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WHEELER REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST, INC.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

Stilwell Value Partners VII, L.P.

Stilwell Activist Fund, L.P.

Stilwell Activist Investments, L.P.

Stilwell Value LLC

Joseph Stilwell (Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement, if other than the Registrant)

Payment of Filing Fee (Check the appropriate box):

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On July 9, 2018, Joseph Stilwell and affiliated entities filed Amendment No. 7 to their Schedule 13D relating to Wheeler Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc., a copy of which is filed herewith.

SECURITY HOLDERS ARE ADVISED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT AND OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE SOLICITATION OF PROXIES BY THE GROUP AND OTHER PARTICIPANTS FROM THE STOCKHOLDERS OF WHEELER REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST, INC. FOR USE AT ITS 2018 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION, INCLUDING INFORMATION RELATING TO THE PARTICIPANTS IN SUCH PROXY SOLICITATION. WHEN COMPLETED, A DEFINITIVE PROXY STATEMENT AND A FORM OF PROXY WILL BE MAILED TO STOCKHOLDERS OF WHEELER REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST, INC. AND WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE AT THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION'S WEBSITE AT HTTPS://WWW.SEC.GOV. CUSIP No. 963025101 SCHEDULE 13D Page 1 of 26

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SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 7)

WHEELER REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST, INC.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

963025101

(CUSIP Number)

Mr. Joseph Stilwell

111 Broadway, 12th Floor

New York, New York 10006

Telephone: (212) 269-1551

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person

Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

July 9, 2018 (Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of §§240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box. "

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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- 1. Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only). Stilwell Value Partners VII, L.P.
- 2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)
 - (a) x
 - (b)
- 3. SEC Use Only
- 4. Source of Funds (See Instructions) WC, OO
- 5. Check if Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)
- Citizenship or Place of Organization:

6.	
	Delaware
Number of	7. Sole Voting Power: 0
Shares	8. Shared Voting Power: 887,424 ⁽¹⁾
Beneficially	9. Sole Dispositive Power: 0
Owned by	
Each	10. $(1 - 1)$
Reporting	10. Shared Dispositive Power: 887,424 ⁽¹⁾
Person With	1
11.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person: 887,424 ⁽¹⁾
12.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) "
13.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11): 9.8%
	Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)
14.	

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(1) Includes 25,400 shares of Series D cumulative convertible Preferred Stock, no par value, that are convertible into 37,441 shares of Common Stock, at any time, at a conversion price of \$16.96.

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- 1. Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only). Stilwell Activist Fund, L.P.
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 - (a) "
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- 3. SEC Use Only
- 4. Source of Funds (See Instructions) WC, OO
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- 1. Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only). Stilwell Value LLC
- 2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions) (a) "
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- 3. SEC Use Only
- 4. Source of Funds (See Instructions) n/a
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Item 1. Security and Issuer

This is the seventh amendment (this "Seventh Amendment") to the original Schedule 13D, which was filed on July 3, 2017 (the "Original Schedule 13D") and amended on August 8, 2017 (the "First Amendment"), on December 4, 2017 (the "Second Amendment"), on January 17, 2018 (the "Third Amendment"), on June 19, 2018 (the "Fourth Amendment"), on June 22, 2018 (the "Fifth Amendment") and on June 27, 2018 (the "Sixth Amendment"). This Seventh Amendment is being filed jointly by Stilwell Value Partners VII, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("Stilwell Value Partners VII"); Stilwell Activist Fund, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("Stilwell Activist Investments, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("Stilwell Value LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Stilwell Value LLC"), and the general partner of Stilwell Value Partners VII, Stilwell Activist Fund, and Stilwell Activist Investments; and Joseph Stilwell, the managing member and owner of Stilwell Value LLC. The filers of this statement are collectively referred to herein as the "Group."

This statement relates to the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Common Stock"), of Wheeler Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. (the "Issuer"). The address of the principal executive offices of the Issuer is 2529 Virginia Beach Boulevard, Suite 200, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23452. The joint filing agreement of the members of the Group is attached as Exhibit 1 to the Original Schedule 13D.

