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REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

CAPITOL FEDERAL FINANCIAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland	6035	Applied For
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Amount of Registration Fee
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	301,737,230	\$10.00	\$3,017,372,300 (1)	\$215,138

(1) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee.

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SUBSCRIPTION AND COMMUNITY
OFFERING PROSPECTUS

Capitol Federal Financial, Inc.
(Proposed Holding Company for Capitol Federal Savings Bank)

Up to 212,750,000 Shares of Common Stock
\$10.00 per Share

Capitol Federal Financial, Inc., a newly formed Maryland corporation is offering up to 212,750,000 shares of common stock for sale at \$10.00 per share in connection with the conversion of Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC from the mutual holding company to the stock holding company form of organization. The shares being offered represent the 70% ownership interest in Capitol Federal Financial currently owned by Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC. Capitol Federal Financial's common stock is currently traded on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the trading symbol CFFN. We expect that Capitol Federal Financial, Inc.'s shares of common stock will trade on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the trading symbol CFFND for a period of 20 trading days following the completion of this stock offering. Thereafter the trading symbol will revert to CFFN. To avoid confusion, we will refer to Capitol Federal Financial in this document as CFF and Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. as Capitol Federal Financial, Inc.

We are offering the common stock for sale on a best efforts basis. The shares are first being offered in a subscription offering to eligible depositors and tax-qualified employee benefit plans of Capitol Federal Savings Bank as described in this prospectus, who have priority rights to buy all of the shares offered. Shares not purchased in the subscription offering will simultaneously be offered to the general public in a community offering, with a preference given to residents of the communities served by Capitol Federal Savings Bank and existing stockholders of CFF. We may also offer shares of common stock not subscribed for in the subscription and community offerings in a syndicated community offering through a syndicate of selected dealers.

We must sell a minimum of 157,250,000 shares in the offering in order to complete the offering. Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. will assist us in selling the shares on a best efforts basis in the subscription and community offerings and will serve as sole book-running manager for the syndicated community offering. Neither Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. nor any member of the syndicate group is required to purchase any shares of common stock in the offering.

In addition to the shares we are selling in the offering, the remaining 30% interest in CFF common stock currently held by the public will be exchanged for shares of common stock of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. using an exchange ratio that will result in the existing public stockholders owning approximately the same percentage of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. common stock as they owned of CFF common stock immediately prior to the completion of the conversion. We will issue up to 88,987,230 shares of common stock in the exchange. Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. also intends to contribute to the Capitol Federal Foundation \$40.0 million in cash.

The minimum order is 25 shares. The subscription offering will expire at 4:00 p.m., Central Time, on [], 2010. We expect that the community offering will terminate at the same time, although it may be extended without notice to you until [], 2010, unless the Office of Thrift Supervision approves a later date. No single extension may exceed 90 days and the offering must be completed by [], 2012. Once submitted, orders are irrevocable unless the offering is terminated or is extended beyond [], 2010, or the number of shares of common stock to be sold is increased to more than 212,750,000 shares or decreased to less than 157,250,000 shares. Funds received prior to the completion of the offering will be held in a segregated account at Capitol Federal Savings Bank, or, at our discretion,

at another federally insured depository institution, and will earn interest at Capitol Federal Savings Bank's statement savings rate, which is currently 0.25%. If the subscription and community offerings are terminated, purchasers will have their funds returned promptly, with interest. If the offering is extended beyond [], 2010, we will resolicit purchasers, and you will have the opportunity to maintain, change or cancel your order. If you do not provide us with a written indication of your intent, your order will be canceled and your funds will be returned to you, with interest. If there is a change in the offering range, we will promptly return all funds with interest, and all subscribers will be provided with updated information and given the opportunity to place a new order.

OFFERING SUMMARY

Price: \$10.00 per share

	Minimum	Midpoint	Maximum
Number of shares	\$157,250,000	\$185,000,000	\$212,750,000
Gross offering proceeds	1,572,500,000	1,850,000,000	2,127,500,000
Estimated offering expenses excluding selling agent commission and expenses	5,255,000	5,255,000	5,255,000
Estimated selling agent commissions and expenses(1)	52,581,375	61,863,750	71,146,125
Net proceeds	1,514,663,625	1,782,881,250	2,051,098,875
Net proceeds per share	9.63	9.64	9.64

(1) Includes: (i) fees payable by us to Sandler O’Neill & Partners, L.P. in connection with the subscription and community offerings equal to 0.75% of the aggregate amount of common stock sold in the subscription and community offerings (net of insider purchases and shares purchased by our employee stock ownership plan, and (ii) a management fee payable by us of 1.00% of the aggregate dollar amount of the common stock sold in the syndicated community offering, 75% of which will be paid to Sandler O’Neill & Partners, L.P. and 25% of which will be paid to Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., and a selling concession payable by us of 3.50% of the actual purchase price of each security sold in the syndicated community offering, which will be allocated to dealers (including Sandler O’Neill & Partners, L.P. and Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc.) in accordance with the actual number of shares of common stock sold by such dealers, assuming that 30% of the offering is sold in the subscription and community offerings and the remaining 70% of the offering will be sold in the syndicated community offering. See “Pro Forma Data” on page [] and “The Conversion and Offering – Marketing Arrangements” on page [].

This investment involves a degree of risk, including the possible loss of principal.

Please read “Risk Factors” beginning on page [].

These securities are not deposits or savings accounts and are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. None of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Office of Thrift Supervision, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or any state securities regulator has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is accurate or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

SANDLER O’NEILL + PARTNERS, L.P.

For assistance, please contact the Stock Information Center at 1 (800) [] - [].

The date of this prospectus is [], 2010

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SUMMARY

The following summary explains the material aspects of the conversion, the offering and the exchange of existing shares of CFF common stock for shares of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. common stock. It may not contain all of the information that is important to you. Before making an investment decision you should read the remainder of this prospectus carefully, including the consolidated financial statements, the notes to the consolidated financial statements and the section entitled "Risk Factors."

The Companies

Capitol Federal Financial, Inc.

Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. is a newly formed Maryland corporation that was incorporated in April 2010 to be the successor corporation to CFF upon completion of the conversion. Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. will own all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Capitol Federal Savings Bank upon completion of the conversion. Capitol Federal Financial, Inc.'s executive offices are located at 700 South Kansas Avenue, Topeka, Kansas 66603. Our telephone number at this address is (785) 235-1341.

Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC

Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC is the federally chartered mutual holding company of CFF. Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC's principal business activity is the ownership of 52,192,817 shares of common stock of CFF, or 70% of the issued and outstanding shares as of the date of this prospectus. After the completion of the conversion, Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC will cease to exist.

CFF

CFF is a federally chartered stock holding company that owns all of the outstanding common stock of Capitol Federal Savings Bank. At December 31, 2009, CFF had consolidated assets of \$8.37 billion, deposits of \$4.23 billion and stockholders' equity of \$942.0 million. After the completion of the conversion, CFF will cease to exist, and will be succeeded by Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. As of the date of this prospectus, CFF had 73,217,021 shares of common stock issued and outstanding, of which 52,192,817 shares were owned by Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC. The remaining 21,024,204 shares of CFF common stock outstanding as of the date of this prospectus were held by the public.

Capitol Federal Savings Bank

Capitol Federal Savings Bank is a federally chartered stock savings bank headquartered in Topeka, Kansas and the wholly owned subsidiary of CFF. Capitol Federal Savings Bank was originally founded in 1893 as a mutual savings institution. In 1999, Capitol Federal Savings Bank converted to stock form and became the wholly owned subsidiary of CFF as part of a mutual holding company reorganization and stock issuance. Capitol Federal Savings Bank provides a full range of retail banking services through its 35 traditional and 10 in-store banking offices serving primarily the metropolitan areas of Topeka, Wichita, Lawrence, Manhattan, Emporia and Salina, Kansas and a portion of the metropolitan area of greater Kansas City.

Our Business Strategy

Our strategy is to operate a retail-oriented financial institution dedicated to serving the needs of customers in our market areas. Our commitment is to provide qualified borrowers the broadest possible access to home ownership

through our mortgage lending programs and to offer a complete set of personal banking products and services. We strive to enhance stockholder value while maintaining a strong capital position. To achieve our strategy, we focus on the following:

Portfolio Lending. We are one of the largest originators of one- to four-family loans in the state of Kansas. We have primarily originated these loans for our own portfolio, rather than for sale, and generally we service the loans we originate. We provide retail customers with alternatives for their borrowing needs by offering both fixed- and adjustable-rate products with various terms to maturity and pricing alternatives. We offer special programs to individuals who may be first time home buyers, have low or moderate incomes or may have certain credit risk concerns in order to maximize our ability to deliver home ownership opportunities. Through our marketing efforts which reflect our reputation and pricing and strong relationships with real estate agents, we attract mortgage loan business from walk-in customers, customers that apply online and existing customers. We also purchase one- to four-family loans from correspondent lenders secured by property primarily located within our market areas and select market areas in Missouri and from nationwide lenders. Following completion of this offering, we intend to increase our emphasis on purchased loans that meet our underwriting standards.

Retail Financial Services. We offer a wide array of deposit products and retail services for our customers. These products include checking, savings, money market, certificates of deposit and retirement accounts. These products and services are provided through a branch network of 45 locations which includes traditional branch and retail store locations, our call center which operates on extended hours, telephone bill payment services and Internet-based transaction services.

Cost Control. We generally are very effective at controlling our costs of operations. By using technology, we are able to centralize our lending and deposit support functions for efficient processing. We have located our branches to serve a broad range of customers through relatively few branch locations. Our average deposit base per traditional branch was \$115.7 million at December 31, 2009. This large average deposit base helps to control costs. Our one- to four-family lending strategy and our effective management of credit risk allows us to service a large portfolio of loans at efficient levels because it costs less to service a portfolio of performing loans. At December 31, 2009, our efficiency ratio was 39.23%.

Asset Quality. We utilize underwriting standards for our lending products that are designed to limit our exposure to credit risk, and we have a portfolio of predominately one- to four-family loans. At December 31, 2009, our ratio of non-performing assets to total assets was 0.47%.

Capital Position. Our policy has always been to protect the safety and soundness of Capitol Federal Savings Bank through conservative credit and operational risk management, balance sheet strength and sound operations. The end result of these activities is a capital ratio in excess of the well-capitalized standards set by the Office of Thrift Supervision. We believe that maintaining a strong capital position safeguards the long-term interests of Capitol Federal Savings Bank, CFF and our stockholders.

