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BCB BANCORP, INC.

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BCB Bancorp, Inc.
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Bayonne, New Jersey 07002

March 22, 2010

Dear Fellow Shareholder:

We cordially invite you to attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of BCB Bancorp, Inc. The annual meeting will be held at The Chandelier Restaurant, 1081 Broadway, Bayonne, New Jersey 07002, at 10:00 a.m., eastern time, on April 22, 2010.

The enclosed notice of annual meeting and proxy statement describe the formal business to be transacted at the annual meeting. During the annual meeting we will also report on the operations of BCB Bancorp, Inc. Directors and officers, as well as a representative of our independent registered public accounting firm, will be present to respond to any questions that shareholders may have.

The annual meeting is being held so that shareholders may vote upon the election of three directors and the ratification of the appointment of the independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2010.

The Board of Directors has determined that approval of the matters to be considered at the annual meeting is in the best interests of shareholders. For the reasons set forth in the proxy statement, the Board of Directors recommends a vote "FOR" the matters to be considered.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, we urge you to sign, date and return the enclosed proxy card in the postage-paid envelope as soon as possible, even if you currently plan to attend the annual meeting. This will not prevent you from voting in person, but will assure that your vote is counted if you are unable to attend the annual meeting. Your vote is important, regardless of the number of shares that you own. Please sign and return the enclosed proxy card promptly. Your cooperation is appreciated, since a majority of the common stock must be represented at the annual meeting, either in person or by proxy, to constitute a quorum for the conduct of business.

Sincerely,

/s/ Mark D. Hogan

Mark D. Hogan
Chairman of the Board

BCB Bancorp, Inc.
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(201) 823-0700

NOTICE OF
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

To Be Held On April 22, 2010

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Shareholders of BCB Bancorp, Inc., will be held at The Chandelier Restaurant, 1081 Broadway, Bayonne, New Jersey 07002, on April 22, 2010 at 10:00 a.m., Eastern time.

A Proxy Card and a Proxy Statement for the annual meeting are enclosed.

The annual meeting is being held so that shareholders may vote on the following matters:

1. The election of three directors;
2. The ratification of the appointment of our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2010; and

Such other business as may properly come before the annual meeting or any adjournment or postponement of the annual meeting.

Any action may be taken on the foregoing proposals at the annual meeting on the date specified above, or on any date or dates to which the annual meeting may be adjourned. Shareholders of record at the close of business on March 1, 2010, are the shareholders entitled to vote at the annual meeting or any adjournments thereof.

EACH SHAREHOLDER, WHETHER HE OR SHE PLANS TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING, IS REQUESTED TO SIGN, DATE AND RETURN THE ENCLOSED PROXY CARD WITHOUT DELAY IN THE ENCLOSED POSTAGE-PAID ENVELOPE. ANY PROXY GIVEN BY THE SHAREHOLDER MAY BE REVOKED ANY TIME PRIOR TO THE ANNUAL MEETING. A PROXY MAY BE REVOKED BY FILING WITH OUR CORPORATE SECRETARY A WRITTEN NOTICE OF REVOCATION, SUBMITTING A DULY EXECUTED PROXY BEARING A LATER DATE, OR BY VOTING IN PERSON AT THE ANNUAL MEETING. HOWEVER, IF YOU ARE A SHAREHOLDER WHOSE SHARES ARE REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF A BROKER, BANK OR OTHER NOMINEE, YOU WILL NEED ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION FROM THE RECORDHOLDER IN ORDER TO VOTE PERSONALLY AT THE ANNUAL MEETING.

Our proxy statement, annual report to shareholders on Form 10-K and proxy card are available on www.bcbancorp.com. If you need directions to attend the Annual Meeting and to vote in person, please call us at (201) 823-0700.

By Order of the Board of Directors

/s/ Mark D. Hogan

Mark D. Hogan
Chairman of the Board

Bayonne, New Jersey

March 22, 2010

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PROXY STATEMENT

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ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
To be Held on April 22, 2010

INTRODUCTION

This Proxy Statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies on behalf of the Board of Directors of BCB Bancorp, Inc. to be used at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders, which will be held at The Chandelier Restaurant, 1081 Broadway, Bayonne, New Jersey 07002, on April 22, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., eastern time, and all adjournments of the annual meeting. The accompanying Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders and this Proxy Statement are first being mailed to shareholders on or about March 22, 2010.

At the annual meeting shareholders will vote on the election of three directors, the ratification of the appointment of our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2010 and such other matters as may properly come before the annual meeting or any adjournments thereof.

REVOCATION OF PROXIES

Shareholders who complete proxies retain the right to revoke them in the manner described below. Unless so revoked, the shares represented by such proxies will be voted at the annual meeting and any adjournments thereof. Proxies solicited on behalf of the Board of Directors will be voted in accordance with the directions given thereon. Where no instructions are indicated, validly completed proxies will be voted "FOR" the proposals set forth in this Proxy Statement for consideration at the annual meeting.