Item 2. Identity and Background

(a)-(c) This statement is filed by Joseph Stilwell with respect to the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Joseph Stilwell, including shares of Common Stock held in the names of Stilwell Value Partners VII, Stilwell Activist Fund, and Stilwell Activist Investments in Joseph Stilwell's capacities as the managing member and owner of Stilwell Value LLC, which is the general partner of Stilwell Value Partners VII, Stilwell Activist Investments.

The business address of Stilwell Value Partners VII, Stilwell Activist Fund, Stilwell Activist Investments, Stilwell Value LLC, and Joseph Stilwell is 111 Broadway, 12th Floor, New York, New York 10006.

The principal employment of Joseph Stilwell is investment management. Stilwell Value Partners VII, Stilwell Activist Fund, and Stilwell Activist Investments are private investment partnerships engaged in the purchase and sale of securities for their own accounts. Stilwell Value LLC serves as the general partner of Stilwell Value Partners VII,

Stilwell Activist Fund, Stilwell Activist Investments, and related partnerships.

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(d) During the past five years, no member of the Group has been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors).

(e) During the past five years, no member of the Group has been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and, as a result of such proceeding, was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, Federal or State securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws, except as indicated in <u>Schedule A</u> attached hereto.

(f) Joseph Stilwell is a citizen of the United States.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

All purchases of shares of Common Stock made by the Group using funds borrowed from Jefferies LLC or Morgan Stanley, if any, were made in margin transactions on their usual terms and conditions. All or part of the shares of Common Stock owned by members of the Group may from time to time be pledged with one or more banking institutions or brokerage firms as collateral for loans made by such entities to members of the Group. Such loans generally bear interest at a rate based on the broker's call rate from time to time in effect. Such indebtedness, if any, may be refinanced with other banks or broker-dealers.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

We are filing this Seventh Amendment to announce that we are mailing a letter to the Issuer's shareholders. A copy of this letter is attached as Exhibit 6 to this Seventh Amendment.

Our purpose in acquiring shares of Common Stock of the Issuer is to profit from the appreciation in the market price of the shares of Common Stock through asserting shareholder rights. We do not believe the value of the Issuer's assets is adequately reflected in the current market price of the Issuer's Common Stock.

On June 26, 2018, we served our notice of intent to nominate Joseph Stilwell, Paula J. Poskon and Corissa Briglia Porcelli for election as directors at the Issuer's 2018 annual meeting. We believe a meaningful number of the Issuer's legacy directors should resign. We intend to gain board representation and work to maximize shareholder value at the Issuer.

THIS SEVENTH AMENDMENT MAY BE DEEMED TO BE SOLICITATION MATERIAL IN RESPECT OF THE SOLICITATION OF PROXIES BY THE GROUP FROM THE ISSUER'S STOCKHOLDERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUER'S 2018 ANNUAL MEETING. SECURITY HOLDERS ARE ADVISED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT AND OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE SOLICITATION BY THE GROUP AND OTHER PARTICIPANTS OF PROXIES FROM THE ISSUER'S STOCKHOLDERS FOR USE AT THE ISSUER'S 2018 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION, INCLUDING INFORMATION RELATING TO THE PARTICIPANTS IN OUR PROXY SOLICITATION. WHEN COMPLETED, A DEFINITIVE PROXY STATEMENT AND A FORM OF PROXY WILL BE MAILED TO STOCKHOLDERS OF THE ISSUER AND WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE AT THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION'S WEBSITE AT HTTPS://WWW.SEC.GOV. INFORMATION RELATING TO THE PARTICIPANTS IN OUR PROXY SOLICITATION IS INCLUDED IN APPENDIX A ATTACHED TO THE SECOND AMENDMENT AND INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE HEREIN.