Stockholder Value. We strive to enhance stockholder value while maintaining a strong capital position. One way that we continue to provide returns to stockholders is through our dividend payments. Total dividends declared and paid during fiscal year 2009 were \$2.11 per public share. Our cash dividend payout policy is reviewed quarterly by management and the board of directors, and the ability to pay dividends under the policy depends upon a number of factors, including CFF's financial condition and results of operations, Capitol Federal Savings Bank's regulatory capital requirements, regulatory limitations on Capitol Federal Savings Bank's ability to make capital distributions to CFF and the amount of cash at CFF. It is management's and the board of directors' intention to continue to pay regular quarterly dividends upon completion of the conversion, to the extent justified by earnings and the capital needs of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. See "Our Policy Regarding Dividends."

Interest Rate Risk Management. Changes in interest rates are our primary market risk as our balance sheet is almost entirely comprised of interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. As such, fluctuations in interest rates have a significant impact not only upon our net income but also upon the cash flows related to those assets and liabilities

and the market value of our assets and liabilities. In order to maintain acceptable levels of net interest income in varying interest rate environments, we take on a moderate amount of interest rate risk consistent with board policies.

Our Current Organizational Structure

In 1999, CFF became the mid-tier stock holding company of Capitol Federal Savings Bank, owning 100% of its stock, and conducted an initial public offering by selling a minority of its common stock to the public. The majority of the outstanding shares of common stock of CFF are owned by Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC, which is a federally chartered mutual holding company with no stockholders.

Pursuant to the terms of the Plan of conversion and reorganization of Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC, which is referred to throughout this prospectus as the plan of conversion and reorganization, Capitol Federal Savings Bank will convert from the mutual holding company to the stock holding company corporate structure. As part of the conversion, we are offering for sale in a subscription offering, a community offering and possibly a syndicated community offering, the majority ownership interest of CFF that is currently owned by Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC. In addition, we intend to make a cash contribution to our existing charitable foundation. Upon completion of the conversion, Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC will cease to exist, and we will complete the transition from partial to full public stock ownership. In addition, as part of the conversion, existing public stockholders of CFF will receive shares of common stock of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. in exchange for their shares of CFF common stock pursuant to an exchange ratio that maintains their same percentage ownership in CFF (excluding any new shares purchased by them in the offering, and their receipt of cash in lieu of fractional exchange shares) that existing stockholders had in CFF immediately prior to the completion of the conversion and offering.

The following diagram shows our current organizational structure:

Our Organizational Structure Following the Conversion

After the conversion and offering are completed, we will be organized as a fully public stock holding company, as follows:

Reasons for the Conversion and the Offering

Our primary reasons for converting and raising additional capital through the offering are:

to eliminate some of the uncertainties associated with proposed financial regulatory reforms which may result in changes to our primary bank regulator and holding company regulator as well as changes in regulations applicable to us, including, but not limited to, capital requirements, payment of dividends and conversion to full stock form;

the stock holding company structure is a more familiar form of organization, which we believe will make our common stock more appealing to investors, and will give us greater flexibility to access the capital markets through possible future equity and debt offerings, although we have no current plans, agreements or understandings regarding any additional securities offerings;

to improve the liquidity of our shares of common stock and provide more flexible capital management strategies; and

to finance, where opportunities are presented, the acquisition of financial institutions or their branches or other financial service companies primarily in, or adjacent to, our market areas, although we do not currently have any understandings or agreements regarding any specific acquisition transaction.

Terms of the Offering

We are offering between 157,250,000 and 212,750,000 shares of common stock to eligible depositors and borrowers of Capitol Federal Savings Bank, to our tax-qualified employee benefit plan, consisting of our employee stock ownership plan, and, to the extent shares remain available, to natural persons residing in the counties and metropolitan statistical areas in which we have offices, to our existing public stockholders and to the general public. Unless the number of shares of common stock to be offered is increased to more than 212,750,000 shares or decreased to fewer than 157,250,000 shares, or the offering is extended beyond [], 2010, purchasers will not have the opportunity to modify or cancel their stock orders once submitted. If the number of shares of common stock to be sold is increased to more than 212,750,000 shares or decreased to fewer than 157,250,000 shares, or if the offering is extended beyond [], 2010, purchasers will have the opportunity to maintain, cancel or change their orders for shares of common stock during a designated resolicitation period or have their funds returned promptly with interest. If, in that event, you do not provide us with written indication of your intent, your stock order will be canceled, your funds will be returned to you with interest calculated at Capitol Federal Savings Bank's statement savings rate and any deposit account withdrawal authorizations will be canceled.

The purchase price of each share of common stock to be offered for sale in the offering is \$10.00. All investors will pay the same purchase price per share. Investors will not be charged a commission to purchase shares of common stock in the offering. Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P., our marketing agent in the offering, will use its best efforts to assist us in selling shares of our common stock. Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. is not obligated to purchase any shares of common stock in the offering.

We are also offering for sale to the general public in a syndicated offering through a syndicate of selected dealers shares of our common stock not purchased in the subscription offering or the community offering. We may begin the syndicated community offering at any time following the commencement of the subscription offering. Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. is acting as sole book-running manager and Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. is acting as co-manager for the syndicated community offering, which is also being conducted on a best efforts basis. Neither Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P., Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. nor any other member of the syndicate is required to purchase any shares in the syndicated community offering.

How We Determined the Offering Range, the Exchange Ratio and the \$10.00 Per Share Stock Price

The offering range and exchange ratio are based on an independent appraisal of the estimated market value of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc., assuming the conversion, the exchange and the offering are completed and the charitable foundation is funded with a cash contribution. RP Financial, LC., an appraisal firm experienced in appraisals of financial institutions, has estimated that, as of April 16, 2010, this estimated pro forma market value was \$2.62 billion. Based on regulation, the market value is the midpoint of a range with a minimum of \$2.23 billion and a maximum of \$3.02 billion. Based on this valuation, the regulatory established range, the 70% ownership interest of Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC being sold in the offering and the \$10.00 per share price, the number of shares of common stock being offered for sale by Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. will range from 157,250,000 shares to 212,750,000 shares. The \$10.00 per share price was selected primarily because it is the price most commonly used in mutual-to-stock conversions of financial institutions. The exchange ratio will range from 3.0129 shares at the minimum of the offering range to 4.0762 shares at the maximum of the offering range in order to approximately preserve the existing percentage ownership of public stockholders of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. (excluding any new shares purchased by them in the offering and their receipt of cash in lieu of fractional exchange shares).

The independent appraisal is based primarily on CFF's financial condition and results of operations, the pro forma impact of the additional capital raised by the sale of shares of common stock in the offering, and an analysis of a peer group of 10 publicly traded savings bank and thrift holding companies that RP Financial, LC. considered comparable to Capitol Federal Financial, Inc.

The appraisal peer group consists of the following companies. Total assets are as of December 31, 2009.

Company Name and Ticker Symbol	Exchange	Headquarters	Total Assets (in millions)
Washington Federal, Inc. (WFSL)	NASDAQ	Seattle, WA	\$ 12,662
NewAlliance Bancshares (NAL)	NYSE	New Haven, CT	\$ 8,434
Flushing Financial Corp. (FFIC)	NASDAQ	Lake Success, NY	\$ 4,143
Dime Community Bancshares (DCOM)	NASDAQ	Brooklyn, NY	\$ 3,952
TrustCo Bank Corp NY (TRST)	NASDAQ	Glenville, NY	\$ 3,680
Bank Mutual Corp. (BKMU)	NASDAQ	Milwaukee, WI	\$ 3,512
First Financial Holding Inc. (FFCH)	NASDAQ	Charleston, SC	\$ 3,476
Provident NY Bancorp, Inc. (PBNY)	NASDAQ	Montebello, NY	\$ 2,918
Brookline Bancorp, Inc. (BRKL)	NASDAQ	Brookline, MA	\$ 2,616
Danvers Bancorp, Inc. (DNBK)	NASDAQ	Danvers, MA	\$ 2,500

The independent appraisal does not indicate actual market value. Do not assume or expect that the estimated pro forma market value as indicated above means that, after the offering, the shares of our common stock will trade at or above the \$10.00 purchase price.

The following table presents a summary of selected pricing ratios for the peer group companies and Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. (on a pro forma basis). The pricing ratios are based on earnings and other information as of and for the twelve months ended December 31, 2009, stock price information as of April 16, 2010, as reflected in RP Financial, LC.'s appraisal report, dated April 16, 2010, and the number of shares outstanding as described in "Pro Forma Data." Compared to the average pricing of the peer group, our pro forma pricing ratios at the maximum of the offering range indicated a discount of 25.8% on a price-to-tangible book value basis and a premium of 51.0% on a price-to-core earnings basis.

	Price-to-core- earnings multiple(1)		Price-to-tangible book value ratio	
Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. (on a pro forma basis, assuming completion of the conversion)				
Minimum	28.24	x	95.42	%
Midpoint	32.25	x	101.32	%
Maximum	36.02	x	106.16	%
Valuation of peer group companies, as of April 16, 2010				
Average	23.86	x	143.10	%
Median	23.80	x	146.60	%

(1) Information is derived from the RP Financial, LC. appraisal report and is based upon estimated core earnings for the twelve months ended December 31, 2009. These ratios are different from the ratios in "Pro Forma Data."

Our Board of Directors, in reviewing and approving the independent appraisal, considered the range of price-to-core earnings multiples and the range of price-to-tangible book value ratios at the different ranges of shares of common stock to be sold in the offering, and did not consider one valuation approach to be more important than the other. Instead, in approving the independent appraisal, the Board of Directors concluded that these ranges represented

the appropriate balance of these approaches to establishing our estimated valuation range, and the number of shares of common stock to be sold, in comparison to the peer group institutions. The estimated appraised value and the resulting discounts and premiums took into consideration the potential financial impact of the offering, the contribution to the charitable foundation and the repayment of trust preferred securities.

The independent appraisal also reflects the cash contribution to the Capitol Federal Foundation. The cash contribution to the charitable foundation will reduce our estimated pro forma market value. See “Comparison of Valuation and Pro Forma Data With and Without the Charitable Foundation.”

