

HOWE BARNES IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE
OUR RECENT ADVISORY TRANSACTION

Center Financial Corporation
holding company for



has signed a definitive agreement
to acquire

First Intercontinental Bank
holding company for



Pending September 2007

Howe Barnes acted as financial advisor to
Center Financial Corporation in this transaction.

Center Financial Corporation, Los Angeles, California and First Intercontinental Bank, Doraville, Georgia have announced the signing of a definitive agreement for Center Financial Corporation to acquire First Intercontinental Bank. Under the terms of the agreement, Center Financial Corporation will pay a total purchase price of \$65.2 million, or \$22.27 per share payable 60% in cash and 40% in Center Financial Corporation common stock. Center Financial Corporation will acquire four offices that will provide a platform from which Center can expand into the Southeast.

The acquisition is expected to close in the first quarter of 2008, subject to shareholder and regulatory approvals.

Deal Pricing

Aggregate Deal Value:	\$65.2 million
Deal Price / LTM Earnings:	35.0x
Deal Price / Book:	296%
Deal Price / Tangible Book:	287%
Deal Price / Assets:	28.1%
Core Deposit Premium:	39.0%

**Financials as of June 30, 2007

Financial Highlights

	CLFC	FIEB
Total Assets (\$000's):	1,914,207	231,787
Total Equity (\$000's):	153,013	22,045
Equity/Assets:	7.99%	9.51%
LTM ROAA:	1.38%	0.98%
LTM ROATE:	17.77%	9.34%

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