

Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$22,062,840	\$21,199,091
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See accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

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currently evaluating the impact of the new standard on the financial statement disclosures. BancShares does not anticipate any effect on our consolidated financial position or consolidated results of operations as a result of adoption.

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Interest rate swap. Under the terms of the existing cash flow hedge, BancShares pays a fixed payment to the counterparty in exchange for receipt of a variable payment that is determined based on the three-month LIBOR rate. The fair value of the cash flow hedge is, therefore, based on projected LIBOR rates for the duration of the hedge, values that, while observable in the market, are subject to adjustment due to pricing considerations for the specific instrument. The inputs used in the fair value measurement of the interest rate swap are considered level 2 inputs.

Off-balance-sheet commitments and contingencies. Carrying amounts are reasonable estimates of the fair values for such financial instruments. Carrying amounts include unamortized fee income and, in some cases, reserves for any credit losses from those financial instruments. These amounts are not material to BancShares' financial position.

For all other financial assets and financial liabilities, the carrying value is a reasonable estimate of the fair value as of June 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013. The carrying value and fair value for these assets and liabilities are equivalent because they are

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risk.

Commitments to extend credit are legally binding agreements to lend to customers. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and may require payment of fees. Since many of the commitments are expected to expire without being drawn upon, the total commitment amounts do not necessarily represent future liquidity requirements. Established credit standards control the credit risk exposure associated with these commitments. In some cases, BancShares requires that collateral be pledged to secure the commitment, including cash deposits, securities and other assets. At June 30, 2014, BancShares had unused commitments totaling \$6.20 billion, compared to \$5.84 billion at December 31, 2013.

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will be amortized over the shorter of the covered asset's life or the term of the loss share period.

Net charge-offs

(annualized) to average
loans and leases:

Acquired	2.08	% 1.98	% 1.89	% 1.33	% 1.17	% 2.00	% 3.16	%
Originated	0.11	0.08	0.22	0.28	0.15	0.09	0.19	
ALLL to total loans and leases:								
Acquired	2.64	3.54	5.20	5.01	5.30	2.64	5.30	
Originated	1.43	1.46	1.49	1.50	1.56	1.43	1.56	

(1) During the second quarter of 2013, BancShares enhanced its ALLL model that included estimated losses on unfunded commitments. As a result of these modifications, \$7.4 million of the balance previously reported as a reserve of unfunded commitments was reclassified to the ALLL.

Asset Quality

Asset quality continues to be very strong as we continue to ensure appropriate underwriting standards are followed and all nonperforming assets are managed appropriately. Nonperforming assets include nonaccrual loans and leases and OREO resulting from both acquired and originated loans.

As of June 30, 2014, BancShares' nonperforming assets amounted to \$175.8 million, a decrease of \$62.0 million from \$237.8 million at June 30, 2013. Nonperforming assets as a percentage of total loans and leases plus OREO amounted to 1.29 percent, compared to 1.80 percent at June 30, 2013. Of the \$175.8 million in nonperforming assets at June 30, 2014, \$94.2 million related to acquired covered loans and OREO, \$9.4 million related to acquired non-covered loans and OREO, and \$72.2 million relates to originated loans and OREO. Acquired nonperforming assets for the second quarter decreased \$28.1 million, or 21.4 percent, when compared to the second quarter of 2013. Acquired covered nonperforming assets represent 10.97 percent of acquired covered loans and OREO, compared to 7.02 percent and 8.62 percent as of December 31, 2013 and June 30, 2013,

Table 14

Tier 1 Common Equity

(Dollars in thousands)

	June 30, 2014
Tier 1 capital	\$2,125,528
Less: restricted core capital	93,500
Tier 1 common equity	\$2,032,028
Risk-adjusted assets	\$14,551,757

Tier 1 common equity ratio	13.96	%
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BASEL Capital Requirements

This table describes the minimum and well-capitalized requirements for the transitional period beginning during 2016 and the fully phased-in requirements that become effective during 2019.