RP Financial, LC. will update the independent appraisal prior to the completion of the conversion. If the estimated appraised value changes to either below \$2.23 billion or above \$3.02 billion, then, after consulting with the Office of Thrift Supervision, we may: set a new offering range and resolicit persons who submitted stock orders; terminate the offering and promptly return all funds; or take such other actions as may be permitted by the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Securities and Exchange Commission. See “The Conversion and Offering - Stock Pricing and Number of Shares to be Issued.”

The Exchange of Existing Shares of CFF Common Stock

At the conclusion of the conversion, shares held by existing stockholders of CFF will be canceled and exchanged for shares of common stock of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. The number of shares of common stock received will be based on an exchange ratio determined as of the conclusion of the conversion, which will depend upon the number of shares sold in the offering. The number of shares received will not be based on the market price of our currently outstanding shares. Instead, the exchange ratio will ensure that existing public stockholders of CFF will retain the same percentage ownership of our organization after the offering, exclusive of their purchase of any additional shares of common stock in the offering and their receipt of cash in lieu of fractional exchange shares. In addition, if options to purchase shares of CFF common stock are exercised before consummation of the conversion, there will be an increase in the percentage of shares of CFF held by public stockholders, an increase in the number of shares of common stock issued to public stockholders in the share exchange and a decrease in the exchange ratio.

The following table shows how the exchange ratio will adjust, based on the number of shares of common stock issued in the offering and the shares of common stock issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2009. The table also shows the number of whole shares of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. common stock a hypothetical owner of CFF common stock would receive in exchange for 100 shares of CFF common stock owned at the completion of the conversion, depending on the number of shares of common stock sold in the offering.

	New Shares to be Sold in This Offering		New Shares to be Exchanged for Existing Shares of CFF		Total Shares of Common Stock to be Outstanding After the Offering	Exchange Ratio	New Shares That Would be Received for 100 Existing Shares
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent			
	Minimum	157,250,000	70.5 %	65,773,170			
Midpoint	185,000,000	70.5 %	77,380,200	29.5 %	262,380,200	3.5445	354
Maximum	212,750,000	70.5 %	88,987,230	29.5 %	301,737,230	4.0762	407

No fractional shares of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. common stock will be issued to any public stockholder of CFF. For each fractional share that would otherwise be issued, Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. will pay in cash an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying the fractional share interest to which the holder would otherwise be entitled by the \$10.00 per share purchase price of the common stock in the offering.

Outstanding options to purchase shares of CFF common stock also will convert into and become options to purchase shares of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. common stock. The number of shares of common stock to be received upon exercise of these options will be determined pursuant to the exchange ratio. The aggregate exercise price, duration and vesting schedule of these options will not be affected by the conversion. At December 31, 2009, there were

382,022 outstanding options to purchase shares of CFF common stock, 278,022 of which have vested. Such options will be converted into options to purchase 1,150,994 shares of common stock at the minimum of the offering range and 1,557,198 shares of common stock at the maximum of the offering range. Because Office of Thrift Supervision regulations prohibit us from repurchasing our common stock during the first year following the conversion unless compelling business reasons exist, we may use authorized but unissued shares to fund option exercises that occur during the first year following the conversion. If all existing options were exercised for authorized but unissued shares of common stock following the conversion, stockholders would experience dilution of approximately 0.51% at the minimum and maximum of the offering range.

How We Intend to Use the Proceeds From the Offering

Assuming we sell 212,750,000 shares of common stock in the stock offering, equal to the maximum of the offering range, and we have net proceeds of \$2.05 billion, we intend to distribute the net proceeds as follows:

\$1.03 billion (50.0% of the net proceeds) will be invested in Capitol Federal Savings Bank;

\$85.1 million (4.1% of the net proceeds) will be loaned by Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. to the employee stock ownership plan to fund its purchase of our shares of common stock;

\$40.0 million (2.0% of the net proceeds) will be contributed by Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. to the Capitol Federal Foundation;

\$53.6 million (2.6% of the net proceeds) will be used by Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. to repay outstanding trust preferred securities; and

\$846.8 million (41.3% of the net proceeds) will be retained by Capitol Federal Financial, Inc.

We may use the funds that we retain for investments, to pay cash dividends, to repurchase shares of common stock and for other general corporate purposes. Capitol Federal Savings Bank may use the proceeds it receives to support increased lending and other products and services. The net proceeds retained also may be used for future business expansion through acquisitions of banks, thrifts and other financial services companies, and opening or acquiring branch offices. We have no current arrangements or agreements with respect to any such acquisitions. Initially, a substantial portion of the net proceeds will be invested in short-term investments and mortgage-backed securities consistent with our investment policy.

Please see “How We Intend to Use the Proceeds from the Offering” for more information on the proposed use of the proceeds from the offering.

Our Dividend Policy

As of December 31, 2009, CFF paid a quarterly cash dividend of \$.50 per share, which equals \$2.00 per share on an annualized basis. In addition, we generally declare and pay a year end cash dividend if we have sufficient earnings as determined by our board of directors. After the conversion, we intend to continue to pay cash dividends on a quarterly basis, although at a reduced level, the amount of which will be determined following completion of the conversion. The dividend rate and the continued payment of dividends also will depend on a number of factors, including our capital requirements, our financial condition and results of operations, tax considerations, statutory and regulatory limitations, and general economic conditions. No assurance can be given that we will continue to pay dividends or that they will not be reduced or eliminated in the future.

See “Selected Consolidated Financial and Other Data of CFF and Subsidiary” and “Market for the Common Stock” for information regarding our historical dividend payments.

Purchases and Ownership by our Executive Officers and Directors

We expect our directors, executive officers and their associates to purchase approximately 205,000 shares of common stock in the offering. The purchase price paid by them will be the same \$10.00 per share price paid by all other persons who purchase shares of common stock in the offering. After the conversion, as a result of purchases in the offering and the shares they will receive in exchange for shares of CFF common stock that they currently own, our

directors and executive officers, together with their associates, are expected to beneficially own approximately 5,904,179 and 7,899,629 shares of common stock, or 2.65% and 2.62% of our total outstanding shares of common stock, at the minimum and the maximum of the offering range, respectively.

Benefits to Management and Potential Dilution to Stockholders Resulting from the Conversion

Employee Stock Ownership Plan. Our tax-qualified employee stock ownership plan expects to purchase up to 4.0% of the shares of common stock we sell in the offering, or 8,510,000 shares of common stock assuming we sell the maximum number of shares proposed to be sold. When these shares are combined with the existing shares owned by the employee stock ownership plan, the plan will own approximately 6.25% of the shares outstanding following the conversion. If we receive orders for more shares of common stock than the maximum of the offering range, the employee stock ownership plan will have first priority to purchase shares over this maximum, up to a total of 10% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering. We reserve the right to purchase shares of common stock in the open market following the offering in order to fund all or a portion of the employee stock ownership plan. Assuming the employee stock ownership plan purchases 8,510,000 shares in the offering, 4.0% of the maximum of the offering range, we will recognize additional compensation expense, after tax, of approximately \$1.8 million annually over a 30-year period, assuming the loan to the employee stock ownership plan has a 30-year term and an interest rate equal to the prime rate as published in *The Wall Street Journal*, and the shares of common stock have a fair market value of \$10.00 per share for the full 30-year period. If, in the future, the shares of common stock have a fair market value greater or less than \$10.00, the compensation expense will increase or decrease accordingly. We also reserve the right to have the employee stock ownership plan purchase more than 4.0% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering if necessary to complete the offering at the minimum of the offering range.

Stock-Based Incentive Plan. We also intend to implement a new stock-based incentive plan no earlier than six months after completion of the conversion. Stockholder approval of this plan will be required. The stock-based incentive plan may reserve a number of shares up to 2.0% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering, or up to 4,255,000 shares of common stock at the maximum of the offering range for awards of restricted stock to key employees and directors, at no cost to the recipients, subject to adjustment as may be required by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations or policy to reflect restricted stock awards previously made by CFF. If the shares of common stock awarded under the stock-based incentive plan come from authorized but unissued shares of common stock, stockholders would experience dilution of up to approximately 1.39% in their ownership interest in Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. The stock-based incentive plan may also reserve a number of shares equal to up to 5.0% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering, or up to 10,637,500 shares of common stock at the maximum of the offering range, for issuance pursuant to grants of stock options to key employees and directors, subject to adjustment as may be required by Office of Thrift Supervision regulations or policy to reflect stock options previously granted by CFF. If the shares of common stock issued upon the exercise of options come from authorized but unissued shares of common stock, stockholders would experience dilution of up to 3.41% in their ownership interest in Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. Restricted stock awards and stock option grants made pursuant to a plan implemented within twelve months following the completion of the conversion and the offering would be subject to Office of Thrift Supervision regulations, including a requirement that stock awards and stock options vest over a period of not less than five years. If the stock-based incentive plan is adopted more than one year after the completion of the conversion, awards of restricted stock or grants of stock options under the plan would not be subject to regulatory vesting requirements. For a description of our current stock-based incentive plans, see “Management - Compensation Discussion and Analysis” and “Note 10 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.”

The following table summarizes the number of shares of common stock and the aggregate dollar value of grants that are expected under the new stock-based incentive plan as a result of the conversion. The table also shows the dilution to stockholders if all such shares are issued from authorized but unissued shares, instead of shares purchased in the open market. A portion of the stock grants shown in the table below may be made to non-management employees.

	Number of Shares to be Granted or Purchased(1)		As a Percentage of Common Stock to be Sold in the Offering (Dollars in thousands)	Dilution Resulting From Issuance of Shares for Stock- Based Incentive Plans(3)	Value of Grants(2)	
	At Minimum of Offering Range	At Maximum of Offering Range			At Minimum of Offering Range	At Maximum of Offering Range
Employee stock ownership plan	6,290,000	8,510,000	4.00 %	0.00 %	\$ 62,900	\$ 85,100
Restricted stock awards	3,145,000	4,255,000	2.00	1.39	31,450	42,550
Stock options	7,862,500	10,637,500	5.00	3.41	26,968	36,487
Total	17,297,500	23,402,500	11.00 %	4.80 %	\$ 121,318	\$ 164,137

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- (1) The table assumes that the stock-based incentive plan awards a number of options and restricted stock equal to 5.0% and 2.0% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering, respectively.
- (2) The actual value of restricted stock awards will be determined based on their fair value as of the date grants are made. For purposes of this table, fair value for stock awards is assumed to be the same as the offering price of \$10.00 per share. The fair value of stock options has been estimated at \$3.43 per option using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions: a grant-date share price and option exercise price of \$10.00; an expected option life of 10 years; a dividend yield of 3.0%; an interest rate of 3.85%; and a volatility rate of 36.45%. The actual value of option grants will be determined by the grant-date fair value of the options, which will depend on a number of factors, including the valuation assumptions used in the option pricing model ultimately adopted.
- (3) Represents the dilution of stock ownership interest. No dilution is reflected for the employee stock ownership plan because these shares are assumed to be purchased in the offering.

