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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO

FORM S-3 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

NationsBank Corporation (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) </TABLE>

NationsBank Corporate Center, Charlotte, North Carolina 28255 (704) 386-5000 (Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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Approximate date of commencement of the proposed sale to the public: From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act, or until the Registration Statement shall become effective

on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section  $8\,\text{(a)}$ , may determine.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTES

This Registration Statement contains two forms of Prospectus of NationsBank Corporation ("NationsBank"): one to be used in connection with the offering and sale of Debt Securities, Warrants, or Units, including any securities into which such securities may be convertible, and one to be used in connection with the offering and sale of Preferred Stock, Depositary Shares or Common Stock, including any such shares into which the Preferred Stock or Depositary Shares may be convertible. Each offering made under this Registration Statement will be made pursuant to one of these Prospectuses, with the specific terms of the securities offered thereby being set forth in an accompanying Prospectus Supplement.

(A redherring appears on this page. Text follows.) Information contained herein is subject to completion or amendment. A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This prospectus shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any State in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any State.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION
PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS DATED , 1998

PROSPECTUS

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NationsBank(R)

Debt Securities
Warrants
Units

NationsBank Corporation ("NationsBank" or the "Corporation") may offer from time to time its unsecured debt securities, which may be either senior (the "Senior Debt Securities") or subordinated (the "Subordinated Debt Securities" and, together with the Senior Debt Securities, the "Debt Securities"). The Senior Debt Securities will rank equally with all other unsubordinated and unsecured indebtedness of the Corporation. The Subordinated Debt Securities will be subordinate in right of payment to all existing and future Senior Indebtedness (as defined herein) of the Corporation. NationsBank also may issue and sell warrants to purchase Debt Securities ("Debt Warrants") or to purchase or sell (i) securities of an entity unaffiliated with the Corporation, a basket of such securities, an index or indices of such securities or any combination of the above, (ii) currencies or currency units or (iii) commodities ("Universal Warrants", and together with Debt Warrants, the "Warrants"), as set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement (as defined below) on terms to be determined at the time of sale. The Corporation may satisfy its obligations, if any, with respect to any Universal Warrants by delivering underlying securities, currencies or commodities or, in the case of underlying securities or commodities, the cash value thereof, as set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. Debt Securities and Warrants or any combination thereof may be offered in the form of Units ("Units"). Units may be issued as Definitive Units or Book-Entry Units (each as defined herein). The Debt Securities, Warrants and Units are collectively referred to herein as "Securities".

NationsBank may sell up to \$10,000,000,000 in aggregate initial offering price of Securities (or the U.S. dollar equivalent thereof if any of the Securities are denominated in a foreign currency or currency unit), which may be offered, separately or together, in one or more series, in amounts, at prices and on terms to be determined at the time of sale and set forth in an accompanying supplement to this Prospectus (a "Prospectus Supplement"). Pursuant to the terms of the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus constitutes a part, NationsBank may also offer and sell shares of its preferred stock (the "Preferred Stock"), which may be represented by depositary shares (the "Depositary Shares"), and shares of its common stock (the "Common Stock"). Any such Preferred Stock, Depositary Shares or Common Stock will be offered and issued pursuant to the terms of a separate Prospectus contained in such Registration Statement. The aggregate amount of Securities that may be offered and sold pursuant hereto is subject to reduction as the result of the sale of any Preferred Stock, Depositary Shares or Common Stock pursuant to such separate Prospectus or at the Corporation's discretion.

The Securities may be sold for U.S. dollars, foreign denominated currency or currency units; principal of and any interest on Debt Securities and cash

amounts payable with respect to Warrants or Units may likewise be payable in U.S. dollars, foreign currencies or currency units, in each case, as the Corporation specifically designates. The accompanying Prospectus Supplement will set forth the specific terms of each series of Securities.

The Securities may be sold (i) through underwriting syndicates represented by managing underwriters, or by underwriters without a syndicate, with such underwriters to be designated at the time of sale; (ii) through agents designated from time to time; or (iii) directly by the Corporation. The names of any underwriters or agents of NationsBank involved in the sale or remarketing of the Securities, the public offering price or purchase price and any commissions or discounts will be set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement or a pricing supplement thereto. Any such underwriters, agents or remarketing agents may include NationsBanc Montgomery Securities LLC ("NMS"), or other affiliates of the Corporation.

The net proceeds to the Corporation from such sale also will be set forth in such Prospectus Supplement or pricing supplement.

Following the initial distribution of any such Securities, NMS or other affiliates of the Corporation may offer and sell previously issued Securities in the course of their business as a broker-dealer and may act as a principal or agent in such transactions. This Prospectus and the accompanying Prospectus Supplement may be used in connection with such transactions. Any such sales will be made at negotiated prices relating to prevailing market prices at time of sale.

This Prospectus may not be used to consummate sales of Securities unless accompanied by a Prospectus Supplement.

THESE SECURITIES ARE NOT SAVINGS ACCOUNTS OR BANK DEPOSITS, ARE NOT OBLIGATIONS OF OR GUARANTEED BY ANY BANKING OR NONBANKING AFFILIATE OF NATIONSBANK, ARE NOT INSURED BY THE PEDEPAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION OF ANY OTHER COVERNMENT.

INSURED BY THE FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY AND INVOLVE INVESTMENT RISKS, INCLUDING POSSIBLE LOSS OF PRINCIPAL. THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA (THE "COMMISSIONER") OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION NOR HAS THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, THE COMMISSIONER OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

The date of this Prospectus is , 1998

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The following documents, previously filed by the Corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "1934 Act"), are incorporated herein by reference:

- (a) The Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997 as filed March 13, 1998;
- (b) The Corporation's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 1998 as filed May 15, 1998;
- (c) The Corporation's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed January 14, 1998, January 22, 1998, February 3, 1998, March 13, 1998, March 23, 1998, April 15, 1998, April 16, 1998, April 17, 1998 (as amended by Form 8-K/A-1 filed April 24, 1998 and Form 8-K/A-2 filed May 18, 1998) and May 13, 1998; and
- (d) The description of the Corporation's Common Stock contained in its registration statement filed pursuant to Section 12 of the 1934 Act, as modified by the Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 22, 1998.

All reports and any definitive proxy or information statements filed by the Corporation with the Commission pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the 1934 Act subsequent to the date of this Prospectus and prior to the later of (i) the termination of the offering of the Securities offered hereby or (ii) the date on which NMS or any other affiliate of the Corporation ceases offering and selling previously issued Securities shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Prospectus and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Prospectus to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Prospectus.

The Corporation will provide without charge to each person to whom this Prospectus is delivered, on the written or oral request of any such person, a copy of any or all of the documents incorporated herein by reference (other than exhibits to such documents which are not specifically incorporated by

reference in such documents). Written requests for such copies should be directed to John E. Mack, Senior Vice President and Treasurer, NationsBank Corporation, NationsBank Corporate Center, Corporate Treasury Division, Charlotte, North Carolina 28255. Telephone requests may be directed to (704) 386-5972.

#### AVAILABLE INFORMATION

NationsBank is subject to the informational requirements of the 1934 Act and, in accordance therewith, files reports, proxy statements and other information with the Commission. Such reports, proxy statements and other information can be inspected and copied at the following public reference facilities maintained by the Commission: 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549; 7 World Trade Center, Suite 1300, New York, New York 10048; and the Citicorp Center, 500 West Madison Street, Suite 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60661-2511. Copies of such material may also be obtained by mail from the Public Reference Section of the Commission at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Room 1024, Washington, D.C. 20549, upon payment of prescribed rates. The Commission maintains an Internet web site that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding issuers who file electronically with the Commission. The address of that site is http://www.sec.gov. In addition, reports, proxy statements and other information concerning NationsBank may be inspected at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005 and at the offices of the Pacific Exchange Inc., 301 Pine Street, San Francisco, California 94104.

CERTAIN PERSONS PARTICIPATING IN THIS OFFERING MAY ENGAGE IN TRANSACTIONS THAT STABILIZE, MAINTAIN OR OTHERWISE AFFECT THE PRICE OF THE SECURITIES DESCRIBED HEREIN. SPECIFICALLY, THE UNDERWRITERS OR AGENTS SPECIFIED IN THE RELEVANT PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT OR PRICING SUPPLEMENT MAY OVERALLOT

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IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING, AND MAY BID FOR, AND PURCHASE, THE SECURITIES OR ANY SECURITIES THE PRICES OF WHICH MAY BE USED TO DETERMINE PAYMENTS ON THE SECURITIES IN THE OPEN MARKET. FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACTIVITIES, SEE "PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION."

#### NATIONSBANK CORPORATION

General

NationsBank is a North Carolina corporation and a multi-bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended (the "Act"), with its principal assets being the stock of its subsidiaries. Through its banking subsidiaries (the "Banks") and various non-banking subsidiaries, the Corporation provides banking and certain nonbanking financial services and products primarily throughout the Mid-Atlantic (Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia), the Midwest (Illinois, Iowa, Kansas and Missouri), the Southeast (Florida, Georgia, Kentucky (which it has agreed to sell), North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee) and the Southwest (Arkansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas). The principal executive offices of the Corporation are located at NationsBank Corporate Center in Charlotte, North Carolina 28255. The Corporation's telephone number is (704) 386-5000.

# Operations

The Corporation provides a diversified range of banking and certain nonbanking financial services and products through its various subsidiaries. Management reports the results of the Corporation's operations through four business segments: Consumer Banking, Middle Market, Asset Management, and Corporate Finance.

The Consumer Banking segment provides comprehensive retail banking services through multiple delivery channels including approximately 3,000 banking centers and 7,000 automated teller machines providing fully-automated, 24 hour cash dispensing and deposit services. These delivery channels are located throughout the Corporation's franchise and serve 16 million households in 16 states and the District of Columbia. In addition, this segment provides specialized services such as the origination and servicing of residential mortgage loans, issuance and service of credit cards, direct banking via telephone and personal computer, student lending and certain insurance services. The consumer finance component provides personal, mortgage, home equity and automobile loans to consumers, retail finance programs to dealers and lease financing to purchasers of new and used cars. Consumer Banking also provides commercial banking services to companies and other commercial entities with annual revenues of less than \$10 million.

The Middle Market segment provides a broad array of commercial banking

services for companies and other commercial entities with revenues between \$10 million and \$250 million annually including: commercial lending, treasury and cash management services, asset-backed lending, leasing and factoring. Also included in this segment is NationsCredit Commercial Corporation, which provides commercial financing activities including: equipment loans and leases, loans for debt restructuring, mergers and working capital, real estate and health care financing and inventory financing to manufacturers, distributors and dealers.

The Asset Management segment includes businesses that provide full service and discount brokerage, investment advisory, investment management and advisory services for the Nations Funds family of mutual funds. Within the Asset Management segment, the Private Client Group provides asset management, banking and trust services for wealthy individuals, business owners and corporate executives and the private foundations established by them.

Corporate Finance provides a broad array of banking and investment banking products and services to domestic and international corporations, institutions and other customers through its Capital Markets, Real Estate and Transaction Products units. The Corporate Finance segment serves as a principal lender and investor, as well as an advisor, and manages treasury and trade transactions for clients and customers. Loan origination and syndication, asset-backed lending, project finance and mergers and acquisitions consulting are representative of the services provided. These services are provided through various domestic and international offices. Through its Section 20 subsidiary, NMS, Corporate Finance is a primary dealer of U.S. Government Securities and underwrites, distributes and makes markets in high-grade and high-yield debt securities and equity securities. Additionally, Corporate Finance is a market maker in derivative products which

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include swap agreements, option contracts, forward settlement contracts, financial futures and other derivative products in certain interest rate, foreign exchange, commodity and equity markets. In support of these activities, Corporate Finance takes positions to support client demands and its own account. Major centers for the above activities are Charlotte, Chicago, London, New York, San Francisco, Singapore and Tokyo.

As part of its operations, the Corporation regularly evaluates the potential acquisition of, and holds discussions with, various financial institutions and other businesses of a type eligible for bank holding company ownership or control. In addition, the Corporation regularly analyzes the values of, and submits bids for, the acquisition of customer-based funds and other liabilities and assets of such financial institutions and other businesses. The Corporation also regularly considers the potential disposition of certain of its assets, branches, subsidiaries or lines of businesses. As a general rule, the Corporation publicly announces any material acquisitions or dispositions when a definitive agreement has been reached.

Government Supervision and Regulation

## General

As a registered bank holding company, the Corporation is subject to the supervision of, and to regular inspection by, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the "Federal Reserve Board"). The Banks are principally organized as national banking associations, which are subject to regulation, supervision and examination by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (the "Comptroller"). The Banks are also subject to regulation by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC") and other federal and state regulatory agencies. In addition to banking laws, regulations and regulatory agencies, the Corporation and its subsidiaries and affiliates are subject to various other laws and regulations and supervision and examination by other regulatory agencies, all of which directly or indirectly affect the operations and management of the Corporation and its ability to make distributions. The following discussion summarizes certain aspects of those laws and regulations that affect the Corporation.

The activities of the Corporation, and those of companies which it controls or in which it holds more than 5% of the voting stock, are limited to banking or managing or controlling banks or furnishing services to or performing services for its subsidiaries, or any other activity which the Federal Reserve Board determines to be so closely related to banking or managing or controlling banks as to be a proper incident thereto. In making such determinations, the Federal Reserve Board is required to consider whether the performance of such activities by a bank holding company or its subsidiaries can reasonably be expected to produce benefits to the public such as greater convenience, increased competition or gains in efficiency that outweigh possible adverse effects, such as undue concentration of resources,

decreased or unfair competition, conflicts of interest or unsound banking practices. Generally, bank holding companies, such as the Corporation, are required to obtain prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board to engage in any new activity or to acquire more than 5% of any class of voting stock of any company.

Bank holding companies are also required to obtain the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board before acquiring more than 5% of any class of voting stock of any bank which is not already majority-owned by the bank holding company. Pursuant to the Riegle-Neal Interstate Banking and Branching Efficiency Act of 1994 (the "Interstate Banking and Branching Act"), a bank holding company became able to acquire banks in states other than its home state, beginning September 29, 1995, without regard to the permissibility of such acquisitions under state law, but subject to any state requirement that the bank to be acquired has been organized and operating for a minimum period of time, not to exceed five years, and the requirement that the bank holding company, prior to or following the proposed acquisition, controls no more than 10% of the total amount of deposits of insured depository institutions in the United States and no more than 30% of such deposits in that state (or such lesser or greater amount set by state law).

The Interstate Banking and Branching Act also authorizes banks to merge across state lines, thereby creating interstate branches. This provision, which became effective June 1, 1997, allowed each state, prior to the effective date, the opportunity to "opt out" of this provision, thereby prohibiting interstate branching within that state. Of those states in which the Banks are located, only Texas has adopted legislation purporting to "opt out" of the interstate branching provisions (which Texas law currently expires on September 2, 1999). Furthermore, pursuant to the Interstate Banking and Branching Act, a bank is now able to open new

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branches in a state in which it does not already have banking operations if such state enacts a law permitting such de novo branching. To the extent permitted under these laws, the Corporation plans to consolidate its banking subsidiaries (with the exception of NationsBank of Delaware, N.A.) into a single bank as soon as practicable. The Corporation currently operates one interstate bank (i.e., a bank with banking centers in more than one state) which is NationsBank, N.A., headquartered in Charlotte, North Carolina, with offices in Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, Missouri, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia and the District of Columbia. Separate banks continue to operate in Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky (which the Corporation has agreed to sell), Tennessee and Texas. As previously described, the Corporation regularly evaluates merger and acquisition opportunities, and it anticipates that it will continue to evaluate such opportunities.

Proposals to change the laws and regulations governing the banking industry are frequently introduced in Congress, in the state legislatures and before the various bank regulatory agencies. The likelihood and timing of any such proposals or bills and the impact they might have on the Corporation and its subsidiaries cannot be determined at this time.

# Capital and Operational Requirements

The Federal Reserve Board, the Comptroller and the FDIC have issued substantially similar risk-based and leverage capital guidelines applicable to United States banking organizations. In addition, those regulatory agencies may from time to time require that a banking organization maintain capital above the minimum levels, whether because of its financial condition or actual or anticipated growth. The Federal Reserve Board risk-based guidelines define a two-tier capital framework. Tier 1 capital consists of common and qualifying preferred shareholders' equity, less certain intangibles and other adjustments. Tier 2 capital consists of subordinated and other qualifying debt, and the allowance for credit losses up to 1.25% of risk-weighted assets. The sum of Tier 1 and Tier 2 capital less investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries represents qualifying total capital, at least 50% of which must consist of Tier 1 capital. Risk-based capital ratios are calculated by dividing Tier 1 and total capital by risk-weighted assets. Assets and off-balance sheet exposures are assigned to one of four categories of risk-weights, based primarily on relative credit risk. The minimum Tier 1 capital ratio is 4% and the minimum total capital ratio is 8%. The Corporation's Tier 1 and total risk-based capital ratios under these guidelines at March 31, 1998 were 6.80% and 11.19%, respectively.

