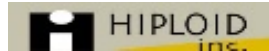


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Bank of the Southwest Selects GoldTracks for Records Management *Bank plans to increase retention and storage with management system*

LENEXA, Kan., Dec. 19, 2007 – Financial Systems & Equipment, Inc. (FS&E), a software provider servicing the banking industry, announced the selection of GoldTracks, a records management solution for tracking and imaging, by Roswell, N.M.- based Bank of the Southwest. Finalizing its purchase in October 2007, Bank of the Southwest chose the system after reviewing several vendors and the recommendations from a current GoldTracks customer.

GoldTracks provides banks with accurate control over the entire loan document process, addressing such activities as origination, processing, underwriting, servicing and archiving and is designed to increase accessibility to files. The records management modules within GoldTracks include loan compliance and deposit account tracking, workflow, document imaging, notice printing, life cycle retention, e-mail notifications of exceptions, teller ID verification and electronic office document indexing. Additionally, the system houses a component that assists banks with compliance practices.

“In our search for our first document management system, we sought to find a system that had been proven to work effectively in other banks,” said Shelagh B. Marzett, vice president/senior compliance officer at Bank of the Southwest. “Our goal was to implement an efficient solution that maximizes convenience, retention and storage for our loan department. And after careful consideration and review of recommendations from other financial institutions using the solution, we felt GoldTracks would meet the needs of our bank.”

Bank of the Southwest services its 12,000 customers located in southern New Mexico through 12 branches. With a loan portfolio equal to \$121 million, Bank of the Southwest anticipates better access to loan documents as well as easily compiled loan document storage.

“Today, information used throughout the loan process can be stored in paper or electronic files,” said Mark Kramer, senior account executive at FS&E. “These files can include faxes, e-mail, PC files, host core databases, digital images and others. GoldTracks is the only records management system that is specifically designed to integrate both paper and digital records into one single repository. We recognized the need for convenient, people friendly accessibility to files as well as the impact this accessibility can have by increasing loan production and decreasing turnaround time. The GoldTracks document management system was designed to meet the retention and storage needs that Bank of the Southwest and many other banks have expressed.”

About Financial Systems & Equipment

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