

**SUMMARY ANNUAL REPORT
FOR
THE CAPITAL ACCUMULATION PLAN FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE FIDELITY BANK**

This is a summary of the annual report for the The Capital Accumulation Plan for the Employees of The Fidelity Bank, EIN 56-0132040, Plan No. 002, for the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. The annual report has been filed with the Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, as required under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Basic Financial Statement

Benefits under the plan are provided through a trust fund. Plan Expenses were \$1,837,972. These expenses included \$1,810,949 in benefits paid to participants and beneficiaries, \$27,023 in other expenses. A total of 56 persons were participants in or beneficiaries of the plan at the end of the plan year.

The value of plan assets, after subtracting liabilities of the plan, was \$11,331,862 as of December 31, 2023, compared to \$11,186,340 as of January 1, 2023. During the plan year the plan experienced an increase in its assets of \$145,522. This increase includes unrealized appreciation and depreciation in the value of plan assets; that is, the difference between the value of the plan's assets at the end of the year and the value of the assets at the beginning of the year or the cost of assets acquired during the year. The plan had total income of \$1,983,494 including employee contributions of \$223,939, employer contributions of \$112,796 and earnings from investments of \$1,646,759.

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1. Financial information.

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The plan has met the requirements to waive the annual examination and report of an independent qualified public accountant. As of the end of the plan year, the following regulated financial institution(s) held or issued plan assets that qualified under the waiver: Empower Retirement \$11,331,862. You have the right to examine or receive from the plan administrator, on request and at no charge, copies of statements from the regulated financial institutions describing the qualifying plan assets. If you are unable to examine or obtain these documents, contact an EBSA Regional Office for assistance. Information about contacting EBSA regional offices can be found on the Internet at <http://www.dol.gov/ebsa>.

You also have the legally protected right to examine the annual report at the main office of the plan THE FIDELITY BANK, 100 S MAIN STREET, FUQUAY VARINA, NC 27526 and at the U.S. Department of Labor in Washington D.C., or to obtain a copy from the U.S. Department of Labor upon payment of copying costs. Requests to the Department should be addressed to: Public Disclosure Room, Room N1513, Employee Benefits Security Administration, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210.

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