Proxies may be revoked by sending written notice of revocation to our Corporate Secretary at the address shown above, the submission of a later dated proxy or by voting in person at the annual meeting. The presence at the annual meeting of any shareholder who had returned a proxy shall not revoke such proxy unless the shareholder delivers his or her ballot in person at the annual meeting or delivers a written revocation to our Corporate Secretary prior to the voting of such proxy.

If your shares of common stock are held in "street name" by a broker, bank or other nominee, you will receive instructions from your broker, bank or other nominee that you must follow in order to have your shares voted at the annual meeting. If you wish to change your voting instructions after you have returned your voting instructions to your broker, bank or other nominee you must contact your broker, bank or other nominee. If you want to vote your shares of common stock held in street name in person at the annual meeting, you will have to get a legal proxy in your name from the broker, bank or other nominee who holds your shares.

VOTING SECURITIES AND PRINCIPAL HOLDERS THEREOF

Holders of record of our common stock as of the close of business on March 1, 2010, our record date, are entitled to one vote for each share then held. As of the record date, we had 5,201,502 shares of common stock issued. The presence in person or by proxy of a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock entitled to vote

is necessary to constitute a quorum at the annual meeting. Abstentions and broker non-votes will be counted for purposes of determining that a quorum is present.

Persons and groups who beneficially own in excess of 5% of our common stock are required to file certain reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) regarding such beneficial ownership. We are aware of one group who beneficially owned in excess of 5% of our common stock on the record date, that being Wellington Management Company, LLP, 75 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02109 owning 268,000 shares or 5.76% of our outstanding common stock. Wellington Management Company LLP is an investment advisor who holds such shares of record on behalf of its clients.

In accordance with New Jersey law, a list of shareholders entitled to vote at the annual meeting shall be made available at the annual meeting.

VOTING PROCEDURES AND METHOD OF COUNTING VOTES

As to the election of directors, the proxy card being provided by the Board of Directors enables a shareholder to vote “FOR” the election of the nominees proposed by the Board of Directors, or to “WITHHOLD AUTHORITY” to vote for the nominees being proposed. Under New Jersey law and our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws, directors are elected by a plurality of votes cast, without regard to either broker non-votes, or proxies as to which authority to vote for the nominees being proposed is withheld.

As to the ratification of our independent registered public accounting firm, by checking the appropriate box a shareholder may: (i) vote “FOR” the item; (ii) vote “AGAINST” the item; or (iii) “ABSTAIN” from voting on such item. Under our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws, the ratification of this matter shall be determined by a majority of the votes cast, without regard to broker non-votes or proxies marked “ABSTAIN.”

The Board of Directors will designate an inspector of elections.

Regardless of the number of shares of common stock owned, it is important that holders of a majority of the shares of our common stock be represented by proxy or present in person at the annual meeting. Shareholders are requested to vote by completing the enclosed proxy card and returning it signed and dated in the enclosed postage-paid envelope. Shareholders are urged to indicate their vote in the spaces provided on the proxy card. PROXIES SOLICITED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL BE VOTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN ON THE PROXY. WHERE NO INSTRUCTIONS ARE INDICATED, SIGNED PROXIES WILL BE VOTED “FOR” EACH OF THE PROPOSALS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING.

PROPOSAL I - ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Our Board of Directors is currently composed of 11 members and is divided into three classes, with one class of directors elected each year. Our directors will generally be elected to serve for a three-year period and until their respective successors have been elected and qualified. Three directors will be elected at the annual meeting, each to serve for a three-year period and until their successor has been elected and shall qualify. The Board of Directors has

nominated Judith Q. Bielan, James E. Collins and Mark D. Hogan for election as directors at the annual meeting. Each nominee of the Board of Directors has consented to being named in this Proxy Statement.

The table below sets forth certain information, as of March 1, 2010, regarding the composition of our Board of Directors, including the terms of office of Board members, and information regarding our executive officers and the executive officers of BCB Community Bank (formerly Bayonne Community Bank), our principal operating subsidiary. It is intended that the proxies solicited on behalf of the Board of Directors (other than proxies in which the vote is withheld as to the nominee) will be voted at the annual meeting for the election of the nominees identified below. If a nominee is unable to serve, the shares represented by proxies will be voted for the election of such substitute as the Board of Directors may recommend. At this time, the Board of Directors knows of no reason why any of the nominees might be unable to serve, if elected. Except as indicated herein, there are no arrangements

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or understandings between the nominee and any other person pursuant to which such nominee was selected. None of the shares beneficially owned by directors, executive officers or nominees to the Board of Directors have been pledged as security or collateral for any loans.