We may fund our plans through open market purchases, as opposed to new issuances of common stock; however, if any options previously granted under our existing equity incentive plan are exercised during the first year following completion of the offering, they will be funded with newly issued shares since Office of Thrift Supervision regulations do not permit us to repurchase our shares during the first year following the completion of this offering except to fund the grants of restricted stock under the stock-based incentive plan or, with prior regulatory approval, under extraordinary circumstances. The Office of Thrift Supervision has previously advised that the exercise of outstanding options and cancellation of treasury shares in the conversion will not constitute an extraordinary circumstance or a compelling business purpose for satisfying this test.

The following table presents information as of December 31, 2009 regarding our existing employee stock ownership plan, our existing equity incentive plan, our proposed employee stock ownership plan purchases and our proposed stock-based incentive plan. The table below assumes that shares are outstanding after the offering, which includes the sale of 212,750,000 shares in the offering at the maximum of the offering range, and the issuance of shares in exchange for shares of CFF using an exchange ratio of 4.0762. It also assumes that the value of the stock is \$10.00 per share.

Existing and New Stock-Based Incentive Plans	Participants	Shares	Estimated Value of Shares	Percentage of Shares Outstanding After the Conversion
Existing employee stock ownership plan(1)	Employees	10,351,424	\$ 103,514,243	3.43%
New employee stock ownership plan	Employees	8,510,000	85,100,000	2.82
Total employee stock ownership plan	Employees	18,861,424	188,614,243	6.25
Existing shares of restricted stock(2)	Directors, Officers and Employees	666,406	6,664,057	0.22
New shares of restricted stock	Directors, Officers and Employees	4,255,000	42,550,000(3)	1.41
Total shares of restricted stock	Directors, Officers and Employees	4,921,406	49,214,057	1.63
Existing stock options(4)	Directors, Officers and Employees	5,274,256	18,090,699	1.75
New stock options	Directors, Officers and Employees	10,637,500	36,486,625(5)	3.53
Total stock options	Directors, Officers and Employees	15,911,756	54,577,324	5.27
Total of stock-based incentive plans		39,694,586	\$ 292,405,624	13.155%

(1) As of December 31, 2009, CFF's existing employee stock ownership plan held 2,539,479 shares, 1,732,923 shares of which have been allocated.

(2) Represents shares of restricted stock authorized for grant under our existing equity incentive plan.

(3) The actual value of restricted stock awards will be determined based on their fair value as of the date grants are made. For purposes of this table, fair value is assumed to be the same as the offering price of \$10.00 per share.

(4) Represents shares authorized for grant under our existing equity incentive plan.

(5) The fair value of stock options to be granted under the new stock-based incentive plan has been estimated based on an index of publicly traded thrift institutions at \$3.43 per option using the Black-Scholes option pricing model with the following assumptions; exercise price, \$10.00; trading price on date of grant, \$10.00; dividend yield, 3.0%; expected life, 10 years; expected volatility, 36.45%; and interest rate, 3.85%.

The value of the restricted shares awarded under the stock-based incentive plan will be based on the market value of our common stock at the time the shares are awarded. The stock-based incentive plan is subject to stockholder approval, and cannot be implemented until at least six months after completion of the offering. The following table presents the total value of all restricted stock that would be available for award and issuance under the new stock-based incentive plan, assuming the market price of our common stock ranges from \$8.00 per share to \$14.00 per share.

		Value of Grants		
3,145,000 Shares				
Awarded at		3,700,000 Shares	4,255,000 Shares	
Minimum of		Awarded at Midpoint of	Awarded at Maximum of	
Share				
Price	Range	Range		Range
\$8.00	\$25,160,000	\$ 29,600,000		\$ 34,040,000
10.00	31,450,000	37,000,000		42,550,000
12.00	37,740,000	44,400,000		51,060,000
14.00	44,030,000	51,800,000		59,570,000

The grant-date fair value of the options granted under the new stock-based incentive plan will be based in part on the price of shares of common stock of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. at the time the options are granted. The value will also depend on the various assumptions used in the option pricing model ultimately adopted. The following table presents the total estimated value of the options to be available for grant under the stock-based incentive plan, assuming the market price and exercise price for the stock options are equal and the range of market prices for the shares is \$8.00 per share to \$14.00 per share.

Exercise Price	Option Value	Value of Grants		
		Options at Minimum or Range	Options at Midpoint of Range	Options at Maximum of Range
\$ 8.00	\$ 2.74	7,862,500	9,250,000	10,637,500
10.00	3.43	21,543,250	25,345,000	29,146,750
12.00	4.12	26,968,375	31,727,500	36,486,625
14.00	4.80	32,393,500	37,110,000	43,826,500
		37,740,000	44,400,000	51,060,000

The tables presented above are provided for informational purposes only. Our shares of common stock may trade below \$10.00 per share. Before you make an investment decision, we urge you to read this entire prospectus carefully, including, but not limited to, the section entitled “Risk Factors” beginning on page [].

Limits on How Much Common Stock You May Purchase

The minimum number of shares of common stock that may be purchased in the offering is 25.

The maximum number of shares of common stock that may be purchased by a person or persons exercising subscription rights through a single qualifying deposit account held jointly is 7,500,000 shares. If any of the following persons purchase shares of common stock, their purchases, in all categories of the offering combined, when aggregated with your purchases, cannot exceed 7,500,000 shares (\$75.0 million) of common stock:

your spouse or relatives of you or your spouse living in your house;

companies, trusts or other entities in which you are a trustee, have a controlling beneficial interest or hold a senior position; or

other persons who may be your associates or persons acting in concert with you.

In addition to the above purchase limitations, there is an ownership limitation for stockholders other than our employee stock ownership plan. Shares of common stock that you purchase in the offering individually and together with persons described above, plus any shares you and they receive in exchange for existing shares of CFF common stock, may not exceed 5% of the total shares of common stock to be issued and outstanding after the completion of the conversion and offering.

Subject to Office of Thrift Supervision approval, we may increase or decrease the purchase and ownership limitations at any time. In the event that the maximum purchase limitation is increased to 5% of the shares sold in the offering, this limitation may be further increased to 9.99%, provided that orders for Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. common stock exceeding 5% of the shares sold in the offering shall not exceed in the aggregate 10% of the total shares sold in the offering.

See the detailed description of purchase limitations and definitions of acting in concert and associate in “The Conversion and Offering — Additional Limitations on Common Stock Purchases.”

Steps We May Take if We Do Not Receive Orders for the Minimum Number of Shares

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If we do not receive orders for at least 157,250,000 shares of common stock in the subscription, community and/or syndicated community offering, we may take several steps in order to issue the minimum number of shares of common stock in the offering range. Specifically, we may:

increase the purchase and ownership limitations; and/or

seek regulatory approval to extend the offering beyond [], 2010, provided that any such extension will require us to resolicit subscriptions received in the subscription and community offerings.

Alternatively, we may terminate the offering, return funds with interest and cancel deposit account withdrawal authorizations.

Conditions to Completion of the Conversion

The Office of Thrift Supervision has conditionally approved the plan of conversion and reorganization; however, this approval does not constitute a recommendation or endorsement of the plan of conversion and reorganization by that agency.

We cannot complete the conversion unless:

The plan of conversion and reorganization is approved by at least a majority of votes eligible to be cast by members of Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC (depositors of Capitol Federal Savings Bank as of [], 2010 and borrowers of Capitol Federal Savings Bank as of January 6, 1993 and the voting record date);

The plan of conversion and reorganization is approved by a vote of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares of common stock of CFF as of [], 2010, including shares held by Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC. (Because Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC owns 70% of the outstanding shares of CFF common stock, we expect that Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC and our directors and executive officers effectively will control the outcome of this vote);

The plan of conversion and reorganization is approved by a vote of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of common stock of CFF as of [], 2010, excluding those shares held by Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC;

We sell at least the minimum number of shares of common stock offered; and

We receive the final approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision to complete the conversion; however, this approval does not constitute a recommendation or endorsement of the plan of conversion and reorganization by that agency.

Subject to member, stockholder and regulatory approvals, we also intend to contribute cash to our existing charitable foundation, the Capitol Federal Foundation, in connection with the conversion. However, member and stockholder approval of the funding of the charitable foundation is not a condition to the completion of the conversion and offering.

Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC intends to vote its ownership interest in favor of the plan of conversion and reorganization and of funding the charitable foundation. At December 31, 2009, Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC owned 70% of the outstanding shares of common stock of CFF. The directors and executive officers of CFF and their affiliates owned 1,898,104 shares of CFF, or 2.5% of the outstanding shares of common stock as of December 31, 2009. They have indicated their intention to vote those shares in favor of the plan of conversion and reorganization and the funding of the charitable foundation.

Market for the Common Stock

Shares of CFF common stock currently trade on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol CFFN. Upon completion of the conversion, the shares of common stock of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. will replace CFF's existing shares. We expect that Capitol Federal Financial, Inc.'s shares of common stock will trade on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the trading symbol CFFND for a period of 20 trading days following the completion of the offering. Thereafter, the trading symbol will revert to CFFN. In order to list our common stock on the Nasdaq

Global Select Market, we are required to have at least three broker-dealers who will make a market in our common stock. CFF currently has 21 registered market makers. Persons purchasing shares of common stock in the offering may not be able to sell their shares at or above the \$10.00 price per share.

Our Contribution of Cash to the Capitol Federal Foundation

To further our commitment to the communities we serve and may serve in the future, subject to our members' and stockholders' approval, we intend to contribute funds to the Capitol Federal Foundation as part of the conversion. Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. intends to contribute to the charitable foundation \$40.0 million in cash. As a result of the cash contribution, we expect to record an after-tax expense of approximately \$24.7 million during the quarter in which the conversion is completed.

