

Texas Department of Banking

Press Release

Commissioner James Charters Capital Bank of Texas, Carrizo Springs, Texas

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Banking Commissioner Randall James announced the opening of the third new state chartered bank for 2003, Capital Bank of Texas, Carrizo Springs, Texas. The bank immediately purchased certain assets and assumed certain liabilities from Sterling Bank, Houston, Texas. These assets and liabilities represented the selling bank's branches in Carrizo Springs, Crystal City and Pearsall, Texas. Capital Bank of Texas immediately began operating from these three locations.

The organizing group, composed of Ben Briscoe, Cleo Bustamante, Jr., John Hambrick, Robert McDonald, III and James Wilson, Jr., will serve as the initial Board of Directors. Mr. James Wilson will also serve as President of the new bank, Ben Briscoe will serve as Executive Vice President, and Deborah Bradshaw will serve as Vice President and Cashier. The stock is held primarily by individuals in the bank's trade area.

Mr. Wilson stated, "Capital Bank of Texas is pleased to be the newest member of the Texas state banking system. The organizers and shareholders of our new bank are grateful for the assistance we received from the Texas Department of Banking in our chartering process. We certainly have seen first hand the benefits of an accessible and helpful regulator. We look forward to serving our community and our customers in this strong banking system."

The bank is opening with \$5,000,000 in equity capital, and purchasing approximately \$38,000,000 in total assets. A full range of banking services is offered.

Commissioner James applauded the group's efforts to continue to furnish banking services to the community through its experienced team with a community focus.