Name	Position(s) Held With the Company or the Bank	Age At Record Date	Director Since(1)	Current Term Expires	Shares Beneficially Owned(2)	Percent of Class(2)
NOMINEES						
Judith Q. Bielan	Director	45	2000	2010	120,489 (7)	2.44 %
	Senior Lending Officer and					
James E. Collins	Director	61	2003	2010	163,271 (8)	3.30
	Chairman of the					
Mark D. Hogan	Board	44	2000	2010	203,158 (9)	4.11
CONTINUING DIRECTORS						
Robert Ballance	Director	51	2000	2011	112,973 (10)	2.29
Joseph J. Brogan	Director	71	2000	2011	246,070 (11)	4.98
	President, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and					
Donald Mindiak	Director	51	2000	2011	149,674 (12)	3.03
Dr. August Pellegrini, Jr.	Director	50	2000	2011	102,655 (13)	2.08
Joseph Lyga	Director	50	2000	2012	92,500 (3)	1.87
Alexander Pasiechnik	Director	48	2000	2012	95,366 (4)	1.93
Joseph Tagliareni	Director	55	2006	2012	32,926 (5)	*
	Chief Operating Officer and					
Thomas M. Coughlin	Director	50	2002	2012	156,174 (6)	3.16
EXECUTIVE OFFICERS WHO ARE NOT DIRECTORS						
Amer Saleem	Vice President	55	N/A	N/A	9,884 (14)	*
All directors and executive officers as a group (12 persons)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,485,140	30.04 %

* Less than 1%.

(1) Includes service as a director of BCB Community Bank.

(2) Includes shares underlying options that are exercisable within 60 days from the record date.

(3)

- Mr. Lyga has sole voting and dispositive power over 68,838 shares, shared voting and dispositive power over 1,040 shares with his spouse and shared voting and dispositive power over 379 shares with his child. Includes 22,243 shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days from the record date.
- (4) Mr. Pasiechnik has sole voting and dispositive power over 83,960 shares. Includes 11,406 shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days from the record date.
- (5) Mr. Tagliareni has sole voting and dispositive power over 18,920 shares, shared voting and dispositive power over 10,966 shares with his spouse and shared voting and dispositive power over 1,040 shares with his children. Includes 2,000 shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days from the record date.
- (6) Mr. Coughlin has sole voting and dispositive power over 134,660 shares. Includes 21,514 shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days from the record date.
- (7) Ms. Bielan has sole voting and dispositive power over 77,768 shares, shared voting and dispositive power over 6,297 shares with her spouse and shared voting and dispositive power over 1,890 shares with her children. Includes 34,534 shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days from the record date.
- (8) Mr. Collins has sole voting and dispositive power over 131,872 shares, shared voting and dispositive power over 851 shares with his spouse and shared voting and dispositive power over 3,441 shares with his children. Includes 27,107 shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days from the record date.
- (9) Mr. Hogan has sole voting and dispositive power over 185,055 shares, shared voting and dispositive power over 16,115 shares with his spouse and shared voting and dispositive power over 1,988 shares with his children. Includes no shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days from the record date.
- (10) Mr. Ballance has sole voting and dispositive power over 74,268 shares, shared voting and dispositive power over 953 shares with his spouse and shared voting and dispositive power over 2,494 shares with his children. Includes 35,258 shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days from the record date.
- (11) Mr. Brogan has sole voting and dispositive power over 127,101 shares, shared voting and dispositive power over 11,181 shares with his spouse and shared voting and dispositive power over 99,196 shares with his grandchildren. Includes 8,592 shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days from the record date.
- (12) Mr. Mindiak has sole voting and dispositive power over 107,833 shares, shared voting and dispositive power over 2,950 shares with his spouse and shared voting and dispositive power over 1,811 shares with his children. Includes 37,080 shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days from the record date.
- (13) Dr. Pellegrini has sole voting and dispositive power over 67,541 shares. Includes 35,114 shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days from the record date.
- (14) Mr. Saleem has sole voting and dispositive power over 4,030 shares. Includes 5,854 shares underlying options exercisable within 60 days from the record date.

Biographical Information Regarding Directors, Executive Officers and Nominees

Set forth below is biographical information regarding our directors and executive officers. For the individuals named below, all are directors of BCB Bancorp, Inc., the Parent Company of their wholly owned subsidiary, BCB Community Bank. Unless otherwise noted, each director has held the indicated position for at least 10 years.

Directors

Robert Ballance, 51, is a Battalion Chief with the Bayonne Fire Department and the owner of Bob's Carpet located in Bayonne. Mr. Ballance is a director of the Bayonne Fire Exempt Association; a member of the Bayonne Elks B.P.O.E.; and has served as the Treasurer of Bayonne Fire Department Local #11. Additionally, from 1997 to 2001, Mr. Ballance was a director of the Bayonne Federal Credit Union and has operated a flooring business for over 25 years. Mr. Ballance's experience as a businessman, civil servant and former director of a financial institution support his appointment as a member of the Board of Directors. Mr. Ballance attended Saint Vincent DePaul Grammar School and Marist High School in Bayonne.