Under the Internal Revenue Code, a corporate entity is generally permitted to deduct up to 10% of its taxable income (taxable income before the charitable contributions deduction) in any one year for charitable contributions. Any contribution in excess of the 10% limit may generally be deducted for federal income tax purposes over the five years following the year in which the charitable contribution was made. Accordingly, a charitable contribution by a corporate entity to a charitable foundation could, if necessary, be deducted for federal income tax purposes over a six-year period. Our overall charitable contribution deduction could be limited if our future taxable income is insufficient to allow for the full deduction within the 10% of taxable income limitation, which would result in an increase to income tax expense.

The Capitol Federal Foundation is governed by a board of trustees, which currently consists of John C. Dicus, the former Chairman of the Board of Capitol Federal Savings Bank and CFF, John B. Dicus, the Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Capitol Federal Savings Bank and CFF, and Rick C. Jackson, Executive Vice President and Chief Lending Officer of Capitol Federal Savings Bank and two individuals who are not affiliated with us. None of these individuals will receive compensation for their service as a trustee of the charitable foundation. In addition, some of our employees will serve as executive officers of the charitable foundation. None of these individuals will receive compensation for their service as an executive officer of the charitable foundation.

The Capitol Federal Foundation will continue to support charitable causes and community development activities in the communities in which we operate or may operate. During the three months ended December 31, 2009 and the years ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, the Capitol Federal Foundation made charitable contributions of \$1.6 million, \$3.8 million and \$3.7 million, respectively. The charitable foundation emphasizes grants and donations to four areas of focus: housing initiatives; education; United Way; and traditional community projects.

The contribution of cash to the charitable foundation has been approved by the board of directors of Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC, and must be approved by the members of Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC and the stockholders of CFF at their special meetings being held to consider and vote upon the plan of conversion and reorganization. If members or stockholders do not approve the contribution to the charitable foundation, we will proceed with the conversion without contributing to the foundation and subscribers for common stock will not be resolicited (unless required by the Office of Thrift Supervision). Without the contribution to the charitable foundation, RP Financial, LC. estimates that our pro forma valuation would be greater and, as a result, a greater number of shares of common stock would be issued in the offering.

RP Financial, LC. will update its appraisal of our estimated pro forma market value at the conclusion of the offering. The pro forma market value reflected in that updated appraisal will be based on the facts and circumstances existing at that time, including, among other things, market and economic conditions, as well as whether we will make the proposed contribution to the charitable foundation.

See "Risk Factors — The contribution to the charitable foundation will adversely affect net income," "Risk Factors — Our contribution to the charitable foundation may not be tax deductible, which could reduce our profits," "Comparison of Valuation and Pro Forma Data With and Without the Charitable Foundation" and "Capitol Federal Foundation."

Tax Consequences

As a general matter, the conversion will not be a taxable transaction for federal or state income tax purposes to Capitol Federal Savings Bank MHC, CFF, Capitol Federal Savings Bank, Capitol Federal Financial, Inc., persons eligible to subscribe in the subscription offering or existing stockholders of CFF. The position stated above with respect to no tax consequences arising from the issuance or receipt of subscription rights is based upon a reasoned opinion by counsel that subscription rights do not have any ascertainable value at the time of receipt and is supported by the opinion of RP Financial LC. to the effect that the subscription rights have no value at the time of receipt or exercise. See “The Conversion and Offering – Material Income Tax Consequences.” Existing stockholders of CFF who receive cash in lieu of fractional share interests in shares of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. common stock will recognize a gain or loss equal to the difference between the cash received and the tax basis of the fractional share.

Persons Who May Order Shares of Common Stock in the Offering

Subscription rights to purchase shares of common stock in the subscription offering have been granted in the following descending order of priority:

- (i) First, to depositors with accounts at Capitol Federal Savings Bank with aggregate balances of at least \$50.00 at the close of business on March 31, 2009.
- (ii) Second, to our tax-qualified employee benefit plans, including our employee stock ownership plan, which will receive nontransferable subscription rights to purchase in the aggregate up to 10% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering. We expect our employee stock ownership plan to purchase up to 4.0% of the shares of common stock sold in the offering.
- (iii) Third, to depositors with accounts at Capitol Federal Savings Bank with aggregate balances of at least \$50.00 at the close of business on [], 2010.
- (iv) Fourth, to depositors of Capitol Federal Savings Bank at the close of business on [], 2010 and borrowers of Capitol Federal Savings Bank as of January 6, 1993 and [], 2010.

Shares of common stock not purchased in the subscription offering will be offered for sale to the general public in a community offering, with a preference given first to natural persons residing in the counties and metropolitan statistical areas in which we have offices; and then to CFF public stockholders as of [], 2010. The community offering will begin concurrently with the subscription offering.

If we receive orders for more shares than we are offering, we may not be able to fully or partially fill your order. Shares will be allocated first to categories in the subscription offering in accordance with the plan of conversion and reorganization. A detailed description of share allocation procedures can be found in the section of this prospectus entitled “The Conversion and Offering.”

In addition, any shares of our common stock not purchased in the subscription offering or community offering are expected to be offered for sale to the general public in a syndicated community offering through a syndicate of selected dealers. We may begin the syndicated community offering at any time following the commencement of the subscription offering. Sandler O’Neill & Partners, L.P. will act as sole book-running manager and Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. is acting as co-manager for the syndicated community offering, which is also being conducted on a best efforts basis. The syndicated community offering will terminate no later than 45 days after the expiration of the subscription offering, unless extended by us with approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision. Neither Sandler O’Neill & Partners, L.P., Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc. nor any other member of the syndicate is required to purchase any

shares in the syndicated community offering. Alternatively, we may sell any remaining shares in an underwritten public offering, which would be conducted on a firm commitment basis. See “The Conversion and Offering — Syndicated Community Offering.”

How You May Purchase Shares of Common Stock

In the subscription and community offerings, you may pay for your shares only by:

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- (i) personal check, bank check or money order made payable directly to Capitol Federal Financial, Inc.; or
- (ii) authorizing us to withdraw funds from the Capitol Federal Savings Bank deposit accounts designated on the stock order form.

Capitol Federal Savings Bank is not permitted to lend funds to anyone for the purpose of purchasing shares of common stock in the offering. Additionally, you may not use a Capitol Federal Savings Bank line of credit check or any type of third party check or wire transfer to pay for shares of common stock. Please do not submit cash.

You may purchase shares of common stock in the offering by delivering a signed and completed original stock order form, together with full payment payable to Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. or authorization to withdraw funds from one or more of your Capitol Federal Savings Bank deposit accounts, provided that we receive the stock order form before 4:00 p.m., Central Time, on [], 2010, which is the end of the subscription and community offering period. Checks and money orders will be immediately deposited in a segregated account with Capitol Federal Savings Bank or another insured depository institution upon receipt. We will pay interest calculated at Capitol Federal Savings Bank's statement savings rate from the date funds are processed until completion of the conversion, at which time a subscriber will be issued a check for interest earned. On your stock order form, you may not authorize direct withdrawal from a Capitol Federal Savings Bank retirement account. If you wish to use funds in an individual or other retirement account to purchase shares of our common stock, please see "— Using Retirement Account Funds to Purchase Shares" below. You also may not designate on your stock order form a withdrawal from Capitol Federal Savings Bank accounts with check-writing privileges. Please provide a check instead.

Withdrawals from certificates of deposit to purchase shares of common stock in the offering may be made without incurring an early withdrawal penalty. If a withdrawal results in a certificate of deposit account with a balance less than the applicable minimum balance requirement, the certificate of deposit will be canceled at the time of withdrawal without penalty and the remaining balance will earn interest at the current statement savings rate subsequent to the withdrawal. All funds authorized for withdrawal from deposit accounts at Capitol Federal Savings Bank must be available in the accounts at the time the stock order is received. A hold will be placed on those funds when your stock order is received, making the designated funds unavailable to you during the offering period. Funds will not be withdrawn from an account until the completion of the conversion and offering and will earn interest within the account at the applicable deposit account rate until that time.

We are not required to accept copies or facsimiles of stock order forms. By signing the stock order form, you are acknowledging both the receipt of this prospectus and that the shares of common stock are not federally insured deposits or savings accounts or otherwise guaranteed by Capitol Federal Savings Bank, Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. or the federal or any state governments.

Submitting Your Order in the Subscription and Community Offerings

You may submit your stock order form by mail using the stock order reply envelope provided, by overnight courier to the indicated address on the stock order form, or by hand delivery to our Stock Information Center, which is located at [], Topeka, Kansas []. Stock order forms may not be delivered to Capitol Federal Savings Bank offices. Once submitted, your order is irrevocable unless the offering is terminated or extended beyond [], 2010, or the number of shares of common stock to be sold is increased to more than 212,750,000 shares or decreased to fewer than 157,250,000 shares.

Deadline for Orders of Common Stock in the Subscription or Community Offerings

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If you wish to purchase shares of common stock, a properly completed and signed original stock order form, together with full payment for the shares of common stock, must be received (not postmarked) by the Stock Information Center no later than 4:00 p.m., Central Time, on [], 2010.

Once submitted, your order is irrevocable unless the offering is terminated or extended or the number of shares to be issued increases to more than 212,750,000 or decreases to less than 157,250,000. We may extend the [], 2010 expiration date, without notice to you, until [], 2010. If the offering is extended beyond [], 2010 or if the offering range is increased or decreased, we will be required to resolicit purchasers before proceeding with the offering. In either of these cases, purchasers will have the right to maintain, change or cancel their orders. If, in the event of resolicitation, we do not receive a written response from a purchaser regarding any resolicitation, the purchaser's order will be canceled and all funds received will be returned promptly with interest, and deposit account withdrawal authorizations will be canceled. No extension may last longer than 90 days. All extensions, in the aggregate, may not last beyond [], 2012.

Although we will make reasonable attempts to provide this prospectus and offering materials to holders of subscription rights, the subscription offering and all subscription rights will expire at 4:00 p.m., Central Time, on [], 2010, whether or not we have been able to locate each person entitled to subscription rights.

Using Retirement Account Funds to Purchase Shares

Persons interested in purchasing common stock using funds currently in an individual retirement account (IRA) or any other retirement account, whether held through Capitol Federal Savings Bank or elsewhere, should contact our Stock Information Center for guidance. Please contact the Stock Information Center as soon as possible, preferably at least two weeks prior to the [], 2010 offering deadline, because processing such transactions takes additional time, and whether such funds can be used may depend on limitations imposed by the institution where the funds are currently held. Additionally, if such funds are not currently held in a self-directed retirement account, then before placing your stock order, you will need to establish an account with an independent trustee or custodian, such as a brokerage firm. The new trustee or custodian will hold the shares of common stock in a self-directed account in the same manner as we now hold retirement account funds. An annual administrative fee may be payable to the new trustee or custodian. Assistance on how to transfer such retirement accounts can be obtained from the Stock Information Center.