Since 2000, members or affiliates of the Group have taken an 'activist position' in 64 other publicly-traded companies. Currently, members or affiliates of the Group file Schedule 13Ds to disclose greater than 5% positions only in SEC-reporting companies. For simplicity, these affiliates are referred to below as the "Group," "we," "us," or "our." In each instance, our purpose has been to profit from the appreciation in the market price of the shares we held by asserting shareholder rights. In addition, we believed that the values of the companies' assets were not adequately reflected in the market prices of their shares. Our actions are described below. We have categorized the descriptions of our actions with regard to the issuers based upon certain outcomes (whether or not, directly or indirectly, such outcomes resulted from the actions of the Group). Within categories I through III below, the descriptions are listed in chronological order based upon the respective filing dates of the originally-filed Schedule 13Ds, or, in limited instances, the acquisition date of the 5% position of a non-reporting company.

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I.

<u>Security of Pennsylvania Financial Corp. ("SPN</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D to report our position on May 1, 2000. We scheduled a meeting with senior management to discuss ways to maximize the value of SPN's assets. On June 2, 2000, prior to the scheduled meeting, SPN and Northeast Pennsylvania Financial Corp. announced SPN's acquisition.

<u>Cameron Financial Corporation ("Cameron</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D to report our position on July 7, 2000. We exercised our shareholder rights by, among other things, requesting that Cameron management hire an investment banker, demanding Cameron's list of shareholders, meeting with Cameron's management, demanding that Cameron invite our representatives to join the board, writing to other shareholders to express our dismay with management's inability to maximize shareholder value and publishing that letter in the local press. On October 6, 2000, Cameron announced its sale to Dickinson Financial Corp.

<u>Community Financial Corp. ("CFIC</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D to report our position on January 4, 2001, following CFIC's announcement of the sale of two of its four subsidiary banks and its intention to sell one or more of its remaining subsidiaries. We reported that we acquired CFIC stock for investment purposes. On January 25, 2001, CFIC announced the sale of one of its remaining subsidiaries. We then announced our intention to run an alternate slate of directors at the 2001 annual meeting if CFIC did not sell the remaining subsidiary by then. On March 27, 2001, we wrote to CFIC confirming that CFIC's management had agreed to meet with one of our proposed nominees to the board. On March 30, 2001, before our meeting took place, CFIC announced its merger with First Financial Corporation.

Montgomery Financial Corporation ("Montgomery") - We filed our original Schedule 13D to report our position on February 23, 2001. On April 20, 2001, we met with Montgomery's management and suggested that they maximize shareholder value by selling the institution. We also informed management that we would run an alternate slate of directors at the 2001 annual meeting unless Montgomery was sold. Eleven days after we filed our Schedule 13D, however, Montgomery's board amended its bylaws to limit the pool of potential nominees to local persons with a banking relation and to shorten the deadline to nominate an alternate slate. We located qualified nominees under the restrictive bylaw provisions and noticed our slate within the deadline. On June 5, 2001, Montgomery announced that it had hired an investment banker to explore a sale. On July 24, 2001, Montgomery announced its merger with Union Community Bancorp.

<u>Community Bancshares, Inc. ("COMB</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on March 29, 2004. We disclosed that we intended to meet with COMB's management and evaluate management's progress in resolving its regulatory issues, lawsuits, problem loans, and non-performing assets, and that we would likely support management if it effectively addressed COMB's challenges. On November 21, 2005, we amended our Schedule 13D and stated that although we believed that COMB's management had made progress, COMB's return on equity would likely remain below average for the foreseeable future, and it should therefore be sold. We also stated that if COMB did not announce a sale before our deadline to solicit proxies for the next annual meeting, we would solicit proxies to elect our own slate. On January 6, 2006, we disclosed the names of our three board nominees. On May 1, 2006, COMB announced its sale to The Banc Corporation.

<u>Jefferson Bancshares, Inc. ("JFBI</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on April 8, 2013. Our shareholder proposal requesting the board seek outside assistance to maximize shareholder value through actions such as a sale or merger was defeated at JFBI's 2013 annual meeting. We met with management and the board of directors and told them that we would seek board representation at JFBI's 2014 annual meeting if JFBI did not announce its sale. JFBI's sale to HomeTrust Bancshares, Inc. was announced on January 23, 2014.