Judith Q. Bielan, Esq., 45, is an attorney practicing law for 20 years. Ms. Bielan currently owns her own law firm, Bielan, Miklos, Makrogiannis, P.C., which she formed in 1996. Ms. Bielan was a partner with Cavanaugh and Bielan, P.C. from 1993 to 1996, and associated with the firm of Schumann, Hanlon, O'Connor and McCrossin from 1989 to 1993. She has represented various banking clients in commercial and residential real estate closings, work-out negotiations, merger agreements and general research relating to banking law. In her present firm she continues to handle all aspects of real estate closings, foreclosures, contract disputes and estate matters. In the management of her own firm, Ms. Bielan is also experienced in the areas of marketing, budgeting, public relations, collections and employment issues. Ms. Bielan's legal expertise in the area of banking law, and her service to the Bayonne community as an attorney led to her appointment as a member of the Board of Directors. She is a member of the New York and New Jersey State Bars as well as the President of the Hudson County Bar Association. Ms. Bielan serves on the Hudson County Bar Association's Family Law Committee and serves as a Vice Chair on the Board of Trustees of Holy Family Academy of Bayonne. In addition, she holds degrees from Montclair State College and Seton Hall Law School.

Joseph J. Brogan, 71, has over 45 years of experience in the insurance industry and is the founder of Brogan Insurance Agency located in Bayonne. His extensive experience as an insurance industry professional and real estate/market investor led to his appointment to serve as a member of the Board of Directors. Mr. Brogan is the former head of the State Farm Agents Association and is a current member of the Knights of Columbus and the Fraternal Order of Elks. Mr. Brogan attended Saint Aloysius Grammar School, Jersey City, and Seton Hall Preparatory School, has received a B.S. from Saint Peter's College and attended graduate school at Fordham and New Jersey City University.

James E. Collins, 61, is Senior Lending Officer of BCB Community Bank, and has worked in the banking industry since 1972. He is the former Vice President of Lending at First Savings Bank of New Jersey and served as that bank's Community Reinvestment Officer and as a member of the Budget, Asset and Liability, Asset Classification and Loan Committees. In addition, Mr. Collins has served as Treasurer of the Bayonne Chamber of Commerce, as the past President of Ireland's 32 and as citywide director for Bayonne's C.Y.O. Sports Programs. Currently, Mr. Collins serves as a Trustee for the Bayonne Education Foundation and is currently a member of the Directorate of Marist High School in Bayonne. Mr. Collins attended St. Mary's, Our Lady Star of the Sea Elementary School and Marist High School, received a B.S. from St. Peter's College and attended graduate school at the Institute for Financial Education. Mr. Collins is a certified Real Estate Appraiser and a member of the Review Appraisers Association.

Thomas M. Coughlin, 50, is Chief Operating Officer of BCB Bancorp, Inc. and BCB Community Bank, and has been employed in the banking industry for 21 years. He was previously Chief Financial Officer of BCB Bancorp, Inc. and

BCB Community Bank. Mr. Coughlin was formerly Vice President of Chatham Savings Bank and, prior to that, Controller and Corporate Secretary of First Savings Bank of New Jersey. While at First Savings Bank of New Jersey, Mr. Coughlin served in various capacities on several executive managerial committees, including, but not limited to, the Budget, Asset/Liability and Loan Review Committees. Mr. Coughlin, who received his CPA designation in 1982, is the past President of the American Heart Association and has served as

Trustee of D.A.R.E. and the Bayonne P.A.L. Mr. Coughlin attended Saint Vincent DePaul Grammar School and Bayonne High School, and received a B.S. degree from Saint Peter's College.

Mark D. Hogan, C.P.A., 44, is a sole practitioner with an office located in Bayonne. In addition, Mr. Hogan is a registered representative providing financial planning for his clientele. Mr. Hogan has achieved the following licenses and designations: NASD Series 7, 24 and 63, New Jersey Life and Health Insurance broker, New Jersey Property and Casualty Insurance broker. Mr. Hogan qualifies as an "audit committee financial expert" under the rules and regulations of the SEC, and therefore is well-qualified to serve as our Chairman of the Board of Directors. Mr. Hogan attended Saint Peter's Preparatory School and received a B.S. degree in Finance from Pace University. He is a member of the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Joseph Lyga, 50, has served on the Bayonne Fire Department since 1985, having achieved the rank of Fire Captain. In addition, Mr. Lyga has been a self-employed contractor for the last 23 years in the area of systems design. In this capacity he has served BCB Bancorp, Inc., in conjunction with other technical advisors, to strengthen our firewall security for our computer systems in an effort to preserve and protect the integrity of our financial records. Mr. Lyga's dedicated service to the Bayonne community led to his appointment to serve as a member of the Board of Directors. Mr. Lyga has served as President and Secretary/State Delegate of the Bayonne Fire Department Local #211 and has served as President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Bayonne Fire Department Local #11. Mr. Lyga is also a member of the Sicilian Citizens Club and the Friends of Nick Capodice. Mr. Lyga attended Saint Mary's, Our Lady Star of the Sea Elementary School, Marist High School, New Jersey City University and the Chubb Institute where he studied computer programming and network design.