If you wish to use some or all of your funds that are currently held in a Capitol Federal Savings Bank IRA or other retirement account, you may not designate on the stock order form that you wish funds to be withdrawn from the account(s) for the purchase of common stock. Before you place your stock order, the funds you wish to use must be transferred from those accounts to a self-directed retirement account at an independent trustee or custodian, as described above.

Delivery of Stock Certificates

Information regarding shares of common stock sold in the subscription and community offerings will be mailed by regular mail to the persons entitled thereto at the certificate registration address noted on the stock order form, as soon as practicable following completion of the conversion and offering. It is possible that, until this information is delivered, purchasers may not be able to sell the shares of common stock that they ordered, even though the common stock will have begun trading. All shares of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. common stock being sold will be in book entry form and paper stock certificates will not be issued. If you are currently a stockholder of CFF, see "The Conversion and Offering — Exchange of Existing Stockholders' Stock Certificates."

You May Not Sell or Transfer Your Subscription Rights

Office of Thrift Supervision regulations prohibit you from transferring your subscription rights. If you order shares of common stock in the subscription offering, you will be required to state that you are purchasing the common stock for yourself and that you have no agreement or understanding to sell or transfer your subscription rights. We intend to take legal action, including reporting persons to federal agencies, against anyone who we believe has sold or

transferred his or her subscription rights. We will not accept your order if we have reason to believe that you have sold or transferred your subscription rights. When registering your stock purchase on the stock order form, you must register the stock in the same name as appearing on the account. You should not add the name(s) of persons who do not have subscription rights or who qualify only in a lower purchase priority than you do. Doing so may jeopardize your subscription rights. In addition, the stock order form requires that you list all deposit accounts, giving all names on each account and the account number at the applicable eligibility date.

Failure to provide this information, or providing incomplete or incorrect information, may result in a loss of part or all of your share allocation, in the event of an oversubscription.

How You Can Obtain Additional Information — Stock Information Center

Our banking office personnel may not, by law, assist with investment-related questions about the offering. If you have any questions regarding the conversion or offering, please call or visit our Stock Information Center, located at [], Topeka, Kansas []. The Stock Information Center is open Monday through Friday between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Central Time. The Stock Information Center will be closed weekends and bank holidays. The Stock Information Center's toll-free telephone number is 1-800-[]-[].

RISK FACTORS

You should consider carefully the following risk factors in evaluating an investment in the shares of common stock. An investment in our common stock is subject to risks inherent in our business. Before making an investment decision, you should carefully consider the risks and uncertainties described below together with all of the other information included in this prospectus. The value or market price of our common stock could decline due to any of these identified or other risks, and you could lose all or part of your investment.

Risks Related to Our Business

The United States economy remains weak and unemployment levels are high. A prolonged economic downturn, especially one affecting our geographic market area, will adversely affect our business and financial results.

We are particularly exposed to downturns in the U.S. housing market. Dramatic declines in the housing market over the past two years, with falling home prices and increasing foreclosures, unemployment and under-employment, have negatively impacted the credit performance of mortgage loans and resulted in significant write-downs of asset values by financial institutions, including government-sponsored entities, major commercial and investment banks and regional financial institutions such as Capitol Federal Savings Bank. Reflecting concern about the stability of the financial markets generally and the strength of counterparties, many lenders and institutional investors have reduced or ceased providing funding to borrowers, including to other financial institutions. This market turmoil and tightening of credit have led to an increased level of commercial and consumer delinquencies, lack of consumer confidence, increased market volatility and widespread reduction of business activity generally. A worsening of these conditions would likely exacerbate the adverse effects of these difficult market conditions on us and others in the financial institutions industry, and could result in a material decrease in our interest income and/or a material increase in our loan losses.

The geographic concentration of our loan portfolio and lending activities makes us vulnerable to a downturn in the local economy.

We are currently one of the largest mortgage loan originators in the state of Kansas. 72.1% of our loan portfolio is comprised of loans secured by property located in Kansas, and 14.6% is comprised of loans secured by property located in Missouri. This makes us vulnerable to a downturn in the local economy and real estate markets. Adverse conditions in the local economy such as inflation, unemployment, recession or other factors beyond our control could impact the ability of our borrowers to repay their loans, which could impact our net interest income. Decreases in local real estate values could adversely affect the value of the property used as collateral for our loans, which could cause us to realize a loss in the event of a foreclosure. Currently there is not a single employer or industry in the area on which the majority of our customers are dependent.

If our allowance for loan losses is not sufficient to cover actual loan losses, our earnings could decrease.

Our borrowers may not repay their loans according to the terms of the loans, and the collateral securing the payment of these loans may be insufficient to pay any remaining loan balance. We may experience significant loan losses, which could have a material adverse effect on our operating results. We make various assumptions and judgments about the collectibility of our loan portfolio, including the creditworthiness of our borrowers and the value of the real estate and other assets serving as collateral for the repayment of many of our loans. In determining the amount of the allowance for loan losses, we rely on our loan quality reviews, our experience and our evaluation of economic conditions, among other factors. If our assumptions prove to be incorrect, our allowance for loan losses may not be sufficient to cover losses inherent in our loan portfolio, resulting in additions to our allowance. Material additions to our allowance would materially decrease our net income.

In addition, bank regulators periodically review our allowance for loan losses and may require us to increase our provision for loan losses or recognize further loan charge-offs. Any increase in our allowance for loan losses or loan charge-offs as required by these regulatory authorities could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition. See “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Critical Accounting Policies – Allowance for loan losses” and “Business – Asset Quality – Loans and REO.

We intend to increase our purchases of one- to four-family loans following completion of the offering. We may not be able to purchase enough loans meeting our underwriting criteria to effectively leverage our capital. In addition, we will need to maintain a higher allowance for loan losses on purchased loans than for one- to four-family loans we originate.

In order to utilize a portion of the proceeds raised in the conversion, Capitol Federal Savings Bank intends to increase the amount of one- to four-family loans purchased compared to its historical levels. There is no guarantee that additional volumes of one- to four-family loans meeting Capitol Federal Savings Bank's underwriting criteria will be available for purchase at acceptable prices. If they are not available, these funds will be placed in MBS and other investment securities, which may generate a lower yield.

In addition, a portion of the one- to four-family loans purchased by Capitol Federal Savings Bank in past years have not performed as well as loans originated by Capitol Federal Savings Bank. As a result, our policies currently require that we maintain a higher allowance for loan losses on loans we purchase as compared to the allowance maintained on those we originate. Assuming we are able to generate an increased volume of purchased loans, this is expected to result in an increase in the allowance for loan losses, through a provision for loan losses, which will have an adverse effect on net income.

Changes in interest rates could have an adverse impact on our results of operations and financial condition.

Our results of operations are primarily dependent on net interest income, which is the difference between the interest earned on loans, mortgage backed securities and investment securities, and the interest paid on deposits and borrowings. Changes in interest rates could have an adverse impact on our results of operations and financial condition because the majority of our interest-earning assets are long-term, fixed-rate loans, while the majority of our interest-bearing liabilities are shorter term, and therefore subject to a greater degree of interest rate fluctuation. This type of risk is known as interest rate risk, and is affected by prevailing economic and competitive conditions.

The impact of changes in interest rates on assets is generally observed on the balance sheet and income statement in later periods than the impact of changes on liabilities due to the duration of assets versus liabilities, and also to the time lag between our commitment to originate or purchase a loan and the time we fund the loan, during which time interest rates may change. Interest-bearing liabilities tend to reflect changes in interest rates closer to the time of market rate changes, so the difference in timing may have an adverse effect on our net interest income.

Changes in interest rates can also have an adverse effect on our financial condition, as our available for sale securities are reported at their estimated fair value, and therefore are impacted by fluctuations in interest rates. We increase or decrease our stockholders' equity by the amount of change in the estimated fair value of the available for sale securities, net of deferred taxes.

Changes in interest rates, as they relate to customers, can also have an adverse impact on our financial condition and results of operations. In times of rising interest rates, default risk may increase among customers with adjustable rate loans. Rising interest rate environments also entice customers with adjustable rate loans to refinance into fixed-rate loans, further exposing Capitol Federal Savings Bank to interest rate risk. If the loan is refinanced externally, we could be unable to reinvest cash received from the resulting prepayments at rates comparable to existing loans, which subjects us to reinvestment risk. In decreasing interest rate environments, payments received will likely be invested at the prevailing (decreased) market rate. An influx of prepayments can result in an excess of liquidity, which could impact our net interest income if profitable reinvestment opportunities are not immediately available. Prepayment rates are based on demographics, local economic factors and seasonality, with the main factors affecting prepayment rates being prevailing interest rates and competition. Fluctuations in interest rates also affect customer demand for deposit products. Local competition for deposit dollars could affect our ability to attract deposits, or could result in us

paying more for deposits.

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For additional information about interest rate risk, see “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations — Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.”

Our strategies to modify our interest rate risk profile may be difficult to implement.

Our asset management strategies are designed to decrease our interest rate risk sensitivity. One such strategy is increasing the amount of adjustable-rate and/or short-term assets. We offer adjustable rate loan products and work with correspondent lenders to purchase adjustable rate loans as a means to achieve this strategy. However, lower interest rates would generally create a decrease in borrower demand for adjustable-rate assets, and there is no guarantee that any adjustable-rate assets obtained will not prepay. Conventional mortgage loans may be sold on a bulk basis for portfolio restructuring or on a flow basis as loans are originated, which also subjects us to pricing risk in the secondary market. Additionally, we attempt to invest in shorter-term assets in the investment portfolio as a way to reduce our interest rate sensitivity.

We are also managing our liabilities to moderate our interest rate risk sensitivity. Customer demand has recently been primarily for short-term maturity certificates of deposit. Using short-term liabilities to fund long-term fixed-rate assets will generally increase the interest rate sensitivity of any financial institution. We are using our maturing FHLB advances and repurchase agreements to mitigate the impact of the customer demand for long-term fixed-rate mortgages in our local markets by lengthening the maturities of these advances and repurchase agreements, depending on the liquidity or investment opportunities at the time we undertake additional FHLB advances or repurchase agreements. In fiscal year 2009, we prepaid \$875.0 million of FHLB advances to decrease the interest rate and extend the maturities of the advances. FHLB advances and repurchase agreements will be entered into as liquidity is needed or to fund the purchase of assets that provide for spreads at levels acceptable to management.

