incentive pool are achieved through attainment of profitability targets and other key objectives as ratified annually by the Board of Directors and as developed each year in the Bank’s budget, and by the Bank’s performance in several key financial measures, as ratified each year by the Board of Directors, compared to the performance of a group of peer institutions. A discretionary portion of the targeted cash incentive award, 40% for the CEO, 30% for the Executive Vice President and 20% for Senior Vice Presidents, and a lesser percentage for lesser job titles, is based on individual and business group performance.

The peer groups used to compare our Company’s financial performance metrics for the 2012 cash incentive awards was based upon peer institutions determined by management, and consisted of sixteen banks of similar size to the Bank. The Bank’s included in the peer group were from the states of New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Maine. Each peer group financial institution was selected because of its asset size and similarities to the Bank including number of branches and employees.

The sixteen financial institutions comprising the 2012 peer group were: Cape Bank, Carver Federal Savings Bank, Clifton Savings Bank, ESSA Bank & Trust, Fox Chase Bank, Haven Savings Bank, Lake Sunapee Bank, fsb, Legacy Bank, Mascoma Savings Bank, Maspeth Federal Savings Bank, Oritani Savings Bank, Patriot National Bank, Savings Bank of Maine, United Bank, Unity Bank and Westfield Bank. The same peer group was used in 2011.

For the 2012 Cash Incentive Compensation Plan, the Bank’s results versus budget components were weighted 75% and the Bank’s performance results relative to several key peer bank financial



performance measures, including, net income, commercial loan originations, residential loan originations, core deposit growth, and year to year improvement in: non-performing loans to total loans, return on average equity, and the ratio of loans to assets. Each of these factors varied in their weighting from 3.33% to 60% with the aggregate weighting of 75%. Bank results versus Peer Group result components were weighted in aggregate in 2012 at 25% with no one component weighted more than 50.0% of that total. Those components measured included: return on average assets and efficiency ratio. Bank results versus Peer Bank results were measured based upon a twelve month trailing average ending September 30, 2012. Consistent with the Company's risk policy, each individual component factor being measured under the Cash Incentive Compensation Plan in 2011 was subject to a 140% maximum so that the maximum bonus award applicable to the President and CEO, for example, having a target bonus of 50% of base salary in 2012 was limited to 70% of base salary. The other Named Executive Officers have a targeted bonus of 35% for the Executive Vice President, and 20% for the Chief Financial Officer and Senior Vice Presidents, which was maximized at 49% and 28% respectively. The components measuring the Bank's 2012 results versus 2012 budget were measured as of December 31, 2012 with the cash incentive amounts estimated to be paid in late February or early March 2013.

Under the Cash Incentive Compensation Plan for 2012, bonuses were paid to the Named Executive Officers which ranged from 3.6% to 18.9% of base salary. For all Senior Vice Presidents and above, including our President and Chief Executive Officer, their 2012 cash incentive amount was based totally upon attainment of the above described consolidated result goals, versus budget, as well as Bank results versus the Peer Group Banks.

#### Long-Term Incentive Compensation.

Equity Incentive Plan ("Plan"). In 2008, the Company implemented the 2008 Equity Incentive Plan.

The purpose of the Plan is to provide incentives and rewards to selected officers, employees and directors who contribute to the long-term success and growth of the Company, and to assist the Company in attracting and retaining selected officers, employees and directors with necessary experience and the ability required to aid the Company in increasing the long term value of the Company for the benefit of its shareholders.

Under the Plan, awards may consist of Incentive Stock Options, Non-Statutory Stock Options or Restricted Stock Awards. Through the practice of awarding nonvested equity shares, with vesting over a period of years, this element of the compensation program promotes and rewards a Plan participant's tenure with the Company, as well as, the participant's role in the Company's long term growth and long term financial performance.

The Compensation Committee reviewed in detail the design of the awards in aggregate, by category of job position and by individual award to be sure the plan design, components, and awards were consistent with the Company's risk tolerance and impact tolerance on current and future earnings, as well as, consistent with customary practices.

The types and amounts of awards for each participant were based upon recommendations made by our then consultant firm, IFM Group, Inc., taking into effect reward practices in similar size institutions. The 2008 awards were made to officers at the rank of Branch Manager and above, as well as to directors. These awards vest at 20% per year over five years, commencing on the first anniversary date of the award. Information concerning the 2008 awards to certain Named Executive Officers is set forth in the Outstanding Equity Awards At Fiscal Year End Table. No additional awards were made in 2012, 2010 and 2009. In 2011, the following restricted stock awards were granted to the Named Executive Officers:



5,708 shares to Mr. Inverso; and, 2,854 shares each to Mr. Pericoloso and Ms. Lamont. The awards vest at 20% per year for five years, commencing on the first anniversary date of the award.

**Stock Appreciation Rights Plan.** No awards were made since 2007 under the Bank's Phantom Stock Appreciation Rights Plan, which was effective November 1, 2002, to reward executive officers, key management and the Board of Directors for achieving strategic goals of the Bank. Under that plan, the future value of units awarded to plan participants is based upon the accumulation of future consolidated retained earnings of the Bank. As of the date of such award on November 1, 2002, such units had no value. The future value of these units will be based upon the increase in consolidated retained earnings of the Bank as of each December 31. Expenses accrued for the increases in the future value of units awarded reduce the Bank's future earnings. There are no thresholds or target payouts set under the plan. The plan expired on December 31, 2009.

The units under that Plan were awarded to executive officers, key management, and directors of the Bank as of November 1, 2002 and in subsequent years. Directors of the Bank received 24.8% of such units in the aggregate. Messrs. Inverso, Pericoloso, Lamont, and Zadworny were awarded 16.3%, 16.3%, 4.6%, 5.0% and 5.0% of the units, respectively. Ms. Berrios did not participate in the Plan. Such units are earned and non-forfeitable after participants have completed 10 years of service with the Bank at a rate of 10% per year, or 100% at age 65, whichever is earlier. Distributions of benefits under the Plan will be made following retirement, termination of service, death or a change in control of the Bank. The benefit paid to a plan participant will be the accumulated value of his or her units determined by the growth in the Bank's consolidated retained earnings between November 1, 2002 and the time of distribution of the benefit to a plan participant.

**Retirement and Income Security Programs.** Our retirement programs consist of a tax-qualified defined pension benefit plan, a 401(k) plan with a Company matching contribution and our employee stock ownership plan. In addition, we maintain a supplemental retirement program for certain Named Executive Officers.

**Defined Benefit Retirement Plan.** The Bank maintains a tax-qualified noncontributory defined benefit plan ("Retirement Plan") for employees. All employees who have worked for a period of one year and who have been credited with 1,000 or more hours of employment during the year are eligible to accrue benefits under the Retirement Plan. At the normal retirement age of 65, the plan is designed to provide a single life annuity with no ancillary benefits. For a married participant, the normal form of benefit is an actuarially reduced survivor annuity where, upon the participant's death, the participant's spouse is entitled to receive a benefit equal to 50% of the amount paid during the participant's lifetime. The joint and survivor annuity will be actuarially equivalent to the single life annuity.

The annual retirement benefit provided is an amount equal to the sum of (a) 1.3% of a participant's average annual earnings not in excess of Covered Compensation and (b) 1.93% of a participant's average annual earnings in excess of Covered Compensation, multiplied by the participant's years of credited service to the normal retirement date (not to exceed 30 years). Covered Compensation is defined as the average (without indexing) of the Social Security Taxable Wage Base (\$110,000 for 2012, and \$106,800 for 2011) in effect at the beginning of each calendar year during the 35 year period ending with the calendar year in which the participant attains Social Security Retirement Age (without regard to any age increase factors under the Social Security Act). Average annual earnings is defined as the average annual total compensation of the 60 consecutive calendar months preceding termination of service. Retirement benefits are also payable upon retirement due to early and late retirement, disability or death. A reduced benefit is payable upon early retirement at or after age 55 and the completion of 5 years of service with the Bank. Upon termination of employment other than as specified above, a participant who has a vested benefit under the Retirement Plan is eligible to receive his or her accrued benefit reduced for



early retirement, if applicable, or a deferred retirement benefit commencing on such participant's normal retirement date. Benefits are payable in various annuity forms.

**401(k) Savings Plan.** The Bank maintains the Roma Bank 401(k) Savings Plan, a tax-qualified defined contribution plan, for substantially all salaried employees of the Bank who have completed a year of eligible service (as defined under the plan) and attained age 21. Eligible employees may contribute an amount from 1% to 25% of their salary to the plan on a pre-tax basis, subject to the limitations imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. For 2012, the contribution limit was \$17,000 except participants over age 50 may contribute an additional \$5,500 per year. Under the plan, the Bank makes a matching contribution equal to 50% of the first 6.0% of compensation deferred by a participant. The plan has an individual account for each participant's contributions and allows each participant to direct the investment of his or her account into various investment funds.

**Employee Stock Ownership Plan.** As part of our stock offering during 2006, we established the Roma Bank Employee Stock Ownership Plan. The plan purchased 811,750 shares of the Common Stock as part of the offering for a total of \$8,117,500, with funds borrowed from the Company. The stock acquisition loan will be repaid by the plan over a period of approximately 15 years based upon anticipated contributions from the Bank necessary to meet the loan principal and interest obligations of the plan. During the repayment period of the loan, it is anticipated that approximately 54,000 shares of Company stock will be allocated annually to employee participant accounts as a supplement to their retirement program. The employee stock ownership plan will serve to permit all employees of the Company and the Bank to become long term stockholders of the Company, thereby aligning the employees' interest with the interests of the Company's stockholders. For the year ended December 31, 2012, ESOP awards to the Named Executive Officers were as follows: Inverso – 1,518.12 shares; Pericoloso– 1,303.13 shares; Lamont – 1,162.85 shares, and Zadworny – 938.02 shares. Ms. Berrios was not eligible to participate in the Plan in 2012. The shares allocated to the officers above represented 9.09% of the 54,116 shares allocated in 2012.

**Supplemental Executive Retirement Agreements.** The Bank has entered into supplemental executive retirement agreements with Named Executive Officers Inverso, and Zadworny. The supplemental executive retirement agreements provide benefits at normal retirement age of 69 for Mr. Inverso, and 65 for Mr. Zadworny. However, the plan provides for payments to begin at the later of normal retirement age or the date the individual is no longer employed by the Bank. Details of the values of these retirement benefits may be found in the footnotes and narratives to the Summary Compensation Table and in the narratives accompanying the Pension Benefits Table and the Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Table.

**Employment Agreements.** On February 20, 2009, the Board of Directors of Roma Financial Corporation approved the terms of an employment agreement with Peter A. Inverso, President and Chief Executive Officer, effective as of March 1, 2009. This Agreement was amended in July 2012 when the Company, the Bank and Mr. Inverso executed an Addendum to his employment agreement. Mr. Inverso's agreement provided for an initial term of 36 months. The agreement also provides that on the first day of each calendar quarter after the anniversary date, the term shall be renewed for an additional three years, unless written notice of non-renewal is provided to the officer at least 90 days prior to any such Anniversary Date. The Addendum provides for the term of the employment agreement to end on December 31, 2013, and a base salary of \$344,000. Mr. Inverso's agreement provides that the individual's base salary will be reviewed at least annually by a committee designated by the Board and may be increased but not decreased. Mr. Inverso is also entitled to receive such benefits as are uniformly provided to permanent full-time employees. He shall also be provided with such other benefits, arrangements and perquisites substantially similar as to what were being provided to them immediately prior to the date of the agreement and shall be entitled to incentive compensation and bonuses as provided



in any plan in which the individual is eligible to participate.