<u>FedFirst Financial Corporation ("FFCO</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on September 24, 2010. After several meetings with management, FFCO completed a meaningful number of share repurchases, and on April 14, 2014, FFCO announced its sale to CB Financial Services, Inc.

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<u>SP Bancorp, Inc. ("SPBC</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on February 28, 2011. On August 9, 2013, we met with management and the chairman to assess the best way to maximize shareholder value. SPBC completed a meaningful number of share repurchases, and on May 5, 2014, SPBC announced its sale to Green Bancorp Inc.

<u>TF Financial Corporation ("THRD</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on November 29, 2012. We met with the CEO and the chairman, encouraging them to focus only on accretive acquisitions and to repurchase shares up to book value. They subsequently did both. On June 4, 2014, THRD announced its sale to National Penn Bancshares, Inc.

<u>Fairmount Bancorp, Inc. ("FMTB</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on September 21, 2012. On February 25, 2014, we reported our intention to seek board representation at FMTB's 2015 annual meeting if FMTB did not announce its sale. However, due to the appointment of our representative to another board in the local area, we were unable to nominate our representative at the 2015 election of FMTB directors. We reiterated our intent to seek board representation at the earliest possible time if FMTB was not sold. FMTB's sale was announced on April 16, 2015.

<u>Harvard Illinois Bancorp, Inc. ("HARI</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on April 1, 2011. In 2012, we nominated a director for election at HARI's 2012 annual meeting and communicated our belief that HARI should merge with a stronger community bank. Our nominee was not elected, so we nominated a director at HARI's 2013 annual meeting and stated our position that HARI should be sold. We communicated to stockholders our intent to run a nominee every year until elected, and we nominated a director at HARI's 2014 annual meeting. Our nominee was not elected, so in April 2015, we began soliciting stockholder votes for our nominee for HARI's 2015 annual meeting. On May 21, 2015, HARI announced the sale of its subsidiary bank to State Bank in Wonder Lake, IL. We subsequently withdrew our solicitation of proxies for the election of our nominee at HARI's 2015 annual meeting. The sale of HARI's subsidiary bank was completed on August 1, 2016. On August 10, 2016, we entered into a settlement agreement with HARI whereby two legacy board members stepped down, and we agreed not to seek board representation through 2017. HARI is implementing a plan of voluntary dissolution.

<u>Eureka Financial Corp. ("EKFC</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on March 28, 2011. We encouraged EKFC to pay special dividends to shareholders and repurchase shares. Management and the board did both, and on September 3, 2015, EKFC announced its sale to NexTier, Inc.

<u>United-American Savings Bank ("UASB</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation reporting our position on May 20, 2013. We believe management and the board acted in good faith to position UASB to maximize shareholder value. After we encouraged them to sell, UASB announced its sale to Emclaire Financial Corp on December 30, 2015.

<u>Polonia Bancorp, Inc. ("PBCP</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on November 23, 2012. After several conversations with the Chairman and CEO, we publicly called for PBCP's sale. On June 2, 2016, PBCP's sale to Prudential Bancorp, Inc. was announced.

<u>Georgetown Bancorp. Inc. ("GTWN</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on July 23, 2012. We encouraged GTWN to maximize shareholder value through share repurchases, and we supported management and the board's consistent efforts to do so. On October 6, 2016, GTWN announced its sale to Salem Five Bancorp.

<u>Anchor Bancorp ("ANCB</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on May 7, 2012. We previously urged ANCB to maximize shareholder value by increasing share repurchases or selling the bank. We called for ANCB's sale to the highest bidder on July 7, 2016. On August 29, 2016, we agreed not to seek board representation at the 2016 annual meeting in consideration of ANCB appointing Gordon Stephenson as a director. We believe the board has acted in good faith to maximize shareholder value through ANCB's announced sale to Washington Federal, Inc. on April 11, 2017.