The leverage ratio is determined by dividing Tier 1 capital by adjusted average total assets. Although the stated minimum ratio is 3%, most banking organizations are required to maintain ratios of at least 100 to 200 basis points above 3%. The Corporation's leverage ratio at March 31, 1998 was 5.64%. Management believes that the Corporation meets its leverage ratio requirement.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 ("FDICIA"), among other things, identifies five capital categories for insured depository institutions (well capitalized, adequately capitalized, undercapitalized, significantly undercapitalized and critically undercapitalized) and requires the respective Federal regulatory agencies to implement systems for "prompt corrective action" for insured depository institutions that do not meet minimum capital requirements within such categories. FDICIA imposes progressively more restrictive constraints on operations, management and capital distributions, depending on the category in which an institution is classified. Failure to meet the capital guidelines could also subject a banking institution to capital raising requirements. An "undercapitalized" bank must develop a capital restoration plan and its parent holding company must guarantee that bank's compliance with the plan. The liability of the parent holding company under any such guarantee is limited to the lesser of 5% of the bank's assets at the time it became "undercapitalized" or the amount needed to comply with the plan. Furthermore, in the event of the bankruptcy of the parent holding company, such guarantee would take priority over the parent's general unsecured creditors. In addition, FDICIA requires the various regulatory agencies to prescribe certain non-capital standards for safety and soundness relating generally to operations and management, asset quality and executive compensation and permits regulatory action against a financial institution that does not meet such standards.

The various regulatory agencies have adopted substantially similar regulations that define the five capital categories identified by FDICIA, using the total risk-based capital, Tier 1 risk-based capital and leverage capital ratios as the relevant capital measures. Such regulations establish various degrees of corrective action to be taken when an institution is considered undercapitalized. Under the regulations, a "well capitalized"

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institution must have a Tier 1 capital ratio of at least 6%, a total capital ratio of at least 10% and a leverage ratio of at least 5% and not be subject to a capital directive order. An "adequately capitalized" institution must have a Tier 1 capital ratio of at least 4%, a total capital ratio of at least 8% and a leverage ratio of at least 4%, or 3% in some cases. Under these guidelines, each of the Banks is considered well capitalized.

Banking agencies have also adopted final regulations which mandate that regulators take into consideration (i) concentrations of credit risk; (ii) interest rate risk (when the interest rate sensitivity of an institution's assets does not match the sensitivity of its liabilities or its off-balance-sheet position); and (iii) risks from non-traditional activities, as well as an institution's ability to manage those risks, when determining the adequacy of an institution's capital. That evaluation will be made as a part of the institution's regular safety and soundness examination. In addition, the banking agencies have amended their regulatory capital guidelines to incorporate a measure for market risk. In accordance with the amended quidelines, the Corporation and any Bank with significant trading activity (as defined in the amendment) must incorporate a measure for market risk in their regulatory capital calculations effective for reporting periods after January 1, 1998. The revised guidelines are not expected to have a material impact on the Corporation or the Banks' regulatory capital ratios or their well capitalized status.

## Distributions

The Corporation's funds for cash distributions to its shareholders are derived from a variety of sources, including cash and temporary investments. The primary source of such funds, however, is dividends received from the Banks. Each of the Banks is subject to various general regulatory policies and requirements relating to the payment of dividends, including requirements to maintain capital above regulatory minimums. The appropriate federal regulatory authority is authorized to determine under certain circumstances relating to the financial condition of the bank or bank holding company that the payment of dividends would be an unsafe or unsound practice and to prohibit payment thereof.

In addition to the foregoing, the ability of the Corporation and the Banks to pay dividends may be affected by the various minimum capital requirements and the capital and non-capital standards established under FDICIA, as described above. The right of the Corporation, its shareholders and its creditors to participate in any distribution of the assets or earnings of its subsidiaries is further subject to the prior claims of creditors of the respective subsidiaries.

Source of Strength

According to Federal Reserve Board policy, bank holding companies are

expected to act as a source of financial strength to each subsidiary bank and to commit resources to support each such subsidiary. This support may be required at times when a bank holding company may not be able to provide such support. Similarly, under the cross-guarantee provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, in the event of a loss suffered or anticipated by the FDIC -either as a result of default of a banking or thrift subsidiary of the registrant or related to FDIC assistance provided to a subsidiary in danger of default -- the other Banks may be assessed for the FDIC's loss, subject to certain exceptions.

#### USE OF PROCEEDS

The net proceeds from the sale of the Securities will be used for general corporate purposes, including the Corporation's working capital needs, the funding of investments in, or extensions of credit to, its banking and nonbanking subsidiaries, possible acquisitions of other financial institutions or their assets or liabilities, possible acquisitions of or investments in other businesses of a type eligible for bank holding companies and possible reduction of outstanding indebtedness or repurchase of outstanding equity securities of the Corporation. Pending such use, the Corporation may temporarily invest the net proceeds. The Corporation may, from time to time, engage in additional capital financings of a character and in amounts to be determined by the Corporation in light of its needs at such time or times and in light of prevailing market conditions. If the Corporation elects at the time of issuance of Securities to make different or more specific use of proceeds other than that set forth herein, such use will be described in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

#### RATIOS OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following are the Corporation's consolidated ratios of earnings to fixed charges for the three months ended March 31, 1998 and for each of the years in the five-year period ended December 31, 1997:

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Year Ended

Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges: Excluding interest on deposits ..... 1.5 2.0 2.0 1.8 2.0 Including interest on deposits ..... 1.3 1.5 1.5 1.4 1.5

For purposes of computing the consolidated ratios, earnings represent net income of the Corporation plus applicable income taxes and fixed charges, less capitalized interest and the equity in undistributed earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies. Fixed charges represent interest expense (exclusive of interest on deposits in one case and inclusive of such interest in the other), capitalized interest, amortization of debt discount and appropriate issuance costs and one-third (the amount deemed to represent an appropriate interest factor) of net rent expense under all lease commitments.

# PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Corporation may offer and sell the Securities in one or more of the following ways: (i) through underwriters or dealers; (ii) through agents; or (iii) directly by the Corporation to one or more purchasers. Such underwriters, dealers or agents may be NMS or other affiliates of NationsBank. The Prospectus Supplement with respect to a particular offering of a series of Securities will set forth the terms of the offering of such Securities, including the name or names of any underwriters or agents with whom NationsBank has entered into arrangements with respect to the sale of such Securities, the public offering or purchase price of such Securities and the proceeds to the Corporation from such sales, and any underwriting discounts, agency fees or commissions and other items constituting underwriters' compensation, the initial public offering price, any discounts or concessions to be allowed or reallowed or paid to dealers and the securities exchange, if any, on which such Securities may be listed.

If underwriters are used in the offer and sale of Securities, the Securities will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at a fixed public offering price or at varying prices determined at the time of sale. The Securities may be offered to the public either through underwriting syndicates represented by managing underwriters, or by underwriters without a syndicate, all of which underwriters in either case will be designated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. Unless otherwise set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, under the terms of the underwriting agreement, the obligations of the underwriters to purchase Securities will be subject to certain conditions precedent and the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all the Securities if any are purchased. Any initial public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallowed or paid to dealers may be changed from time to time.

Securities also may be offered and sold directly by the Corporation or through agents designated by the Corporation from time to time. Any agent involved in the offer or sale of the Securities with respect to which this Prospectus is delivered will be named in, and any commissions payable by the Corporation to such agent will be set forth in or calculable from, the applicable Prospectus Supplement or a pricing supplement thereto. Unless otherwise indicated in the Prospectus Supplement, any such agent will be acting on a best efforts basis for the period of its appointment.

Securities may also be offered and sold, if so indicated in the Prospectus Supplement, in connection with a remarketing after their purchase, in accordance with their terms, by one or more firms, including NMS or other affiliates of the Corporation ("remarketing agents"), acting as principal for their accounts or an agent for the Corporation. Any remarketing agent will be identified and the terms of its agreement with the Corporation described in a Prospectus Supplement.

If so indicated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement relating to Debt Securities, the Corporation may authorize underwriters, dealers or agents to solicit offers by certain institutions to purchase Debt Securities from the Corporation at the public offering price set forth in such Prospectus Supplement pursuant to delayed

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delivery contracts ("Delayed Delivery Contracts") providing for payment and delivery on the date or dates stated in the Prospectus Supplement. Each Delayed Delivery Contract will be for an amount of Debt Securities not less than and, unless the Corporation otherwise agrees, the aggregate amount of Debt Securities sold pursuant to Delayed Delivery Contracts shall be not more than the respective minimum and maximum amounts stated in the Prospectus Supplement. Institutions with which Delayed Delivery Contracts, when authorized, may be made include commercial and savings banks, insurance companies, pension funds, investment companies and educational and charitable institutions, but shall in all cases be subject to the approval of the Corporation in its sole discretion. The obligations of the purchaser under any Delayed Delivery Contract to pay for and take delivery of Debt Securities will not be subject to any conditions except that (i) the purchase of Debt Securities by such institution shall not at the time of delivery be prohibited under the laws of the jurisdiction to which such institution is subject; and (ii) any related sale of Debt Securities to underwriters shall have occurred. A commission set forth in the Prospectus Supplement will be paid to underwriters soliciting purchases of Debt Securities pursuant to Delayed Delivery Contracts accepted by the Corporation. The underwriters will not have any responsibility in respect of the validity or performance of Delayed Delivery Contracts.

Any series of Securities offered and sold pursuant to this Prospectus and the applicable Prospectus Supplement will be new issues of securities with no established trading market. Any underwriters to whom Securities are sold by the Corporation for public offering and sale may make a market in such Securities, but such underwriters will not be obligated to do so and may discontinue any market making at any time without notice. No assurance can be given as to the liquidity of the trading market for any Securities.

Any underwriter, dealer or agent participating in the distribution of any Securities may be deemed to be an underwriter, as that term is defined in the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act"), of the Securities so offered and sold, and any discounts or commissions received by them from NationsBank and any profit realized by them on the sale or resale of the Securities may be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions under the 1933 Act.

In order to facilitate the offering of the Securities, the underwriters may engage in transactions that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the price of the Securities or any other securities the prices of which may be used to determine payments on such Securities. Specifically, the underwriters may overallot in connection with the offering, creating a short position in the Securities for their own accounts. In addition, to cover overallotments or to stabilize the price of the Securities or of any such other securities, the underwriters may bid for, and purchase, the Securities or any such other securities in the open market. Finally, in any offering of the Securities through a syndicate of underwriters, the underwriting syndicate may reclaim

selling concessions allowed to an underwriter or a dealer for distributing the Securities in the offering if the syndicate repurchases previously distributed Securities in transactions to cover syndicate short positions, in stabilization transactions or otherwise. Any of these activities may stabilize or maintain the market price of the Securities above independent market levels. The underwriters are not required to engage in these activities, and may end any of these activities at any time.

Under agreements entered into with the Corporation, underwriters, dealers, agents and remarketing agents may be entitled to indemnification by the Corporation against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the 1933 Act, or to contribution with respect to payments which the underwriters or agents may be required to make in respect thereof.

NMS is a broker-dealer and a direct subsidiary of the Corporation. Each initial offering and any remarketing of Securities involving NMS or any other affiliate of the Corporation will be conducted in compliance with the requirements of Rule 2720 of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (the "NASD") regarding a NASD member firm's distribution of the securities of an affiliate. Following the initial distribution of the Securities, NMS may offer and sell such Securities in secondary markets transactions at negotiated prices relating to prevailing prices at the time of sale or otherwise. NMS may act as principal or agent in such transactions. This Prospectus and related Prospectus Supplements may be used by NMS in connection with such transactions.

NMS will not execute a transaction in the Securities in a discretionary account without the prior written specific approval of NMS's customer. NMS has no obligation to make a market in the Securities and may discontinue its market-making activities at any time without notice, at its sole discretion. Futhermore, NMS

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may be required to discontinue its market-making activities during periods when the Corporation is involved in a distribution of certain of its securities or when NMS, by virtue of its affiliation with the Corporation, is aware of material non-public information relating to the Corporation. In such instance, NMS would not be able to recommence its market-making activities until such distribution has been completed or such information has become publicly available. It is not possible to determine the impact, if any, that any such discontinuance may have on the market for the Securities. While other broker-dealers may make a market in the Securities from time to time, there can be no assurance that any broker-dealer will do so at any time when NMS discontinues its market-making activities.

Underwriters, dealers and agents also may be customers of, engage in transactions with, or perform other services for the Corporation in the ordinary course of business.

# DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES

Any Senior Debt Securities offered hereby are to be issued under an Indenture dated as of January 1, 1995 (such Indenture, as it may be amended from time to time, the "Senior Indenture") between the Corporation and U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as successor Trustee to BankAmerica National Trust Company (the "Senior Trustee"). Any Subordinated Debt Securities offered hereby are to be issued under an Indenture dated as of January 1, 1995 (such Indenture, as it may be amended from time to time, the "Subordinated Indenture") between the Corporation and The Bank of New York, Trustee (the "Subordinated Trustee" and, together with the Senior Trustee, the "Trustees"). Each of the Senior Indenture and the Subordinated Indenture (each, an "Indenture" and together, the "Indentures") is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus forms a part.

The following summaries of certain provisions of the Indentures do not purport to be complete and are subject to and qualified in their entirety by reference to the provisions of the applicable Indentures. Whenever particular sections or defined terms of the Indentures are referred to, it is intended that such sections or defined items shall be incorporated herein by reference. Unless otherwise indicated, capitalized terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Indentures.

# General

The respective Indentures provide that there is no limitation on the amount of debt securities that may be issued thereunder from time to time. The amount of Debt Securities that may be offered and sold pursuant to this Prospectus, however, is limited to the aggregate initial offering price of the securities registered under the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus forms a part, subject to reduction as the result of the sale by the Corporation of other securities under the Registration Statement.

The Debt Securities will be direct, unsecured obligations of the Corporation. The Senior Debt Securities of each series will rank equally with all unsecured senior debt of the Corporation. The Subordinated Debt Securities of each series will be subordinate and junior in right of payment to the prior payment in full of all Senior Indebtedness (as hereinafter defined) of the Corporation. See "DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES -- Subordination."

The Debt Securities will be issued in fully registered form without coupons. The Debt Securities may be denominated in U.S. dollars or in another currency or currency unit. Unless otherwise set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, any Debt Securities that are denominated in U.S. dollars will be issued in denominations of \$1,000 or an integral multiple thereof. If any of the Debt Securities are denominated in a foreign currency or currency unit, or if principal of (or premium, if any, on) or any interest on any of the Debt Securities is payable in any foreign currency or currency unit, the authorized denominations, as well as any investment considerations, restrictions, tax consequences, specific terms and other information with respect to such issue of Debt Securities and such foreign currency or currency unit, will be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto.

The Debt Securities may be issued in one or more series with the same or various maturities. Certain Debt Securities may be issued which provide for an amount less than the principal amount thereof to be due and payable in the event of an acceleration of the maturity thereof (each an "Original Issue Discount Security"). Original Issue Discount Securities may bear no interest or may bear interest at a rate which at the

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time of issuance is below market rates and will be sold at a discount (which may be substantial) below their stated principal amount. Certain Debt Securities may be deemed to be issued with original issue discount for United States Federal income tax purposes. The Prospectus Supplement with respect to any series of Debt Securities issued with such original issue discount will contain a discussion of Federal income tax considerations with respect thereto.

The particular terms of each series of Debt Securities to be offered and sold will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such series of Debt Securities, including: (i) the designation of the particular series; (ii) the aggregate principal amount of such series that may be authenticated and delivered under the applicable Indenture; (iii) the person to whom any interest on any Debt Security of the series shall be payable, if other than the person in whose name the Debt Security (or one or more predecessor Debt Securities) is registered at the close of business on the regular record date for such interest; (iv) the date or dates on which the principal of the Debt Securities of such series is payable; (v) the rate or rates, and if applicable the method used to determine the rate, at which the Debt Securities of such series shall bear interest, if any, the date or dates from which such interest shall accrue, the date or dates on which such interest shall be payable and the record date or dates for the interest payable on any Debt Securities on any interest payment date; (vi) the place or places at which, subject to the provisions of the applicable Indenture, the principal of (and premium, if any, on) and any interest on Debt Securities of such series shall be payable, any Debt Securities of the series may be surrendered for registration of transfer, and notices and demands to or upon the Corporation in respect of the Debt Securities of the series and the Indenture may be served; (vii) the obligation, if any, of the Corporation to redeem or purchase Debt Securities of such series, at the option of the Corporation or at the option of a holder thereof, pursuant to any sinking fund or other redemption provisions and the period or periods within which, the price or prices at which and the terms and conditions upon which Debt Securities of the series may be so redeemed or purchased, in whole or in part; (viii) if other than denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof, the denominations in which any Debt Securities of such series shall be issuable; (ix) if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of Debt Securities of such series which shall be payable upon declaration of acceleration of the maturity thereof; (x) the currency, currencies or currency units in which payment of the principal of (and premium, if any, on) and any interest on any Debt Securities of the series shall be payable if other than the currency of the United States of America and the manner of determining the equivalent thereof in the currency of the United States of America for purposes of the applicable Indenture; (xi) if the principal of (and premium, if any, on) or any interest on the Debt Securities of the series is to be payable, at the election of the Corporation or a holder thereof, in one or more currencies or currency units, other than that or those in which the Debt Securities are stated to be payable, the currency or currencies in which payment of the principal of (and premium, if any, on) and any interest on Debt Securities of such series as to which such election is made shall be payable, and the periods within which and the terms and conditions upon which such election is to be made; (xii) whether the amount of payments of principal of (and premium, if any) or interest on such Debt Securities may be determined with reference to an index, formula or other method (which index, formula or method may be based on one or more currencies,

commodities, equity indices or other indices) and the manner in which such amount shall be determined; (xiii) whether the Debt Securities will be issued in book-entry only form; (xiv) the identification or method of selection of any interest rate calculation agents, exchange rate calculation agents or other agents with respect to Debt Securities of such series; (xv) if either or both of Section 14.02 (defeasance) or Section 14.03 (covenant defeasance) of the applicable Indenture do not apply to the Debt Securities of the series; (xvi) any provisions relating to the extension of maturity of, or the renewal of, Debt Securities of such series; and (xvii) any other terms of the Debt Securities of such series (which terms shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of the applicable Indenture).