Donald Mindiak, 51, has been employed in the banking industry for over 30 years and has been President and Chief Executive Officer of BCB Community Bank since October 1999 and BCB Bancorp, Inc. since May 2003. He was named Chief Financial Officer of BCB Bancorp, Inc. and BCB Community Bank in May of 2007. Before joining BCB Community Bank, he was employed by Summit Bank as a Manager of Strategic Planning and Support. Prior to his employment at Summit Bank, Mr. Mindiak was employed at First Savings Bank of New Jersey in Bayonne. During his tenure at First Savings Bank of New Jersey, he served as Treasurer and prior to that position as Controller. Mr. Mindiak served as an active member of the Asset/Liability, Budget, Investment and Rate Setting Committees while at First Savings Bank of New Jersey and was the former Chairman of the Asset Classification Committee. Mr. Mindiak serves as a member of the Board of Governors of the NJ Bankers Association as well as the current President of the Community Bankers Association of New Jersey. In addition, Mr. Mindiak serves on the Board of All Saints Catholic Academy Elementary School in Bayonne. Mr. Mindiak received a B.A. degree in Chemistry from Rutgers, Newark College of Arts and Sciences and an M.B.A. degree in Finance from Fairleigh Dickinson University.

Alexander Pasichnik, 48, is President and Chief Executive Officer of Victoria T.V. Sales and Appliances. Victoria T.V. Sales and Appliances is a family run business that has been operating successfully in the community of Bayonne for 50 years. Mr. Pasichnik is also an accomplished real estate investor who owns and operates various commercial and investment real estate facilities. He is also an active member of the Bayonne Chapter of UNICO National. Mr. Pasichnik's financial acumen that was developed while serving as a senior executive of a successful company led to his appointment to serve as a member of the Board of Directors. Mr. Pasichnik was born in Bayonne and attended Saint Mary's, Our Lady Star of the Sea Elementary School, Marist High School, and Saint Peter's College.

Dr. August Pellegrini, Jr., 50, has practiced general dentistry in Bayonne for 23 years. He has served as President of both the New Jersey Dental Association and the Hudson County Dental Society. A former board member of the New Jersey Foundation for Dentistry for Persons with Disabilities, Dr. Pellegrini currently serves as the Director of Clinics for the New Jersey Dental School and is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Restorative Dentistry as well. Dr. Pellegrini's educational background and service to the Bayonne community resulted in his appointment to serve as a

member of the Board of Directors. Dr. Pellegrini is a graduate of Temple University School of Dentistry, Rutgers College, Marist High School and Horace Mann Grammar School.

Joseph Tagliareni, 55, is the President and Chief Executive Officer of J&J Printing, located in Bayonne, and has over thirty years of printing experience. Mr. Tagliareni's business background and service to the Bayonne community led to his appointment to serve as a member of the Board of Directors. Mr. Tagliareni is a member of many civic organizations including: the Bayonne Chapter of UNICO National, the Knights of Columbus, the United Christians and Jews Association, the Bayonne Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Tagliareni also is the Vice President and a board member of the Bayonne Family YMCA and serves on the board of All Saints Catholic Academy Elementary School. Mr. Tagliareni is a committeeman for the First Ward in Bayonne. Mr. Tagliareni attended Lincoln School and Bayonne High School. Mr. Tagliareni was a member of our Board of Directors from 2003 through 2004.

Executive Officer who is not a Director

The following is biographical information regarding our executive officer of BCB Community Bank who is not a director. The named officer has held the indicated position for at least five years.

Amer Saleem, 55, is a Vice President of Commercial Lending of BCB Community Bank. Prior to joining BCB Community Bank in 2002, Mr. Saleem was an Assistant Vice President of Commercial Lending of 1st Constitution Bank, Cranbury, New Jersey. Mr. Saleem holds a B.A. degree in Economics, Diploma in Accounting from City of London Polytechnic, London, England and an M.B.A. degree in Finance from Long Island University, New York. Mr. Saleem has over 20 years of banking experience, specializing in commercial lending. Mr. Saleem is a member of the Officers' Lending Committee.

Board Independence

The Board of Directors has determined that, except as to Messrs. Collins, Coughlin and Mindiak, each member of the Board of Directors is an "independent director" within the meaning of the Nasdaq corporate governance listing standards. Messrs. Collins, Coughlin and Mindiak are not considered independent because they are executive officers of BCB Bancorp, Inc. or BCB Community Bank.