Basel final rules	Basel minimum requirement		Basel well-capitalized	
	2016	%	2016	%
Leverage ratio	4.00		5.00	
Common equity tier 1	4.50		6.50	
Common equity plus conservation buffer	5.13		7.13	
Tier 1 capital ratio	6.00		8.00	
Total capital ratio	8.00		10.00	
Total capital ratio plus conservation buffer	8.63		10.63	

RISK MANAGEMENT

Effective risk management is critical to our success. The board of directors has established a Risk Committee that provides oversight of enterprise-wide risk management. The Risk Committee is responsible for establishing risk appetite and supporting tolerances for credit, market and operational risk and ensuring that risk is managed within those tolerances, monitoring compliance with laws and regulations, reviewing the investment securities portfolio to ensure that portfolio returns are managed within market risk tolerance and monitoring our legal activity and associated risk. With guidance from and oversight by the Risk Committee, management continually refines and enhances its risk management policies and procedures to maintain effective risk management programs and processes.

Mortgage reform rules mandated by the Dodd-Frank Act became effective in January 2014, requiring lenders to make a reasonable, good faith determination of a borrower's ability to repay any consumer credit transaction secured by a dwelling and to limit prepayment penalties. Increased risks of legal challenge, private right of action and regulatory enforcement are presented by these rules. BancShares implemented the required system, process, procedural and product changes prior to the effective date of the new rules. We have also modified our underwriting standards to ensure compliance with the ability to repay requirements and have determined that we will continue to offer both qualified and non-qualified mortgage products. Historical performance and conservative underwriting of impacted loan portfolios mitigates the risks of non-compliance.

Credit risk management. Credit risk is the risk of not collecting payments pursuant to the contractual terms of loans, leases and investment securities. Loans and leases not covered by loss share agreements with the FDIC were underwritten in accordance with our credit policies and procedures and are subject to periodic ongoing reviews. Acquired loans were recorded at fair value as of the acquisition date and are subject to periodic reviews to identify any further credit deterioration. Our independent credit review function conducts risk reviews and analyses of both acquired and originated loans to ensure compliance with credit policies and to monitor asset quality trends. The risk reviews include portfolio analysis by geographic location, industry, collateral type and product. We strive to identify potential problem loans as early as possible, to record charge-offs or write-downs as appropriate and to maintain adequate allowances for loan and lease losses that are inherent in the loan and lease portfolio.

Interest rate risk management. Interest rate risk (IRR) results principally from assets and liabilities maturing or repricing at different points in time, from assets and liabilities repricing at the same point in time but in different amounts and from short-term and long-term interest rates changing in different magnitudes.

We assess our short term interest rate risk by forecasting net interest income under various interest rate scenarios and comparing those results to forecast net interest income assuming stable rates. Rate shock scenarios represent an instantaneous and parallel shift in rates, up or down, from a base yield curve. Due to the existence of contractual floors on certain loans, competitive pressures that constrain our ability to reduce deposit interest rates and the extraordinarily low current level of interest rates, it is unlikely that the rates on most interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities can decline materially from current levels. Our shock projections incorporate assumptions of likely customer migration of short-term deposit instruments to long-term, higher rate instruments as rates rise. Various other IRR scenarios are modeled to supplement shock scenarios. This may include interest rate ramps, changes in the shape of the yield curve and changes in the relationships of FCB rates to market rates.

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Net Interest Income Sensitivity Simulation Analysis

This table provides the impact on net interest income resulting from various interest rate shock scenarios as of June 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013.

Change in interest rate (basis point)	Estimated increase in net interest income		
	June 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	
+100	3.37	% 2.95	%
+200	4.33	4.56	
+300	1.22	3.62	

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Economic Value of Equity Modeling Analysis

Long-term interest rate risk exposure is measured using the economic value of equity (EVE) sensitivity analysis to study the impact of long-term cash flows on earnings and capital. EVE involves discounting cash flows of balance sheet items under different interest rate scenarios. EVE represents the difference between the sum of the present value of all asset cash flows and the sum of the present value of the liability cash flows. Cash flows will vary by interest rate scenario, resulting in variations in EVE. The amount of base-case measurement and its sensitivity to shifts in the yield curve allow management to measure longer-term repricing and option risk in the balance sheet. This table presents the EVE profile as of June 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013.

