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ST. LOUIS — The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, acting pursuant to delegated authority for the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, today approved the application of First Commercial Corporation, Little Rock, Arkansas, to acquire 100 percent of the voting shares of Southwest Bancshares, Inc., Jonesboro, Arkansas.

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