The ability of NationsBank to make payments of principal of (and premium, if any, on) and any interest on the Debt Securities may be affected by the ability of the Banks to pay dividends. The ability of the Banks, as well as of the Corporation, to pay dividends in the future currently is, and could be further, influenced by bank regulatory requirements and capital guidelines. See "NATIONSBANK CORPORATION -- Supervision and Regulation."

Neither the Senior Indenture nor the Subordinated Indenture contains provisions that would provide protection to holders of Debt Securities against a decline in credit quality resulting from takeovers, recapitalizations, the incurrence of additional indebtedness or similar restructurings by the Corporation. If credit quality declines as a result of such an event, or otherwise, the ratings of any Debt Securities then outstanding may be withdrawn or downgraded.

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#### Conversion

The Debt Securities of any series may be convertible, at the option of the holder or the Corporation, into Preferred Stock, Depositary Shares, Common Stock or other Debt Securities if the Prospectus Supplement relating to such series of Debt Securities so provides. In such case, such Prospectus Supplement will set forth (i) the period(s) during which such conversion may be elected; (ii) the conversion price payable and the number of shares or amount of Preferred Stock, Depositary Shares, Common Stock or other Debt Securities purchasable upon conversion, and adjustments thereto, if any, in certain events; (iii) the procedures for electing such conversion; and (iv) all other terms for such conversion (which terms shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of the applicable Indenture).

# Exchange, Registration and Transfer

At the option of the holder, subject to the terms of the applicable Indenture, Debt Securities of any series (other than Debt Securities issued in book-entry form) will be exchangeable for other Debt Securities of the same series and of an equal aggregate principal amount and tenor of any authorized denominations.

Debt Securities of a series may be presented for exchange as provided above, and may be presented for registration of transfer (with the form of transfer endorsed thereon duly executed), at the office of the Security Registrar or at the office of any transfer agent of the Corporation designated and maintained for such purpose with respect to such Debt Securities pursuant to the terms of the applicable Indenture, as referred to in an applicable Prospectus Supplement. Such transfer or exchange will be effected upon the Security Registrar or transfer agent, as the case may be, being satisfied with the documents of title and identity of the person making the request. No service charge shall be made for any exchange or registration of transfer of Debt Securities, but the Corporation may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection therewith.

If a Prospectus Supplement refers to any transfer agents (in addition to the Security Registrar) designated by the Corporation with respect to any series of Debt Securities, the Corporation may at any time rescind the designation of any such transfer agent or approve a change in the location through which any such transfer agent acts, except that the Corporation will be required to maintain a transfer agent in each place of payment for such series. The Corporation may at any time designate additional transfer agents with respect to any series of Debt Securities.

The Corporation shall not be required to (i) issue, exchange or register the transfer of any Debt Security of any series to be redeemed for a period of 15 days next preceding any selection of such Debt Securities to be redeemed; or (ii) exchange or register the transfer of any Debt Security so selected, called or being called for redemption, except the unredeemed portion of any Debt Security being redeemed in part.

For a discussion of restrictions on the exchange, registration and transfer of Global Securities (hereinafter defined), see "REGISTRATION AND

### Payment and Paying Agents

Unless otherwise indicated in an applicable Prospectus Supplement, principal of (and premium, if any, on) and any interest on Debt Securities will be payable, subject to any applicable laws and regulations, at the offices of such paying agents as the Corporation may designate from time to time pursuant to the applicable Indenture, except that, at the option of the Corporation, payment of any interest may be made by check mailed to the address of the person entitled thereto as such address shall appear in the Security Register. Unless otherwise indicated in an applicable Prospectus Supplement, payment of interest on a Debt Security on any interest payment date generally will be made to the person in whose name such Debt Security is registered at the close of business on the regular record date for such interest payment date. For a discussion of payment of principal and any premium or interest with respect to Global Securities, see "REGISTRATION AND SETTLEMENT."

The Corporation initially has designated the principal corporate trust offices of the Senior Trustee and the Subordinated Trustee in the City of New York as the places where the Senior Debt Securities and Subordinated Debt Securities, respectively, may be presented for payment. The Corporation may at any time designate additional paying agents or rescind the designation of any paying agent or approve a change in the

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office through which any paying agent acts. Any other paying agents designated by the Corporation for the Debt Securities of each series will be named in an applicable Prospectus Supplement.

#### Subordination

The Subordinated Debt Securities are subordinate and subject, to the extent and in the manner set forth in the Subordinated Indenture, in right of payment to the prior payment in full of all Senior Indebtedness of the Corporation. "Senior Indebtedness" is defined by the Subordinated Indenture as any indebtedness for money borrowed (including all indebtedness of the Corporation for borrowed and purchased money of the Corporation, all obligations of the Corporation arising from off-balance sheet guarantees by the Corporation and direct credit substitutes, and obligations of the Corporation associated with derivative products such as interest and foreign exchange rate contracts and commodity contracts) that is outstanding on the date of execution of the Subordinated Indenture, or is thereafter created, incurred or assumed, for the payment of which the Corporation is at the time of determination responsible or liable as obligor, guarantor or otherwise, and all deferrals, renewals, extensions and refundings of any such indebtedness or obligations, other than the Subordinated Debt Securities or any other indebtedness as to which, in the instrument creating or evidencing the same or pursuant to which the same is outstanding, it is provided that such indebtedness is subordinate in right of payment to any other indebtedness of the Corporation. The Prospectus Supplement relating to each series of Subordinated Debt Securities will set forth the aggregate amount of then outstanding Senior Indebtedness of the Corporation and any limitation on the issuance of additional Senior Indebtedness.

No payment on account of principal of (and premium, if any, on) or any interest on the Subordinated Debt Securities shall be made, and no Subordinated Debt Securities shall be purchased, either directly or indirectly, by the Corporation or any of its subsidiaries, if any default or event of default with respect to any Senior Indebtedness shall have occurred and be continuing and the Corporation and the Subordinated Trustee shall have received written notice thereof from the holders of at least 10% in principal amount of any kind or category of any Senior Indebtedness (or the representative or representatives of such holders) or the Subordinated Trustee shall have received written notice thereof from the Corporation.

In the event that any Subordinated Debt Security is declared due and payable before the date specified therein as the fixed date on which the principal thereof is due and payable pursuant to the Subordinated Indenture, or upon any payment or distribution of assets of the Corporation of any kind or character to creditors upon any dissolution or winding up or total or partial liquidation or reorganization of the Corporation, all principal of (and premium, if any, on) and any interest due or to become due upon all Senior Indebtedness shall first be paid in full before the holders of the Subordinated Debt Securities (the "Subordinated Debt Holders"), or the Subordinated Trustee, shall be entitled to retain any assets (other than shares of stock of the Corporation as reorganized or readjusted or securities of the Corporation or any other corporation provided for by a plan of reorganization or readjustment, the payment of which is subordinated, at least to the same extent as the Subordinated Debt Securities, to the payment of all Senior Indebtedness which may at the time be outstanding, provided that the rights of the holders of the

Senior Indebtedness are not altered by such reorganization or readjustment), so paid or distributed in respect of the Subordinated Debt Securities (for principal or interest, if any). Upon such dissolution or winding up or liquidation or reorganization, any payment or distribution of assets of the Corporation of any kind or character, whether in cash, property or securities (other than shares of stock of the Corporation as reorganized or readjusted or securities of the Corporation or any other corporation provided for by a plan of reorganization or readjustment, the payment of which is subordinated, at least to the same extent as the Subordinated Debt Securities, to the payment of all Senior Indebtedness which may at the time be outstanding, provided that the rights of the holders of the Senior Indebtedness are not altered by such reorganization or readjustment), to which the Subordinated Debt Holders or the Subordinated Trustee would be entitled, except for the subordination provisions of the Subordinated Indenture, shall be paid by the Corporation or by any receiver, trustee in bankruptcy, liquidating trustee, agent or other person making such payment or distribution, or by the Subordinated Debt Holders or the Subordinated Trustee if received by them or it, directly to the holders of the Senior Indebtedness (pro rata to each such holder on the basis of the respective amounts of Senior Indebtedness held by such holder) or their representatives, to the extent necessary to pay all Senior Indebtedness in full, after giving effect to any concurrent payment or distribution to or for the holders of Senior Indebtedness, before any payment or distribution is made to the Subordinated Debt Holders or to the Subordinated Trustee.

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Subject to the payment in full of all Senior Indebtedness, the Subordinated Debt Holders shall be subrogated (equally and ratably with the holders of all indebtedness of the Corporation which, by its express terms, ranks on a parity with the Subordinated Debt Securities and is entitled to like rights of subrogation) to the rights of the holders of Senior Indebtedness to receive payments or distributions of assets of the Corporation applicable to the Senior Indebtedness until the Subordinated Debt Securities shall be paid in full.

#### Sale or Issuance of Capital Stock of Banks

The Senior Indenture prohibits the issuance, sale or other disposition of capital stock, or securities convertible into or options, warrants or rights to acquire capital stock, of any Principal Subsidiary Bank (as defined below) or of any subsidiary which owns shares of capital stock, or securities convertible into or options, warrants or rights to acquire capital stock, of any Principal Subsidiary Bank, with the following exceptions: (a) sales of directors' qualifying shares; (b) sales or other dispositions for fair market value, if, after giving effect to such disposition and to conversion of any shares or securities convertible into capital stock of a Principal Subsidiary Bank, the Corporation would own directly or indirectly not less than 80% of each class of the capital stock of such Principal Subsidiary Bank (or any successor corporation thereto); (c) sales or other dispositions made in compliance with an order of a court or regulatory authority of competent jurisdiction; (d) any sale by a Principal Subsidiary Bank (or any successor corporation thereto) of additional shares of its capital stock to its shareholders at any price, so long as (i) prior to such sale the Corporation owns, directly or indirectly, shares of the same class and (ii) immediately after such sale, the Corporation owns, directly or indirectly, at least as great a percentage of each class of capital stock of such Principal Subsidiary Bank as it owned prior to such sale of additional shares; (e) any sale by a Principal Subsidiary Bank (or any successor corporation thereto) of additional securities convertible into shares of its capital stock to its shareholders at any price, so long as (i) prior to such sale the Corporation owns, directly or indirectly, securities of the same class and (ii) immediately after such sale the Corporation owns, directly or indirectly, at least as great a percentage of each class of such securities convertible into shares of capital stock of such Principal Subsidiary Bank as it owned prior to such sale of additional securities; (f) any sale by a Principal Subsidiary Bank (or any successor corporation thereto) of additional options, warrants or rights to subscribe for or purchase shares of its capital stock to its shareholders at any price, so long as (i) prior to such sale the Corporation owns, directly or indirectly, options, warrants or rights, as the case may be, of the same class and (ii) immediately after such sale, the Corporation owns, directly or indirectly, at least as great a percentage of each class of such options, warrants or rights, as the case may be, to subscribe for or purchase shares of capital stock of such Principal Subsidiary Bank as it owned prior to such sale of additional options, warrants or rights; or (g) any issuance of shares of capital stock, or securities convertible into or options, warrants or rights to subscribe for or purchase shares of capital stock, of a Principal Subsidiary Bank or any subsidiary which owns shares of capital stock, or securities convertible into or options, warrants or rights to acquire capital stock, of any Principal Subsidiary Bank, to the Corporation or a wholly owned subsidiary of the Corporation.

A Principal Subsidiary Bank is defined in the Senior Indenture as any Bank (other than NationsBank of Delaware, National Association) with total assets equal to more than 10% of the Corporation's total consolidated assets.

Under the terms of either Indenture, compliance with certain covenants or conditions of such Indenture may be waived by the holders of a majority in principal amount of the Debt Securities of all series to be affected thereby and at the time outstanding under that Indenture (including, in the case of holders of Senior Debt Securities, the covenant described above).

# Modification of the Indentures

Each Indenture contains provisions permitting the Corporation and the applicable Trustee to modify such Indenture or the rights of the holders of Debt Securities thereunder, with the consent of the holders of not less than 66 2/3% in aggregate principal amount of the Debt Securities of all series at the time outstanding under that Indenture and to be affected thereby (voting as one class), except that no such modification shall (a) extend the fixed maturity of, reduce the principal amount or redemption premium, if any, of, or reduce the rate of or extend the time of payment of interest on, any Debt Security without the consent of the

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holder of each security so affected, or (b) reduce the aforesaid percentage of Debt Securities, the consent of holders of which is required for any such modification, without the consent of the holders of all Debt Securities then outstanding under that Indenture. Each Indenture also provides that the Corporation and the respective Trustee may, from time to time, execute supplemental indentures in certain limited circumstances without the consent of any holders of outstanding Debt Securities.

Each Indenture provides that in determining whether the holders of the requisite principal amount of the Debt Securities outstanding have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver thereunder, (i) the principal amount of an Original Issue Discount Security that shall be deemed to be outstanding shall be the amount of the principal thereof that would be due and payable at such time upon an event of default, and (ii) the principal amount of a Debt Security denominated in a foreign currency or currency unit shall be the U.S. dollar equivalent on the date of original issuance of such Debt Security.

# Meetings and Action by Securityholders

Each Indenture contains provisions for convening meetings of the holders of Debt Securities for certain purposes. A meeting may be called at any time by the Trustee in its discretion and shall be called by the Trustee upon request by the Corporation or the holders of at least 10% in aggregate principal amount of the Debt Securities outstanding of such series, in any case upon notice given in accordance with "Notices" below. Any resolution passed or decision taken at any meeting of holders of Debt Securities of any series duly held in accordance with the applicable Indenture, or such other action taken in accordance with the terms of the applicable Indenture, will be binding on all holders of Debt Securities of that series.

## Defaults and Rights of Acceleration

An Event of Default is defined in the Subordinated Indenture generally as bankruptcy of the Corporation under Federal bankruptcy laws. An Event of Default is defined in the Senior Indenture generally as (i) the Corporation's failure to pay principal (or premium, if any) when due on any securities of a series; (ii) the Corporation's failure to pay interest on any securities of a series, within 30 days after the same becomes due; (iii) the Corporation's breach of any of its other covenants contained in the Senior Debt Securities or the Senior Indenture, which breach is not cured within 90 days after written notice to the Corporation by the Senior Trustee, or to the Corporation and the Senior Trustee by the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of all Senior Debt Securities then outstanding under the Senior Indenture and affected thereby; and (iv) certain events involving the bankruptcy, insolvency or liquidation of the Corporation.

Each Indenture provides that if an Event of Default under the respective Indenture occurs and is continuing, either the respective Trustee or the holders of 25% in principal amount (or, if any such Debt Securities are Original Issue Discount Debt Securities, such lesser amounts as may be described in an applicable Prospectus Supplement) of the Debt Securities then outstanding under that Indenture (or, with respect to an Event of Default under the Senior Indenture due to a default in the payment of principal (or premium, if any) or interest or performance of any other covenant, the outstanding Debt Securities of all series affected by such default) may declare the principal amount of all of such Debt Securities to be due and payable immediately.

Payment of principal of the Subordinated Debt Securities may not be accelerated in the case of a default in the payment of principal (or premium, if any) or interest or the performance of any other covenant of the Corporation. Upon certain conditions a declaration of an Event of Default may be annulled and past defaults may be waived by the holders of a majority in principal amount of the Debt Securities then outstanding (or of such series affected, as the case may be).

Collection of Indebtedness, etc.

Each Indenture also provides that in the event of a failure by the Corporation to make payment of principal of (and premium, if any, on) or any interest on the Debt Securities (and, in the case of payment of interest, such failure to pay shall have continued for 30 days) and upon the demand of the respective Trustee, the Corporation will pay to such Trustee, for the benefit of the holders of the Debt Securities, the amount then due and payable on the Debt Securities for principal and interest, with interest on the overdue principal and, to the extent payment of interest shall be legally enforceable, upon overdue installments of interest at the rate borne by the Debt Securities. Each Indenture further provides that if the Corporation fails to pay such amount forthwith upon such demand, the respective Trustee may, among other things, institute a judicial

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proceeding for the collection thereof. However, each Indenture provides that notwithstanding any other provision of the Indenture, the holder of any Debt Security shall have the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any payment of principal of (and premium, if any, on) and any interest on such Debt Security on the respective stated maturities expressed in such Debt Security and that such right shall not be impaired without the consent of such holder.

The holders of a majority in principal amount of the Debt Securities then outstanding under an Indenture shall have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee under that Indenture, provided that the holders shall have offered to the Trustee reasonable indemnity against expenses and liabilities. Each Indenture requires the annual filing by the Corporation with the respective Trustee of a certificate as to the absence of default and as to compliance with the terms of that Indenture.

Notices

Except as otherwise provided in the applicable Indenture, notices to holders of Debt Securities will be given by first-class mail to the addresses of such holders as they appear in the Security Register.