Change in interest rate (basis point)	Estimated increase (decrease) in EVE		
	June 30, 2014	December 31, 2013	
+100	3.55	% 2.68	%
+200	2.84	0.70	
+300	(1.13) (3.05)

We do not typically utilize interest rate swaps, floors, collars or other derivative financial instruments to attempt to hedge our overall balance sheet rate sensitivity and interest rate risk. However, we have entered into an interest rate swap to synthetically convert the variable rate on \$93.5 million of junior subordinated debentures to a fixed rate of 5.50 percent through June 2016. The interest rate swap qualifies as a hedge under GAAP. See Note K to the Consolidated Financial Statements, "Derivatives," for additional discussion of this interest rate swap.

Liquidity risk management. Liquidity risk is the risk that an institution is unable to generate or obtain sufficient cash or its equivalents on a cost-effective basis to meet commitments as they fall due. The most common sources of liquidity risk arise from mismatches in the timing and value of on-balance sheet and off-balance sheet cash inflows and outflows. In general, on-balance sheet mismatches generate liquidity risk when the effective maturity of assets exceeds the effective maturity of liabilities. A commonly cited example of a balance sheet liquidity mismatch is when long-term loans (assets) are funded with short-term deposits (liabilities). Other forms of liquidity risk include market constraints on the ability to convert assets into cash at expected levels, an inability to access funding sources at sufficient levels at a reasonable cost, and changes in economic conditions or exposure to credit, market, operation, legal and reputation risks that can affect an institution's liquidity risk profile.

We utilize various limit-based measures to monitor, measure and control liquidity risk across three different types of liquidity:

- Tactical liquidity measures the risk of a negative cash flow position whereby cash outflows exceed cash inflows over a short-term horizon out to nine weeks;
- Structural liquidity measures the amount by which illiquid assets are supported by long-term funding; and
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Contingent liquidity utilizes cash flow stress testing across three crisis scenarios to determine the adequacy of our liquidity.

We aim to maintain a diverse mix of existing and potential liquidity sources to support the liquidity management function. At its core is a reliance on the retail deposit book, due to the generally stable balances and low cost it offers. Other sources of liquidity include asset-based liquidity in the form of cash and unencumbered securities, as well as access to wholesale funding from external counterparties, primarily FHLB advances and Federal Funds lines. We aim to avoid funding concentrations by diversifying our external funding with respect to maturities, counterparties and nature (i.e. secured versus unsecured).

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One of our principal sources of noncore funding is advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) of Atlanta. Outstanding FHLB advances equaled \$250.3 million as of June 30, 2014, and we had sufficient collateral pledged to secure \$1.11 billion of additional borrowings. Additionally, we maintain Federal Funds lines and other borrowing facilities. At June 30, 2014, BancShares had access to \$665.0 million in unsecured borrowings through various sources.

Free liquidity includes cash on deposit at various banks, overnight investments and the unpledged portion of investment securities available for sale, all of which can be easily converted to cash. Free liquidity totaled \$3.73 billion at June 30, 2014 compared to \$3.39 billion at December 31, 2013.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

There have been no significant changes in our Critical Accounting Policies as described in our 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Statements in this Report and exhibits relating to plans, strategies, economic performance and trends, projections of results of specific activities or investments, expectations or beliefs about future events or results and other statements that are not descriptions of historical facts may be forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Forward-looking information is inherently subject to risks and uncertainties, and actual results could differ materially from those currently anticipated due to a number of factors which include, but are not limited to, factors discussed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and in other documents filed by us from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Forward-looking statements may be identified by terms such as “may,” “will,” “should,” “could,” “expects,” “plans,” “intends,” “anticipates,” “believes,” “estimates,” “predicts,” “forecasts,” “projects,” “potential” or “continue,” or similar terms or the negation of these terms, or other statements concerning opinions or judgments of BancShares’ management about future events.