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<u>Wolverine Bancorp, Inc. ("WBKC</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on February 7, 2011. We encouraged WBKC to maximize shareholder value through share repurchases and payments of special dividends, and we supported management and the board's consistent efforts to do so. On June 14, 2017, WBKC's sale to Horizon Bancorp was announced.

<u>First Federal of Northern Michigan Bancorp, Inc. ("FFNM</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on March 10, 2016. We believed FFNM was positioned to repurchase shares, and we urged management and the board to do so. FFNM deregistered its shares of common stock effective in 2016. On January 16, 2018, FFNM's sale to Mackinac Financial Corporation was announced.

<u>Jacksonville Bancorp, Inc. ("JXSB</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on July 5, 2011. We supported JXSB's consistent efforts to maximize shareholder value through share repurchases and payments of special dividends. On January 18, 2018, JXSB's sale to CNB Bank Shares, Inc. was announced.

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<u>Oregon Trail Financial Corp. ("OTFC</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on December 15, 2000. In January 2001, we met with the management of OTFC to discuss our concerns that management was not maximizing shareholder value, and we proposed that OTFC voluntarily place our representative on the board. OTFC rejected our proposal, and we announced our intention to solicit proxies to elect a board nominee. We demanded OTFC's shareholder list, but OTFC refused to give it to us. We sued OTFC in Baker County, Oregon, and the court ruled in our favor and sanctioned OTFC. We also sued two OTFC directors alleging that one had violated OTFC's residency requirement and that the other had committed perjury. Both suits were dismissed pre-trial but we filed an appeal in one suit and were permitted to re-file the other suit in state court. On August 16, 2001, we started soliciting proxies to elect Kevin D. Padrick, Esq. to the board. We argued in our proxy materials that OTFC should have repurchased its shares at prices below book value. OTFC announced the hiring of an investment banker. Then, the day after the 9/11 attacks, OTFC sued us in Portland, Oregon and moved to invalidate our proxies; the court denied the motion and the election proceeded.

On October 12, 2001, OTFC's shareholders elected our candidate by a two-to-one margin. In the five months after the filing of our first proxy statement (i.e., from August 1 through December 31, 2001), OTFC repurchased approximately 15% of its shares. On March 12, 2002, we entered into a standstill agreement with OTFC. OTFC agreed to: (a) achieve annual targets for return on equity, (b) reduce its current capital ratio, (c) obtain advice from an investment banker regarding annual 10% stock repurchases, (d) re-elect our director to the board, (e) reimburse a portion of our

expenses, and (f) withdraw its lawsuit. On February 26, 2003, OTFC and FirstBank NW Corp. announced their merger, and the merger was completed on October 31, 2003.

<u>HCB Bancshares, Inc. ("HCBB</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on June 14, 2001. On September 4, 2001, we reported that we had entered into a standstill agreement with HCBB, under which HCBB agreed to: (a) add a director selected by us, (b) consider conducting a Dutch tender auction, (c) institute annual financial targets, and (d) retain an investment banker to explore alternatives if it did not achieve its financial targets. On October 22, 2001, our nominee, John G. Rich, Esq., was named to the board. On January 31, 2002, HCBB announced a modified Dutch tender auction to repurchase 20% of its shares. Although HCBB's outstanding share count decreased by 33% between the filing of our original Schedule 13D and August 2003, HCBB did not achieve the financial target. On August 12, 2003, HCBB announced it had hired an investment banker to assist in exploring alternatives for maximizing shareholder value, including a sale. On January 14, 2004, HCBB announced its sale to Rock Bancshares, Inc.

<u>SCPIE Holdings Inc. ("SKP</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on January 19, 2006. We announced we would run our slate of directors at the 2006 annual meeting and demanded SKP's shareholder list. SKP initially refused to timely produce the list, but did so after we sued it in Delaware Chancery Court. We engaged in a proxy contest at the 2006 annual meeting, but SKP's directors were elected. Subsequently on December 14, 2006, SKP agreed to place Joseph Stilwell on its board. On October 16, 2007, Mr. Stilwell resigned from SKP's board after it approved a sale of SKP that Mr. Stilwell believed was an inferior offer. We solicited shareholder proxies in opposition to the proposed sale; however, the sale was approved, and our shares were converted in a cash deal.