The Board of Directors has also determined that each member of the Audit Committee of the Board meets the independence requirements applicable to that committee prescribed by the NASDAQ Marketplace Rules, the SEC and the Internal Revenue Service. There were no transactions not required to be reported under "—Transactions With Certain Related Person" that were considered in determining the independence of our directors.

The Company has chosen to separate the principal executive officer and board chair positions in order to provide a higher degree of independence and transparency between the Board and management. This leadership structure of the Board has been in place since the inception of the BCB Bancorp, Inc. The Board believes that this leadership structure is most appropriate given the Board's and BCB Bancorp, Inc.'s conservative risk profile and the Board's role in monitoring the BCB Bancorp, Inc.'s execution of its business plan and the risk elements associated with such execution. The Board monitors the BCB Bancorp, Inc.'s risk by employing no less than five different departments, as well as independent companies to monitor and measure certain risk parameters of the BCB Bancorp, Inc. such as interest rate risk, credit risk, liquidity risk, compliance risk and concentration risk. Reports assessing the BCB Bancorp, Inc.'s risk are provided to management, and thereafter, management reports are prepared and provided to the appropriate directorial sub-committee, and ultimately to the entire Board. Given the independent roles both the Board and management have in monitoring BCB Bancorp, Inc.'s risk, BCB Bancorp, Inc. believes that its current leadership structure is well positioned to identify and mitigate risks as they arise.

Meetings and Committees of the Board of Directors

Our Board of Directors meets on a monthly basis and may hold additional special meetings. Our standing committees include the Audit Committee, Compensation Committee and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. BCB Community Bank's standing committees include an Asset/Liability Management Committee, a Loan Committee, an Investment Committee and a Budget Committee. During the year ended December 31, 2009, our board of directors held 12 regular meetings and two special meetings. No director attended fewer than 75%, in the aggregate, of the total number of board meetings held and the total number of committee meetings in which he or she served during fiscal 2009. During the year ended December 31, 2009, the board of directors of the Holding Company, BCB Bancorp, Inc., held 11 regular meetings and five special meetings. No director attended fewer than

75%, in the aggregate, of the total number of board meetings held and the total number of committee meetings in which he or she served during fiscal 2009. At last year's annual meeting all directors were in attendance.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee consists of Directors Ballance, Lyga and Pellegrini. Each member of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is considered "independent" as defined in the Nasdaq corporate governance listing standards. Our Board of Directors has adopted a written charter for the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and the charter was last distributed to shareholders as part of the proxy statement for the year ended December 31, 2006. The charter has not been amended. The full board of directors, acting as the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee met one time during 2009.

The functions of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee include the following:

- to lead the search for individuals qualified to become members of the Board of Directors and to select director nominees to be presented for shareholder approval;
 - to review and monitor compliance with the requirements for board independence;
- to review the committee structure and make recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding committee membership;
 - to develop and recommend to the Board of Directors for its approval corporate governance guidelines; and
- to develop and recommend to the Board of Directors for its approval a self-evaluation process for the Board of Directors and its committees.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee identifies nominees by first evaluating the current members of the Board of Directors willing to continue in service. Current members of the Board of Directors with skills and experience that are relevant to our business and who are willing to continue in service are first considered for re-nomination, balancing the value of continuity of service by existing members of the Board of Directors with that of obtaining new perspectives. If any member of the Board of Directors does not wish to continue in service, or if the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board of Directors decides not to re-nominate a member for re-election, or if the size of the Board of Directors is increased, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee would solicit suggestions for director candidates from all board members. In addition, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is authorized by its charter to engage a third party to assist in the identification of director nominees. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee would seek to identify a candidate who at a minimum satisfies the following criteria:

- has the highest personal and professional ethics and integrity and whose values are compatible with ours;
- has had experiences and achievements that have given them the ability to exercise and develop good business judgment;
- is willing to devote the necessary time to the work of the Board of Directors and its committees, which includes being available for board and committee meetings;
 - is familiar with the communities in which we operate and/or is actively engaged in community activities;

- is involved in other activities or interests that do not create a conflict with their responsibilities to us and our shareholders; and

- has the capacity and desire to represent the balanced, best interests of our shareholders as a group, and not primarily a special interest group or constituency.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will also take into account whether a candidate satisfies the criteria for “independence” under the Nasdaq corporate governance listing standards, and if a nominee is sought for service on our Audit Committee, the financial and accounting expertise of a candidate, including whether an individual qualifies as an audit committee financial expert.