If we are unable to originate or purchase adjustable-rate assets at favorable rates or fund loan originations or securities purchases with long-term funding, we may have difficulty executing this asset management strategy and/or it may result in a reduction in profitability.

We may have unanticipated credit risk in our investment and mortgage-backed securities portfolio.

At December 31, 2009, \$2.53 billion, or 30.2% of our assets, consisted of investment and mortgage-backed securities, most of which were issued by, or have principal and interest payments guaranteed by FNMA or FHLMC.

On September 7, 2008, the Federal Housing Finance Agency placed FNMA and FHLMC into federal conservatorship. Although the federal government has committed substantial capital to FNMA and FHLMC, there can be no assurance that these credit facilities and other capital infusions will be adequate for their needs. If the financial support is inadequate, or if additional support is not provided when needed, these companies could continue to suffer losses and could fail to honor their guarantees and other obligations. The U.S. Treasury Secretary has suggested that the guarantee payment structure of FNMA and FHLMC should be re-examined. The future roles of FNMA and FHLMC could be significantly reduced and the nature of their guarantees could be eliminated or considerably limited relative to historical measurements. Any changes to the nature of the guarantees provided by FNMA and FHLMC could have a significant adverse affect on the market value and cash flows of the investment and mortgage-backed securities we hold, resulting in substantial losses.

A legislative proposal has been introduced that would eliminate the Office of Thrift Supervision, Capitol Federal Savings Bank’s and CFF’s primary federal regulator, which would require CFF to become a bank holding company.

Legislation has been introduced in the United States Senate and passed in the House of Representatives that would implement sweeping changes to the current bank regulatory structure. The House Bill (H.R. 4173) would eliminate our current primary federal regulator, the Office of Thrift Supervision, by merging it into the Comptroller of the Currency (the primary federal regulator for national banks). The proposed legislation would authorize the Comptroller of the Currency to charter mutual and stock savings banks and mutual holding companies, which would be under the supervision of the Division of Thrift Supervision of the Comptroller of the Currency. The proposed legislation would also establish a Financial Services Oversight Council and grant the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System exclusive authority to regulate all bank and thrift holding companies. As a result, CFF would become a holding company subject to supervision by the Federal Reserve Board as opposed to the Office of Thrift Supervision, and would become subject to the Federal Reserve's regulations, including holding company capital requirements, that CFF is not currently subject to as a savings and loan holding company. In addition, compliance with new regulations and being supervised by one or more new regulatory agencies could increase our expenses.

Changes in laws and regulations and the cost of regulatory compliance with new laws and regulations may adversely affect our operations and our income.

We are subject to extensive regulation, supervision and examination by the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. These regulatory authorities have extensive discretion in connection with their supervisory and enforcement activities, including the ability to impose restrictions on a bank's operations, reclassify assets, determine the adequacy of a bank's allowance for loan losses and determine the level of deposit insurance premiums assessed. Because our business is highly regulated, the laws and applicable regulations are subject to frequent change. Any change in these regulations and oversight, whether in the form of regulatory policy, new regulations or legislation or additional deposit insurance premiums could have a material impact on our operations.

In response to the financial crisis of 2008 and early 2009, Congress has taken actions that are intended to strengthen confidence and encourage liquidity in financial institutions, and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has taken actions to increase insurance coverage on deposit accounts. In addition, there have been proposals made by members of Congress and others that would reduce the amount delinquent borrowers are otherwise contractually obligated to pay under their mortgage loans and limit an institution's ability to foreclose on mortgage collateral.

The potential exists for additional federal or state laws and regulations, or changes in policy, affecting lending and funding practices and liquidity standards. Moreover, bank regulatory agencies have been active in responding to concerns and trends identified in examinations, and have issued many formal enforcement orders requiring capital ratios in excess of regulatory requirements. Bank regulatory agencies, such as the Office of Thrift Supervision and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, govern the activities in which we may engage, primarily for the protection of depositors, and not for the protection or benefit of potential investors. In addition, new laws and regulations may increase our costs of regulatory compliance and of doing business, and otherwise affect our operations. New laws and regulations may significantly affect the markets in which we do business, the markets for and value of our loans and investments, the fees we can charge and our ongoing operations, costs and profitability.

Higher Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance premiums and special assessments will adversely affect our earnings.

In 2009, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation levied a five basis point special assessment on each insured depository institution's assets minus Tier 1 capital as of June 30, 2009. We recorded an expense of \$3.8 million during the quarter ended June 30, 2009, to reflect the special assessment. In addition, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation generally increased the base assessment rates effective April 1, 2009 and, therefore, our Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance premium expense has increased compared to prior periods.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation also required all insured institutions to prepay their estimated assessments for the fourth quarter of 2009, and for all of 2010, 2011 and 2012. This pre-payment was due on December 30, 2009. The assessment rate for the fourth quarter of 2009 and for 2010 was based on each institution's total base assessment rate for the third quarter of 2009, modified to assume that the assessment rate in effect on September 30, 2009 had been in effect for the entire third quarter, and the assessment rate for 2011 and 2012 was calculated as the modified third quarter assessment rate plus an additional three basis points. In addition, every institution's base assessment rate for each period was calculated using its third quarter assessment base, adjusted quarterly for an estimated 5% annual growth rate in the assessment base through the end of 2012. We recorded the pre-payment as a prepaid expense, which will be amortized to expense over three years based upon actual balances insured. Our prepayment amount for calendar years 2010, 2011 and 2012 was \$25.7 million. Future increases in our assessment rate or special assessments would decrease our earnings.

Strong competition may limit growth and profitability.

While we are one of the largest mortgage loan originators in the state of Kansas, we compete in the same market areas as local, regional, and national banks, credit unions, mortgage brokerage firms, investment banking firms, investment brokerage firms and savings institutions. We must also compete with online investment and mortgage brokerages and online banks that are not confined to any specific market area. Many of these competitors operate on a national or regional level, are a conglomerate of various financial services housed under one corporation, or otherwise have substantially greater financial or technological resources than Capitol Federal Savings Bank. We compete primarily on the basis of the interest rates offered to depositors and the terms of loans offered to borrowers. Should we face competitive pressure to increase deposit rates or decrease loan rates, our net interest income could be adversely affected. Additionally, our competitors may offer products and services that we do not or cannot provide, as certain deposit and loan products fall outside of our accepted level of risk. Our profitability depends upon our ability to compete in our local market areas.

Risks Related to the Offering

We have broad discretion to deploy our net proceeds and our failure to effectively deploy the net proceeds may have an adverse impact on our financial performance and the value of our common stock.

Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. intends to contribute between \$757.3 million and \$1.03 billion of the net proceeds of the offering to Capitol Federal Savings Bank. Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. may use the remaining net proceeds to purchase investment securities, repurchase shares of common stock, pay dividends or for other general corporate purposes. Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. also expects to use a portion of the net proceeds it retains to fund a loan for the purchase of shares of common stock in the offering by the employee stock ownership plan, to fund the cash contribution to the charitable foundation and to repay outstanding trust preferred securities. Capitol Federal Savings Bank may use the net proceeds it receives to fund new loans, purchase investment securities, increase the volume of purchased loans, acquire financial institutions or financial services companies, build new branches or acquire branches, repay debt or for other general corporate purposes. With the exception of the loan to the employee stock ownership plan, the cash contribution to the charitable foundation and the repayment of outstanding trust preferred securities, we have not allocated specific amounts of the net proceeds for any of these purposes, and we will have significant flexibility in determining the amount of the net proceeds we apply to different uses and the timing of such applications. We have not established a timetable for reinvesting the net proceeds, and we cannot predict how long reinvesting the net proceeds will require.

The future price of the shares of common stock may be less than the \$10.00 purchase price per share in the offering.

If you purchase shares of common stock in the offering, you may not be able to sell them later at or above the \$10.00 purchase price in the offering. In several cases, shares of common stock issued by newly converted savings institutions or mutual holding companies have traded below the initial offering price. The aggregate purchase price of the shares of common stock sold in the offering will be based on an independent appraisal. The independent appraisal is not intended, and should not be construed, as a recommendation of any kind as to the advisability of purchasing shares of common stock. The independent appraisal is based on certain estimates, assumptions and projections, all of which are subject to change from time to time. After our shares begin trading, the trading price of our common stock will be determined by the marketplace, and may be influenced by many factors, including prevailing interest rates, the overall performance of the economy, investor perceptions of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. and the outlook for the financial services industry in general. Price fluctuations may be unrelated to the operating performance of particular companies.

You may not revoke your decision to purchase Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. common stock in the subscription or community offering after you send us your subscription.

Funds submitted or automatic withdrawals authorized in the connection with a purchase of shares of common stock in the subscription and community offerings will be held by us until the completion or termination of the conversion and offering, including any extension of the expiration date. Because completion of the conversion and offering will be subject to regulatory approvals and an update of the independent appraisal prepared by RP Financial, LC., among other factors, there may be one or more delays in the completion of the conversion and offering. Orders submitted in the subscription and community offerings are irrevocable, and subscribers will have no access to subscription funds unless the offering is terminated, or extended beyond [], 2010, or the number of shares to be sold in the offering is increased to more than 212,750,000 shares or decreased to less than 157,250,000 shares.

Our return on equity initially will be low compared to our historical performance. A lower return on equity may negatively impact the trading price of our common stock.

Net income divided by average stockholders' equity, known as return on average equity is a ratio many investors use to compare the performance of a financial institution to its peers. Our return on average equity ratio, annualized, for the quarter ended December 31, 2009 was 8.82% compared to an average return on equity of (1.01)% based on trailing twelve-month earnings for all publicly traded fully converted savings institutions as of December 31, 2009. Although we expect that our net income will increase following the offering, our return on average equity may decrease as a result of the additional capital that we will raise in the offering. For example, our pro forma return on equity for the quarter ended December 31, 2009 is 3.6%, assuming the sale of shares at the maximum of the offering range. Over time, we intend to use the net proceeds from the offering to increase earnings per share and book value per share, without assuming undue risk, with the goal of achieving a return on equity that is comparable to our historical performance. This goal may take a number of years to achieve, and we cannot assure you that we will be able to achieve it. Consequently, you should not expect a return on equity similar to our current return on equity in the near future. Failure to achieve a competitive return on equity may make an investment in our common stock unattractive to some investors and may cause our common stock to trade at lower prices than comparable companies with higher returns on equity. See "Pro Forma Data" for an illustration of the financial impact of the offering.