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American Physicians Capital, Inc. ("ACAP") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on November 25, 2002. The Schedule 13D disclosed that on January 18, 2002, Michigan's Insurance Department had approved our request to solicit proxies to elect two directors to ACAP's board. On January 29, 2002, we noticed our intention to nominate two directors at the 2002 annual meeting. On February 20, 2002, we entered into a three-year standstill agreement with ACAP, providing for ACAP to add our nominee to its board. ACAP also agreed to consider using a portion of its excess capital to repurchase ACAP's shares in each of the fiscal years 2002 and 2003 so that its outstanding share count would decrease by 15% for each of those years. In its 2002 fiscal year, ACAP repurchased 15% of its outstanding shares; these repurchases were highly accretive to per share book value. On November 6, 2003, ACAP announced a reserve charge and that it would explore options to maximize shareholder value. It also announced that it would exit the healthcare and workers' compensation insurance businesses. ACAP then announced that it had retained Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P., to assist the board. On December 2, 2003, ACAP announced the early retirement of its president and CEO. On December 23, 2003, ACAP named R. Kevin Clinton its new president and CEO.

On June 24, 2004, ACAP announced that it had decided that the best means to maximize shareholder value would be to shed non-core businesses and focus on its core business line in its core markets. We increased our holdings in ACAP, and we announced that we intended to seek additional board representation. On November 10, 2004, ACAP invited Joseph Stilwell to sit on the board, and we entered into a new standstill agreement. This agreement was terminated in November 2007, with our representatives remaining on ACAP's board. On May 8, 2008, our representatives were re-elected to three-year terms expiring in 2011. Upon the passage of federal healthcare legislation in 2010, ACAP became concerned about the fundamentals of its business and promptly acted to assess its strategic alternatives. On October 22, 2010, ACAP was acquired by The Doctors Company, and our shares were converted in a cash deal.

<u>Colonial Financial Services, Inc. ("COBK</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on August 24, 2011. On December 18, 2013, we reached an agreement with COBK to have a director of our choice appointed to its board of directors. Our representative, Corissa B. Porcelli (formerly Corissa J. Briglia), joined COBK's board of directors on March 25, 2014. On September 10, 2014, COBK announced its sale to Cape Bancorp, Inc., and the cash/stock deal was completed on April 1, 2015.

<u>Naugatuck Valley Financial Corporation ("NVSL</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on July 11, 2011. On February 13, 2014, we reported our intention to seek board representation. On March 12, 2014, we reached an agreement with NVSL for our representative to join NVSL's board of directors and for NVSL not to seek approval for stock benefit plans. On June 4, 2015, NVSL announced its sale to Liberty Bank in Middletown, CT, and the cash deal was completed on January 15, 2016.

<u>Fraternity Community Bancorp, Inc. ("FRTR</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on April 11, 2011. We reached an agreement with FRTR, and on November 18, 2014, our representative, Corissa B. Porcelli (formerly Corissa J. Briglia), was appointed to the board of directors. On October 13, 2015, FRTR's sale was announced, and the cash deal was completed on May 13, 2016.

<u>Sunshine Financial, Inc. ("SSNF</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on April 18, 2011. We reached an agreement with SSNF, and on February 5, 2016, our representative, Corissa B. Porcelli (formerly Corissa J. Briglia), was appointed to the board of directors. On December 6, 2017, SSNF's sale to The First Bancshares, Inc. was announced, and the cash/stock deal was completed on April 2, 2018.

<u>Delanco Bancorp. Inc. ("DLNO</u>") - We filed our original Schedule 13D reporting our position on October 28, 2013. We reached an agreement with DLNO, and in May 2017, our representative, Corissa B. Porcelli (formerly Corissa J. Briglia), was appointed to the board of directors. On October 18, 2017, DLNO's sale to First Bank was announced, and the stock deal was completed on April 30, 2018.

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