

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System was held in Washington on Thursday, March 18, 1943, at 11:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Mr. Ransom, Vice Chairman
Mr. McKee
Mr. Evans

Mr. Morrill, Secretary
Mr. Bethea, Assistant Secretary
Mr. Carpenter, Assistant Secretary

The action stated with respect to each of the matters herein-after referred to was taken by the Board:

Memorandum dated March 13, 1943, from Mr. Goldenweiser, Director of the Division of Research and Statistics, recommending that Mrs. Mary F. Weaver be appointed as a clerk in that Division on a temporary basis for an indefinite period, with basic salary at the rate of \$1,620 per annum, effective as of the date upon which she enters upon the performance of her duties after having passed satisfactorily the usual physical examination, with the understanding that if her work is satisfactory a recommendation will be submitted within a few months that her appointment be made permanent.

Approved unanimously.

Memorandum dated March 16, 1943, from Mr. Morrill, recommending, with the concurrence of Mr. Paulger, Chief of the Division of Examinations, that Benjamin D. Berry, a messenger in that Division, be transferred to the Secretary's Office as a junior mail clerk on a temporary basis for an indefinite period, with no change in his present salary at the rate of \$1,500 per annum, effective April 1, 1943.

Approved unanimously.

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Letter to Mr. Brainard, Chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, reading as follows:

"In accordance with the request contained in your letter of March 9, 1943, it will be entirely agreeable with the Board to defer, from April to June of this year, the consideration of adjustments in the salaries of officers of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland and that any adjustments when made become effective July 1 instead of May 1.

"The Board's approval for the payment of salaries to the officers of your Bank at the present rates extends through the period ending April 30, 1943. In view of the circumstances, the Board extends its approval for the payment of such salaries at the present rates through the period ending June 30, 1943."

Approved unanimously.

Telegram to the Presidents of all the Federal Reserve Banks, reading as follows:

"Revised standard form of guarantee agreement under Regulation V is expected to be approved at an early date. We are arranging to print here and send to all Federal Reserve Banks copies of the new form. Copies for each Reserve Bank will be printed separately so as to include the name of the bank, but will, of course, otherwise be identical. Please wire as soon as possible an approximation of the number of copies of the revised agreement your bank will need during the next six months."

Approved unanimously.

Letter to Mr. Logan, Vice President and General Counsel of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, reading as follows:

"This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 12 in which you state that you have felt for some time that you should give more detailed supervision to the legal aspects of Regulation V work than has been possible with your regular staff and that you contemplate employing an additional experienced lawyer who will devote his time primarily to such work.

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"We have discussed this matter informally with representatives of both the War and Navy departments and they realize that as time goes on it will be necessary for you to utilize counsel to some substantial extent in connection with Regulation V loans.

"It is noted that you contemplate paying a salary at the rate of not in excess of \$6,000 a year to the lawyer to be employed for this purpose."

Approved unanimously.

Letter to Mr. Stroud, First Vice President and General Counsel of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, reading as follows:

"Referring to our previous correspondence regarding 'renewals' under Regulation W, there are enclosed a copy of a letter dated March 10, and enclosure, from Mr. Wallace. You will recall that our purpose in writing to the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond was 'in order to avoid the possibility of a conflict of interpretations' and it is evident from Mr. Wallace's letter that there has been none. However, the correspondence should serve to clear up any misunderstanding which might have arisen as a result of paragraph (2) of the letter of June 4, 1942 to Mr. L. D. French from Franklin & Blankenbecker."

Approved unanimously.

Thereupon the meeting adjourned.

Robert Marrie

Secretary.

Approved:

Donald Ransom
Vice Chairman.