In the event the officer terminates his employment due to a disability, he shall be entitled to continue to receive his base salary for the greater of the remaining term of the agreement or one year. The agreement also provides that, upon the occurrence of an "Event of Termination", the officer shall be entitled to receive a payment equal to three times the officer's base salary and the highest bonus awarded to him during the prior three years and shall also be entitled to continuation of health and welfare benefits for twelve months following the date of termination or thirty six months in the event of a change in control. The Addendum provides that if Mr. Inverso terminates employment prior to December 31, 2013 at the request of the Bank or the Company, he shall nevertheless be entitled to continue receiving his compensation and benefits through December 31, 2013, his estate shall be entitled to receive a payment equal to his base salary for the balance of the term of the employment agreement, as well as the pro rata cash incentive plan award for the period of service prior to Mr. Inverso's death.

Effective January 1, 2010, the Company entered into employment agreements with Sharon L. Lamont, Chief Financial Officer and Keith Pericoloso, Executive Vice President. Each of these agreements provides for an initial term of 12 months. Each agreement also provides that on each annual anniversary date of the effective date of the agreements (the "Anniversary Date"), the term shall be renewed for an additional unspecified period of time beyond the then effective expiration upon a determination and resolution of the Board of Directors that the performance of the respective executive has met the requirements and standards of the Board of Directors. Ms. Lamont's agreement provides that she will receive an initial base salary of \$210,000 per year; and Mr. Pericoloso's provides for an initial base salary of \$228,000 per year. Both agreements also provide that the individual's base salary will be reviewed at least annually by the Board and may be increased but not decreased. Each officer is also entitled to participate in other benefit programs provided to other employees. Each officer shall also be provided with such other benefits, arrangements and perquisites provided to other senior management and shall be entitled to participate in incentive compensation and bonus plans covering all senior management of the Bank.

In the event the officer terminates his employment due to a disability, he shall be entitled to continue to receive his or her base salary for the lesser of the remaining term of the agreement or one year. In the event of death, the executive's estate shall be entitled to receive a payment equal to his base salary through the last day of the calendar month in which the death occurred. In the event an executive's employment is terminated without cause, the executive will be entitled to receive his or her compensation due and the cost of obtaining all health, life disability and benefits substantially equal to those the executive was eligible to participate in through the remaining term of the agreement. In the event an executive is involuntarily terminated during the term of the employment agreement within 12 months following any "Change in Control" of the Bank or its Parent, absent cause, the executive shall be entitled to receive a payment equal to two times the total compensation paid to that executive or accrued by the Bank with respect to the Executive for the most recently completed calendar year ending on or prior to such date of termination, not to exceed the tax deductible limitations under Section 280G under the Internal Revenue Code. The executive may also voluntarily terminate employment in connection with a Change in Control and be entitled to receive such payment within 12 months following a Change in Control if a "Good Reason" exists. Under the agreements, a "Good Reason" will exist if, without the executive's express written consent, the Bank materially breaches any of its obligations under the agreements. Without limitation, a material breach will be deemed to occur upon the occurrence of any of the following: (i) a material diminution in the executive's base salary; (ii) a material diminution in the executive's authority, duties or responsibilities; (iii) a material diminution in the budget over which the executive retains authority; (iv) a material change in the geographic location of the executive's office location; or (v) any other action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Bank of the employment agreement.

### Compliance with Sections 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code

Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code denies a deduction to any publicly held corporation for compensation paid to certain “covered employees” in a taxable year to the extent that compensation exceeds \$1,000,000 for a covered employee. Since we retain discretion over bonuses under our cash incentive plan, those bonuses will not qualify for the exemption for performance-based compensation. The Compensation Committee intends to provide executive compensation in a manner that will be fully deductible for federal income tax purposes, so long as that objective is consistent with overall business and compensation objectives. However, we reserve the right to use our judgment to authorize compensation payments that do not comply with the exemptions in Section 162(m) when we believe that such payments are appropriate and in the best interests of our shareholders, after taking into consideration changing business conditions or the executive officer’s performance.

### Compensation Committee Report

The Compensation Committee considered and discussed the Compensation Discussion and Analysis (CD&A) with executive management and gave its recommendation to the Board of Directors that the CD&A be included in Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012.

Compensation Committee: Dennis Bone, Committee Chairman, Robert H. Rosen, and, Michele N. Siekerka.

### Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

No member of our Compensation Committee is or formerly was an officer or employee of the Company. During 2012, none of our executive officers served on the Compensation Committee (or equivalent), or the board of directors, of another entity whose executive officer or officers served on our Compensation Committee or Board.

### Relationship with Compensation Consultant

In November 2010, the Compensation Committee retained GK Partners as the consultant for compensation-related matters. For the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, GK Partners was paid \$36,225 and \$24,200, respectively.

### Assessment of Risks Related to the Company’s Compensation Policies

We believe the Company’s compensation programs for its employees are not reasonably likely to have a material adverse impact on the Company.

The Compensation Policy of the Company is established by the compensation committee of the Board and follows a design philosophy of providing performance incentives on both a short term and longer term basis, while at the same time remaining consistent with the Company’s risk tolerance and Board philosophy of mitigating risk, consistent with any changes in the Company’s risk profile. The risk assessment and risk mitigation process consists of the committee annually reviewing the design of the short term cash incentive plan and modeling the effect on all plan participants in terms of payout if all measures are achieved to the maximum, target and minimum.

The Company further believes it mitigates risk, by having a balanced pay mix which balances the short term cash incentive plan objectives with longer term objectives, through the practice of awarding equity shares and vesting them over a period of years, thereby promoting and rewarding a plan



participant's tenure with the Company as well as the participant's role in the Company's long term growth and long term financial performance.

Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management

(a) Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners.

Persons and groups beneficially owning in excess of 5% of the Common Stock are required to file reports regarding their ownership with the Securities and Exchange Commission. A person is the beneficial owner of any shares of Common Stock as to which he or she has or shares voting or investment power or has the right to acquire within 60 days. Based on our review of beneficial ownership reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the following table sets forth persons or groups who are known to us to beneficially own more than 5% of the Common Stock as of December 31, 2012.

Name and Address of Beneficial Owner	Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership(1)	Percent of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding
Roma Financial Corporation, MHC 2300 Route 33 Robbinsville, New Jersey 08691	22,584,995 (2)	74.99%

(1) In accordance with Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act, for purposes of this table, a person is deemed to be the beneficial owner of any shares of Common Stock if he or she has or shares voting and/or investment power with respect to such Common Stock or has the right to acquire beneficial ownership of such shares within 60 days of December 31, 2012.

(2) The Board of Directors of Roma Financial Corporation, MHC directs the voting of these shares. The Board of Directors of Roma Financial Corporation, MHC consists of the Company's directors.



## (b) Security Ownership of Management

The following table sets forth information with respect to the beneficial ownership as of December 31, 2012 of each of the Company's directors and executive officers and by all directors and executive officers as a group of the Company's Common Stock, which is the only class of the Company's equity securities outstanding.

Name	Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership (1)	Percent of Class
Peter A. Inverso	177,971(2)	*
Michele N. Siekerka	43,292(3)	*
Alfred DeBlasio, Jr.	13,600(4)	*
Thomas S. Bracken	1,500	*
Robert C. Albanese	10,100(4)	*
William J. Walsh, Jr.	3,490	*
Dennis M. Bone	2,700	*
Robert H. Rosen	41,905(3)	*
Jeffrey P. Taylor	6,200	*
C. Keith Pericoloso	48,267(5)	*
Sharon L. Lamont	54,736(5)	*
Barry J. Zadworny	50,080(5)	*
Suzette Nanovic Berrios	115	
All directors and executive offices as a group (13 persons)	453,956(1)(6)	

\* Less than one percent.

- (1) Beneficial ownership as of December 31, 2012. An individual is considered to beneficially own shares if he or she directly or indirectly has or shares (1) voting power, which includes the power to vote, or to direct the voting of, the shares; or (2) investment power, which includes the power to dispose, or direct the disposition of, the shares. Shares are also considered to be beneficially owned if the individual has the right to acquire such shares within 60 days of December 31, 2012.
- (2) Includes 92,800 shares that may be purchased pursuant to the exercise of options within 60 days of December 31, 2012.
- (3) Includes 25,600 shares that may be purchased pursuant to the exercise of options within 60 days of December 31, 2012.
- (4) Includes 3,200 shares that may be purchased pursuant to the exercise of options within 60 days of December 31, 2012.
- (5) Includes 30,400 shares that may be purchased pursuant to the exercise of options within 60 days of December 31, 2012.
- (6) Includes 230,400 shares that may be purchased pursuant to the exercise of stock options which are exercisable within 60 days of December 31, 2012.

(c)

Changes in Control

Other than pursuant to the terms of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, management of the Company knows of no arrangements, including any pledge by any person of securities of the Company, the operation of which may at a subsequent date result in a change in control of the registrant.

(d) Securities Authorized for Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans

Set forth below is information as of December 31, 2012 with respect to compensation plans under which equity securities of the Company are authorized for issuance.

	( a )	( b )	( c )
	Number of Securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans for option awards (excluding securities reflected in column (a))
Equity compensation plans approved by shareholders	804,000	\$ 13.67	488,909
Total	804,000	\$ 13.67	488,909

(1) Options outstanding have been granted pursuant to the Roma Financial Corporation 2008 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The Plan provides for the grant of options to purchase up to 1,292,909 shares of common stock of which options to purchase 804,000 shares were outstanding at December 31, 2012. The Plan also provides for grants of up to 517,164 shares of restricted common stock of which 285,350 shares have already been granted.

	( a )	( b )
	Number of Securities to be vesting of restricted stock awards	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans for restricted stock awards (excluding securities reflected in column (a))
Equity compensation plans approved by shareholders	96,123	231,814
Total	96,123	231,814

(1) Unvested restricted stock awards have been granted pursuant to the Roma Financial Corporation 2008 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The Plan provides for grants of up to 517,164 shares of restricted common stock of which 285,350 shares have already been granted and 189,227 shares have vested.

Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence

Related Party Transactions. Other than as disclosed below, no directors, executive officers or their immediate family members were engaged, directly or indirectly, in transactions with Roma Financial Corporation or any subsidiary during the three years ended December 31, 2012 (excluding loans with Roma Bank).

The defined benefit plan, ESOP and 401(k) plans are administered by Pentegra Retirement Services. During 2009, the President and CEO of Pentegra, Robert C. Albanese, was elected to the Board of Directors of Roma Financial Corporation. For the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011, Roma Bank paid Pentegra \$119,990 and \$101,542, respectively, to administer the three plans. Mr. Albanese is considered to be independent.

The Banks make loans to their officers, directors and employees in the ordinary course of business. All such loans were made in the ordinary course of business, were made on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable loans with persons not related to the Bank; and did not involve more than the normal risk of collectability or present other unfavorable features.

Director Independence. Other than Mr. Inverso, who is our President and Chief Executive Officer, each member of our Board of Directors is an outside director independent of management, the Company and the Bank, and free of any relationship that could interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out their duties as directors. The Board of Directors carefully monitors any situation that could cause a member to cease to be independent under the requirements of the NASDAQ.

Item 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services

Effective July 30, 2002, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 was amended by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 to require all auditing services and non-audit services provided by an issuer's independent auditor to be pre-approved by the issuer's audit committee. The Company's Audit Committee has adopted a policy of approving all audit and non-audit services prior to the service being rendered. All of the services provided by the Company's independent auditor, ParenteBeard LLC, for 2012 and 2011 were approved by the Audit Committee prior to the service being rendered.

Audit Fees. The fees incurred by the Company for audit services for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 were \$355,309 and \$305,000, respectively. These fees include the audit of the Company's annual consolidated financial statements and the review of the consolidated financial statements included in the Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q.

Audit Related Fees. The Company did not incur any fees for assurance and related services associated with the audit of the annual financial statements or the review of quarterly financial statements for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011.

Tax Fees. The fees incurred by the Company for preparation of state and federal tax returns for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 were \$24,100 and \$23,425, respectively.

All Other Fees. The fees incurred by the Company related to XBRL for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011 were \$33,500 and \$22,000, respectively.

PART IV

Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

(a) Listed below are all financial statements and exhibits filed as part of this report, and are incorporated by reference.

1. The consolidated statements of financial condition of Roma Financial Corporation and subsidiary as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the years in the three year period ended December 31, 2012, together with the related notes and the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm are included following this Item 15.

2. Schedules omitted as they are not applicable.

3. Exhibits

The following Exhibits are filed as part of this report:

2.1 Agreement and Plan of Merger dated December 19, 2012 by and among Roma Financial Corporation, MHC, Roma Financial Corporation and Roma bank and Investors Bancorp, MHC, Investors Bancorp, Inc. and Investors Bank\*\*\*\*\*

3.1 Charter of Roma Financial Corporation\*

3.2 Amended and Restated Bylaws of Roma Financial Corporation\*\*

4 Stock Certificate of Roma Financial Corporation\*

10.1 Form of Supplemental Executive Retirement Agreement\*

10.2 Form of Phantom Stock Appreciation Rights Agreement\*

10.3 Roma Financial Corporation 2008 Equity Incentive Plan\*\*\*

10.4 Employment Agreement between the Registrant, Roma Bank and Peter A. Inverso\*\*\*\*

10.5 Employment Agreement between Roma Bank and Sharon L. Lamont\*\*\*\*\*

10.6 Employment Agreement between Roma Bank and Keith Pericoloso\*\*\*\*\*

10.7 Agreement dated September 21, 2012 between Roma Bank and the Comptroller of the Currency\*\*\*\*\*

10.8 Addendum, dated July 1, 2012, to Employment Agreement between Roma Financial Corporation, Roma Bank and Peter Inverso\*\*\*\*\*

21 Subsidiaries of the Registrant

23 Consent of ParenteBeard LLC

31.1 Certification of CEO to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

31.2 Certification of CFO pursuant to Section 302 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

32 Certification pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

101.INS XBRL Instance Document

101.SCH XBRL Schema Document

101.CAL XBRL Calculation Linkbase Document

101.DEF	XBRL Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB	XBRL Labels Linkbase Document
101.PRE	XBRL Presentation Linkbase Document

- \* Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on March 14, 2006
- \*\* Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed July 20, 2011
- \*\*\* Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed on March 27, 2009 (Registration Number 333-158249)
- \*\*\*\* Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed February 26, 2009
- \*\*\*\*\* Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed January 5, 2010
- \*\*\*\*\* Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed December 20, 2012
- \*\*\*\*\* Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed September 27, 2012
- \*\*\*\*\* Incorporated by reference to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed July 7, 2012

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February 26, 2013

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RE: Management Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

The management of Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries (collectively the “Company”) is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. The Company’s internal control system is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance to the management and board of directors regarding the preparation and fair presentation of published consolidated financial statements.

Our internal control over financial reporting includes policies and procedures that pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect transactions and dispositions of assets; provide reasonable assurances that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and the directors of the Company; and provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Company’s assets that could have a material effect on our consolidated financial statements.

All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitation. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to consolidated financial statement preparation and presentation. Also, projections of any valuation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate due to changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

The Company’s management assessed the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012. In making this assessment, we used the criteria set by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in Internal Control-Integrated Framework. Based on our assessment, we believe that, as of December 31, 2012, the Company’s internal control over financial reporting is effective based on those criteria. The Company’s independent registered public accounting firm that audited the consolidated financial statements has issued an audit report on our assessment of, and the effective operation of, the Company’s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Board of Directors and Stockholders

Roma Financial Corporation

We have audited Roma Financial Corporation's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012, based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Roma Financial Corporation's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting, and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal control over financial reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the entity's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit of internal control over financial reporting included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. Our audit also included performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

An entity's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. An entity's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the entity; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the entity are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the entity; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the entity's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, Roma Financial Corporation maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012, based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated statements of financial condition of Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2012 and 2011 and the related consolidated statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2012 and our report dated February 26, 2013 expressed an unqualified opinion.

/s/ ParenteBeard LLC

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
February 26, 2013

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

Board of Directors and Stockholders  
Roma Financial Corporation

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statements of financial condition of Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries (the “Company”) as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related statements of income, comprehensive income, changes in stockholders’ equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2012. These consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2012, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), Roma Financial Corporation’s internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2012, based on criteria established in Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) and our report dated February 26, 2013 expressed an unqualified opinion.

/s/ ParenteBeard LLC

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
February 26, 2013

## Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries

## Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition

	December 31,	
	2012	2011
	(In thousands, except for share data)	
Assets		
Cash and amounts due from depository institutions	\$18,523	\$ 17,791
Interest-bearing deposits in other banks	93,073	41,775
Money market funds	32,855	25,093
Cash and Cash Equivalents	144,451	84,659
Investment securities available for sale ("AFS") at fair value	28,921	42,491
Investment securities held to maturity at amortized cost (fair value of \$129,488 and \$243,022, respectively)	127,916	241,185
Mortgage-backed securities held to maturity at amortized cost (fair value of \$363,918 and \$458,555, respectively)	343,318	438,523
Loans receivable, net of allowance for loan losses of \$8,669 and \$5,416 at December 31, 2012 and 2011	1,037,404	962,389
Real estate owned and other repossessed assets	8,340	3,276
Real estate owned via equity investment	3,783	3,905
Real estate held for sale	1,627	970
Premises and equipment, net	46,982	47,433
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York and ACBB stock	9,002	5,798
Accrued interest receivable	5,474	6,492
Bank owned life insurance	34,587	28,852
Goodwill	1,826	1,826
Deferred tax asset	14,229	12,253
Other assets	6,280	8,032
Total Assets	\$1,814,140	\$ 1,888,084

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries

## Consolidated Statements of Financial Condition

## Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity

	December 31,	
	2012	2011
	(In thousands, except per share data)	
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Deposits:		
Non-interest bearing	\$71,287	\$63,766
Interest-bearing	1,413,282	1,511,840
Total deposits	1,484,569	1,575,606
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York advances	52,385	33,316
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	40,000	40,000
Subordinated debentures	-	1,915
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	3,433	3,064
Accrued interest payable and other liabilities	18,144	16,188
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>1,598,531</b>	<b>1,670,089</b>
<b>Commitments and Contingencies</b>		
<b>Stockholders' Equity</b>		
Common stock, \$.10 par value, 45,000,000 authorized; 32,731,875 issued; 30,116,769 and 30,320,927, respectively, outstanding.	3,274	3,274
Paid-in capital	101,002	100,310
Retained earnings	156,618	157,669
Unearned shares held by Employee Stock Ownership Plan	(4,599 )	(5,141 )
Treasury stock, 2,615,106 and 2,410,948, respectively, outstanding	(37,098 )	(35,335 )
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(5,598 )	(4,637 )
<b>Total Roma Financial Corporation stockholders' equity</b>	<b>213,599</b>	<b>216,140</b>
Noncontrolling interest	2,010	1,855
<b>Total Stockholders' Equity</b>	<b>215,609</b>	<b>217,995</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity</b>	<b>\$1,814,140</b>	<b>\$1,888,084</b>

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries

## Consolidated Statements of Income

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
	(In thousands, except for share and per share data)		
<b>Interest Income</b>			
Loans, including fees	\$47,356	\$47,033	\$40,002
Mortgage-backed securities held to maturity	14,092	17,238	13,525
Investment securities held to maturity	3,566	7,780	11,576
Securities available for sale	754	1,024	799
Other interest-earning assets	530	477	511
<b>Total Interest Income</b>	<b>66,298</b>	<b>73,552</b>	<b>66,413</b>
<b>Interest Expense</b>			
Deposits	12,492	18,036	17,710
Borrowings	2,988	2,761	2,566
<b>Total Interest Expense</b>	<b>15,480</b>	<b>20,797</b>	<b>20,276</b>
<b>Net Interest Income</b>	<b>50,818</b>	<b>52,755</b>	<b>46,137</b>
Provision for Loan Losses	6,726	4,491	6,855
<b>Net Interest Income after Provision for Loan Losses</b>	<b>44,092</b>	<b>48,264</b>	<b>39,282</b>
<b>Non-Interest Income</b>			
Commissions on sales of title policies	1,225	963	1,019
Fees and service charges on deposits and loans	1,565	1,530	1,819
Income from bank owned life insurance	1,429	1,226	1,180
Net gain from sale of mortgage loans originated for sale	2,172	558	491
Net gain from sale of available for sale securities	461	104	2,205
Net realized (loss) on real estate held for sale	(50 )	-	-
Impairment loss on real estate owned	(783 )	(208 )	(705 )
Impairment loss on real estate held for sale	-	(194 )	-
Net realized gain (loss) from real estate owned	(359 )	(40 )	128
Other	1,806	1,231	1,232
<b>Total Non-Interest Income</b>	<b>7,466</b>	<b>5,170</b>	<b>7,369</b>
<b>Non-Interest Expenses</b>			
Salaries and employee benefits	25,661	24,016	20,892
Net occupancy expense of premises	4,407	4,727	3,747
Equipment	3,686	3,543	3,089
Data processing fees	2,251	2,276	1,974
Advertising	980	800	827
Federal deposit insurance premiums	1,845	1,814	1,883
Commercial and residential loan expense	2,670	1,587	976
Real estate owned expense	1,044	263	296
Merger expense	1,922	-	924
Other	5,439	4,002	3,869
<b>Total Non-Interest Expenses</b>	<b>49,905</b>	<b>43,028</b>	<b>38,477</b>
<b>Income before Income Taxes</b>	<b>1,653</b>	<b>10,406</b>	<b>8,174</b>

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Income Taxes	907	3,303	2,981
Net income before noncontrolling interests	746	7,103	5,193
(Income) attributable to noncontrolling interests	(122 )	(123 )	(87 )
Net Income Attributable to Roma Financial Corporation	\$624	\$6,980	\$5,106
NET INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO ROMA FINANCIAL CORPORATION PER COMMON SHARE			
Basic and Diluted	\$.02	\$.23	\$.17
Dividends declared per share	\$.12	\$.32	\$.32
WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING			
Basic and Diluted	29,757	29,759	30,554

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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## Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries

## Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
	(In thousandsd)		
Net Income before noncontrolling interest	\$746	\$7,103	\$5,193
Other comprehensive income (loss):			
Unrealized holding gains on available for sale securities:			
Unrealized holding gains (losses) arising during the period	381	1,684	1,594
Less: reclassification adjustment for (gains) included in net income	(461 )	(104 )	(2,205 )
Net realized gain (loss) on securities available for sale	(80 )	1,580	(611 )
Defined benefit pension plan:			
Pension losses	(2,245 )	(3,830 )	(1,562 )
Prior service cost	14	15	15
Amortization of gain/loss	769	342	245
Prior period adjustment	-	1	(21 )
Net change in defined benefit pension plan liability	(1,462 )	(3,472 )	(1,323 )
Other comprehensive (loss) before taxes	(1,542 )	(1,892 )	(1,934 )
Tax effect	614	718	784
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	(928 )	(1,174 )	(1,150 )
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$(182 )	\$5,929	\$4,766
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to the noncontrolling interest	(155 )	-	-
Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to Roma Financial Corporation	\$(337 )	\$5,929	\$4,043

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Stockholders' Equity  
Years Ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010

	Common Stock Shares Amount (In Thousands)	Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Unearned Shares Held by ESOP	Treasury Stock	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Noncontrolling Interest	Total	
Balance - December 31, 2009	30,933	\$ 3,274	\$ 98,921	\$ 150,131	\$(6,224)	\$(29,214)	\$(2,313)	\$ 1,645	\$ 216,220
Net income	-	-	-	5,106	-	-	87	5,193	
Other comprehensive income, net	-	-	-	-	-	(1,150)	-	-	(1,150)
Dividends paid and declared	-	-	-	(2,326)	-	-	-	-	(2,326)
Treasury shares repurchased	(704)	-	-	-	-	(7,484)	-	-	(9,848)
Stock based compensation including warrants	-	-	1,419	-	-	-	-	-	1,419
Vesting of restricted stock ESOP shares earned	52	-	(818)	-	-	818	-	-	-
Balance-December 31, 2010	30,281	3,274	99,585	152,911	(5,683)	(35,880)	(3,463)	1,732	212,476
Net income	-	-	-	6,980	-	-	-	123	7,103
Other comprehensive income, net	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,174)	-	(1,174)
Dividends paid and declared	-	-	-	(2,222)	-	-	-	-	(2,222)
Vesting of restricted stock	40	-	(545)	-	-	545	-	-	-
Stock based compensation, including warrants	-	-	1,280	-	-	-	-	-	1,280
ESOP shares earned	-	-	(10)	-	542	-	-	-	532
Balance - December 31, 2011	30,321	\$ 3,274	\$ 100,310	\$ 157,669	\$(5,141)	\$(35,335)	\$(4,637)	\$ 1,855	\$ 217,995

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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## Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Stockholders' Equity  
Years Ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010

	Common Stock Shares	Amount	Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Unearned Shares Held by ESOP	Treasury Stock	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Non-controlling Interest	Total
(In Thousands)									
Net income	-	-	-	624	-	-	-	122	746
Other comprehensive income, net	-	-	-	-	-	-	(961 )	33	(928 )
Treasury shares repurchased	(257 )	-	-	-	-	(2,323 )	-	-	(2,323 )
Dividends paid and declared	-	-	-	(1,675 )	-	-	-	-	(1,675 )
Vesting of restricted stock	52	-	(560 )	-	-	560	-	-	-
Stock based compensation, including warrants	-	-	1,283	-	-	-	-	-	1,283
ESOP shares earned	-	-	(31 )	-	542	-	-	-	511
Balance - December 31, 2012	30,116	\$ 3,274	\$ 101,002	\$ 156,618	\$ (4,599)	\$ (37,098)	\$ (5,598 )	\$ 2,010	\$ 215,609

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries

## Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2012	2011	2010
	(In thousands)		
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>			
Net income	\$746	\$7,103	\$5,193
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	2,539	2,424	2,212
Amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts on securities	912	75	44
Accretion of deferred loan fees and discounts	(455 )	(122 )	(163 )
Amortization of net premiums on loans	709	756	697
Amortization of premium on deposits	(20 )	(218 )	(541 )
Accretion of discount on subordinated debt	271	11	-
Net gain on sale of mortgage loans originated for sale	(2,172 )	(558 )	(491 )
Mortgage loans originated for sale	(55,996 )	(19,209 )	(20,343 )
Proceeds from sales of mortgage loans originated for sale	58,168	19,767	20,834
Net realized loss (gain) from sales of real estate owned	359	40	(128 )
Loss on impairment of real estate owned	783	208	705
Loss on impairment of real estate held for sale	-	194	-
Provision for loan losses	6,726	4,491	6,855
Stock based compensation, including warrants	1,283	1,280	1,419
Gain on sale of securities available for sale	(461 )	(104 )	(2,205 )
Decrease (increase) in interest receivable	1,018	1,538	(1,562 )
Increase in cash surrender value of bank owned life insurance	(1,185 )	(1,015 )	(992 )
Decrease (increase) in other assets	1,877	(3,551 )	4,180
Decrease in accrued interest payable	(196 )	(172 )	(396 )
Increase (decrease) in other liabilities	2,186	454	(5,657 )
Decrease (increase) in deferred tax asset	(1,363 )	2,746	(802 )
ESOP shares earned	511	532	604
<b>Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</b>	<b>16,240</b>	<b>16,670</b>	<b>9,463</b>
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities</b>			
Proceeds from calls and repayments on securities available for sale	12,891	13,146	22,187
Proceeds from sale of securities available for sale	9,310	4,224	9,820
Purchases of securities available for sale	(8,687 )	(6,830 )	(25,507 )
Proceeds from maturities and calls of investment securities held to maturity	255,309	235,406	387,608
Purchases of investment securities held to maturity	(141,895 )	(232,019 )	(326,317 )
Principal repayments on mortgage-backed securities held to maturity	133,169	87,466	83,989
Purchases of mortgage-backed securities held to maturity	(38,584 )	(114,933 )	(240,268 )
Net increase in loans receivable	(89,321 )	(76,732 )	(45,227 )
Net additions to premises and equipment and real estate owned via equity investment	(3,624 )	(2,428 )	(4,194 )
Purchases of FHLB NY and ACBB stock	(3,204 )	(1,009 )	(665 )
Proceeds from life insurance redemption	-	236	-
Cash acquired in acquisition, net of cash used in acquisition	-	-	16,032
Purchase of bank owned life insurance	(4,550 )	-	(169 )
Proceeds from sale of real estate owned	1,120	3,225	2,323

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Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Investing Activities	121,934	(90,248 )	(120,388 )
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
Net (decrease) increase in deposits	(91,017 )	72,264	167,625
Increase in advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance	369	288	113
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York advances	26,211	3,500	13,000
Repayments of Federal Home Loan Bank of New York advances	(7,142 )	(5,184 )	(18,059 )
Purchase of treasury stock	(2,323 )	-	(7,484 )
Dividends paid to minority shareholders of Roma Financial Corp.	(2,294 )	(2,218 )	(2,378 )
Repayment of subordinated debentures	(2,186 )	-	(3,200 )
Net Cash (Used in) Provided by Financing Activities	(78,382 )	68,650	149,617
Net (Decrease) Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	59,792	(4,928 )	38,692
Cash and Cash Equivalents – Beginning	84,659	89,587	50,895
Cash and Cash Equivalents – Ending	\$ 144,451	\$ 84,659	\$ 89,587

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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## Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries

## Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Continued)

## Supplementary Cash Flows Information

Income taxes paid, net	\$ 150	\$5,237	\$3,242
Interest paid	\$15,676	\$20,969	\$20,672
Loans receivable transferred to real estate owned	\$7,326	\$3,060	\$2,068
Securities purchased and not settled	\$-	\$-	\$11,004
Premises and equipment transferred to held for sale	\$1,627	\$-	\$1,164
Fair value of assets acquired, net of cash and equivalents acquired	\$-	\$-	\$329,708
Fair value of liabilities assumed	\$-	\$-	\$345,740

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Roma Financial Corporation (the “Company”), its wholly-owned subsidiary, Roma Bank (the “Bank”) and the Bank’s wholly-owned subsidiaries, Roma Capital Investment Co. (the “Investment Co.”) and General Abstract and Title Agency (the “Title Co.”) and the Company’s majority owned investment of 91.22% in RomAsia Bank. Roma Bank and RomAsia Bank are collectively referred to as (“the Banks”). As discussed in Note 8, Real Estate Owned Via Equity Investments, the consolidated financial statements also include the Company’s 50% interest in 84 Hopewell, LLC (the “LLC”), a real estate investment deemed to be a variable interest entity, which was consolidated by the Company when it was determined to be the primary beneficiary according to the requirements of FASB ASC Topic 810. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

The Investment Co. is a special purpose entity whose activities are limited to holding investment securities, collecting earnings, principal repayments and recognizing other gains/losses thereon. It holds a substantial portion of the Company’s investment and mortgage-backed securities portfolios and is subject to the investment company provisions of the New Jersey Corporation Business Tax Act. The Title Co. was incorporated in the State of New Jersey effective March 7, 2005 and commenced operations on April 1, 2005 upon the acquisition of the assets of the General Abstract & Title Agency (the “Agency”), which consisted primarily of the Agency’s title search files. Related goodwill of approximately \$572,000 was recognized as a result of the purchase price exceeding the fair market value of assets acquired. RomAsia Bank received all regulatory approvals on June 23, 2009 to be a federal savings bank and began operations on that date. The Company invested \$13.4 million in RomAsia Bank originally, and in December 2011 invested an additional \$2.5 million, and currently holds a 91.22% ownership interest. The Company, together with two individuals, formed a limited liability company, 84 Hopewell, LLC. The LLC was formed to build a commercial office building in which is located the Company’s Hopewell branch, corporate offices for the other LLC members’ construction company and tenant space. The Company invested \$360,000 in the LLC and provided a loan in the amount of \$3.6 million to the LLC. The Company and the other 50% owner’s construction company both have signed lease commitments to the LLC.

Roma Financial Corporation, MHC, a federally chartered mutual holding company, whose activity is not included in these consolidated financial statements, held 22,584,995 or 74.5% of the Company’s outstanding stock as of December 31, 2012.

Subsequent Events

Effective April 1, 2010, the Company adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) guidance now codified as FASB ASC Topic 855, Subsequent Events. This guidance establishes general standards for accounting and for disclosure of events that occur after the balance sheet date but before financial statements are issued. The subsequent event guidance sets forth the period after the balance sheet date during which management of a reporting entity should evaluate events or transactions that may occur for potential recognition in the financial statements, identifies the circumstances under which an entity should recognize events or transactions occurring after the balance sheet date in the financial statements, and the disclosures that should be made about events or transactions that occur after the balance sheet date. Management evaluated subsequent events until the date of issuance of the report and concluded that no events occurred that were of a material nature.





Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Basis of Consolidated Financial Statement Presentation

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”). In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities as of the date of the consolidated statements of financial condition and revenues and expenses for the periods then ended. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates.

A material estimate that is particularly susceptible to significant change relates to the determination of the allowance for loan losses. Management believes that the allowance for loan losses is adequate. While management uses the most current information available to recognize losses on loans, future additions to the allowance for loan losses may be necessary based on changes in economic conditions in the market area.

In addition, various regulatory agencies, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review the Bank’s allowance for loan losses. Such agencies may require the Banks to recognize additions to the allowance based on their judgments about information available to them at the time of their examinations.

Business of the Company and Subsidiaries

The Company’s primary business is the ownership and operation of the Banks. The Banks are principally engaged in the business of attracting deposits from the general public at their twenty six locations in New Jersey and using those deposits, together with other funds, to invest in securities and to make loans collateralized by residential and commercial real estate and, to a lesser extent, consumer loans. Roma Bank’s subsidiary, the Investment Co., was organized to hold investments and mortgage-backed securities. Roma Bank’s subsidiary, the Title Co., provides title searches and policies for its customers’ real estate investments.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash and amounts due from depository institutions, with original maturities of three months or less and money market funds.

Interest –Bearing Deposits in Banks

Interest-bearing deposits in banks mature within three months or less and are carried at cost.

Securities

In accordance with applicable accounting standards, the Company classifies its investment securities into one of three portfolios: held to maturity; available for sale or trading. Investments in debt securities that we have the positive intent and ability to hold to maturity are classified as held to maturity securities and reported at amortized cost. Debt and equity securities that are bought and held principally for the purpose of selling them in the near term are classified as trading securities and reported at fair value, with unrealized holding gains and losses included in earnings. Debt and equity securities not classified as trading securities or as held to maturity securities are classified as available for sale securities and reported at fair value, with unrealized holding gains or losses, net of deferred income taxes, reported in

the accumulated other comprehensive income (“OCI”) component of stockholders’ equity.

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Roma Financial Corporation and Subsidiaries

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Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

If the fair value of a security is less than its amortized cost, the security is deemed to be impaired. Management evaluates all securities with unrealized losses quarterly to determine if such impairments are “temporary” or “other-than-temporary”.

The Company accounts for temporary impairments based upon their classification as either available for sale, held to maturity or managed within a trading portfolio. Temporary impairments on “available for sale” securities are recognized, on a tax-effected basis, through OCI with offsetting entries adjusting the carrying value of the security and the balance of deferred taxes. Conversely, the Company does not adjust the carrying value of “held to maturity” securities for temporary impairments, although information concerning the amount and duration of impairments on held to maturity securities is generally disclosed in periodic financial statements. The Company maintained no securities in trading portfolios at or during the periods presented in these financial statements.

The Company accounts for other-than-temporary impairments based upon several considerations. First, other-than-temporary impairments on securities that the Company has decided to sell as of the close of a fiscal period, or will, more likely than not, be required to sell prior to the full recovery of their fair value to a level equal to or exceeding their amortized cost, are recognized in earnings. If neither of these conditions regarding the likelihood of the securities’ sale are applicable, then, for debt securities, the other-than-temporary impairment is bifurcated into credit-related and noncredit-related components. A credit-related impairment generally represents the amount by which the present value of the cash flows that are expected to be collected on a debt security fall below its amortized cost. The noncredit-related component represents the remaining portion of the impairment not otherwise designated as credit-related. The Company recognizes credit-related, other-than-temporary impairments in earnings. However, noncredit-related, other-than-temporary impairments on debt securities are recognized in OCI.

Premiums and discounts on all securities are generally amortized/accreted to maturity by use of the level-yield method considering the impact of principal amortization and prepayments on mortgage-backed securities. Premiums on callable securities are generally amortized to the call date whereas discounts on such securities are accreted to the maturity date. Gain or loss on sales of securities is based on the specific identification method.

#### Loans Receivable

Loans receivable, net, are stated at unpaid principal balances, net of deferred loan origination fees and costs, purchased discounts and premiums and the allowance for loan losses. Certain direct loan origination costs net of loan origination fees, are deferred and amortized, using the level-yield method, as an adjustment of yield over the contractual lives of the related loans. Purchased premiums and discounts are amortized or accreted by use of the level-yield method over the contractual lives of the related loans.

#### Acquired Loans

Loans that we acquire in acquisitions subsequent to January 1, 2009 are recorded at fair value with no carryover of the related allowance for credit losses. Determining the fair value of the loans involves estimating the amount and timing of principal and interest cash flows expected to be collected on the loans and discounting those cash flows at a market rate of interest.

The excess of cash flows expected at acquisition over the estimated fair value is referred to as the accretable discount and is recognized into interest income over the remaining life of the loan. The difference between

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contractually required payments at acquisition and the cash flows expected to be collected at acquisition is referred to as the nonaccretable discount. The nonaccretable discount represents estimated future credit losses expected to be incurred over the life of the loan. Subsequent decreases to the expected cash flows require us to evaluate the need for an allowance for credit losses. Subsequent improvements in expected cash flows result in the reversal of a corresponding amount of the nonaccretable discount, which we then reclassify as an accretable discount that is recognized into interest income over the remaining life of the loan, using the interest method. Our evaluation of the amount of future cash flows that we expect to collect is performed in a similar manner as the nonaccretable discount portion of the fair value adjustment.

Acquired loans that met the criteria for nonaccrual of interest prior to the acquisition may be considered performing upon acquisition, regardless of whether the customer is contractually delinquent, if we can reasonably estimate the timing and amount of the expected cash flows on such loans, and if we expect to collect the new carrying value of the loans. As such, we may no longer consider the loan to be nonaccrual or nonperforming, and, may accrue interest on these loans, including the impact of any accretable discount.

## Past Due Loans

A loan's "past due" status is generally determined based upon the delinquency of contractually required principal and interest payments under the terms of the loan ("P&I delinquency"), in conjunction with its "past maturity" status, where applicable. A loan's "P&I delinquency" status is based upon the number of calendar days between the date of the earliest principal and interest ("P&I") payment due and the "as of" measurement date. A loan's "past maturity" status, where applicable, is based upon the number of calendar days between a loan's contractual maturity date and the "as of" measurement date. Based upon the larger of these criteria, loans are categorized into the following "past due" tiers for financial statement reporting and disclosure purposes: Current (including 1-29 days past due), 30-59 days past due, 60-89 days and 90 or more days.

## Nonaccrual Loans

Loans are generally placed on nonaccrual status when contractual payments become 90 days or more past due, or are otherwise placed on nonaccrual when the Company does not expect to receive all P&I payments owed substantially in accordance with the terms of the loan agreement. Loans that become 90 days past maturity, but remain non-delinquent with regard to ongoing P&I payments may remain on accrual status if: (1) the Company expects to receive all P&I payments owed substantially in accordance with the terms of the loan agreement, past maturity status notwithstanding, and (2) the borrower is working actively and cooperatively with the Company to remedy the past maturity status through an expected refinance, payoff or modification of the loan agreement that is not expected to result in a troubled debt restructuring ("TDR") classification. All TDRs are placed on nonaccrual status for a period of no less than twelve months after restructuring, irrespective of past due status. The sum of nonaccrual loans plus accruing loans that are 90 days or more past due are generally defined as "nonperforming loans".

Payments received in cash on nonaccrual loans, including both the principal and interest portions of those payments, are generally applied to reduce the carrying value of the loan for financial statement purposes. When a loan is returned to accrual status, any accumulated interest payments previously applied to the carrying value of the loan during its nonaccrual period are recognized as interest income.

Loans that are not considered to be TDRs are generally returned to accrual status when payments due are brought current and the Company expects to receive all remaining P&I payments owed substantially in accordance with the terms of the loan agreement. Non-TDR loans may also be returned to accrual status when a loan's payment status falls below 90 days past due and the Company: (1) expects receipt of the

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remaining past due amounts within a reasonable timeframe, and (2) expects to receive all remaining P&I payments owed substantially in accordance with the terms of the loan agreement. TDRs may be returned to accrual status if (1) the borrower has paid timely P&I payments in accordance with the terms of the restructured loan agreement for no less than twelve consecutive months after restructuring, and (2) the Company expects to receive all P&I payments owed substantially in accordance with the terms of the restructured loan agreement.

Classification of Assets

In compliance with the regulatory guidelines, the Company's loan review system includes an evaluation process through which certain loans exhibiting adverse credit quality characteristics are classified "Special Mention", "Substandard", "Doubtful" or "Loss". It is our policy to review the loan portfolio in accordance with regulatory classification procedures, generally on a monthly basis.

An asset is classified as "Substandard" if it is inadequately protected by the paying capacity and net worth of the obligor or the collateral pledged, if any. Substandard assets include those characterized by the distinct possibility that the insured institution will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected. Assets classified as "Doubtful" have all of the weaknesses inherent in those classified as "Substandard", with the added characteristics that the weaknesses present make collection or liquidation in full highly questionable and improbable, on the basis of currently existing facts, conditions and values. Assets, or portions thereof, classified as "Loss" are considered uncollectible or of so little value that their continuance as assets is not warranted.

Management evaluates loans classified as substandard or doubtful for impairment in accordance with applicable accounting requirements. Impairment identified through these evaluations are classified as "Loss" through which either a specific valuation allowance equal to 100% of the impairment is established and the loan is charged off. In general, loans that are classified as "Loss" in their entirety are charged off directly against the allowance for loan loss.

More typically, the Company's impaired loans with impairment are characterized by "split classification" (ex. Substandard/Loss) with charge offs being recorded against the allowance for loan loss at the time such losses are realized. For loans primarily secured by real estate, the recognition of impairments as "charge offs" typically coincides with the foreclosure of the property securing the impairment loan at which time the property is brought into real estate owned at its fair value, less estimated selling costs, and any portion of the loan's carrying value in excess of that amount is charged off against the ALLL.

Assets which do not currently expose the Company to a sufficient degree of risk to warrant an adverse classification but have some credit deficiencies or other potential weaknesses are designated as "Special Mention" by management. Adversely classified assets, together with those rated as "Special Mention", are generally referred to as "Classified Assets". Non-classified assets are internally rated as either "Pass" or "Watch" with the latter denoting a potential deficiency or concern that warrants increased oversight or tracking by management until remediated.



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Management performs a classification of assets review, including the regulatory classification of assets, generally on a monthly basis. The results of the classification of assets review are validated by the Company's third party loan review firm during its independent review. In the event of a difference in rating or classification between those assigned by the internal and external resources, the Company will generally utilize the more critical or conservative rating or classification. Loan ratings and regulatory classifications are presented monthly to the Board of Directors and are reviewed by regulators during the examination process.

Allowance for Loan Losses

The allowance for loan losses is a valuation account that reflects the Company's estimation of the losses in its loan portfolio to the extent they are both probable and reasonable to estimate. The balance of the allowance is generally maintained through provisions for loan losses that are charged to income in the period that estimated losses on loans are identified by the Company's loan review system. The Company charges losses on loans against the allowance as such losses are actually incurred. Recoveries on loans previously charged-off are added back to the allowance.

The Company's allowance for loan loss calculation methodology utilizes a "two-tier" loss measurement process that is performed monthly. Based upon the results of the classification of assets and credit file review processes described earlier, the Company first identifies the loans that must be reviewed individually for impairment. Factors considered in identifying individual loans to be reviewed include, but may not be limited to, classification status, past due and/or nonaccrual status, size of loan, type and condition of collateral and the financial condition of the borrower.

Traditionally, the loans considered by the Company to be eligible for individual impairment review have generally represented its larger and/or more complex loans including its commercial mortgage loans, comprising multi-family and nonresidential real estate loans, as well as its construction loans and commercial business loans. The Company also now considers eligible for individual impairment review to now include all one-to-four family mortgage loans as well as its home equity loans and home equity lines of credit.

A reviewed loan is deemed to be impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that we will be unable to collect all amounts due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Once a loan is determined to be impaired, management measures the amount of impairment associated with the loan.

In measuring the impairment associated with collateral dependent loans, the fair value of the real estate collateralizing the loan is generally used as a measurement proxy for that of the impaired loan itself as a practical expedient. Such values are generally determined based upon a discounted market value obtained through an automated valuation module or prepared by a qualified, independent real estate appraiser.

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The Company generally obtains independent appraisals on properties securing real estate loans when such loans are initially placed on nonperforming status with such values updated approximately every twelve months thereafter throughout the foreclosure process, at the point of foreclosure and approximately every twelve months thereafter while the repossessed property is held as real estate owned.

As required by accounting and regulatory guidance, the Company reduces the fair value of the collateral by estimated selling costs, such as real estate brokerage commissions, to measure impairment when such costs are expected to reduce the cash flows available to repay the loan.

The Company establishes specific valuation allowances in the fiscal period during which the loan impairments are identified. Such valuation allowances are adjusted in subsequent fiscal periods, where appropriate, to reflect any changes in carrying value or fair value identified during subsequent impairment evaluations which are updated monthly by management.

The second tier of the loss measurement process involves estimating the probable losses which addresses loans not otherwise reviewed individually for impairment. Such loans include groups of smaller-balance homogeneous loans that may generally be excluded from individual impairment analysis, and therefore collectively evaluated for impairment, as well as the non-impaired portion of those loans within categories that are otherwise eligible for individual impairment review.

Valuation allowances established through the second tier of the loss measurement process utilize historical and environmental loss factors to collectively estimate the level of probable losses within defined segments of the Company's loan portfolio. The loans receivable portfolio is segregated into commercial and consumer loans. These segments aggregate homogeneous subsets of loans with similar risk characteristics based upon loan type. For allowance for loan loss calculation and reporting purposes, the Company currently stratifies its loan portfolio into six primary classes: residential mortgage loans, residential construction loans, commercial real estate loans, commercial construction loans, commercial and industrial loans, and home equity and consumer loans.

In regard to historical loss factors, the Company's allowance for loan loss calculation calls for an analysis of historical charge-offs and recoveries for each of the defined classes within the loan portfolio. The Company currently utilizes a three-year moving average of annual net charge-off rates (charge-offs net of recoveries) by loan class, where available, to calculate its actual, historical loss experience. The outstanding principal balance of each loan class is multiplied by the applicable historical loss factor to estimate the level of probable losses based upon the Company's historical loss experience.

The timeframe between when loan impairment is first identified by the Company and when such impairment is ultimately charged off varies by loan type due to the applicable collection, foreclosure and/or collateral repossession process timeframes.

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The Company's secured loans are primarily comprised of residential and nonresidential mortgage loans and commercial/business loans secured by properties located in New Jersey where the foreclosure process currently takes 24-36 months to complete. As noted above, impairment is first measured at the time the loan is initially classified as nonperforming, which generally coincides with initiation of the foreclosure process. However, such impairment measurements are updated at least quarterly which may result in the identification of additional impairment and loss classifications arising from deteriorating collateral values or other factors affecting the estimated fair value of collateral-dependent loans. Partial charge-offs of the cumulative portion of secured loans classified as loss, where applicable, are generally recognized when the impairment is identified.

The historical loss factors used in the Company's allowance for loan loss calculations reflect the probable losses on impaired loans until such time that the losses are realized as charge-offs. Consideration of these probable losses in the Company's historical loss factors increase the portion of the allowance for loan losses attributable to such factors. The environmental loss factors utilized by the Company in its allowance for loan loss calculation methodology, as described below, generally serve to recognize the probable losses within the portfolio that have not yet been realized as charge-offs.

Inasmuch as impairment is generally first measured concurrent with an eligible loan's initial classification as "nonperforming", as described earlier, the timeframes between "nonperforming classification and charge off" and "initial impairment/loss measurement and charge off" are generally consistent.

As noted, the second tier of the Company's allowance for loan loss calculation also utilizes environmental loss factors to estimate the probable losses within the loan portfolio. Environmental loss factors are based upon specific qualitative criteria representing key sources of risk within the loan portfolio. Such risk criteria includes the level of and trends in nonperforming loans; the effects of changes in credit policy; the experience, ability and depth of the lending function's management and staff; national and local economic trends and conditions; credit risk concentrations; and changes in local and regional real estate values. For each category of the loan portfolio, a level of risk, developed from a number of internal and external resources, is assigned to each of the qualitative criteria utilizing a scale ranging from zero (negligible risk) to 15 (high risk). The sum of the risk values, expressed as a whole number, is multiplied by .01% to arrive at an overall environmental loss factor, expressed in basis points, for each category. The outstanding principal balance of each loan class is multiplied by the applicable environmental loss factor to estimate the level of probable losses based upon the qualitative risk criteria.

In evaluating the impact of the level and trends in nonperforming loans on environmental loss factors, the Company first broadly considers the occurrence and overall magnitude of prior losses recognized on such loans over an extended period of time. For this purpose, losses are considered to include both direct charge-offs as well as the portions of impaired assets classified as loss for which specific valuation allowances have been recognized through provisions to the allowance for loan losses. To the extent that prior losses have generally been recognized on nonperforming loans within a class, a basis is established to recognize existing losses on loans collectively evaluated for impairment based upon the current levels of nonperforming loans within that class. Conversely, the absence of material prior losses attributable to delinquent or nonperforming loans within a class may significantly diminish, or even preclude, the consideration of the level of nonperforming loans in the calculation of the environmental loss factors attributable to that class of loans.



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Once the basis for considering the level of nonperforming loans on environmental loss factors is established, the Company then considers the current dollar amount of nonperforming loans by loan type in relation to the total outstanding balance of loans within the category. A greater portion of nonperforming loans within a category in relation to the total suggests a comparatively greater level of risk and expected loss within that loan category and vice-versa.

In addition to considering the current level of nonperforming loans in relation to the total outstanding balance for each category, the Company also considers the degree to which those levels have changed from period to period. A significant and sustained increase in nonperforming loans over a 12-24 month period suggests a growing level of expected loss within that loan category and vice-versa.

As noted above, the Company considers these factors as qualitative, rather than quantitative, when assigning the risk value, as described above, to the level and trends of nonperforming loans that is applicable to a particular loan category. As with all environmental loss factors, the risk value assigned ultimately reflects the Company's best judgment as to the level of expected losses on loans collectively evaluated for impairment.

The sum of the probable and estimable loan losses calculated through the first and second tiers of the loss measurement processes as described above, represents the total targeted balance for the Company's allowance for loan losses at the end of the fiscal period.

Although management believes that specific and general loan losses are established in accordance with management's best estimate, actual losses are dependent upon future events, and as such, further additions to the level of loan loss allowances may be necessary.

## Premises and Equipment

Premises and equipment are comprised of land, including land held for future development, land improvements, at cost, buildings and improvements and furnishings and equipment, at cost, less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation charges are computed on the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

	Years
Buildings and improvements	20 - 40
Leasehold improvements	15 - 40
Furnishings and equipment	3 - 10

Construction in progress primarily represents facilities under construction for future use in the business and includes all costs to acquire land and construct buildings, as well as capitalized interest during the construction period. Interest is capitalized at the average interest rate of overnight funds.

Significant renewals and betterments are charged to the premises and equipment account. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense in the year incurred. Rental income is netted against occupancy costs in the consolidated statements of income.



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Foreclosed Assets

Assets acquired through, or in lieu of, loan foreclosure are held for sale and are initially recorded at fair value less cost to sell at the date of foreclosure, establishing a new cost basis. Subsequent to foreclosure, valuations are periodically performed by management and the assets are carried at the lower of carrying amount or fair value, less cost to sell. Revenue and expenses from operations and changes in the valuation allowance (any direct write-down) are included in net expenses from foreclosed assets.

Federal Home Loan Bank and ACBB Stock

Federal law requires a member institution of the Federal Home Loan Bank (“FHLB”) system to hold restricted stock of its district Federal Home Loan Bank according to a predetermined formula. Restricted stock of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York (“FHLBNY”) in the amount of \$8,927,000 and \$5,723,000 is carried at cost at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

Management’s determination of whether these investments are impaired is based on an assessment of the ultimate recoverability of their cost, rather than by recognizing temporary declines in value. The determination of whether a decline affects the ultimate recoverability of cost is influenced by criteria such as (1) the significance of the decline in net assets of the FHLB as compared to the capital stock amount for the FHLB and the length of time this situation has persisted, (2) commitments by the FHLB to make payments required by law or regulation and the level of such payments in relation to the operating performance of the FHLB, and (3) the impact of legislative and regulatory changes on institutions and, accordingly, on the customer base of the FHLB.

The Company also held \$75,000 of stock in the Atlantic Central Bankers Bank, at each of December 31, 2012 and 2011. Management believes no impairment charge is necessary related to the FHLB restricted stock or the ACBB stock as of December 31, 2012 or 2011.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Goodwill and other intangible assets principally represent the excess cost over the fair value of the net assets of the institutions acquired in purchase transactions. Goodwill is evaluated annually by reporting unit and an impairment loss recorded if indicated. The impairment test is performed in two phases. The Company adopted FASB Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) 2011-08 – Intangibles, Goodwill and Other (Topic 350); Testing Goodwill for Impairment. ASU 2011-08 permits an entity to make a qualitative assessment of whether it is more likely that not that a reporting unit’s fair value is less than its carrying amount before applying the two-step goodwill impairment test. No impairment charges were required to be recorded in the years 2012, 2011, or 2010. If an impairment loss is determined to exist in the future, such loss will be reflected as an expense in the consolidated statements of income in the period in which the impairment loss is determined.

Bank Owned Life Insurance

Roma Bank is the beneficiary of insurance policies on the lives of certain officers, employees and directors of the Bank. This life insurance investment is accounted for using the cash surrender value method and is recorded at its net realizable value. Income from bank owned life insurance is recorded as non-interest income.





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Servicing

Loan servicing assets are recognized separately when rights are acquired through purchase or through sale of financial assets. Under the applicable accounting guidance regarding servicing assets and liabilities, servicing rights resulting from the sale or securitization of loans originated by the Company are initially measured at fair value at the date of transfer. The Company subsequently measures each class of servicing asset using the amortization method. These servicing rights are recorded as other assets in the consolidated statements of financial condition. As of December 31, 2012 and 2011, the balance of the Company's loan servicing assets totaled approximately \$657,000 and \$419,000, respectively.

Fair value is based on market prices for comparable loan servicing contracts, when available, or alternatively, is based on a valuation model that calculates the present value of estimated future net servicing income. The valuation model incorporates assumptions that market participants would use in estimating future net servicing income, such as the cost to service, the discount rate, the custodial earnings rate, an inflation rate, ancillary income, prepayment speeds and default rates and losses. These variables change from quarter to quarter as market conditions and projected interest rates change, and may have an adverse impact of the value of the servicing right and result in a reduction to noninterest income.

Each class of separately recognized servicing assets subsequently measured using the amortization method are evaluated and measured for impairment. Impairment is determined by stratifying rights into tranches based on predominant characteristics, such as interest rate, loan type and investor type. Impairment is recognized through a valuation allowance for an individual tranche, to the extent that fair value is less than the carrying amount of the servicing assets for that tranche. The valuation allowance is adjusted to reflect changes in the measurement of impairment after the initial measurement of impairment. Changes in valuation allowances are reported with gain/(loss) on sale of loans held-for-sale on the income statement. Fair value in excess of the carrying amount of servicing assets for that stratum is not recognized.

Servicing fee income is recorded for fees earned for servicing loans. The fees are based on a contractual percentage of the outstanding principal, or a fixed amount per loan and are recorded as income when earned. The amortization of loan servicing rights is netted against loan servicing fee income.

Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes in accordance with income tax accounting guidance (FASB ASC Topic 740, Income Taxes, which includes guidance related to accounting for uncertainty in income taxes, which sets out a consistent framework to determine the appropriate level of tax reserves to maintain for uncertain tax positions. The Company had no material unrecognized tax benefits or accrued interest and penalties as of December 31, 2012 and 2011. The Company's policy is to account for interest as a component of interest expense and penalties as a component of other expense.

The Company and its subsidiaries file a consolidated federal income tax return. Income taxes are allocated to the Company and its subsidiaries based on the contribution of their income or use of their loss in the consolidated return. Separate state income tax returns are filed by the Company and its subsidiaries. The Company is no longer subject to examination by taxing authorities for the years before January 1, 2009.

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Federal and state income taxes have been provided on the basis of reported income or loss. The amounts reflected on the tax returns differ from these provisions due principally to temporary differences in the reporting of certain items for financial reporting and income tax reporting purposes. The tax effect of these temporary differences is accounted for as deferred taxes applicable to future periods. Deferred income tax expense or benefit is determined by recognizing deferred tax assets and liabilities for the estimated future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect on deferred assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in earnings in the period that includes the enactment date. The realization of deferred tax assets is assessed and a valuation allowance provided for the full amount which is not more likely than not to be realized.

Advertising Costs

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred. Direct response advertising conducted by the Banks is immaterial and has not been capitalized.

Other Comprehensive Income

The Company records unrealized gains and losses, net of deferred income taxes, on available for sale securities in accumulated other comprehensive income. Unrealized losses on available for sale securities recorded through OCI are generally considered “temporary” security impairments. However, the Company also records noncredit-related, “other-than-temporary” security impairments on both the available for sale and held to maturity debt securities, where applicable, through other comprehensive income in circumstances where the sale of the security is unlikely. Realized gains and losses, if any, are reclassified to non-interest income upon sale of the related securities.

OCI also includes defined benefit pension plan amounts recognized in accordance with applicable accounting standards. This adjustment to OCI reflects, net of tax, transition obligations, prior service costs and unrealized net losses that had not been recognized in the consolidated financial statements prior to the implementation of those standards.

Interest Rate Risk

The Company is principally engaged in the business of attracting deposits from the general public and using these deposits, together with other funds, to originate or purchase loans for its portfolio and invest in securities. Taken together, these activities present interest rate risk to the Company’s earnings and capital that generally arise from differences between the timing of rate changes and the timing of cash flows (re-pricing risk); from changing rate relationships among yield curves that affect bank activities (basis risk); from changing risk relationships across the spectrum of maturities (yield curve risk); and from interest-rate-related options embedded in bank products (option risk).

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Concentration of Risk

The Banks' lending activities are chiefly concentrated in loans secured by real estate located in the State of New Jersey.

At December 31, 2012 and 2011, the Banks had deposits totaling \$125.9 million and \$66.9 million, which were held by FHLBNY and other financial institutions, which are not insured by the FDIC.

Transfers of Financial Assets

Transfers of financial assets are accounted for as sales when control over the assets has been surrendered. Control over transferred assets is deemed to be surrendered when (1) the assets have been isolated from us, (2) the transferee obtains the right (free of conditions that constrain it from taking advantage of that right) to pledge or exchange the transferred assets, and, (3) we do not maintain effective control over the transferred assets through an agreement to repurchase them before their maturity.

Off-Balance Sheet Credit Related Financial Instruments

In the ordinary course of business, the Banks have entered into commitments to extend credit, including commitments under lines and letters of credit. Such financial instruments are recorded when they are funded.

Stock Compensation Plan

The Company adopted FASB ASC Topic 718 Compensation-Stock Compensation upon approval of the Roma Financial Corp. Equity Incentive Plan on April 23, 2008 and, accordingly, expenses the fair value of all options granted over their vesting periods and the fair value of all share-based compensation granted over the requisite service periods.

Treasury Stock

Common stock shares repurchased are recorded as treasury stock, at cost.

Earnings per Common Share ("EPS")

Basic earnings per share is based on the weighted average number of common shares outstanding adjusted for Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP") shares not yet committed to be released. Shares issued and reacquired during any period are weighted for the portion of the period they were outstanding.

Diluted earnings per share is calculated by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding, plus the net shares that would be issued related to dilutive stock options and restricted stock grants pursuant to the treasury stock method. Outstanding stock options and unvested stock awards for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011 and 2010 were not considered in the calculation of diluted earnings per share because they were anti-dilutive.

Treasury shares are not deemed outstanding for earnings per share calculations.

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Reclassification

Certain amounts as of and for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation.

Note 2 – Recent Accounting Pronouncements

The FASB has issued ASU No. 2011-03, Reconsideration of Effective Control for Repurchase Agreements, to clarify the accounting principles applied to repurchase agreements, as set forth by FASB ASC Topic 860, Transfers and Servicing. This ASU amends one of three criteria used to determine whether or not a transfer of assets may be treated as a sale by the transferor. Under Topic 860, the transferor may not maintain effective control over the transferred assets in order to qualify as a sale. This ASU eliminates the criteria under which the transferor must retain collateral sufficient to repurchase or redeem the collateral on substantially agreed upon terms as a method of maintaining effective control. This ASU is effective for both public and nonpublic entities for interim and annual reporting periods beginning on or after December 31, 2011, and requires prospective application to transactions or modifications of transactions which occur on or after the effective date. Early adoption is not permitted. The adoption of this ASU did not have a significant impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In February 2013, the FASB issued ASU No. 2013-02, Comprehensive Income (Topic 220); Reporting of Amounts Reclassified Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income. The objective of this Update is to improve the reporting of reclassifications out of accumulated other comprehensive income. The amendments in this Update require an entity to report the effect of significant reclassifications out of accumulated other comprehensive income on the respective line items in net income if the amount being reclassified is required under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) to be reclassified in its entirety to net income. For other amounts that are not required under U.S. GAAP to be reclassified in their entirety to net income in the same reporting period, an entity is required to cross-reference other disclosures required under U.S. GAAP that provide additional detail about those amounts. For public entities, the amendments are effective prospectively for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2015. The Company does not expect this ASU to have a significant impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In January 2013, the FASB issued ASU No. 2013-01, Balance Sheet (Topic 210); Clarifying the Scope of Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities. The main objective of this standards update is to address implementation issues about the scope of Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-11, Balance Sheet (Topic 210): Disclosures About Offsetting Assets and Liabilities. The amendments clarify that the scope of Update 2011-11 applies to derivatives accounted for in accordance with Topic 815, Derivatives and Hedging, including bifurcated embedded derivatives, repurchase agreements and reverse repurchase agreements, and securities borrowing and securities lending transactions that are either offset in accordance with Section 210-20-45 or Section 815-10-45 or subject to an enforceable master netting arrangement or similar agreement. An entity is required to apply the amendments for fiscal years beginning on or after January 1, 2013, and interim periods within those annual periods. An entity should provide the required disclosures retrospectively for all comparative period presented. The Company does not expect this ASU to have a significant impact on its consolidated financial statements.

ASU No. 2011-04, Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurements and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs amends FASB ASC Topic 820, Fair Value Measurements, to bring U.S. GAAP for fair value measurements in line with International Accounting Standards. The ASU clarifies existing guidance for items such as:

the application of the highest and best use concept to non-financial assets and liabilities; the

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## Note 2 – Recent Accounting Pronouncements (Continued)

application of fair value measurement to financial instruments classified in a reporting entity's stockholders' equity; and disclosure requirements regarding quantitative information about unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurements of level 3 assets. The ASU also creates an exception to Topic 820 for entities which carry financial instruments within a portfolio or group, under which the entity is now permitted to base the price used for fair valuation upon a price that would be received to sell the net asset position or transfer a net liability position in an orderly transaction. The ASU also allows for the application of premiums and discounts in a fair value measurement if the financial instrument is categorized in level 2 or 3 of the fair value hierarchy. Lastly, the ASU contains new disclosure requirements regarding fair value amounts categorized as level 3 in the fair value hierarchy such as: disclosure of the valuation process used; effects of and relationships between unobservable inputs; usage of nonfinancial assets for purposes other than their highest and best use when that is the basis of the disclosed fair value; and categorization by level of items disclosed at fair value, but not measured at fair value for financial statement purposes. For public entities, this ASU is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. Early adoption was not permitted. The adoption of this ASU did not have a significant impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In June 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-05, Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Presentation of Comprehensive Income. This update provides an entity the option to present the total of comprehensive income, the components of net income, and the components of other comprehensive income either in a single continuous statement of comprehensive income or in two separate but consecutive statements. In both choices, an entity is required to present each component of net income along with total net income, each component of other comprehensive income along with a total for other comprehensive income, and a total amount for comprehensive income. In a single continuous statement, the entity is required to present the components of net income and total net income, the components of other comprehensive income and a total for other comprehensive income, along with the total of comprehensive income in that statement. In the two-statement approach, an entity is required to present components of net income and total net income in the statement of net income. The statement of other comprehensive income should immediately follow the statement of net income and include the components of other comprehensive income and a total for other comprehensive income, along with a total for comprehensive income. The amendments do not affect how earnings per share is calculated or presented. This update is effective for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2011 and is to be applied retrospectively. The adoption of this ASU did not have a significant impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements. The Company has presented comprehensive income in a separate Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the years ended December 31, 2012, 2011, and 2010.

In September 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-08, Intangibles-Goodwill and Other (Topic 350): Testing Goodwill for Impairment. ASU No. 2011-08 provides entities with the option to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether the existence of events or circumstances leads to a determination that it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount. If, after assessing the totality of events or circumstances, an entity determines it is not more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying amount, then performing the two-step impairment test is unnecessary. However, if an entity concludes otherwise, then it is required to perform the first step of the two-step impairment test by calculating the fair value of the reporting unit and comparing the fair value with the carrying amount of the reporting unit. If the carrying amount of a reporting unit exceeds its fair value, then the entity is required to perform the second step of the goodwill impairment test to measure the amount of the impairment loss, if any. Under the amendments in ASU No. 2011-08, an entity has the option to bypass the qualitative assessment for any reporting unit in any period and proceed directly



to performing the first step of the two-step goodwill impairment test. An entity may resume performing the qualitative assessment in any subsequent period. The amendments enacted by ASU No. 2011-08 are effective for annual and interim goodwill impairment tests

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performed for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2011. Early adoption was permitted. The adoption of this update did not impact the Company's financial condition or results of operations, but will result in a new approach to performing the Company's annual goodwill impairment assessment.

In December, 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-11, Disclosures about Offsetting Assets and Liabilities, in an effort to improve comparability between U.S. GAAP and international financial reporting standards ("IFRS") financial statements with regard to the presentation of offsetting assets and liabilities on the statement of financial position arising from financial and derivative instruments, and repurchase agreements. The ASU establishes additional disclosures presenting the gross amounts of recognized assets and liabilities, offsetting amounts, and the net balance reflected in the statement of financial position. Descriptive information regarding the nature and rights of the offset must also be disclosed. The new standard is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after January 1, 2013, and interim periods within those annual periods. The Company does not expect this ASU to have a significant impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In December, 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-12, Deferral of the Effective Date to the Presentation of Reclassifications of Items Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income in Accounting Standards Update 2011-05. In response to stakeholder concerns regarding the operational ramifications of the presentation of these reclassifications for current and previous years, the FASB has deferred the implementation date of this provision to allow time for further consideration. The requirement in ASU 2011-05, Presentation of Comprehensive Income, for the presentation of a combined statement of comprehensive income or separate, but consecutive, statements of net income and other comprehensive income is still effective for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2011 for public companies, and fiscal years ending after December 15, 2011 for nonpublic companies. The adoption of this ASU did not have a significant impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

## Note 3 – Regulatory Agreement

On September 21, 2012, Roma bank entered into an agreement with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (the "OCC Agreement"), Roma Bank's primary regulator. The OCC Agreement requires Roma Bank to take certain actions, including, but not limited to:

- Establishing a compliance committee to oversee Roma Bank's obligations under the OCC Agreement and to prepare and submit written progress reports to the OCC on a periodic basis regarding Roma Bank's compliance with the terms of the Agreement;
- Completing a review of the Board's processes regarding oversight of management and risk management and adopting and implementing a plan, acceptable to the OCC to strengthen oversight of management and operations;
- Adopting a plan, acceptable to the OCC, to strengthen Roma bank's credit risk management practices;
- Adopting and implementing a program, acceptable to the OCC, for the maintenance of an adequate allowance for loan and lease losses;
- Adopting and implementing a program, acceptable to the OCC, to reduce Roma Bank's interest in criticized or classified assets;
- Adopting and implementing an updated program, acceptable to the OCC, to ensure Roma Bank's compliance with the Bank Secrecy Act and to ensure implementation of a Bank Secrecy Act/Anti-Money laundering Risk Assessment Process;
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Adopting, implementing and ensuring compliance with an independent internal audit program acceptable to the OCC, and;

- Establishing a committee to ensure oversight of the Bank's information technology activities.

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## Note 3- Regulatory Agreement (Continued)

While we are subject to the OCC Agreement, we expect that our management and board of directors will be required to focus considerable time and attention on taking corrective actions to comply with its terms. There also is no assurance that we will successfully address the OCC's concerns in the OCC Agreement or that we will be able to fully comply with the OCC Agreement. If we do not fully comply with the OCC Agreement, the Bank could be subject to further regulatory actions, including enforcement actions.

## Note 4 – Acquisition

On July 16, 2010, the Company completed its acquisition of Sterling Banks, Inc., the holding company for Sterling Bank. The final consideration paid in the transaction to stockholders of Sterling Banks, Inc. consisted of \$2.52 per share, or \$14,725,000, in cash.

The Company accounted for the transaction using the acquisition method pursuant to FASB ASC 805 “Business Combinations”. Accordingly, the Company recorded merger and acquisition expenses totaling \$924 thousand, in non-interest expense other, during the year ended December 31, 2010. The Company's results of operations include Sterling Banks, Inc. and Sterling Bank from the date of acquisition. Additionally, ASC 805 “Business Combinations” requires an acquirer to recognize the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed at their fair values as of the acquisition date.

The following table summarizes the estimated fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the date of the acquisition (in thousands):

Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$30,757
Investments	32,707
Loans	272,313
Real estate owned	2,593
Premises and equipment	7,337
Bank owned life insurance	2,613
Goodwill	1,254
Deferred income taxes	7,100
Other assets	3,791
Total Assets Acquired	360,465
Liabilities	
Deposits	\$320,721
Federal Home Loan Bank of New York advances	15,233
Subordinated debentures	5,100
Other liabilities	4,686
Total Liabilities Assumed	345,740
Net Assets Acquired	\$14,725

As noted above, the Company acquired loans with a fair value of \$272.3 million. Included in this amount was \$47.4 million of loans with evidence of deterioration of credit quality since origination for which it was probable, at the time

of the acquisition, that the Company would be unable to collect all contractually required payments due. In accordance with the “Loans and Debt Securities Acquired with Deteriorating Credit Quality” section of FASB ASC 310 Receivables, the Company recorded a non accretable credit mark discount

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## Note 4– Acquisition (Continued)

of \$13.3 million, which is defined as the loans' contractually required payments receivable in excess of the amount of their cash flows expected to be collected. The Company considered factors such as payment history, collateral values, and accrual status when determining whether there was evidence of deterioration of a loan's credit quality at the acquisition date.

We estimated the fair value for most loans acquired from Sterling Bank by utilizing a methodology wherein loans with comparable characteristics were aggregated by type of collateral, remaining maturity, and repricing terms. Cash flows for each pool were determined by estimating future credit losses and the rate of prepayments. Projected cash flows were then discounted to present value using a risk-adjusted market rate for similar loans. To estimate the fair value of the remaining loans, we analyzed the value of the underlying collateral of the loans, assuming the fair values of the loans were derived from the eventual sale of the collateral. The value of the collateral was based on completed appraisals adjusted to the valuation date based on recognized industry indices. We discounted those values using market derived rates of return, with consideration given to the period of time and costs associated with the foreclosure and disposition of the collateral. There was no carryover of Sterling's allowance for loan losses associated with the loans acquired as the loans were initially recorded at fair value.

Information about the acquired Sterling loan portfolio as of July 16, 2010 is as follows (in thousands):

Contractually required principal and interest at acquisition	\$285,506
Contract cash flows not expected to be collected (nonaccretable discount)	(15,647 )
Expected cash flows at acquisition	269,859
Interest component of expected cash flows (accretable premium)	2,454
Fair value of acquired loans	\$272,313

Certificates of deposit accounts were valued by comparing the contractual cost of the portfolio to an identical portfolio bearing current market rates. The projected cash flows from maturing certificates were calculated based on contractual rates. The fair value of the certificates of deposit was calculated by discounting their contractual cash flows at a market rate for a certificate of deposit with a corresponding maturity.

The fair value of borrowings and subordinated debentures assumed was determined by estimating projected future cash outflows and discounting them at a market rate of interest.

The goodwill, which is not amortized for book purposes, was assigned to Roma Financial Corporation and is not deductible for tax purposes.

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## Note 4– Acquisition (Continued)

The following summarizes the unaudited pro forma results of operations for the year months ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, as if the Company acquired Sterling Banks, Inc. and Sterling Bank on January 1, 2009. The pro forma results for 2009 include merger costs net of tax of \$610 thousand or \$.02 per diluted share.

	12/31/10	12/31/09
Net interest income before provision for loan losses	\$ 52,720	\$ 43,782
Net income (loss)	\$ 2,920	\$ (8,571 )
Earnings per share –basic and diluted	\$ 0.10	\$ (0.30 )

## Note 5 – Merger

On December 19, 2012, Roma Financial Corporation, Roma Bank and Roma Financial Corporation, MHC entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger with Investors Bancorp, Inc., Investors Bank, and Investors Bancorp, MHC (“The Mergers”) which contemplates the consummation of a series of related merger transactions. Pursuant to the terms of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, each share of Roma Financial common stock issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective date of the Merger will be converted into the right to receive 0.8653 shares of Investors Bancorp common stock. The Mergers are intended to qualify as a tax-free reorganization for federal income tax purposes. The Mergers are expected to close during the second quarter of 2013. Merger costs in the amount of \$1,922,000 have been expensed for the year ended December 31, 2012.

## Note 6 – Restrictions on Cash and Amounts Due From Banks

Roma Bank is required to maintain average balances on hand or with the Federal Reserve Bank. At December 31, 2012 and 2011, these reserve balances amounted to \$17.0 million and \$14.0 million, respectively.

## Note 7 – Stock Offering and Stock Repurchase Plans

On July 11, 2006, the Company completed its public offering and began trading on NASDAQ. The net proceeds of the offering were approximately \$96.1 million (gross proceeds of \$98.2 million for the issuance of 9,819,562 shares, less offering costs of approximately \$2.1 million). The Company also issued 22,584,995 shares to Roma Financial Corporation, MHC and 327,318 shares to the Roma Bank Community Foundation, Inc., resulting in a total of 32,731,875 shares issued and outstanding after the completion of the offering. A portion of the proceeds were loaned to the Roma Bank Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) to purchase 811,750 shares of the Company’s stock at a cost of \$8.1 million on July 11, 2006.

During the first quarter of 2012 and for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010. Roma Financial Corporation, MHC waived its right, upon non-objection from the Office of Thrift Supervision and subsequently the Federal reserve Board, to receive cash dividends of \$1.8 million, \$7.2 million, and \$7.2 million, respectively, declared by the Company during the periods. The Federal Reserve granted a waiver for the first quarter of 2012. The Company paid dividends to Roma Financial Corporation, MHC in the amount of \$904,000 in the second quarter of 2012. No dividends were paid or declared in the third and fourth quarters of 2012.





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Note 7 – Stock Offering and Stock Repurchase Plans (Continued)

On August 9, 2007, the Company announced a ten percent stock repurchase plan, equivalent to 981,956 shares in the open market, based on stock availability, price and the Company's financial performance. The repurchase was completed on August 27, 2007 at a total cost of \$16.7 million, or approximately \$17.01 per share.

On October 24, 2007, the Company announced a five percent stock repurchase plan equivalent to 441,880 shares. The repurchase was completed on March 18, 2008 at a total cost of \$7.2 million, or approximately \$16.23 per share.

On August 1, 2008, the Company announced a second five percent stock repurchase plan, equivalent to 419,786 shares. The repurchase was completed on November 21, 2008 at a total cost of \$6.1 million, or approximately \$14.44 per share.