Concerning the Trustees

The Corporation and the Banks have from time to time maintained deposit accounts and conducted other banking transactions with The Bank of New York and U.S. Bank Trust National Association, and their affiliated entities in the ordinary course of business. Each of the Trustees also serves as trustee for certain series of the Corporation's outstanding indebtedness under other indentures.

## DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTS

The Corporation may issue, together with Debt Securities or separately, Debt Warrants for the purchase of Debt Securities on terms to be determined at the time of issuance. The Corporation may also issue Universal Warrants to purchase or sell (i) securities of an entity unaffiliated with the Corporation, a basket of such securities, an index or indices of such securities or any combination of the above, (ii) currencies or currency units or (iii) commodities, on terms to be determined at the time of sale. The Corporation may satisfy its obligations, if any, with respect to any Universal Warrants by delivering the underlying securities, currencies or commodities or, in the case of underlying securities or commodities, the cash value thereof, as set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. Warrants may be offered separately or together with one or more additional Warrants or Debt Securities or any combination thereof in the form of Units, as set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. If Warrants are issued as part of a Unit, the accompanying Prospectus Supplement will specify whether such Warrants may be separated from the other Securities in such Unit prior to the Warrants' expiration date.

The Warrants are to be issued under one or more Warrant Agreements (each, a "Warrant Agreement") to be entered into between the Corporation and a bank or trust company, as Warrant Agent (the "Warrant Agent"), and may be issued in one or more series, all as shall be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement relating

thereto. The forms of Warrant Agreement for the Warrants are filed as exhibits to the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus is a part. The following summaries of certain provisions of the applicable Warrant Agreement and the Warrants do not purport to be complete and such summaries are subject to the detailed provisions of such Warrant Agreement to which reference is hereby made for a full description of such provisions, including the definition of certain terms used herein, and for other information regarding the Warrants. Wherever particular provisions of the Warrant Agreement are referred to, such provisions are incorporated by reference as a part of the statements made, and the statements are qualified in their entirety by such reference.

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The particular terms of each series of Warrants to be offered and sold will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such series of Warrants, including: (i) the specific designation and aggregate number of and the price at which the Warrants will be issued; (ii) the currency or currency unit for which the Warrants may be purchased; (iii) the date on which the right to exercise the Warrants shall commence

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and the date (the "Warrant Expiration Date") on which such right shall expire or, if the Warrants are not continuously exercisable throughout such period, the specific date or dates on which they will be exercisable (each, a "Warrant Exercise Date," which term shall also mean, with respect to Warrants continuously exercisable for a period of time, every date during such period); (iv) whether any Warrants will be issued in global or definitive form or both; (v) any applicable United States federal income tax consequences; (vi) the identity of the Warrant Agent in respect of the Warrants and of any other depositaries, execution or paying agents, transfer agents, registrars or determination or other agents; (vii) the proposed listing, if any, of the Warrants or the securities purchasable upon exercise thereof on any securities exchange; (viii) whether the Warrants are to be sold separately or with other Securities as part of Units; and (ix) any other terms of the Warrants.

The particular terms of each series of Debt Warrants will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such series of Debt Warrants, including: (i) the designation, aggregate principal amount, currency or composite currency unit and terms of the Debt Securities that may be purchased upon exercise of the Warrants, (ii) if applicable, the designation and terms of the Debt Securities with which the Warrants are issued and the number of the Debt Warrants issued with each of such Debt Securities, (iii) if applicable, the date on and after which the Securities and the related Debt Securities will be separately transferable and (iv) the principal amount of Debt Securities purchasable upon exercise of each Debt Warrant, the price at which and the currency or currency unit in which such principal amount of Debt Securities may be purchased upon such exercise and the method of such exercise.

The particular terms of each series of Universal Warrants will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such series of Universal Warrants, including: (i) whether such Universal Warrants are put Warrants or call Warrants; (ii) (a) the specific security, basket of securities, index or indices of securities or combination of the above, (b) currencies or currency units or (c) commodities (and, in each case, the amount thereof or the method for determining the same) purchasable or saleable upon exercise of each Universal Warrant; (iii) the price at which and the currency or currency unit with which such underlying securities, currencies or commodities may be purchased or sold upon such exercise (or the method of determining the same); (iv) whether such exercise price may be paid in cash, by the exchange of any other Security offered with such Universal Warrants or both and the method of such exercise; and (v) whether the exercise of such Universal Warrants is to be settled in cash or by delivery of the underlying securities or commodities or both.

Warrants of each series will be evidenced by Warrant certificates ("Warrant Certificates") in registered form, which may be global Warrants or definitive Warrants, as specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

At the option of the holder upon request confirmed in writing, and subject to the terms of the applicable Warrant Agreement, Warrants in definitive form may be presented for exchange and for registration of transfer (with the form of transfer endorsed thereon duly executed) at the corporate trust office of the Warrant Agent for such series of Warrants (or any other office indicated in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such series of Warrants) without service charge and upon payment of any taxes and other governmental charges as described in such Warrant Agreement. Such transfer or exchange will be effected only if the Warrant Agent for such series of Warrants is satisfied with the documents of title and identity of the person making the request.

Each Warrant Agreement and the terms of the Warrants and the Warrant Certificates may be amended by the Corporation and the Warrant Agent, without the consent of the holders, for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective or inconsistent provision therein or in any other manner which the Corporation may deem necessary or desirable and which will not adversely affect the interests of the affected holders in any material respect.

The Corporation and any Warrant Agent may also modify or amend the Warrant Agreement between them and the terms of the Warrants issued thereunder, with the consent of the owners of not less than a majority in number of the then outstanding unexercised Warrants affected, provided that no such modification or amendment that changes the exercise price of the Warrants, reduces the amount receivable upon exercise, cancellation or expiration, shortens the period of time during which the Warrants may be exercised

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or otherwise materially and adversely affects the rights of the owners of the Warrants or reduces the percentage of outstanding Warrants, the consent of whose owners is required for modification or amendment of the applicable Warrant Agreement or the terms of the Warrants issued thereunder, may be made without the consent of the owners affected thereby.

Enforceability of Rights of Warrantholders; Governing Law

The Warrant Agents will act solely as agents of the Corporation in connection with the Warrant Certificates and will not assume any obligation or relationship of agency or trust for or with any holders of Warrant Certificates or beneficial owners of Warrants. Any holder of Warrant Certificates and any beneficial owner of Warrants may, without the consent of the Warrant Agent, any other holder or beneficial owner, the relevant Trustee, the holder of any Debt Securities or other securities issuable upon exercise of Warrants or, if applicable, the Euroclear Operator (as defined below) enforce by appropriate legal action, on its own behalf, its right to exercise the Warrants evidenced by such Warrant Certificates, in the manner provided therein and in the applicable Warrant Agreement. No holder of any Warrant Certificate or beneficial owner of any Warrants shall be entitled to any of the rights of a holder of the Debt Securities or other securities purchasable upon exercise of such Warrants, including, without limitation, the right to receive the payment of dividends, principal of or premium, if any, or interest, if any, on such Debt Securities or other securities or to enforce any of the covenants or rights in the relevant Indenture or any other similar agreement. The Warrants and each Warrant Agreement will be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

# Unsecured Obligations of the Corporation

The Warrants are unsecured contractual obligations of the Corporation and will rank pari passu with the Corporation's other unsecured contractual obligations and with the Corporation's unsecured and unsubordinated debt. Most of the assets of the Corporation are owned by its subsidiaries. Therefore, the Corporation's rights and the rights of its creditors, including Warrantholders, to participate in the distribution of assets of any subsidiary upon such subsidiary's liquidation or recapitalization will be subject to the prior claims of such subsidiary's creditors, except to the extent that the Corporation may itself be a creditor with recognized claims against the subsidiary. The ability of the Corporation to meet its obligations under the Warrants may be affected by the ability of the Banks to pay dividends. The ability of the Banks, as well as the Corporation, to pay dividends in the future currently is, and could be further, influenced by bank regulatory requirements and capital guidelines. See "NATIONSBANK CORPORATION -- Supervision and Regulation."

# DESCRIPTION OF UNITS

As specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, Units will consist of one or more Warrants and Debt Securities or any combination thereof. The particular terms of each series of Units will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such series of Units, including: (i) all terms of Units and of the Warrants and Debt Securities, or any combination thereof, comprising such Units, including whether and under what circumstances the Securities comprising such Units may or may not be traded separately, (ii) a description of the terms of any agreement (a "Unit Agreement") to be entered into between the Corporation and a bank or trust company as Unit Agent (the "Unit Agent") governing the Units and (iii) a description of the provisions for the payment, settlement, transfer or exchange of the Units.

If so specified in an applicable Prospectus Supplement, all or any portion of the Securities of a series may be issued in book-entry form represented by one or more global Securities in registered form (each, a "Global Security"). Unless otherwise specified in such Prospectus Supplement, each such Global Security will be held through The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), as depositary, and will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. Accordingly, Cede & Co. is expected to be the holder of record of the Securities.

Under the book-entry system of DTC, purchases of Securities of a series represented by a Global Security must be made by or through persons that have accounts with DTC ("DTC Participants") or persons that may hold interests through DTC Participants ("Indirect Participants"). Upon the issuance and deposit of a

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Global Security, DTC will credit, on its book-entry registration and transfer system, the respective principal amounts of the individual Securities represented by such Global Security to the accounts of DTC Participants. The accounts to be credited will be designated by the underwriters or agents of such Securities (or by the Corporation, if such Securities are offered and sold directly by the Corporation). The ownership of beneficial interests in such Global Security will be shown on, and the transfer of that ownership will be effected only through, records maintained by DTC (with respect to interests of DTC Participants) and the records of DTC Participants (with respect to interests of Indirect Participants) and Indirect Participants. The laws of some jurisdictions require that certain purchasers of securities take physical delivery of such securities in certificated form. Such limits and laws may impair the ability to own, transfer or pledge beneficial interests in a Global Security.

So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered holder of a Global Security, DTC or its nominee, as applicable, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the Securities represented by such Global Security for all purposes under the applicable Indenture, Warrant Agreement or Unit Agreement. Except as provided below, owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security will not be entitled to have Securities registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of such Securities in certificated form and will not be considered the owners or holders thereof under the applicable Indenture, Warrant Agreement or Unit Agreement. Accordingly, in order to exercise any rights of a holder of the Securities under the applicable Indenture, Warrant Agreement or Unit Agreement, each person owning a beneficial interest in the Global Security representing such Securities must rely on the procedures of DTC or, if such person is not a DTC Participant, on the procedures of the DTC Participant and, if applicable, the Indirect Participant, through which such person owns its interest.

So long as DTC or its nominee is the registered holder of a Global Security, Securities of the series represented by such Global Security will trade in DTC's Same Day Fund Settlement System, and secondary market trading activity in such Securities will therefore be required by DTC to settle in immediately available funds. No assurance can be given as to the effect, if any, of settlement in immediately available funds on trading activity in such Securities.

Except as otherwise provided herein, DTC or its nominee, as applicable, as the registered holder of a Global Security shall be the only person entitled to receive payments from the Corporation with respect to Securities of the series represented by such Global Security. Accordingly, payments of principal of (and premium, if any, on) and any interest on individual Debt Securities, and any payments to holders with respect to Warrants or Units of the series represented by such a Global Security will be made by the Corporation only to DTC or its nominee, as applicable. DTC has advised the Corporation that it is DTC's practice to credit DTC Participants' accounts on the payment date in accordance with their respective holdings with respect to a Global Security as shown on DTC's records, unless DTC has reason to believe that it will not receive payment on such date. Payments by DTC Participants to beneficial owners are governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held in "street name." Such instructions will be the responsibility of such DTC Participant and not of DTC, the Corporation or any underwriter or agent for the Securities of the series represented by such Global Security, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. The Corporation will in every case be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, DTC or its nominee, as applicable, as the registered holder of such Global Security, of the amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of DTC or its nominee as an owner of a beneficial interest in such Global Security must look solely to DTC or its nominee, as the case may be, for its share of any such payment so made by the Corporation. Neither the Corporation, the Trustees, the Warrant Agents, the Unit Agents or any other agent of the Corporation, agent of the Trustees or agent of the Warrant Agents or Unit Agents will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial interests in the Global Security representing such Securities or for maintaining, supervising or

reviewing any records relating to such beneficial interests.

DTC has advised the Corporation as follows: DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organized under New York law, a "banking organization" within the meaning of New York law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the 1934 Act. DTC was created to hold securities deposited by DTC Participants and to facilitate the clearance

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and settlement of securities transactions among DTC Participants in such securities through electronic computerized book-entry changes in accounts of the DTC Participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants in DTC include securities brokers and dealers, banks (including certain subsidiaries of the Corporation), trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations, some of whom (and/or their representatives) have ownership interests in DTC. DTC is owned by a number of its Participants and by the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., the American Stock Exchange, Inc. and the NASD. Access to DTC's book-entry system is also available to Indirect Participants, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a DTC Participant, either directly or indirectly. The rules applicable to DTC and DTC Participants are on file with the Commission.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all securities deposited with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co. The deposit of securities with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. effect no change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual beneficial owners of securities deposited with it; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the DTC Participants to whose accounts such securities are credited, which may or may not be the beneficial owners. The DTC Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers. Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to DTC Participants, by DTC Participants to Indirect Participants, and by DTC Participants and Indirect Participants to beneficial owners, will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. will consent or vote with respect to securities held by DTC. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an omnibus proxy to an issuer as soon as possible after the record date. The omnibus proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those DTC Participants to whose accounts the securities are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the omnibus proxy).

DTC can act only on behalf of DTC Participants, who in turn act on behalf of Indirect Participants. Owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security that are not DTC Participants or Indirect Participants but desire to purchase, sell or otherwise transfer ownership of such interests may do so only through DTC Participants and Indirect Participants. In addition, the ability of owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security to pledge such interests to persons or entities that do not participate in the DTC system may be limited due to the lack of certificates for the Debt Securities of the series represented by such Global Security.

Although DTC has agreed to the foregoing procedures in order to facilitate transfers of beneficial interests in Global Securities among DTC Participants, it is under no obligation to perform or continue to perform such procedures, and such procedures may be discontinued at any time.

If DTC is at any time unwilling, unable or ineligible to continue as a depositary with respect to Securities of a particular series and a successor depositary is not appointed by the Corporation within 90 days, the Corporation will issue Securities of the series in certificated form in exchange for beneficial interests in the Global Security representing such Securities. In addition, the Corporation may at any time determine not to have Securities of a series represented by Global Securities and, in such event, will issue Securities of the series in certificated form in exchange for beneficial interests in the Global Security representing such Securities. Any Securities issued in certificated form in exchange for such beneficial interests in the Global Security will be registered in such name or names as DTC shall instruct the relevant Trustee, Warrant Agent, Unit Agent or other relevant agent of the Corporation, the Trustees, the Warrant Agents or the Unit Agents. It is expected that such instructions will be based upon directions received by DTC from participants with respect to ownership of beneficial interests in such Global Security.

# Cedel Bank and Euroclear

If so specified in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, Securities of a series to be issued in book-entry form and to be sold or traded outside the United States may be represented by one or more Global Securities held through Cedel Bank, societe anonyme ("Cedel Bank") or Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of

New York, Brussels office, as operator of the Euroclear System (the "Euroclear Operator" or "Euroclear"). Cedel Bank and Euroclear will hold omnibus positions on behalf of Cedel Bank Participants and Euroclear Participants (each as defined herein), respectively, on the books of their respective depositaries (each, a "Depositary"), which in turn will hold such positions in customers' securities accounts in the Depositaries' names on the books of DTC.

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Transfers between Cedel Bank Participants and Euroclear Participants will occur in the ordinary way in accordance with their applicable rules and operating procedures. Cross-market transfers between persons holding directly or indirectly through DTC in the United States, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Cedel Bank Participants or Euroclear Participants, on the other, will be effected by DTC in accordance with DTC rules on behalf of the relevant European international clearing system by its Depositary; however, cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to the relevant European international clearing system by the counterparty in such system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (European time). The relevant European international clearing system will, if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its Depositary to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving securities in DTC, and making or receiving in accordance with normal procedures for same-day funds settlement applicable to DTC. Cedel Bank Participants and Euroclear Participants may not deliver instructions directly to the Depositaries.

Because of time-zone differences, credits for securities in Cedel Bank or Euroclear as a result of a transaction with a DTC Participant will be made during the subsequent securities settlement processing, and will be dated the business day following the DTC settlement date, and such credits or any transactions in such securities settled during such processing will be reported to the relevant Cedel Bank Participant or Euroclear Participant on such business day. Cash received in Cedel Bank or Euroclear as a result of sales of securities by or through a Cedel Bank Participant or a Euroclear Participant to a DTC Participant will be received with value on the DTC settlement date but will be available in the relevant Cedel Bank or Euroclear cash account only as of the business day following settlement in DTC.

Cedel Bank is incorporated under the laws of Luxembourg as a professional depository. Cedel Bank holds securities for its participating organizations ("Cedel Bank Participants") and facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between Cedel Bank Participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of Cedel Bank Participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Transactions may be settled by Cedel Bank in any of 28 currencies, including United States dollars. Cedel Bank provides to its Cedel Bank Participants, among other things, services for safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Cedel Bank interfaces with domestic markets in several countries. As a professional depository, Cedel Bank is subject to regulation by the Luxembourg Monetary Institute. Cedel Bank Participants consist of recognized financial institutions around the world, including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations and may include the underwriters or agents with respect to a particular series of Securities. Indirect access to Cedel Bank is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Cedel Bank Participant, either directly or indirectly.

