



## **Important Information About Procedures for Opening a New Account**

To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, financial institutions are required by Federal law to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each individual or entity that opens an account or requests credit.

**What this means for individuals:** When an individual opens an account or requests credit, we will ask for their name, residence address, date of birth, tax identification number, and other information that allows us to identify them. We may also ask to see a driver's license, passport or other identifying documents.

**What this means for legal entities:** When a corporation, partnership, trust or other legal entity opens an account or requests credit, we will ask for the entity's name, physical address, tax identification number, and other information that will allow us to identify the entity. We may also ask to see other identifying documents, such as certified articles of incorporation, partnership agreements, a trust instrument or information identifying and clarifying beneficial ownership.

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