The ownership interest of management and employees could enable insiders to make more difficult a merger that may provide stockholders a premium for their shares.

The shares of common stock that our directors and officers intend to purchase in the offering, when combined with the shares that they will receive in exchange for their existing shares of CFF common stock, are expected to result in management and the board controlling approximately 2.63% of our outstanding shares of common stock at the midpoint of the offering range. In addition, our employee stock ownership plan is expected to purchase 4.0% of the shares of common stock sold in the stock offering and receive 2.3% in exchange for shares currently owned by the employee stock ownership plan. Additional stock options and shares of common stock also would be granted to our directors and employees if a stock-based incentive plan is adopted in the future. This would result in management and employees controlling a significant percentage of our shares of common stock. If these individuals were to act together, they could have influence over the outcome of any stockholder vote. This voting power may discourage a potential sale of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. that our stockholders may desire.

The implementation of the stock-based incentive plan may dilute your ownership interest.

We intend to adopt a new stock-based incentive plan following the offering, subject to receipt of stockholder approval. This stock-based incentive plan may be funded either through open market purchases or from the issuance of authorized but unissued shares of common stock of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. While our intention is to fund this plan through open market purchases, stockholders would experience a 4.80% reduction in ownership interest at the maximum of the offering range in the event newly issued shares of our common stock are used to fund stock options and shares of restricted common stock under the plan in an amount equal to 5.0% and 2.0%, respectively, of the shares sold in the offering.

Although the implementation of the stock-based benefit plan will be subject to stockholder approval, historically, the overwhelming majority of stock-based benefit plans adopted by savings institutions and their holding companies following mutual-to-stock conversions have been approved by stockholders.

Additional expenses following the conversion from the compensation and benefit expenses associated with the implementation of the new stock-based incentive benefit plan will adversely affect our profitability.

We intend to adopt a new stock-based incentive plan after the offering, subject to stockholder approval, pursuant to which plan participants would be awarded restricted shares of our common stock (at no cost to them) and options to purchase shares of our common stock.

Following the offering, our non-interest expenses are likely to increase as we will recognize additional annual employee compensation and benefit expenses related to the shares granted to employees and executives under our stock-based incentive plan. We cannot predict the actual amount of these new stock-related compensation and benefit expenses because applicable accounting practices require that expenses be based on the fair market value of the shares of common stock at specific points in the future; however, we expect them to be material. In addition, we will recognize expense for our employee stock ownership plan when shares are committed to be released to participants' accounts (i.e., as the loan used to acquire these shares is repaid), and we will recognize expense for restricted stock awards and stock options over the vesting period of awards made to recipients. The expense in the first year following the offering has been estimated to be approximately \$15.8 million (\$11.8 million after tax), assuming all restricted shares are awarded and all options are granted under the plan, at the maximum of the offering range as set forth in the pro forma financial information under "Pro Forma Data," assuming the \$10.00 per share purchase price as fair market value. Actual expenses, however, may be higher or lower, depending on the price of our common stock. For further discussion of our proposed stock-based plans, see "Management — Compensation Discussion and Analysis" and "Note 10 of the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements."

The contribution to the charitable foundation will adversely affect net income.

Subject to member and stockholder approval, we intend to provide additional funds to the Capitol Federal Foundation in connection with the conversion. We will make a contribution to the charitable foundation in the form of \$40.0 million in cash. The contribution will have an adverse effect on our net income for the quarter and year in which we make the contribution to the charitable foundation. The after-tax expense of the contribution will reduce net income by approximately \$24.7 million. We had net income of \$21.0 million for the three months ended December 31, 2009 and \$66.3 million for the year ended September 30, 2009, respectively.

Various factors may make takeover attempts more difficult to achieve.

Our Board of Directors has no current intention to sell control of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. Provisions of our articles of incorporation and bylaws, federal regulations, Maryland law and various other factors may make it more difficult for companies or persons to acquire control of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. without the consent of our Board of Directors. You may want a takeover attempt to succeed because, for example, a potential acquiror could offer a premium over the then prevailing price of our common stock. The factors that may discourage takeover attempts or make them more difficult include:

Office of Thrift Supervision Regulations. Office of Thrift Supervision regulations prohibit, for three years following the completion of a conversion, the direct or indirect acquisition of more than 10% of any class of equity security of a savings institution or holding company regulated by the Office of Thrift Supervision without the prior approval of the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Articles of incorporation and statutory provisions. Provisions of the articles of incorporation and bylaws of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. and Maryland law may make it more difficult and expensive to pursue a takeover attempt that management opposes, even if the takeover is favored by a majority of our stockholders. These provisions also would make it more difficult to remove our current board of directors or

management, or to elect new directors. Specifically, under our articles of incorporation, any person who acquires more than 10% of the common stock of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. without the prior approval of its board of directors would be prohibited from engaging in any type of business combination with Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. unless such business combination was approved by a super-majority stockholder vote or met minimum price requirements. Additional provisions include limitations on voting rights of beneficial owners of more than 10% of our common stock, the election of directors to staggered terms of three years and not permitting cumulative voting in the election of directors. Our bylaws also contain provisions regarding the timing and content of stockholder proposals and nominations and qualification for service on the board of directors.

Articles of incorporation of Capitol Federal Savings Bank. The articles of incorporation of Capitol Federal Savings Bank provide that for a period of five years from the closing of the conversion and offering, no person other than Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. may offer directly or indirectly to acquire the beneficial ownership of more than 10% of any class of equity security of Capitol Federal Savings Bank. This provision does not apply to any tax-qualified employee benefit plan of Capitol Federal Savings Bank or Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. or to an underwriter or member of an underwriting or selling group involving the public sale or resale of securities of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. or any of its subsidiaries, so long as after the sale or resale, no underwriter or member of the selling group is a beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, of more than 10% of any class of equity securities of Capitol Federal Savings Bank. In addition, during this five-year period, all shares owned over the 10% limit may not be voted on any matter submitted to stockholders for a vote.

Issuance of stock options and restricted stock. We also intend to issue stock options and shares of restricted stock to key employees and directors that will require payments to these persons in the event of a change in control of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. These payments may have the effect of increasing the costs of acquiring Capitol Federal Financial, Inc., thereby discouraging future takeover attempts.

Change of control severance agreements. Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. has change of control severance agreements with executive officers which will remain in effect following the stock offering. These agreements may have the effect of increasing the costs of acquiring Capitol Federal Financial, Inc., thereby discouraging future takeover attempts.

There may be a decrease in stockholders' rights for existing stockholders of CFF.

As a result of the conversion, existing stockholders of CFF will become stockholders of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. Some rights of stockholders of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. will be reduced compared to the rights stockholders currently have in CFF. The reduction in stockholder rights results from differences between the federal and Maryland charters and bylaws, and from distinctions between federal and Maryland law. Many of the differences in stockholder rights under the articles of incorporation and bylaws of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. are not mandated by Maryland law but have been chosen by management as being in the best interests of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. and its stockholders. The articles of incorporation and bylaws of Capitol Federal Financial, Inc. include the following provisions: (i) approval by at least a majority of outstanding shares required to remove a director for cause; (ii) greater lead time required for stockholders to submit proposals for new business or to nominate directors; and (iii) approval by at least 80% of outstanding shares of capital stock entitled to vote generally is required to amend the bylaws and certain provisions of the articles of incorporation. See "Comparison of Stockholders' Rights For Existing Stockholders of CFF" for a discussion of these differences.

SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL AND OTHER DATA
OF
CFF AND SUBSIDIARY

The summary financial information presented below is derived in part from the consolidated financial statements of CFF and its subsidiary. The following is only a summary and you should read it in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes beginning on page F-1. The information at December 31, 2009 and 2008 and for the years ended September 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 is derived in part from the audited consolidated financial statements of CFF that appear in this prospectus. The information at September 30, 2007, 2006 and 2005, and for the years ended September 30, 2006 and 2005, is derived in part from audited consolidated financial statements that do not appear in this prospectus. The following information is only a summary and you should read it in conjunction with “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations” and the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto contained elsewhere in this prospectus.

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	At December 31,	At Year Ended September 30,				
	2009	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
(Dollars and share counts in thousands, except per share amounts)						
Selected Balance Sheet Data:						
Total assets	\$ 8,374,762	\$ 8,403,680	\$ 8,055,249	\$ 7,675,886	\$ 8,199,073	\$ 8,409,687
Loans receivable, net	5,423,923	5,603,965	5,320,780	5,290,071	5,221,117	5,464,130
Investment securities:						
Available-for-sale (AFS)	234,001	234,784	49,586	102,424	189,480	—
Held-to-maturity (HTM)	417,942	245,920	92,773	421,744	240,000	430,499
Mortgage-backed securities (MBS):						
Trading	—	—	—	—	396,904	—
AFS	1,305,096	1,389,211	1,484,055	402,686	556,248	737,638
HTM	572,873	603,256	750,284	1,011,585	1,131,634	1,407,616
Capital stock of Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB)	134,064	133,064	124,406	139,661	165,130	182,259
Deposits	4,227,252	4,228,609	3,923,883	3,922,782	3,900,431	3,960,297
Advances from FHLB	2,394,214	2,392,570	2,447,129	2,732,183	3,268,705	3,426,465
Other borrowings	713,609	713,609	713,581	53,524	53,467	53,410
Stockholders’ equity	941,999	941,298	871,216	867,631	863,219	865,063
Book value per share	12.86	12.85	11.93	11.88	11.89	11.91

	Three Months Ended December 31,		Year Ended September 30,				
	2009	2008	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
(Dollars and share counts in thousands, except per share amounts)							

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Operations Data:

Total interest and dividend income	\$ 98,887	\$ 105,273	\$ 412,786	\$ 410,806	\$ 411,550	\$ 410,928	\$ 400,107
Total interest expense	54,033	64,055	236,144	276,638	305,110	283,905	244,201
Net interest and dividend income	44,854	41,218	176,642	134,168	106,440	127,023	155,906
Provision (recovery) for loan losses	3,115	549	6,391	2,051	(225)	247	215
Net interest and dividend income after provision (recovery) for loan losses	41,739	40,669	170,251				