Although the Nominating Committee and the Board do not have a formal policy with regard to the consideration of diversity in identifying a director nominee, diversity is considered in the identification process. While attributes such as relevant experience, financial acumen, and formal education are always considered in the identification process, the Nominating Committee and the Board will also evaluate a potential director nominees personal character, community involvement and willingness to serve so that he or she can help further the Company’s and the Bank’s role as a community-based financial institution.

Procedures for the Shareholder Recommendations for the Nomination of Directors

Our Board of Directors has adopted procedures for the submission of director nominees by shareholders. If a determination is made that an additional candidate is needed for the Board of Directors, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will consider candidates submitted by our shareholders. Shareholders can submit the names of candidates for director by writing to our Corporate Secretary, at 104-110 Avenue C, Bayonne, New Jersey 07002. The Chairman of the Board must receive a submission not less than 90 days prior to the anniversary date of our proxy materials for the preceding year’s annual meeting. If the date of the annual meeting is advanced more than 30 days prior to or delayed by more than 30 days after the anniversary of the preceding year’s annual meeting, the shareholder’s suggestion must be so delivered not later than the close of business on the tenth day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such annual meeting is first made. The submission must include the following information:

- the name and address of the shareholder as they appear on our records, and number of shares of our common stock that are owned beneficially by such shareholder (if the shareholder is not a holder of record, appropriate evidence of the shareholder’s ownership will be required);
- the name, address and contact information for the candidate, and the number of shares of our common stock that are owned by the candidate (if the candidate is not a holder of record, appropriate evidence of the shareholder’s ownership should be provided);
 - a statement of the candidate’s business and educational experience;
- such other information regarding the candidate as would be required to be included in the proxy statement pursuant to SEC Regulation 14A;
 - a statement detailing any relationship between the candidate and us;
- a statement detailing any relationship between the candidate and any of our customers, suppliers or competitors;
- detailed information about any relationship or understanding between the proposing shareholder and the candidate;
and
- a statement that the candidate is willing to be considered and willing to serve as a director if nominated and elected.

There have been no material changes to these procedures since they were previously disclosed in our proxy statement for the 2008 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

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We have no written procedural or informational requirements for the presentation of a shareholder nomination at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders. It is expected that any person making a shareholder nomination at the annual meeting will provide the information set forth above regarding themselves and the proposed nominee.

Shareholder Communications with the Board

A shareholder who wants to communicate with our Board of Directors or with any individual director can write to our President and Chief Executive Officer, 104-110 Avenue C, Bayonne, New Jersey 07002, Attention: Board Administration. The letter should indicate that the author is a shareholder and if shares are not held of record, should include appropriate evidence of stock ownership. Depending on the subject matter, management will:

- forward the communication to the director or directors to whom it is addressed;
- attempt to handle the inquiry directly, for example where it is a request for information about the company or it is a stock-related matter; or
- not forward the communication if it is primarily commercial in nature, relates to an improper or irrelevant topic, or is unduly hostile, threatening, illegal or otherwise inappropriate.

At each Board of Directors meeting, management presents a summary of all communications received since the last meeting that were not forwarded and makes those communications available to the directors.

Code of Ethics

We have adopted a code of ethics that is applicable to our officers, directors and employees, including our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, or persons performing similar functions. Our Code of Ethics has been filed as an exhibit to the Annual Report on Form 10-K.

The Audit Committee

The Audit Committee consists of directors Hogan, Bielan, Brogan and Pellegrini. Each current member of the Audit Committee is considered “independent” as defined in the Nasdaq corporate governance listing standards and under SEC Rule 10A-3. The duties and responsibilities of the Audit Committee include, among other things:

- retaining, overseeing and evaluating a firm of independent certified public accountants to audit the annual financial statements;
- in consultation with the independent registered public accounting firm and the internal auditor, reviewing the integrity of our financial reporting processes, both internal and external;
- approving the scope of the audit in advance;
- reviewing the financial statements and the audit report with management and the independent registered public accounting firm;
- considering whether the provision by the external auditors of services not related to the annual audit and quarterly reviews is consistent with maintaining the auditor’s independence;
- reviewing earnings and financial releases and quarterly reports filed with the SEC;

- consulting with the internal audit staff and reviewing management's administration of the system of internal accounting controls;
- approving all engagements for audit and non-audit services by the independent registered public accounting firm; and

- reviewing the adequacy of the audit committee charter.

The Audit Committee met six times during 2009. The Board of Directors has adopted a written charter for the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee reports to the Board of Directors on its activities and findings. The Board of Directors believes that Mr. Hogan qualifies as an “audit committee financial expert” as that term is used in the rules and regulations of the SEC.

Audit Committee Report

In accordance with SEC regulations, the Audit Committee has prepared the following report. As part of its ongoing activities, the Audit Committee has:

- Reviewed and discussed with management our audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2009;
- Discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm the matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61, Communications with Audit Committees, as amended; and
- Received the written disclosures and the letter from the independent registered public accounting firm required by Independence Standards Board Standard No. 1, Independence Discussions with Audit Committees, and has discussed with the independent registered public accounting firm their independence.