The Euroclear System (the "Euroclear System") was created in 1968 to hold securities for participants of the Euroclear System ("Euroclear Participants") and to clear and settle transactions between Euroclear Participants through simultaneous electronic book-entry delivery against payment, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates and any risk from lack of simultaneous transfers of securities and cash. Transactions now may be settled by Euroclear in any of 32 currencies, including United States dollars. The Euroclear System includes various other services, including securities lending and borrowing and interfaces with domestic markets in several countries generally similar to the arrangements for cross-market transfers with DTC described above. The Euroclear System is operated by the Euroclear Operator, under contract with Euroclear Clearance System, S.C., a Belgian cooperative corporation (the "Cooperative"). All operations are conducted by the Euroclear Operator, and all Euroclear securities clearance accounts and Euroclear cash accounts are accounts with the Euroclear Operator, not the Cooperative. The Cooperative establishes policy for the Euroclear System on behalf of Euroclear Participants. Euroclear Participants include banks (including central banks), securities brokers and dealers and other professional financial intermediaries and may include the underwriters or agents with respect to a particular series of Securities. Indirect access to the Euroclear System is also available to other firms that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Euroclear Participant, either directly or indirectly.

The Euroclear Operator is the Brussels branch of a New York banking corporation that is a member bank of the Federal Reserve System. As such, it is

regulated and examined by the Federal Reserve Board and the New York State Banking Department, as well as the Belgian Banking Commission.

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Securities clearance accounts and cash accounts with the Euroclear Operator are governed by the Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Euroclear and the related Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System and applicable Belgian law (collectively, the "Terms and Conditions"). The Terms and Conditions govern transfers of securities and cash within the Euroclear System, withdrawal of securities and cash from the Euroclear System and receipts of payments with respect to securities in the Euroclear System. All securities in the Euroclear System are held on a fungible basis without attribution of specific certificates to specific securities clearance accounts. The Euroclear Operator acts under the Terms and Conditions only on behalf of Euroclear Participants and has no record of or relations with persons holding through Euroclear Participants.

Distributions with respect to Securities of a series held through Cedel Bank or Euroclear will be credited to the cash accounts of Cedel Bank Participants or Euroclear Participants in accordance with the relevant system's rules and procedures, to the extent received by its respective Depositary. Such distributions will be subject to tax reporting in accordance with relevant United States tax laws and regulations. The applicable Prospectus Supplement with respect to a series of Debt Securities held through Cedel Bank or Euroclear will set forth certain income tax consequences to foreign investors. Cedel Bank or the Euroclear Operator, as the case may be, will take any other action permitted to be taken by a holder of Securities under the applicable Indenture, Warrant Agreement or Unit Agreement on behalf of a Cedel Bank Participant or a Euroclear Participant only in accordance with its relevant rules and procedures and subject to its respective Depositary's ability to effect such actions on its behalf through DTC.

Although Cedel Bank and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures in order to facilitate transfers of applicable Securities among participants of DTC, Cedel Bank and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform such procedures, and such procedures may be discontinued at any time.

#### LEGAL OPINIONS

The legality of the Securities will be passed upon for the Corporation by Smith Helms Mulliss & Moore, L.L.P., Charlotte, North Carolina, and for the underwriters or agents by Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP, New York, New York. As of the date of this Prospectus, certain members of Smith Helms Mulliss & Moore, L.L.P. beneficially own approximately 160,000 shares of the Corporation's Common Stock.

## EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of the Corporation incorporated in this Prospectus by reference to the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997 and the Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed April 16, 1998, have been so incorporated in reliance on the report of Price Waterhouse LLP, independent accountants, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

The consolidated financial statements of BankAmerica Corporation at December 31, 1997 and 1996, and for the three years ended December 31, 1997, incorporated herein by reference from the Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 17, 1998 (as amended by Form 8-K/A-1 filed April 24, 1998 and Form 8-K/A-2 filed May 18, 1998), have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent auditors, as set forth in their report thereon incorporated herein in reliance upon such report given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

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No dealer, salesperson or other individual has been authorized to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Prospectus in connection with the offering made hereby and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Corporation, NationsBanc Montgomery Securities LLC or any other affiliate of the Corporation. Neither the delivery of this Prospectus nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create an implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Corporation since the date

hereof. This Prospectus does not constitute an offer or solicitation by anyone in any state in which such offer or solicitation is not authorized or in which the person making such offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so or to anyone to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation. This Prospectus and related Prospectus Supplements may be used by NationsBanc Montgomery Securities LLC, a broker-dealer and a direct wholly owned subsidiary of the Corporation or any other affiliates of the Corporation in connection with offers and sales related to secondary market transactions.

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Information contained herein is subject to completion or amendment. A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This prospectus shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any State in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any State.

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PROSPECTUS [EQUITY]

NationsBank(R)

Preferred Stock Depositary Shares

NationsBank Corporation ("NationsBank" or the "Corporation") may offer from time to time shares of its preferred stock (the "Preferred Stock"), which may be represented by depositary shares (the "Depositary Shares"), and shares of its common stock (the "Common Stock" and, together with the Preferred Stock and the Depositary Shares, the "Securities"). NationsBank may sell up to \$10,000,000,000 in aggregate initial offering price of the Securities, which may be offered, separately or together, in one or more series, in amounts, at prices and on terms to be determined at the time of sale and set forth in one or more supplements to this Prospectus (a "Prospectus Supplement"). Pursuant to the terms of the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus constitutes a part, NationsBank may also offer and sell its unsecured debt securities (which may be either senior or subordinated), warrants or units (collectively, the "Debt Securities"). Any such Debt Securities will be offered and issued pursuant to the terms of a separate Prospectus contained in such Registration Statement. The aggregate amount of Securities that may be offered and sold pursuant hereto is subject to reduction as the result of the sale of any Debt Securities pursuant to such separate Prospectus or at the Corporation's discretion.

The specific terms of any Securities offered pursuant to this Prospectus will be set forth in a Prospectus Supplement. Such terms will include: (a) in the case of any series of Preferred Stock, the specific designation, the aggregate number of shares offered, the dividend rate or method of calculation, the dividend period and dividend payment dates, whether such dividends will be cumulative or noncumulative, the liquidation preference, voting rights, if any, any terms for redemption at the option of the holder or NationsBank, any applicable conversion provisions in the event that such series is convertible at the option of the holder or NationsBank into shares of Common Stock, and any other terms of the offering or the series, and (b) in the case of Common Stock, the aggregate number of shares offered.

The Securities may be sold (i) through underwriting syndicates represented by managing underwriters, or by underwriters without a syndicate, with such underwriters to be designated at the time of sale; (ii) through agents designated from time to time; or (iii) directly by the Corporation. The names of any underwriters or agents of NationsBank involved in the sale or remarketing of the Securities, and any applicable commissions or discounts, will be set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, in addition to any other terms of the offering of such Securities. Any such underwriters, agents or remarketing agents may include NationsBanc Montgomery Securities LLC ("NMS"), or other affiliates of the Corporation. The net proceeds to the Corporation from such sale also will be set forth in such Prospectus Supplement.

Following the initial distribution of any such Securities, NMS or other affiliates of the Corporation may offer and sell previously issued Securities in the course of their business as a broker-dealer and may act as a principal or agent in such transactions. This Prospectus and the accompanying Prospectus Supplement may be used in connection with such transactions. Any such sales will be made at negotiated prices relating to prevailing market prices at time of sale.

This Prospectus may not be used to consummate sales of Securities unless accompanied by a Prospectus Supplement.

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THESE SECURITIES ARE NOT SAVINGS ACCOUNTS OR BANK DEPOSITS, ARE NOT OBLIGATIONS OF OR GUARANTEED BY ANY BANKING OR NONBANKING AFFILIATE OF NATIONSBANK, ARE NOT INSURED BY THE FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY AND INVOLVE

INVESTMENT RISKS, INCLUDING POSSIBLE LOSS OF PRINCIPAL.

THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA (THE "COMMISSIONER") OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION NOR HAS THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, THE COMMISSIONER OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

The date of this Prospectus is , 1998.

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The following documents, previously filed by the Corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "1934 Act"), are incorporated herein by reference:

- (a) The Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997 as filed March 13, 1998;
- (b) The Corporation's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended

- (c) The Corporation's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed January 14, 1998, January 22, 1998, February 3, 1998, March 13, 1998, March 23, 1998, April 15, 1998, April 16, 1998, April 17, 1998 (as amended by Form 8-K/A-1 filed April 24, 1998 and Form 8-K/A-2 filed May 18, 1998) and May 13, 1998; and
- (d) The description of the Corporation's Common Stock contained in its registration statement filed pursuant to Section 12 of the 1934 Act, as modified by the Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 22. 1998.

All reports and any definitive proxy or information statements filed by the Corporation with the Commission pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the 1934 Act subsequent to the date of this Prospectus and prior to the later of (i) the termination of the offering of the Securities offered hereby or (ii) the date on which NMS or any other affiliate of the Corporation ceases the offering and selling previously issued Securities shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Prospectus and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Prospectus to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Prospectus.

The Corporation will provide without charge to each person to whom this Prospectus is delivered, on the written or oral request of any such person, a copy of any or all of the documents incorporated herein by reference (other than exhibits to such documents which are not specifically incorporated by reference in such documents). Written requests for such copies should be directed to John E. Mack, Senior Vice President and Treasurer, NationsBank Corporation, NationsBank Corporate Center, Corporate Treasury Division, Charlotte, North Carolina 28255. Telephone requests may be directed to (704) 386-5972.

## AVAILABLE INFORMATION

NationsBank is subject to the informational requirements of the 1934 Act and, in accordance therewith, files reports, proxy statements and other information with the Commission. Such reports, proxy statements and other information can be inspected and copied at the following public reference facilities maintained by the Commission: 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549; 7 World Trade Center, Suite 1300, New York, New York 10048; and the Citicorp Center, 500 West Madison Street, Suite 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60661-2511. Copies of such material may also be obtained by mail from the Public Reference Section of the Commission at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Room 1024, Washington, D.C. 20549, upon payment of prescribed rates. The Commission maintains an Internet web site that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding issuers who file electronically with the Commission. The address of that site is http://www.sec.gov. In addition, reports, proxy statements and other information concerning NationsBank may be inspected at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005 and at the offices of the Pacific Exchange Inc., 301 Pine Street, San Francisco, California 94104.

CERTAIN PERSONS PARTICIPATING IN THIS OFFERING MAY ENGAGE IN TRANSACTIONS THAT STABILIZE, MAINTAIN OR OTHERWISE AFFECT THE PRICE OF THE SECURITIES DESCRIBED HEREIN. SPECIFICALLY, THE UNDERWRITERS OR AGENTS SPECIFIED IN THE RELEVANT PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT OR PRICING SUPPLEMENT MAY OVERALLOT IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFERING, AND MAY BID FOR, AND PURCHASE, SUCH SECURITIES. FOR A DESCRIPTION OF THESE ACTIVITIES, SEE "PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION."

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## NATIONSBANK CORPORATION

General

NationsBank is a North Carolina corporation and a multi-bank holding company registered under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended (the "Act"), with its principal assets being the stock of its subsidiaries. Through its banking subsidiaries (the "Banks") and various non-banking subsidiaries, the Corporation provides banking and certain nonbanking financial services and products primarily throughout the Mid-Atlantic (Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia), the Midwest (Illinois, Iowa, Kansas and Missouri), the Southeast (Florida, Georgia, Kentucky (which it has agreed to sell), North

Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee) and the Southwest (Arkansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas). The principal executive offices of the Corporation are located at NationsBank Corporate Center in Charlotte, North Carolina 28255. The Corporation's telephone number is (704) 386-5000.

#### Operations

The Corporation provides a diversified range of banking and certain nonbanking financial services and products through its various subsidiaries. Management reports the results of the Corporation's operations through four business segments: Consumer Banking, Middle Market, Asset Management, and Corporate Finance.

The Consumer Banking segment provides comprehensive retail banking services through multiple delivery channels including approximately 3,000 banking centers and 7,000 automated teller machines providing fully-automated, 24 hour cash dispensing and deposit services. These delivery channels are located throughout the Corporation's franchise and serve 16 million households in 16 states and the District of Columbia. In addition, this segment provides specialized services such as the origination and servicing of residential mortgage loans, issuance and service of credit cards, direct banking via telephone and personal computer, student lending and certain insurance services. The consumer finance component provides personal, mortgage, home equity and automobile loans to consumers, retail finance programs to dealers and lease financing to purchasers of new and used cars. Consumer Banking also provides commercial banking services to companies and other commercial entities with annual revenues of less than \$10 million.

The Middle Market segment provides a broad array of commercial banking services for companies and other commercial entities with revenues between \$10 million and \$250 million annually including: commercial lending, treasury and cash management services, asset-backed lending, leasing and factoring. Also included in this segment is NationsCredit Commercial Corporation, which provides commercial financing activities including: equipment loans and leases, loans for debt restructuring, mergers and working capital, real estate and health care financing and inventory financing to manufacturers, distributors and dealers.

The Asset Management segment includes businesses that provide full service and discount brokerage, investment advisory, investment management and advisory services for the Nations Funds family of mutual funds. Within the Asset Management segment, the Private Client Group provides asset management, banking and trust services for wealthy individuals, business owners and corporate executives and the private foundations established by them.

Corporate Finance provides a broad array of banking and investment banking products and services to domestic and international corporations, institutions and other customers through its Capital Markets, Real Estate and Transaction Products units. The Corporate Finance segment serves as a principal lender and investor, as well as an advisor, and manages treasury and trade transactions for clients and customers. Loan origination and syndication, asset-backed lending, project finance and mergers and acquisitions consulting are representative of the services provided. These services are provided through various domestic and international offices. Through its Section 20 subsidiary, NMS, Corporate Finance is a primary dealer of U.S. Government Securities and underwrites, distributes and makes markets in high-grade and high-yield debt securities and equity securities. Additionally, Corporate Finance is a market maker in derivative products which include swap agreements, option contracts, forward settlement contracts, financial futures and other derivative products in certain interest rate, foreign exchange, commodity and equity markets. In support of these activities, Corporate Finance takes positions to support client demands and its own account. Major centers for the above activities are Charlotte, Chicago, London, New York, San Francisco, Singapore and Tokyo.

As part of its operations, the Corporation regularly evaluates the potential acquisition of, and holds discussions with, various financial institutions and other businesses of a type eligible for bank holding company

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ownership or control. In addition, the Corporation regularly analyzes the values of, and submits bids for, the acquisition of customer-based funds and other liabilities and assets of such financial institutions and other businesses. The Corporation also regularly considers the potential disposition of certain of its assets, branches, subsidiaries or lines of businesses. As a general rule, the Corporation publicly announces any material acquisitions or dispositions when a definitive agreement has been reached.

As a registered bank holding company, the Corporation is subject to the supervision of, and to regular inspection by, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the "Federal Reserve Board"). The Banks are principally organized as national banking associations, which are subject to regulation, supervision and examination by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (the "Comptroller"). The Banks are also subject to regulation by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC") and other federal and state regulatory agencies. In addition to banking laws, regulations and regulatory agencies, the Corporation and its subsidiaries and affiliates are subject to various other laws and regulations and supervision and examination by other regulatory agencies, all of which directly or indirectly affect the operations and management of the Corporation and its ability to make distributions. The following discussion summarizes certain aspects of those laws and regulations that affect the Corporation.

The activities of the Corporation, and those of companies which it controls or in which it holds more than 5% of the voting stock, are limited to banking or managing or controlling banks or furnishing services to or performing services for its subsidiaries, or any other activity which the Federal Reserve Board determines to be so closely related to banking or managing or controlling banks as to be a proper incident thereto. In making such determinations, the Federal Reserve Board is required to consider whether the performance of such activities by a bank holding company or its subsidiaries can reasonably be expected to produce benefits to the public such as greater convenience, increased competition or gains in efficiency that outweigh possible adverse effects, such as undue concentration of resources, decreased or unfair competition, conflicts of interest or unsound banking practices. Generally, bank holding companies, such as the Corporation, are required to obtain prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board to engage in any new activity or to acquire more than 5% of any class of voting stock of any company.

Bank holding companies are also required to obtain the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board before acquiring more than 5% of any class of voting stock of any bank which is not already majority-owned by the bank holding company. Pursuant to the Riegle-Neal Interstate Banking and Branching Efficiency Act of 1994 (the "Interstate Banking and Branching Act"), a bank holding company became able to acquire banks in states other than its home state, beginning September 29, 1995, without regard to the permissibility of such acquisitions under state law, but subject to any state requirement that the bank to be acquired has been organized and operating for a minimum period of time, not to exceed five years, and the requirement that the bank holding company, prior to or following the proposed acquisition, controls no more than 10% of the total amount of deposits of insured depository institutions in the United States and no more than 30% of such deposits in that state (or such lesser or greater amount set by state law).

