May 7, 2007

In re the Matter of:

Banking Department, Petitioner,

and

Merit Financial, Respondent

Case No.: 07-050

KNOW ALL MEN by these presents,

WHEREAS the above named respondent has failed to accept service of an Order to Show Cause duly issued to his last known address, and

WHEREAS by virtue of the statutes under which licensure was obtained the respondent granted the Commissioner irrevocable consent to service of process,

WHEREFORE, the Commissioner hereby accepts service of Order to Show Cause on behalf of the respondent.

/S/

Peter C. Hildreth Banking Commissioner