that I will faithfully, impartially, diligently and honestly execute the duties of ——— agreeably to the provisions of law, and the trust reposed in me, to the best of my skill and judgment.

ART. 7. The total amount of the debts which the said corporation shall at any time owe, exclusive of its issues or notes usually denominated bank notes, whether by bond, bill, note or other contract, shall not exceed the amount of the capital actually paid into the said bank; provided, that exceed capithe money deposited in the said bank for safe keep- tal stock ing, shall not be considered as the debts of the bank within the provisions of this clause, unless the contracting of a greater debt shall have been previously authorized by a law of this State; and in cases of excess, the directors under whose administration it shall happen shall be liable for the same, in their natural and private capacities; and bility of direcan action may, in such cases, be brought against them, or any of them, their heirs, executors or administrators, in any court of record of this State, by any creditor or creditors of said corporation, and may be prosecuted to judgment and execution, any condition, covenant or agreement to the contrary notwithstanding; but nothing herein contained shall be construed to exempt the said corporation, or the lands, tenements, goods and construed to chattels of the same, from being also liable for and exempt. chargeable with the said excess, and such of the said directors who may have been absent when the said excess was created, or who may have dissented from the resolution or act whereby the same was created, may respectively exonerate themselves from being so liable by forthwith giving notice of the fact, and of their absence or dissent, to the Governor of this State, and to the stockholders at a general meeting, which they shall have power to call for that purpose; and provided, nothing herein contained shall be so Proviso. construed as to confer the power upon the president and directors to pay interest beyond three per cent. per annum upon monies deposited in said institution.

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ART. 8. The president and a majority of the directors shall constitute a board for the transaction of business.