The Interstate Banking and Branching Act also authorizes banks to merge across state lines, thereby creating interstate branches. This provision, which became effective June 1, 1997, allowed each state, prior to the effective date, the opportunity to "opt out" of this provision, thereby prohibiting interstate branching within that state. Of those states in which the Banks are located, only Texas has adopted legislation purporting to "opt out" of the interstate branching provisions (which Texas law currently expires on September 2, 1999). Furthermore, pursuant to the Interstate Banking and Branching Act, a bank is now able to open new branches in a state in which it does not already have banking operations if such state enacts a law permitting such de novo branching. To the extent permitted under these laws, the Corporation plans to consolidate its banking subsidiaries (with the exception of NationsBank of Delaware, N.A.) into a single bank as soon as practicable. The Corporation currently operates one interstate bank (i.e., a bank with banking centers in more than one state) which is NationsBank, N.A., headquartered in Charlotte, North Carolina, with offices in Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, Missouri, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia and the District of Columbia. Separate banks continue to operate in Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky (which the Corporation has agreed to sell), Tennessee and Texas. As

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previously described, the Corporation regularly evaluates merger and acquisition opportunities, and it anticipates that it will continue to evaluate such opportunities.

Proposals to change the laws and regulations governing the banking industry are frequently introduced in Congress, in the state legislatures and before the various bank regulatory agencies. The likelihood and timing of any such proposals or bills and the impact they might have on the Corporation and its subsidiaries cannot be determined at this time.

The Federal Reserve Board, the Comptroller and the FDIC have issued substantially similar risk-based and leverage capital guidelines applicable to United States banking organizations. In addition, those regulatory agencies may from time to time require that a banking organization maintain capital above the minimum levels, whether because of its financial condition or actual or anticipated growth. The Federal Reserve Board risk-based guidelines define a two-tier capital framework. Tier 1 capital consists of common and qualifying preferred shareholders' equity, less certain intangibles and other adjustments. Tier 2 capital consists of subordinated and other qualifying debt, and the allowance for credit losses up to 1.25% of risk-weighted assets. The sum of Tier 1 and Tier 2 capital less investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries represents qualifying total capital, at least 50% of which must consist of Tier 1 capital. Risk-based capital ratios are calculated by dividing Tier 1 and total capital by risk-weighted assets. Assets and off-balance sheet exposures are assigned to one of four categories of risk-weights, based primarily on relative credit risk. The minimum Tier 1 capital ratio is 4% and the minimum total capital ratio is 8%. The Corporation's Tier 1 and total risk-based capital ratios under these guidelines at March 31, 1998 were 6.80% and 11.19%, respectively.

The leverage ratio is determined by dividing Tier 1 capital by adjusted average total assets. Although the stated minimum ratio is 3%, most banking organizations are required to maintain ratios of at least 100 to 200 basis points above 3%. The Corporation's leverage ratio at March 31, 1998 was 5.64%. Management believes that the Corporation meets its leverage ratio requirement.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 ("FDICIA"), among other things, identifies five capital categories for insured depository institutions (well capitalized, adequately capitalized, undercapitalized, significantly undercapitalized and critically undercapitalized) and requires the respective Federal regulatory agencies to implement systems for "prompt corrective action" for insured depository institutions that do not meet minimum capital requirements within such categories. FDICIA imposes progressively more restrictive constraints on operations, management and capital distributions, depending on the category in which an institution is classified. Failure to meet the capital guidelines could also subject a banking institution to capital raising requirements. An "undercapitalized" bank must develop a capital restoration plan and its parent holding company must guarantee that bank's compliance with the plan. The liability of the parent holding company under any such guarantee is limited to the lesser of 5% of the bank's assets at the time it became "undercapitalized" or the amount needed to comply with the plan. Furthermore, in the event of the bankruptcy of the parent holding company, such guarantee would take priority over the parent's general unsecured creditors. In addition, FDICIA requires the various regulatory agencies to prescribe certain non-capital standards for safety and soundness relating generally to operations and management, asset quality and executive compensation and permits regulatory action against a financial institution that does not meet such standards.

The various regulatory agencies have adopted substantially similar regulations that define the five capital categories identified by FDICIA, using the total risk-based capital, Tier 1 risk-based capital and leverage capital ratios as the relevant capital measures. Such regulations establish various degrees of corrective action to be taken when an institution is considered undercapitalized. Under the regulations, a "well capitalized" institution must have a Tier 1 capital ratio of at least 6%, a total capital ratio of at least 10% and a leverage ratio of at least 5% and not be subject to a capital directive order. An "adequately capitalized" institution must have a Tier 1 capital ratio of at least 4%, a total capital ratio of at least 8% and a leverage ratio of at least 4%, or 3% in some cases. Under these guidelines, each of the Banks is considered well capitalized.

Banking agencies have also adopted final regulations which mandate that regulators take into consideration (i) concentrations of credit risk; (ii) interest rate risk (when the interest rate sensitivity of an institution's assets does not match the sensitivity of its liabilities or its off-balance-sheet position); and (iii) risks

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from non-traditional activities, as well as an institution's ability to manage those risks, when determining the adequacy of an institution's capital. That evaluation will be made as a part of the institution's regular safety and soundness examination. In addition, the banking agencies have amended their regulatory capital guidelines to incorporate a measure for market risk. In accordance with the amended guidelines, the Corporation and any Bank with significant trading activity (as defined in the amendment) must incorporate a measure for market risk in their regulatory capital calculations effective for reporting periods after January 1, 1998. The revised guidelines are not expected to have a material impact on the Corporation or the Banks' regulatory capital ratios or their well capitalized status.

#### Distributions

The Corporation's funds for cash distributions to its shareholders are derived from a variety of sources, including cash and temporary investments. The primary source of such funds, however, is dividends received from the Banks. Each of the Banks is subject to various general regulatory policies and requirements relating to the payment of dividends, including requirements to maintain capital above regulatory minimums. The appropriate federal regulatory authority is authorized to determine under certain circumstances relating to the financial condition of the bank or bank holding company that the payment of dividends would be an unsafe or unsound practice and to prohibit payment thereof.

In addition to the foregoing, the ability of the Corporation and the Banks to pay dividends may be affected by the various minimum capital requirements and the capital and non-capital standards established under FDICIA, as described above. The right of the Corporation, its shareholders and its creditors to participate in any distribution of the assets or earnings of its subsidiaries is further subject to the prior claims of creditors of the respective subsidiaries.

#### Source of Strength

According to Federal Reserve Board policy, bank holding companies are expected to act as a source of financial strength to each subsidiary bank and to commit resources to support each such subsidiary. This support may be required at times when a bank holding company may not be able to provide such support. Similarly, under the cross-guarantee provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, in the event of a loss suffered or anticipated by the FDIC —either as a result of default of a banking or thrift subsidiary of the registrant or related to FDIC assistance provided to a subsidiary in danger of default — the other Banks may be assessed for the FDIC's loss, subject to certain exceptions.

#### USE OF PROCEEDS

The net proceeds from the sale of the Securities will be used for general corporate purposes, including the Corporation's working capital needs, the funding of investments in, or extensions of credit to, its banking and nonbanking subsidiaries, possible acquisitions of other financial institutions or their assets or liabilities, possible acquisitions of or investments in other businesses of a type eligible for bank holding companies and possible reduction of outstanding indebtedness or repurchase of outstanding equity securities of the Corporation. Pending such use, the Corporation may temporarily invest the net proceeds. The Corporation may, from time to time, engage in additional capital financings of a character and in amounts to be determined by the Corporation in light of its needs at such time or times and in light of prevailing market conditions. If the Corporation elects at the time of issuance of Securities to make different or more specific use of proceeds other than that set forth herein, such use will be described in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

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# RATIOS OF EARNINGS TO COMBINED FIXED CHARGES AND PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDENDS

The following are the consolidated ratios of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividend requirements for the three months ended March 31, 1998 and for each of the years in the five-year period ended December 31, 1997:

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	Three Months Ended		Year Ended December 31,			
	March 31, 1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993
 <s> Ratio of Earnings to Combined Fixed Charges and</s>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>	<c></c>
Preferred Stock Dividends: Excluding interest on deposits	1.5	2.0	2.0	1.8	2.0	2.5

For purposes of computing the consolidated ratios, earnings represent net income of the Corporation plus applicable income taxes and fixed charges, less capitalized interest and the equity in undistributed earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies. Fixed charges represent interest expense (exclusive of interest on deposits in one case and inclusive of such interest in the other), capitalized interest, amortization of debt discount and appropriate issuance costs and one-third (the amount deemed to represent an appropriate interest factor) of net rent expense under all lease commitments. Preferred stock dividend requirements represent dividend requirements on the outstanding preferred stock adjusted to reflect the pre-tax earnings that would be required to cover such dividend requirements.

#### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Corporation may offer and sell the Securities in one or more of the following ways: (i) through underwriters or dealers; (ii) through agents; or (iii) directly by the Corporation to one or more purchasers. Such underwriters, dealers or agents may be NMS or other affiliates of NationsBank. The Prospectus Supplement with respect to a particular offering of any Securities will set forth the terms of the offering of such Securities, including the name or names of any underwriters or agents with whom NationsBank has entered into arrangements with respect to the sale of such Securities, the public offering or purchase price of such Securities and the proceeds to the Corporation from such sales, and any underwriting discounts, agency fees or commissions and other items constituting underwriters' compensation, the initial public offering price, any discounts or concessions to be allowed or reallowed or paid to dealers and the securities exchange, if any, on which such Securities may be listed.

If underwriters are used in the offer and sale of Securities, the Securities will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold from time to time in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at a fixed public offering price or at varying prices determined at the time of sale. The Securities may be offered to the public either through underwriting syndicates represented by managing underwriters, or by underwriters without a syndicate, all of which underwriters in either case will be designated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. Unless otherwise set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, under the terms of the underwriting agreement, the obligations of the underwriters to purchase Securities will be subject to certain conditions precedent and the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all the Securities if any are purchased. Any initial public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallowed or paid to dealers may be changed from time to time.

Securities also may be offered and sold directly by the Corporation or through agents designated by the Corporation from time to time. Any agent involved in the offer or sale of the Securities with respect to which this Prospectus is delivered will be named in, and any commissions payable by the Corporation to such agent will be set forth in or calculable from, the applicable Prospectus Supplement. Unless otherwise indicated in the Prospectus Supplement, any such agent will be acting on a best efforts basis for the period of its appointment.

Securities may also be offered and sold, if so indicated in the Prospectus Supplement, in connection with a remarketing after their purchase, in accordance with their terms, by one or more firms, including NMS or other affiliates of the Corporation ("remarketing agents"), acting as principal for their accounts or an agent

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for the Corporation. Any remarketing agent will be identified and the terms of its agreement with the Corporation described in a Prospectus Supplement.

If so indicated in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the Corporation may authorize underwriters, dealers or agents to solicit offers by certain institutions to purchase Securities from the Corporation at the public offering price set forth in such Prospectus Supplement pursuant to delayed delivery contracts ("Delayed Delivery Contracts") providing for payment and delivery on the date or dates stated in the Prospectus Supplement. Each Delayed Delivery Contract will be for an amount of Securities not less than and, unless the Corporation otherwise agrees, the aggregate amount of Securities sold pursuant to Delayed Delivery Contracts shall be not more than the respective minimum and maximum amounts stated in the Prospectus Supplement. Institutions with which Delayed Delivery Contracts, when authorized, may be made include commercial and savings banks, insurance companies, pension funds, investment companies and educational and charitable institutions, but shall in all cases be subject to the approval of the Corporation in its sole discretion. The obligations of the purchaser under any Delayed Delivery Contract to pay for and take delivery of

Securities will not be subject to any conditions except that (i) the purchase of Securities by such institution shall not at the time of delivery be prohibited under the laws of the jurisdiction to which such institution is subject; and (ii) any related sale of Securities to underwriters shall have occurred. A commission set forth in the Prospectus Supplement will be paid to underwriters soliciting purchases of Securities pursuant to Delayed Delivery Contracts accepted by the Corporation. The underwriters will not have any responsibility in respect of the validity or performance of Delayed Delivery Contracts

Any series of Preferred Stock offered and sold pursuant to this Prospectus and the applicable Prospectus Supplement will be new issues of securities with no established trading market. Any underwriters to whom such Securities are sold by the Corporation for public offering and sale may make a market in such Securities, but such underwriters will not be obligated to do so and may discontinue any market making at any time without notice. No assurance can be given as to the liquidity of the trading market for any Securities.

Any underwriter, dealer or agent participating in the distribution of any Securities may be deemed to be an underwriter, as that term is defined in the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act"), of the Securities so offered and sold, and any discounts or commissions received by them from NationsBank and any profit realized by them on the sale or resale of the Securities may be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions under the 1933 Act.

In order to facilitate the offering of the Securities, the underwriters may engage in transactions that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the price of the Securities. Specifically, the underwriters may overallot in connection with the offering, creating a short position in the Securities for their own accounts. In addition, to cover overallotments or to stabilize the price of the Securities or of any such other securities, the underwriters may bid for, and purchase, the Securities or any such other securities in the open market. Finally, in any offering of the Securities through a syndicate of underwriters, the underwriting syndicate may reclaim selling concessions allowed to an underwriter or a dealer for distributing the Securities in the offering if the syndicate repurchases previously distributed Securities in transactions to cover syndicate short positions, in stabilization transactions or otherwise. Any of these activities may stabilize or maintain the market price of the Securities above independent market levels. The underwriters are not required to engage in these activities, and may end any of these activities at any time.

Under agreements entered into with the Corporation, underwriters, dealers, agents and remarketing agents may be entitled to indemnification by the Corporation against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the 1933 Act, or to contribution with respect to payments which the underwriters or agents may be required to make in respect thereof.

NMS is a broker-dealer and a direct subsidiary of the Corporation. Each initial offering and any remarketing of Securities involving NMS or any other affiliate of the Corporation will be conducted in compliance with the requirements of Rule 2720 of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (the "NASD") regarding a NASD member firm's distributing the securities of an affiliate. Following the initial distribution of the Securities, NMS may offer and sell such Securities in secondary market transactions at negotiated prices relating to prevailing prices at the time of sale or otherwise. NMS may act as principal or agent in such transactions. This Prospectus and related Prospectus Supplements may be used by NMS in connection with such transactions.

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NMS will not execute a transaction in the Securities in a discretionary account without the prior written specific approval of NMS's customer. NMS has no obligation to make a market in the Securities and may discontinue its market-making activities at any time without notice, at its sole discretion. Furthermore, NMS may be required to discontinue its market-making activities during periods when the Corporation is involved in a distribution of certain of its securities or when NMS, by virtue of its affiliation with the Corporation, is aware of material non-public information relating to the Corporation. In such instance, NMS would not be able to recommence its market-making activities until such distribution has been completed or such information has become publicly available. It is not possible to determine the impact, if any, that any such discontinuance may have on the market for the Securities. While other broker-dealers may make a market in the Securities from time to time, there can be no assurance that any other broker-dealer will do so at any time when NMS discontinues its market-making activities.

Underwriters, dealers and agents also may be customers of, engage in transactions with, or perform other services for the Corporation in the ordinary course of business.

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NationsBank has authorized 45,000,000 shares of preferred stock and may issue such preferred stock in one or more series, each with such preferences, limitations, designations, conversion rights, voting rights, distribution rights, voluntary and involuntary liquidation rights and other rights as it may determine. NationsBank has designated (i) 3,000,000 shares of ESOP Convertible Preferred Stock, Series C (the "NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock"), of which 2,192,387 shares were issued and outstanding as of January 9, 1998, (ii) 35,045 shares of NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock, of which 9,341 shares were issued and outstanding at January 9, 1998, and (iii) 20,000,000 shares of NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock, of which 8,056 shares were issued and outstanding as of January 9, 1998.

The ability of NationsBank to pay dividends with respect to its preferred stock or other capital stock may be affected by the ability of the Banks to pay dividends. The ability of the Banks, as well as of the Corporation, to pay dividends in the future currently is, and could be further, influenced by bank regulatory requirements and capital guidelines. See "NATIONSBANK CORPORATION -- Supervision and Regulation."

The Preferred Stock

General. The Preferred Stock shall have the general dividend, voting and liquidation preference rights set forth below unless otherwise provided in the Prospectus Supplement relating to a particular series of Preferred Stock offered thereby. Reference is made to the applicable Prospectus Supplement for specific terms, including, where applicable: (i) the title and stated value of such Preferred Stock; (ii) the aggregate number of shares of Preferred Stock so offered; (iii) the price at which such Preferred Stock will be issued; (iv) the dividend rates or method of calculation, the dividend period and the dates on which dividends shall be payable; (v) whether any such dividends will be cumulative or noncumulative, and if cumulative, the date from which dividends shall commence to cumulate; (vi) the dates on which the Preferred Stock will be subject to redemption at the option of the Corporation, if applicable, and any related redemption terms; (vii) any mandatory redemption or sinking fund provisions; (viii) any rights on the part of the holder or NationsBank to convert the Preferred Stock into shares of Common Stock; and (ix) any additional voting, liquidation, preemptive and other rights, preferences, privileges, limitations and restrictions. The description of certain provisions of the Preferred Stock set forth below and in the applicable Prospectus Supplement does not purport to be complete and is subject to and qualified in its entirety by reference to the Articles of Amendment to the Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation relating to the particular series of Preferred Stock, which will be filed with the Commission at or prior to the time of sale of such Preferred Stock.

NationsBank may, at its option, elect to offer Depositary Shares evidenced by depositary receipts (the "Depositary Receipts"), each representing a fractional interest (to be specified in the Prospectus Supplement relating to the particular series of Preferred Stock) in a share of a particular series of the Preferred Stock issued and deposited with a Depositary (as defined below). See "DESCRIPTION OF DEPOSITARY SHARES" below.

The Preferred Stock ranks senior to the Common Stock as to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets on liquidation, dissolution and winding up of the Corporation. The dividend and liquidation

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preference rights of the Preferred Stock relative to any existing or future series of preferred stock of the Corporation shall be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement relating to the particular series of Preferred Stock offered thereby.