Factors that could influence the accuracy of those forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, the financial success or changing strategies of our customers, customer acceptance of our services, products and fee structure, the competitive nature of the financial services industry, our ability to compete effectively against other financial institutions in our banking markets, actions of government regulators, the level of market interest rates and our ability to manage our interest rate risk, changes in general economic conditions that affect our loan and lease portfolio, the abilities of our borrowers to repay their loans and leases, the values of real estate and other collateral, the impact of the FDIC-assisted transactions and other developments or changes in our business that we do not expect. Actual results may differ materially from those expressed in or implied by any forward-looking statements. Except to the extent required by applicable law or regulation, BancShares undertakes no obligation to revise or update publicly any forward-looking statements for any reason.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Market risk is the potential economic loss resulting from changes in market prices and interest rates. This risk can either result in diminished current fair values of financial instruments or reduced net interest income in future periods. As of June 30, 2014, BancShares’ market risk profile has not changed significantly from December 31, 2013, as discussed in the Form 10-K. Changes in fair value that result from movement in market rates cannot be predicted with any degree of certainty. Therefore, the impact that future changes in market rates will have on the fair values of financial instruments is uncertain.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

BancShares’ management, with the participation of its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of BancShares’ disclosure controls and procedures as of the

end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report, in accordance with Rule 13a-15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Exchange Act). Based upon that evaluation, as of the end of the period covered by this report, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer concluded that BancShares' disclosure controls and procedures were effective to provide reasonable assurance that it is able to record, process, summarize and report in a timely manner the information required to be disclosed in the reports it files under the Exchange Act.

No change in BancShares' internal control over financial reporting occurred during the second quarter of 2014 that had materially affected or is reasonably likely to materially affect, BancShares' internal control over financial reporting.

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PART II

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

BancShares and various subsidiaries have been named as defendants in various legal actions arising from our normal business activities in which damages in various amounts are claimed. Although the amount of any ultimate liability with respect to those other matters cannot be determined, in the opinion of management, any such liability will not have a material effect on BancShares' consolidated financial statements.

Additional information relating to legal proceedings is set forth in Note J of BancShares' Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

Except as discussed below, there have been no material changes from the risk factors previously disclosed in our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013.

Additional risks and uncertainties that are not currently known or that management does not currently deem to be material could also have a material adverse impact on our financial condition, the results of our operations or our business. If such risks and uncertainties were to become reality or the likelihood of those risks was to increase, the market price of our common stock could decline significantly.

Proposed merger with First Citizens Bancorporation, Inc.

On June 10, 2014, BancShares entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement") with First Citizens Bancorporation, Inc., a Bancorporation Carolina corporation ("Bancorporation"), pursuant to which Bancorporation will merge with and into BancShares. The Merger Agreement provides that each share of Bancorporation common stock will be converted into the right to receive 4.00 shares of BancShares' Class A common stock and \$50.00 cash, unless the holder elects for each share of such holder's Bancorporation common stock to be converted into the right to receive 3.58 shares of BancShares' Class A common stock and 0.42 shares of BancShares' Class B common stock.

The Merger Agreement has been approved by the independent members of the Board of Directors of each company following a recommendation by a special committee of independent members the board of each company. Subject to certain conditions, including the receipt of shareholder and regulatory approvals, the merger is expected to be completed in the fourth quarter of 2014.

On July 17, 2014, as amended August 6, 2014, BancShares filed a Registration Statement on Form S-4 with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Within that Form S-4, BancShares has identified various risk factors that are related to the proposed Merger.

Certain Risk Factors Relating to the Proposed Merger

The market price of BancShares common stock may fluctuate, which could affect the approval of the merger by Bancorporation's shareholders. Under the terms of the Merger Agreement, each share of Bancorporation common stock outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the merger (with certain exceptions) will be converted into the right to receive 4.0 shares of BancShares Class A common stock and \$50.00 in cash, unless the holder of such share elects, pursuant to a letter of transmittal that will be delivered after closing of the merger, for each share of such holder's Bancorporation common stock to be converted into the right to receive 3.58 shares of BancShares Class A common stock and 0.42 shares of BancShares Class B common stock. Cash will be paid in lieu of issuing fractional shares of BancShares common stock. The value of the shares of BancShares Class A common stock and BancShares Class B common stock to be issued to Bancorporation shareholders in the merger may fluctuate between now and the

closing date of the merger due to a variety of factors, including general market and economic conditions, changes in the parties' respective businesses, operations and prospects, and regulatory considerations, among other things. Many of these factors are beyond the control of BancShares and Bancorporation. A decrease in the value of BancShares' common stock could cause Bancorporation's shareholders to withhold their approval of the merger. There can be no assurance as to whether or when the merger will be completed.

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BancShares may fail to realize all of the anticipated benefits and cost savings of the merger.