Based on the review and discussions referred to above, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the audited consolidated financial statements be included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009 to be filed with the SEC. In addition, the Audit Committee approved the appointment of ParenteBeard LLC as our independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2010, subject to the ratification of the appointment by our shareholders.

This report shall not be deemed incorporated by reference by any general statement incorporating by reference this proxy statement into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except to the extent that we specifically incorporate this information by reference, and shall not otherwise be deemed filed under such Acts.

The Audit Committee:
Mark D. Hogan, (Chairman)
Judith Q. Bielan
Joseph Brogan
Dr. August Pellegrini, Jr.

The Audit Committee has approved a list of procedures for the engagement of outside auditors to perform non-audit tasks. The following services cannot be provided by the auditor: financial information systems design and implementation; internal audit outsourcing; appraisal or valuation services, fairness opinions, and contribution in kind reports; management functions or human resources; bookkeeping; broker or dealer or investment banking services; legal services unrelated to the audit; actuarial services; and services determined by the Audit Committee to be impermissible. All permissible non-audit services must be pre-approved by the Audit Committee. The authority to approve audit and non-audit services may be delegated by the committee to one or more of its members, provided that any delegated approvals must be reported to the full Audit Committee and all approvals of non-audit services will be disclosed in our periodic reports.

Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Our common stock is registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act. Executive officers, directors and 10% beneficial owners are required to file beneficial ownership reports with the SEC disclosing beneficial ownership and changes in beneficial ownership of our common stock. SEC rules require disclosure in our Proxy Statement and Annual Report on Form 10-K of the failure of an executive officer, director or 10% beneficial

owner to file such forms on a timely basis. Based on our review of such ownership reports, we believe that no officer or director failed to timely file such ownership reports for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009.

Compensation Committee

During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009, the Compensation Committee, which consisted of Robert Ballance, Judith Q. Bielan, Joseph Brogan, Mark D. Hogan, Joseph Lyga and Alexander Pasiechnik, met four times to review the performance of the executive officers and determine compensation programs and adjustments. Each member of the Compensation Committee is considered “independent” as defined in the Nasdaq corporate governance listing standards. The Board of Directors has adopted a written charter for the Compensation Committee. Messrs. Mindiak, Coughlin and Collins do not participate in the Board of Directors determination of their respective compensation as executive officers.

Roles and Responsibilities. The primary purpose of the Compensation Committee is to conduct reviews of our general executive compensation policies and strategies in order to oversee and evaluate our overall compensation structure and programs. Direct responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Evaluating and approving goals and objectives relevant to compensation of the chief executive officer and other executive officers, and evaluating the performance of the executives in light of those goals and objectives;
 - Determining and approving the compensation level for the chief executive officer;
 - Determining and approving compensation levels of other key executive officers; and
 - Recommending to the Board compensation policies for outside directors.

The Compensation Committee approves the compensation paid to the Chief Executive officer and our other executive officers. The performance of the Chief Executive Officer is reviewed annually by the Committee. The Chief Executive Officer presents annually to the Committee his assessment of the performance of the other executive officers and his recommendations for their salary adjustments and performance awards. The Committee exercises its discretion in determining the levels of compensation to be paid to those executives.

The Compensation Committee approves equity compensation awards to all our officers. The Committee has given the Chief Executive Officer the authority to determine the non-equity compensation of all of our officers other than those officers mentioned in the preceding paragraph.

Performance evaluations are generally measured on criteria applicable to us as a whole and to specific responsibilities of each executive. Criteria considered include earnings, return on equity, return on assets, asset quality, capital management, risk management, franchise expansion, corporate governance, expertise and general management skills, and each executive’s contribution to our successful operation. These criteria are evaluated not only on current year performance, but also on the trend of performance over the past few years and within the context of unusual operating and performance issues. Also, taken into consideration are factors outside of the control of management, such as the state of the economy, the interest rate environment, regulatory mandates and competition.

Strict numerical formulas are not used to determine changes in compensation, instead, the factors as set forth above are utilized in the decision process.

Executive Compensation

Summary Compensation Table. The following table shows the compensation of Donald Mindiak, our principal executive and financial officer and our two highest compensated executive officers who received total compensation of at least \$100,000 for services to us or any of our subsidiaries during the year ended December 31, 2009.

Summary Compensation Table

Name and P r i n c i p a l Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus (\$)	Stock awards (\$)	Option awards (\$)	Non-equity incentive plan compensation (\$)	Change in	All other compensation (\$)(1)(2)(3)	Total (\$)
							pension value and non- qualified deferred earnings (\$)		
Donald	2009	\$160,680	\$ 70,000						
Mindiak	2008	\$156,000	\$ 70,000						
President, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Director									