When issued in accordance with the terms of the Prospectus and the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the Preferred Stock will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

Dividends. When and as declared by the Board of Directors of the Corporation, holders of the Preferred Stock will be entitled to receive quarterly cash dividends at such rates and on such dates as will be set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. All dividends shall be paid out of funds of NationsBank legally available for such purpose. Except as otherwise set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, no dividends shall be paid on other shares of the Corporation, nor shall any shares of other capital stock of the Corporation be redeemed, repurchased or otherwise acquired for any consideration (or any moneys be paid into a sinking fund for the redemption of shares of such stock) by the Corporation, if dividends on any series of

Preferred Stock are in arrears.

Voting. Except as required by applicable law or as otherwise set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, the holders of Preferred Stock shall have no voting rights with regard to matters submitted to a general vote of the shareholders of the Corporation.

Liquidation Preference. In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, either voluntary or involuntary, the holders of any series of Preferred Stock shall be entitled to receive, by reason of their ownership thereof, after distributions to holders of any series or class of capital stock of the Corporation as may be set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, an amount equal to the appropriate stated or liquidation value of the shares of such series (as set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement), plus an amount equal to accrued and unpaid dividends, if any, through the date of such payment. If upon the occurrence of such event, the assets and funds to be thus distributed among the holders of such Preferred Stock shall be insufficient to permit the payment to such holders of the full amount due, then the holders of such Preferred Stock shall share ratably in any distribution of assets of the Corporation in proportion to the respective amounts which otherwise would be payable with respect to the shares held by them upon such distribution if all amounts payable on or with respect to such shares were paid in full.

#### ESOP Preferred Stock

The following summary of the NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock is qualified in its entirety by reference to the description of such series of Preferred Stock contained in the Corporation's Restated Articles of Incorporation, as amended

The NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock was first issued in the transaction by which NationsBank was formed from the merger of NCNB Corporation and C&S/Sovran Corporation in 1991 upon the conversion of shares of ESOP Convertible Preferred Stock, Series C of C&S/Sovran Corporation. All shares of NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock are held by the trustee under the NationsBank Corporation Retirement Savings Plan (the "ESOP").

Preferential Rights. Shares of NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock have no preemptive or preferential rights to purchase or subscribe for shares of NationsBank capital stock of any class and are not subject to any sinking fund or other obligation of NationsBank to repurchase or retire the series, except as discussed below. The NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock ranks senior to Common Stock, but ranks junior to NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock and NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock with respect to dividends and distributions upon liquidation.

Dividends. Each share of NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock is entitled to an annual dividend, subject to certain adjustments, of \$3.30 per share, payable semiannually. Unpaid dividends accumulate as of the date on which they first became payable, without interest. So long as any shares of NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock are outstanding, no dividend may be declared, paid or set apart for payment on any other series of stock ranking on a parity with NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock as to dividends, unless like dividends have been declared and paid, or set apart for payment, on NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock for all dividend payment periods ending on or before the dividend payment date for such parity stock, ratably in proportion to their respective amounts of accumulated and unpaid dividends. NationsBank generally may not

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declare, pay or set apart for payment any dividends (except for, among other things, dividends payable solely in shares of stock ranking junior to NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation) on, make any other distribution on, or make payment on account of the purchase, redemption or other retirement of, any other class or series of NationsBank capital stock ranking junior to NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock as to dividends or upon liquidation, until full cumulative dividends on the NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock have been declared and paid or set apart for payment when due.

Voting Rights. The holder of NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock is entitled to vote on all matters submitted to a vote of the holders of Common Stock and votes together with the holders of Common Stock as one class. Except as otherwise required by applicable law, the holder of NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock has no special voting rights. To the extent that the holder of such

shares is entitled to vote, each share is entitled to the number of votes equal to the number of shares of Common Stock into which such share of NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock could be converted on the record date for determining the shareholders entitled to vote, rounded to the nearest whole vote.

Shares of the NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock currently are convertible into Common Stock at a conversion rate equal to 1.68 shares of Common Stock per share of NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock, subject to certain customary anti-dilution adjustments.

Distributions. In the event of any voluntary or involuntary dissolution, liquidation or winding-up of NationsBank, the holder of the NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock will be entitled to receive out of the assets of NationsBank available for distribution to shareholders, subject to the rights of the holders of any Preferred Stock ranking senior to or on a parity with the NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock as to distributions upon liquidation, dissolution or winding-up but before any amount will be paid or distributed among the holders of Common Stock or any other shares ranking junior to the NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock as to such distributions, liquidating distributions of \$42.50 per share plus all accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to the date fixed for distribution. If, upon any voluntary or involuntary dissolution, liquidation or winding-up of NationsBank, the amounts payable with respect to the NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock and any other stock ranking on a parity therewith as to any such distribution are not paid in full, the holder of the NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock and such other stock will share ratably in any distribution of assets in proportion to the full respective preferential amounts to which they are entitled. After payment of the full amount of the liquidating distribution to which it is entitled, the holder of the NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock will not be entitled to any further distribution of assets by NationsBank. Neither a merger or consolidation of NationsBank with or into any other corporation, nor a merger or consolidation of any other corporation with or into NationsBank nor a sale, transfer or lease of all or any portion of the assets of NationsBank, will be deemed to be a dissolution, liquidation or winding-up of NationsBank.

Redemptions. NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock is redeemable, in whole or in part, at the option of NationsBank, at any time. The redemption price for the shares of NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock will depend upon the time of redemption. Specifically, the redemption price for the 12-month period that began on July 1, 1997, is \$43.16 per share; on each succeeding July 1, the redemption price will be reduced by \$.33 per share, except that, on and after July 1, 1999, the redemption price will be \$42.50 per share, and the redemption price may be paid in cash or shares of Common Stock. In each case, the redemption price also must include all accrued and unpaid dividends to the date of redemption. To the extent that the NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock is treated as Tier 1 capital for bank regulatory purposes, the approval of the Federal Reserve Board may be required for redemption of NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock.

NationsBank is required to redeem shares of NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock at the option of the holder of such shares to the extent necessary either to provide for distributions required to be made under the ESOP or to make payments of principal, interest or premium due and payable on any indebtedness incurred by the holder of the shares for the benefit of the ESOP. The redemption price in such case will be the greater of \$42.50 per share plus accrued and unpaid dividends to the date of redemption or the fair market value of the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock into which a share of ESOP Preferred Stock then is convertible.

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 ${\tt NationsBank \ Series \ B \ Preferred \ Stock}$ 

The NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock was issued in connection with the merger of Boatmen's Bancshares, Inc. with and into NationsBank on January 7, 1997.

Preferential Rights. NationsBank may, without the consent of holders of NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock, issue preferred stock with superior or equal rights or preferences. The NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock ranks senior to NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock and Common Stock, but ranks junior to the NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock with respect to dividends and distributions upon liquidation.

Dividends. Holders of shares of NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock are entitled to receive, when and as declared by the NationsBank Board, out of any funds legally available for such purpose, cumulative cash dividends at an

annual dividend rate per share of 7% of the stated value thereof, payable quarterly. Dividends on NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock are cumulative, and no cash dividends can be declared or paid on any shares of Common Stock unless full cumulative dividends on NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock have been paid or declared and funds sufficient for the payment thereof set apart.

Voting. Each share of NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock has equal voting rights, share for share, with each share of Common Stock.

Distributions. In the event of the dissolution, liquidation or winding up of NationsBank, the holders of NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock are entitled to receive, after payment of the full liquidation preference on shares of any class of preferred stock ranking superior to NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock (if any such shares are then outstanding) but before any distribution on shares of Common Stock, liquidating dividends of \$100 per share plus accumulated dividends.

Redemptions. Shares of NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock are redeemable, in whole or in part, at the option of the holders thereof, at the redemption price of \$100 per share plus accumulated dividends, provided that (i) full cumulative dividends have been paid, or declared and funds sufficient for payment set apart, upon any class or series of preferred stock ranking superior to NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock; and (ii) NationsBank is not then in default or arrears with respect to any sinking or analogous fund or call for tenders obligation or agreement for the purchase or any class or series of preferred stock ranking superior to NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock.

NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock

The NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock was issued in connection with the Barnett Merger.

Preferential Rights. The shares of NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock rank prior to NationsBank Series B Preferred Stock, NationsBank ESOP Preferred Stock and Common Stock with respect to dividends and distributions upon liquidation.

Dividends. Holders of the NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock are entitled to receive, when and as declared by the NationsBank Board, out of assets of NationsBank legally available for payment, cash dividends at the rate of \$2.50 per annum per share. Dividends are payable quarterly on January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1 of each year. Dividends on the NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock are cumulative from the date of issue. Each dividend is payable to holders of record as they appear on the stock register of NationsBank on the record dates fixed by the NationsBank Board. No interest or sum of money in lieu of interest is payable in respect of any dividend payment or payments on the NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock which may be in arrears.

Conversion Rights. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth below, the holders of shares of NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock have the right, at their option, to convert such shares at any time into fully paid and nonassessable shares of Common Stock (calculated as to each conversion to the nearest 1/1,000 of a share) at the rate of 6.17215 shares of Common Stock for each share of NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock surrendered for conversion (the "Conversion Rate"). The Conversion Rate is subject to certain customary anti-dilutive adjustments.

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Redemptions. Shares of NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock are redeemable at the option of NationsBank, in whole or in part, at a redemption price of \$25 per share plus accrued and unpaid dividends to the redemption date (the "Redemption Price"). Shares of NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock are not subject to a sinking fund.

Distributions. In the event of any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of NationsBank, whether voluntary or involuntary, the holders of NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock will be entitled to receive out of the assets of NationsBank available for distribution to shareholders an amount equal to \$25 per share plus an amount equal to accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to and including the date of such distribution, and no more, before any

distribution will be made to the holders of any class stock of NationsBank ranking junior to the NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock as to the distribution of assets. The merger or consolidation of NationsBank into or with any other corporation, the merger or consolidation of any other corporation into or with NationsBank or the sale of the assets of NationsBank substantially as an entirety will not be deemed a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of NationsBank.

Voting. Holders of NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock have no voting rights except as required by law and, in the event that any quarterly dividend payable on the NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock is in arrears, the holders of NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock will be entitled to vote together with the holders of Common Stock at the next meeting of shareholders of NationsBank and at each subsequent meeting of shareholders unless all dividends in arrears have been paid or declared and set apart for payment prior to the date of such meeting. In those cases where holders of NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock are entitled to vote, each holder will be entitled to cast the number of votes equal to the number of whole shares of Common Stock into which his or her NationsBank Series BB Preferred Stock is then convertible.

#### DESCRIPTION OF DEPOSITARY SHARES

#### General

NationsBank may, at its option, elect to offer fractional interests in the Preferred Stock, rather than whole shares of such securities. In the event such option is exercised, NationsBank will provide for the issuance by a Depositary to the public of receipts of Depositary Shares, each of which will represent a fractional interest in a share of a particular series of the Preferred Stock, as set forth in the Prospectus Supplement for such series of Preferred Stock.

Certain general terms and provisions of the form of Deposit Agreement (as described below), the Depositary Shares and the form of Depositary Receipts to which a Prospectus Supplement may relate are set forth below. The particular terms of the Preferred Stock offered by any Prospectus Supplement and the extent, if any, to which such general provisions may apply to the Depositary Shares will be described in the applicable Prospectus Supplement. The descriptions below and in any Prospectus Supplement do not purport to be complete and are subject to and qualified in their entirety by reference to the Deposit Agreement and the Depositary Receipts, the forms of which are incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus is a part and the definitive forms of which will be filed with the Commission at the time of sale of such Depositary Shares.

The shares of any series of the Preferred Stock underlying the Depositary Shares will be deposited under a separate Deposit Agreement (the "Deposit Agreement") between NationsBank and a bank or trust company selected by NationsBank having its principal office in the United States and having a combined capital and surplus of at least \$5,000,000 (the "Depositary"). The applicable Prospectus Supplement will set forth the name and address of the Depositary. Subject to the terms of the Deposit Agreement, each owner of a Depositary Share will be entitled, in proportion to the applicable fractional interest in a share of Preferred Stock underlying such Depositary Share, to all the rights and preferences of the Preferred Stock underlying such Depositary Share (including dividend, voting, redemption, conversion and liquidation rights).

The Depositary Shares will be evidenced by Depositary Receipts issued pursuant to the Deposit Agreement. Depositary Receipts will be distributed to those persons purchasing the fractional shares of the related series of Preferred Stock in accordance with the terms of the offering as described in the applicable Prospectus Supplement.

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Pending the preparation of definitive engraved Depositary Receipts, the Depositary may, upon the written order of NationsBank, issue temporary Depositary Receipts substantially identical to (and entitling the holders thereof to all the rights pertaining to) the definitive Depositary Receipts but not in definitive form. Definitive Depositary Receipts will be prepared thereafter without unreasonable delay and temporary Depositary Receipts will be exchangeable for definitive Depositary Receipts at the Corporation's expense.

Upon the surrender of Depositary Receipts at the office of the Depositary (unless the Depositary Shares have been previously called for redemption) and upon payment by the holder of the charges provided in the Deposit Agreement and subject to the terms thereof, a holder of Depositary Shares is entitled to have the Depositary deliver to such holder the number of whole shares of the Preferred Stock underlying the Depositary Shares evidenced by the surrendered Depositary Receipts; provided, however, that the holder of such shares of Preferred Stock will not thereafter be entitled to receive Depositary Shares

therefor. If the Depositary Receipts delivered by the holder evidence a number of Depositary Shares in excess of the number of Depositary Shares representing the number of whole shares of the related series of Preferred Stock to be withdrawn, the Depositary will deliver to such holder at the same time a new Depositary Receipt evidencing such excess number of Depositary Shares.

#### Dividends and Other Distributions

The Depositary will distribute all cash dividends or other cash distributions received in respect of the Preferred Stock to the record holders of Depositary Shares relating to such Preferred Stock in proportion to the number of such Depositary Shares owned by such holders on the relevant record date. The Depositary shall distribute only such amount, however, as can be distributed without attributing to any holder of Depositary Shares a fraction of one cent, and any balance not so distributed shall be added to and treated as part of the next sum received by the Depositary for distribution to record holders of Depositary Shares.

In the event of a distribution other than in cash, the Depositary will distribute property received by it to the record holders of Depositary Shares entitled thereto, unless the Depositary determines that it is not feasible to make such distribution, in which case the Depositary, with the approval of NationsBank, may sell such property and distribute the net proceeds from such sale to such holders.

#### Redemption of Depositary Shares

If a series of the Preferred Stock underlying the Depositary Shares is subject to redemption, the Depositary Shares will be redeemed from the proceeds received by the Depositary resulting from the redemption, in whole or in part, of such series of the Preferred Stock held by the Depositary. The Depositary shall mail notice of redemption not less than 30 and not more than 45 days prior to the date fixed for redemption to the record holders of the Depositary Shares to be so redeemed at their respective addresses appearing in the Depositary's books. The redemption price per Depositary Share will be equal to the applicable fraction of the redemption price per share payable with respect to such series of the Preferred Stock. Whenever NationsBank redeems Preferred Stock held by the Depositary, the Depositary will redeem as of the same redemption date the number of Depositary Shares relating to the Preferred Stock so redeemed. If less than all the Depositary Shares are to be redeemed, the Depositary Shares to be redeemed will be selected by lot or pro rata as may be determined by the Depositary.

After the date fixed for redemption, the Depositary Shares so called for redemption will no longer be deemed to be outstanding and all rights of the holder of the Depositary Shares will cease, except the right to receive the moneys payable upon such redemption and any money or other property to which the holders of such Depositary Shares were entitled upon such redemption upon surrender to the Depositary of the Depositary Receipts evidencing such Depositary Shares.

# Voting the Preferred Stock

Upon receipt of notice of any meeting at which the holders of the Preferred Stock held by the Depositary are entitled to vote, the Depositary will mail the information contained in such notice of meeting to the record holders of the Depositary Shares relating to such Preferred Stock. Each record holder of such Depositary Shares on the record date (which will be the same date as the record date for the Preferred Stock) will be

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entitled to instruct the Depositary as to the exercise of the voting rights pertaining to the amount of Preferred Stock underlying such holder's Depositary Shares. The Depositary will endeavor, insofar as practicable, to vote the amount of Preferred Stock underlying such Depositary Shares in accordance with such instructions, and NationsBank will agree to take all action which may be deemed necessary by the Depositary in order to enable the Depositary to do so. The Depositary will abstain from voting Preferred Stock to the extent it does not receive specific instructions from the holders of Depositary Shares relating to such Preferred Stock.

# Amendment and Termination of the Deposit Agreement

The form of Depositary Receipt evidencing the Depositary Shares and any provision of the Deposit Agreement may at any time be amended by agreement between NationsBank and the Depositary. However, any amendment which materially and adversely alters the rights of the existing holders of Depositary Shares will not be effective unless such amendment has been approved by the record holders of at least a majority in interest of the Depositary Shares then

outstanding. A Deposit Agreement may be terminated by NationsBank or the Depositary only if (i) all outstanding Depositary Shares relating thereto have been redeemed or (ii) there has been a final distribution in respect of the Preferred Stock underlying such Depositary Shares in connection with any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of NationsBank.