The success of the merger will depend on, among other things, BancShares' ability to realize anticipated cost savings and to combine the businesses of BancShares and Bancorporation in a manner that does not materially disrupt the existing customer relationships of either BancShares or Bancorporation or result in decreased revenues from customers of either of them. If BancShares is not able to successfully achieve these objectives, then the anticipated benefits and cost savings of the merger may not be realized fully, if at all, or may take longer to realize than expected. BancShares and Bancorporation have operated and, until the completion of the merger, will continue to operate, independently. It is possible that the integration process could result in the loss of key employees, the disruption of either BancShares' or Bancorporation's ongoing businesses or inconsistencies in standards, controls, procedures and policies that adversely affect the ability of BancShares or Bancorporation to maintain relationships with their respective clients, customers, depositors and employees or to achieve the anticipated benefits and cost savings of the merger. The loss of key employees could adversely affect BancShares' ability to successfully conduct its business in the markets in which Bancorporation now operates, which could have an adverse effect on BancShares' financial results and the value of its stock. Integration efforts by BancShares and Bancorporation will also divert management attention and resources. These integration matters could have an adverse effect on each of BancShares and Bancorporation during the transition period and on the combined company for an undetermined period following completion of the merger. Additionally, the actual benefits and cost savings of the merger could be less than anticipated.

Completion of the merger is subject to many conditions and if these conditions are not satisfied or, where permissible, waived, the merger will not be completed.

The obligations of BancShares and Bancorporation to complete the merger are subject to satisfaction or, where permissible, waiver of a number of conditions, including, among others: (i) the adoption of the merger agreement by BancShares stockholders and Bancorporation shareholders, (ii) the approval of the BancShares charter amendment proposal by BancShares stockholders, (iii) receipt of approval of various governmental authorities without the imposition of a burdensome condition, (iv) the authorization for listing on the NASDAQ Global Select Market of the shares of BancShares Class A common stock to be issued in the merger, (v) the effectiveness of the Registration Statement on Form S-4 filed by BancShares and the absence of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of that Registration Statement (or proceedings for that purpose initiated or threatened by the SEC and not withdrawn), (vi) the absence of any order, injunction or decree by any court or agency of competent jurisdiction or other legal restraint or prohibition preventing the consummation of the merger, the bank merger or any of the other material transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, (vii) the absence of any statute, rule, regulation, order, injunction or decree enacted, entered, promulgated or enforced by any governmental entity that prohibits or makes illegal consummation of the merger, the bank merger or any of the other material transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, (viii) the accuracy of the representations and warranties of each other party in the merger agreement as of the day on which the merger is completed, subject to the materiality standards provided in the merger agreement and the performance of the other party in all material respects of all obligations required to be performed by it at or prior to the effective time of the merger under the merger agreement (and the receipt by each party of certificates from the other party to such effect), (ix) receipt by each party of an opinion of legal counsel as to certain tax matters, (x) the absence of any events or occurrences that, individually or in the aggregate, have had or would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the other party, and (xi) a majority of the shares held by the minority holders of Bancorporation common stock must not have voted against the merger. There can be no assurance that the conditions to closing of the merger will be satisfied or, where permissible, waived, or that the merger will be completed. Further, it is possible that one or more of the conditions to closing the merger will not be met and that the board of directors of the party for whom the condition exists will waive the condition, allowing the merger to be completed.

Termination of the merger agreement or failure to complete the merger after approval by Bancorporation shareholders could negatively impact BancShares or Bancorporation.

If the merger agreement is terminated, there may be various consequences. For example, BancShares' or Bancorporation's businesses may have been affected adversely by the failure to pursue other beneficial opportunities due to the focus of management on the merger, without realizing any of the anticipated benefits of completing the

merger. Additionally, if the merger agreement is terminated, the market price of BancShares' or Bancorporation's common stock could decline to the extent that the current market prices reflect a market assumption that the merger will be completed. If the merger agreement is terminated under specified circumstances, Bancorporation has agreed to pay BancShares a termination fee of \$6,450,000, \$10,000,000 or \$22,574,000 (and in certain instances, BancShares' documented expenses), depending on the timing and circumstances of the termination.

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BancShares and Bancorporation will be subject to business uncertainties and contractual restrictions while the merger is pending.

