

# **EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION POLICY STATEMENT**

Federal and state laws prohibit employment discrimination. As Chief Executive Officer of BTC Bank, I am committed to the principles and practices of equal employment opportunity and reaffirm our intent to comply with federal, state, and local laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, protected veteran status, or any other protected characteristics. Our intent is to ensure that personnel actions are administered in compliance with these laws and in conformance with our Affirmative Action Program (AAP). Personnel actions include, but are not limited to: employment, promotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, recall from layoffs, company-sponsored educational, social, and recreational programs, benefits, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and training.

Diane Garber, our HR Official and EEO Coordinator, is responsible for the implementation and administration of the AAP. With the cooperation and assistance of appropriate staff and operating personnel, the HR Official/EEO Coordinator will monitor the company's performance and report the results to me. Data may include outside hires, promotions, transfers, terminations, identification of problem areas, and if necessary, a recommended plan of action. Any employee who has a question regarding our AAP may discuss the matter with Diane Garber at 660-425-7285.

The Affirmative Action Program for Individuals with Disabilities and Protected Veterans is available for review by any employee, or applicant for employment, during normal business hours by contacting the HR Official/EEO Coordinator at the above number.

Discrimination on-premises or on-the-job will not be tolerated. Employees of, and applicants to, BTC Bank will not be subject to harassment, intimidation, threats, coercion, or discrimination because they have filed a complaint, assisted in a review, investigation or hearing, or have otherwise sought to obtain their legal rights related to any federal, state, or local law regarding equal employment opportunity. Personnel found guilty of violating this directive will be subject to discipline and possible termination.

I ask your continued support in attaining BTC Bank's objective of equal employment opportunity.

Douglas Fish  
Chief Executive Officer