# Charges of Depositary

NationsBank will pay all transfer and other taxes and governmental charges arising solely from the existence of the depositary arrangements. NationsBank will pay charges of the Depositary in connection with the initial deposit of the Preferred Stock and any redemption of the Preferred Stock. Holders of Depositary Shares will pay other transfer and other taxes and governmental charges and such other charges as are expressly provided in the Deposit Agreement to be for their accounts.

#### Miscellaneous

The Depositary will forward to the holders of Depositary Shares all reports and communications from NationsBank which are delivered to the Depositary and which NationsBank is required to furnish to the holders of the Preferred Stock.

Neither the Depositary nor NationsBank will be liable if it is prevented or delayed by law or any circumstance beyond its control in performing its obligations under the Deposit Agreement. The obligations of NationsBank and the Depositary under the Deposit Agreement will be limited to performance in good faith of their respective duties thereunder and neither entity will be obligated to prosecute or defend any legal proceeding in respect of any Depositary Shares or Preferred Stock unless satisfactory indemnity is furnished. Each entity may rely upon written advice of counsel or accountants, or information provided by persons presenting Preferred Stock for deposit, holders of Depositary Shares or other persons believed to be competent and on documents believed to be genuine.

#### Resignation and Removal of Depositary

The Depositary may resign at any time by delivering to NationsBank notice of its election to do so, and NationsBank may at any time remove the Depositary, any such resignation or removal to take effect only upon the appointment of a successor Depositary and its acceptance of such appointment. Such successor Depositary must be a bank or trust company having its principal office in the United States and having a combined capital and surplus of at least \$5,000,000.

## DESCRIPTION OF COMMON STOCK

The following summary of the Common Stock is qualified in its entirety by reference to the description of the Common Stock incorporated herein by reference.

## General

NationsBank is authorized to issue 1,250,000,000 shares of its Common Stock, of which 945.7 million shares were outstanding following the Barnett Merger on January 9, 1998. The Common Stock is traded on

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the New York Stock Exchange and on the Pacific Exchange under the symbol "NB." The Common Stock is also listed on the London Stock Exchange, and certain shares are listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange. As of January 9, 1998, 127.4 million shares were reserved for issuance in connection with various employee and director benefit plans of NationsBank and the Corporation's Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan and the conversion of outstanding convertible securities of the Corporation and for other purposes. After taking into account the shares reserved as described above, approximately 167.4 million authorized shares of the Common Stock remained available for issuance for other corporate purposes as of January 9, 1998.

## Voting and Other Rights

The holders of the Common Stock are entitled to one vote per share, and, in general, a majority of votes cast with respect to a matter is sufficient to take action upon routine matters. Directors are elected by a plurality of the votes cast, and each shareholder entitled to vote in such election shall be entitled to vote each share of stock for as many persons as there are directors to be elected. In elections for directors, such shareholders do not have the

right to cumulate their votes, so long as the Corporation has a class of shares registered under Section 12 of the 1934 Act (unless action is taken to provide otherwise by charter amendment, which action management does not currently intend to propose). In general, (i) amendments to the Corporation's Restated Articles of Incorporation must be approved by each voting group entitled to vote separately thereon by a majority of the votes cast by that voting group, unless the amendment creates dissenters' rights for a particular voting group, in which case such amendment must be approved by a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by such voting group; (ii) a merger or share exchange required to be approved by shareholders must be approved by each voting group entitled to vote separately thereon by a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by that voting group; and (iii) the dissolution of the Corporation, or the sale of all or substantially all of the property of the Corporation other than in the usual and regular course of business, must be approved by a majority of all votes entitled to be cast thereon.

In the event of liquidation of the Corporation, holders of the Common Stock would be entitled to receive pro rata any assets legally available for distribution to shareholders with respect to shares held by them, subject to any prior rights of any preferred stock then outstanding. See "DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED STOCK" above.

The Common Stock does not have any preemptive rights, redemption privileges, sinking fund privileges or conversion rights. All the outstanding shares of the Common Stock are, and upon proper conversion of any Preferred Stock all of the shares of Common Stock into which such shares are converted will be, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

ChaseMellon Shareholder Services, L.L.C. acts as transfer agent and registrar for the Common Stock.

#### Distributions

The holders of the Common Stock are entitled to receive such dividends or distributions as the Board of Directors of the Corporation may declare out of funds legally available for such payments. The payment of distributions by NationsBank is subject to the restrictions of North Carolina law applicable to the declaration of distributions by a business corporation. A corporation generally may not authorize and make distributions if, after giving effect thereto, it would be unable to meet its debts as they become due in the usual course of business or if the corporation's total assets would be less than the sum of its total liabilities plus the amount that would be needed, if it were to be dissolved at the time of distribution, to satisfy claims upon dissolution of shareholders who have preferential rights superior to the rights of the holders of its common stock. In addition, the payment of distributions to shareholders is subject to any prior rights of outstanding preferred stock, including the ESOP Preferred Stock and any other series of Preferred Stock when and if issued from time to time. See "DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED STOCK." Share dividends, if any are declared, may be paid from NationsBank's authorized but unissued shares.

The ability of NationsBank to pay dividends may be affected by the ability of the Banks to pay dividends. The ability of the Banks, as well as of the Corporation, to pay dividends in the future currently is, and could be further, influenced by bank regulatory requirements and capital guidelines. See "NATIONSBANK CORPORATION -- Supervision and Regulation."

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# LEGAL OPINIONS

The legality of the Securities will be passed upon for the Corporation by Smith Helms Mulliss & Moore, L.L.P., Charlotte, North Carolina, and for the underwriters or agents by Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP, New York, New York. As of the date of this Prospectus, certain members of Smith Helms Mulliss & Moore, L.L.P., beneficially own approximately 160,000 shares of the Corporation's Common Stock.

## EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of the Corporation incorporated in this Prospectus by reference to the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997 and the Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed April 16, 1998 have been so incorporated in reliance on the report of Price Waterhouse LLP, independent accountants, given on the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

The consolidated financial statements of BankAmerica Corporation at December 31, 1997 and 1996, and for the three years ended December 31, 1997, incorporated herein by reference from the Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 17, 1998 (as amended by Form 8-K/A-1 filed April 24, 1998

and Form 8-K/A-2 filed May 18, 1998), have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent auditors, as set forth in their report thereon incorporated herein in reliance upon such report given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

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No dealer, salesperson or other individual has been authorized to give any information or to make any representations other than those contained in this Prospectus in connection with the offering made hereby and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorized by the Corporation, NationsBanc Montgomery Securities, LLC or any other affiliate of the Corporation. Neither the delivery of this Prospectus nor any sale made hereunder shall, under any circumstances, create an implication that there has been no change in the affairs of the Corporation since the date hereof. This Prospectus does not constitute an offer or solicitation by anyone in any state in which such offer or solicitation is not authorized or in which the person making such offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so or to anyone to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation. This Prospectus and related Prospectus Supplements may be used by NationsBanc Montgomery Securities LLC, a broker-dealer and a direct wholly owned subsidiary of the Corporation or any other affiliates of the Corporation in connection with offers and sales related to secondary market transactions.

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#### Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.

The estimated epenses, other than underwriting or broker-dealer fees, discounts and commissions, in connection with the offering are as follows:

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	Securities Act Registration Fee	\$2,950,000
	Printing and Engraving Expenses	455,000
	Legal Fees and Expenses	865 <b>,</b> 000
	Accounting Fees and Expenses	335,000
	Blue Sky Fees and Expenses	40,000
	Unit Agents', Warrant Agents', Trustees' and	
	Preferred Stock Depositary's Fees and	
	Expenses (including counsel fees)	1,160,000
	Rating Agency Fees and Expenses	2,000,000
	Listing Fees	50,000
	Miscellaneous	45,000
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Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

There are no provisions in the Registrant's Restated Articles of Incorporation, and no contracts between the Registrant and its directors and officers, relating to indemnification. The Registrant's Restated Articles of Incorporation prevent the recovery by the Registrant of monetary damages against its directors. However, in accordance with the provisions of the North Carolina Business Corporation Act (the "Act"), the Registrant's Amended and Restated Bylaws provide that, in addition to the indemnification of directors and officers otherwise provided by the Act, the Registrant shall, under certain circumstances, indemnify its directors, executive officers and certain other designated officers against any and all liability and litigation expense, including reasonable attorneys' fees, arising out of their status or activities as directors and officers, except for liability or litigation expense incurred on account of activities that were at the time known or believed by such director or officer to be clearly in conflict with the best interests of the Registrant. Pursuant to such bylaw and as authorized by statute, the Registrant maintains insurance on behalf of its directors and officers against liability asserted against such persons in such capacity whether or not such directors or officers have the right to indemnification pursuant to the bylaw or otherwise.

In addition to the above-described provisions, Sections 55-8-50 through 55-8-58 of the Act contain provisions prescribing the extent to which directors and officers shall or may be indemnified. Section 55-8-51 of the Act permits a corporation, with certain exceptions, to indemnify a current or former director against liability if (i) he conducted himself in good faith, (ii) he reasonably believed (x) that his conduct in his official capacity with the corporation was in its best interests and (y) in all other cases his conduct was at least not opposed to the corporation's best interests, and (iii) in the case of any criminal proceeding, he had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. A corporation may not indemnify a current or former director in connection with a proceeding by or in the right of the corporation in which the director was adjudged liable to the corporation or in connection with a proceeding charging improper personal benefit to him in which he was adjudged liable on such basis. The above standard of conduct is determined by the Board of Directors or a committee thereof or special legal counsel or the shareholders as prescribed in Section 55-8-55.

Sections 55-8-52 and 55-8-56 of the Act require a corporation to indemnify a director or officer in the defense of any proceeding to which he was a party because of his capacity as a director or officer against reasonable expenses when he is wholly successful in his defense, unless the articles of incorporation provide otherwise. Upon application, the court may order indemnification of the director or officer if he is adjudged fairly and reasonably so entitled under Section 55-8-54. Section 55-8-56 allows a corporation to indemnify and advance expenses to an officer, employee or agent who is not a director to the same extent as a director or as otherwise set forth in the Corporation's articles of incorporation or bylaws or by resolution of the Board of Directors.

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In addition, Section 55-8-57 permits a corporation to provide for indemnification of directors, officers, employees or agents, in its articles of incorporation or bylaws or by contract or resolution, against liability in various proceedings and to purchase and maintain insurance policies on behalf of these individuals.

The foregoing is only a general summary of certain aspects of North Carolina law dealing with indemnification of directors and officers and does not purport to be complete. It is qualified in its entirety by reference to the relevant statutes which contain detailed specific provisions regarding the circumstances under which and the person for whose benefit indemnification shall or may be made and accordingly are incorporated herein by reference.

In addition, certain sections of each of the forms of Underwriting or Distribution Agreements filed as Exhibits hereto provide for indemnification of the Registrant and its directors and officers by the underwriters or agents against certain liabilities, including certain liabilities under the 1933 Act. From time to time similar provisions have been contained in other agreements relating to other securities of the Registrant.

# Item 16. List of Exhibits

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5.1 Opinion of Smith Helms Mulliss & Moore, L.L.P. regarding legality of securities being registered\* 12.1 Calculation of Ratios of Earnings to Fixed Charges, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 12(a) of the Registrants' Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 1998, filed May 15, 1998 12.2 Calculation of Ratios of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Preferred Dividends, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 12(b) of the Registrants' Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 1998, filed on May 15, 1998 Consent of Smith Helms Mulliss & Moore, L.L.P. (included in Exhibit 5.1) 23.1 23.2 Consent of Price Waterhouse LLP 23.3 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP 24.1 Power of Attorney\* 24.2 Certified Resolutions\* 25.1 Statement of Eliqibility of Senior Trustee on Form T-1\* 25.2 Statement of Eligibility of Subordinated Trustee on Form T-1\* 99.1 Provisions of the North Carolina Business Corporation Act, as amended, relating to indemnification of directors and officers, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 33-63097)

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\* Previously filed with the initial filing of this Registration Statement.

Item 17. Undertakings.

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement:
- (i) To include any prospectus required by Section  $10\,\mathrm{(a)}\,\mathrm{(3)}$  of the 1933 Act:
- (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective Registration Statement.
- (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the Registration Statement.

Provided, however, that paragraphs (1)(i) and (1)(ii) do not apply if the Registration Statement is on Form S-3 or Form S-8 and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the 1934 Act that are incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the 1933 Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

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(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the 1933 Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the 1934 Act that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the 1933 Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against

public policy as expressed in the 1933 Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the 1933 Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

The Registrant hereby undertakes (1) to use its best efforts to distribute prior to the opening of bids, to prospective bidders, underwriters, and dealers, a reasonable number of copies of a prospectus which at that time meets the requirements of Section 10(a) of the 1933 Act, and relating to the securities offered at competitive bidding, as contained in the Registration Statement, together with any supplements thereto, and (2) to file an amendment to the Registration Statement reflecting the results of bidding, the terms of the reoffering and related matters to the extent required by the applicable form, not later than the first use, authorized by the Registrant after the opening of bids, of a prospectus relating to the securities offered at competitive bidding, unless no further public offering of such securities by the Registrant and no reoffering of such securities by the purchasers is proposed to be made.

The Registrant hereby undertakes to file an application for the purpose of determining the eligibility of the trustee to act under subsection (a) of Section 310 of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (the "Act"), in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the Commission under Section 305(b)(2) of the Act.

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#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, on May 19, 1998.

> NATIONSBANK CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: \* HUGH L. MCCOLL, JR.

Hugh L. McColl, Jr.

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Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

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Signature	Title	Date
<pre><s>  * HUGH L. MCCOLL, JR.  (Hugh L. McColl, Jr.)</s></pre>	<c> Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)</c>	<c> May 19, 1998</c>
* JAMES H. HANCE, JR. (James H. Hance, Jr.)	Vice Chairman, Chief Financial Officer and Director (Principal Financial Officer)	May 19, 1998
* MARC D. OKEN  (Marc D. Oken)	Executive Vice President (Principal Accounting Officer)	May 19, 1998
* ANDREW B. CRAIG III(Andrew B. Craig III)	Chairman of the Board	May 19, 1998
(Ray C. Anderson) * RITA BORNSTEIN	Director	May 19, 1998

(Rita Bornstein) * B.A. BRIDGEWATER, JR.	Director	May 19 , 1998
(B.A. Bridgewater, Jr.) * THOMAS E. CAPPS	Director	May 19, 1998
(Thomas E. Capps) * ALVIN R. CARPENTER	Director	May 19, 1998
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> * THOMAS G. COUSINS	<c> Director</c>	<c> May 19, 1998</c>
(Thomas G. Cousins) * ALAN T. DICKSON	Director	May 19, 1998
(Alan T. Dickson) * PAUL FULTON	Director	May 19, 1998
(Paul Fulton) * C. RAY HOLMAN	Director	May 19, 1998
(C. Ray Holman) * W. W. JOHNSON	Director	May 19, 1998
(W. W. Johnson) * KENNETH D. LEWIS	President and Director	May 19, 1998
(Kenneth D. Lewis) * RUSSELL W. MEYER, JR.	Director	May 19, 1998
(Russell W. Meyer, Jr.) * RICHARD B. PRIORY	Director	May 19, 1998
(Richard B. Priory) * CHARLES E. RICE	Director	May 19, 1998
(Charles E. Rice) * JOHN C. SLANE	Director	May 19, 1998
(John C. Slane) * O. TEMPLE SLOAN, JR.	Director	May 19, 1998
(O. Temple Sloan, Jr.) * MEREDITH R. SPANGLER	Director	May 19, 1998
(Meredith R. Spangler) * ALBERT E. SUTER	Director	May 19, 1998
(Albert E. Suter) * RONALD TOWNSEND	Director	May 19, 1998
(Ronald Townsend)  * JACKIE M. WARD	Director	May 19, 1998

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* JOHN A. WILLIAMS	Director	May 19, 1998
(John A. Williams)		

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(Virgil R. Williams)
\*By: /s/ CHARLES M. BERGER

(Charles M. Berger) Attorney-in-Fact

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# EXHIBIT INDEX

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1.2	Form of Underwriting Agreement for Preferred Stock, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 1.2 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-1381)
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1.5	Form of Distribution Agreement for Medium-Term Notes, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 1.4 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-7229)
4.1	Indenture dated as of January 1, 1995 between NationsBank Corporation and BankAmerica National Trust Company, as trustee, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 33-57533)
4.2	Successor Trustee Agreement effective December 15, 1995, between NationsBank Corporation and First Trust New York, National Association (now U.S. Bank Trust National Assocation), as successor trustee to BankAmerica National Trust Company, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.2 of the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-7229)
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4.5	Form of Senior Medium-Term Note (Floating Rate)*
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12.1	Calculation of Ratios of Earnings to Fixed Charges, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 12(a) of the Registrants' Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 1998, filed on May 15, 1998
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23.2	Consent of Price Waterhouse LLP
23.3	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP
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24.2	Certified Resolutions*
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25.2	Statement of Eligibility of Subordinated Trustee on Form T-1*
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  | $\mbox{\scriptsize \star}$  Previously filed with the initial filing of this Registration Statement.

# CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

We consent to the reference to our firm under the caption "Experts" and to the incorporation by reference in Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 and related Prospectuses of NationsBank Corporation dated May 19, 1998 of our report dated January 20, 1998, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of BankAmerica Corporation incorporated by reference in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

San Francisco, California May 15, 1998

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