Uncertainty about the effect of the merger on employees and customers may have an adverse effect on BancShares and/or Bancorporation. These uncertainties may impair BancShares and/or Bancorporation's ability to attract, retain and motivate key personnel until the merger is completed, and could cause customers and others that deal with Bancorporation to seek to change existing business relationships with Bancorporation. Retention of certain employees by Bancshares or Bancorporation may be challenging while the merger is pending, as certain employees may experience uncertainty about their future roles with Bancorporation or BancShares. If key employees depart because of issues relating to the uncertainty and difficulty of integration or a desire not to remain with Bancorporation or BancShares, Bancorporation's and/or BancShares' businesses could be harmed.

BancShares and Bancorporation will incur significant transaction and merger-related costs in connection with the merger.

BancShares expects to incur a number of costs associated with the merger and combining the operations of the two companies. The substantial majority of expenses will be comprised of transaction costs related to the merger. The significant costs associated with the merger include, among others, fees and expenses of financial advisors and other advisors and representatives, certain employment-related costs relating to employees of Bancorporation, filing fees and printing costs required by applicable law and regulations. Some of these costs have already been incurred or may be incurred regardless of whether the merger is consummated, including a portion of the fees and expenses of financial advisors and other advisors and representatives and filing fees. BancShares also will incur transaction fees and costs related to formulating and implementing integration plans with respect to the two companies, including facilities and systems consolidation costs. BancShares continues to assess the magnitude of these costs, and additional unanticipated costs may be incurred in the merger and the integration of the two companies' businesses. Although BancShares expects that the elimination of duplicative costs, as well as the realization of other efficiencies related to the integration of the businesses, should allow BancShares to offset integration-related costs over time, this net benefit may not be achieved in the near term or at all.

The merger will result in an increase in the number of shares of BancShares Class A common stock and BancShares Class B common stock available for trading, which could depress the price of such shares and increase the volatility of the price of such shares, both before and after completion of the merger.

The merger will increase the number of shares of BancShares Class A common stock and BancShares Class B common stock available for sale in the public markets. As of June 30, 2014, approximately 8,586,058 shares of BancShares Class A common stock and 1,032,883 shares of BancShares Class B common stock were outstanding.

Because Bancorporation shareholders are entitled to elect whether to exchange their shares of Bancorporation common stock for BancShares Class A common stock and cash or a combination of BancShares Class A common stock and BancShares Class B common stock, the number of new shares of BancShares Class A common stock and new shares of BancShares Class B common stock that will be issued to holders of Bancorporation common stock and become immediately available for sale following the merger is unknown.

Sales of large amounts of shares of BancShares Class A common stock or BancShares Class B common stock could depress the market price of BancShares Class A common stock or BancShares Class B common stock, respectively. In addition, the potential that such sales may occur could depress prices, even in advance of such sales. Neither BancShares nor Bancorporation can predict the effects that any such sales, or the perception that such sales could occur, will have on the price of BancShares common stock, either before or after completion of the merger.

Regulatory approvals may not be received, may take longer than expected or may impose conditions that are not presently anticipated or cannot be met.

Before the transactions contemplated by the merger agreement, including the BancShares and Bancorporation merger and the bank merger, may be completed, various approvals must be obtained from bank regulatory authorities. These governmental entities may impose conditions on the granting of such approvals. Such conditions and the process of obtaining regulatory approvals could have the effect of delaying consummation of the merger(s) or of imposing additional costs or limitations on BancShares following the merger(s). The regulatory approvals may not be received at all, may not be received in a timely fashion, and may contain conditions on the completion of the merger that are

not anticipated or cannot be met. If the consummation of the merger(s) is delayed, including by a delay in receipt of necessary governmental approvals, the business, financial condition and results of operations of each company may also be materially adversely affected.

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BancShares is, and Bancorporation may be, subject to litigation in connection with the merger; an adverse ruling in any such lawsuit may prevent the merger from being completed.

BancShares and Bancorporation, and their respective directors and officers, may be subject to lawsuits challenging the merger. Following announcement of the merger, BancShares received a shareholder demand from the City of Providence pursuant to Section 220 of the Delaware General Corporation Law ("DGCL") for access to certain books and records of BancShares. The purported basis for the demand was to investigate potential breaches of fiduciary duty and other wrongdoing by BancShares' officers and directors in connection with the merger. The City of Providence concurrently filed a putative class action lawsuit in the Delaware Court of Chancery against BancShares and its directors challenging Article X, Section 8 of BancShares' bylaws, which requires certain litigation to be brought only in North Carolina courts to the fullest extent permitted by law. That Delaware complaint, captioned City of Providence v. First Citizens BancShares, Inc., et al., C. A. No. 9795, alleges that the bylaw violates the DGCL and that adoption of the bylaw constituted a breach of fiduciary duty by BancShares' directors. While not directly challenging the merger, the complaint contains allegations referencing the merger and seeks a declaration that any stockholder action regarding the merger may be brought in the Delaware Court of Chancery. On July 31, 2014, the City of Providence filed a second litigation in Delaware Court of Chancery challenging the merger and seeking to enjoin the BancShares stockholder vote, captioned City of Providence V. Holding, et al., C. A. No. 9988. BancShares and its directors have moved to dismiss both complaints.

If any litigation challenging the merger is successful, the relevant court may issue an order enjoining completion of the merger, which could prevent the merger from being completed or from being completed within the expected time-frame. Regardless of whether any claims are successful, such litigation is often expensive and diverts management's attention and resources, which could adversely affect the operation of BancShares' and/or Bancorporation's businesses.

Risk Factors Relating to Technology:

Certain information security risks continue to receive attention from regulators and financial statement users and therefore have been included in the 10-Q.

We are subject to information security risks

We maintain and transmit large amounts of sensitive information electronically, including personal and financial information of our customers. In addition to our own systems, we also rely on external vendors to provide certain services and are, therefore, exposed to their information security risk. While we seek to mitigate internal and external information security risks, the volume of business conducted through electronic devices continues to grow, and our computer systems and network infrastructure, as well as the systems of external vendors and customers, present security risks and could be susceptible to hacking or identity theft.

We are also subject to risks arising from a broad range of attacks by doing business on the Internet, which arise from both domestic and international sources and seek to obtain customer information for fraudulent purposes or, in some cases, to disrupt business activities. Information security risks could result in reputational damage and lead to a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and financial results of operations.

We continue to encounter technological change for which we expect to incur significant expense

The financial services industry continues to experience an increase in technological complexity required to provide a competitive array of products and services to customers. Our future success requires that we maintain technology and associated facilities that will support our ability to provide products and services that satisfactorily meet the banking and other financial needs of our customers. In 2013, we undertook projects to modernize our systems and associated facilities, strengthen our business continuity and disaster recovery efforts and reduce operational risk. As the projects have evolved over time, we have identified other areas that require infrastructure improvement. As a result of the expanded scope, BancShares has increased the total projected spend to approximately \$130 million. The projects will be implemented in phases over the next several years. If the projects' objectives are not achieved or if the cost of the projects is materially in excess of the estimate, our business, financial condition and financial results could be adversely impacted.

We rely on external vendors

Third party vendors provide key components of our business infrastructure, including certain data processing and information services. A number of our vendors are large national entities with dominant market presence in their respective fields, and their services could be difficult to quickly replace in the event of failure or other interruption in service. Failures of certain vendors to provide services for any reason could adversely affect our ability to deliver products and services to our customers. External

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vendors also present information security risk. We monitor vendor risks, including the financial stability of critical vendors. The failure of a critical external vendor could disrupt our business and cause us to incur significant expense.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds
PURCHASES OF COMMON STOCK

During the second quarter of 2013, our board granted authority to purchase up to 100,000 and 25,000 shares of Class A and Class B common stock, respectively, beginning on July 1, 2013 and continuing through June 30, 2014. As of June 30, 2014, no purchases had occurred pursuant to that authorization. This authorization terminated on June 30, 2014 and was not extended.

Item 6. Exhibits

31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer (filed herewith)

31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer (filed herewith)

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101.INS XBRL Instance Document

101.SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema

101.CAL XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase

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SIGNATURES

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

Date: August 8, 2014

FIRST CITIZENS BANCSHARES, INC.
(Registrant)

By: /s/ GLENN D. MCCOY
Glenn D. McCoy
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer