# STARTING YOUR NEW RELATIONSHIP

## SOLE PROPRIETORS-BUSINESS ACCOUNT OPENING INFORMATION

Thank you for choosing Metairie Bank for your Business Banking needs. We want your new account opening experience to be smooth and easy. When opening an account, all banks are required to obtain information verifying the business as well as the individuals associated with the business. The following list will help you determine the requirements needed.

#### INDIVIDUALS THAT NEED TO BE PRESENT AT ACCOUNT OPENING:

#### Sole Proprietorships with one owner - the owner

- Spousal Sole Proprietorships both owners
- Sole Proprietorship with a Power of Attorney the agent

### **INFORMATION REQUIRED TO OPEN ACCOUNT:**

#### Personal Identification

- Two forms of identification.
- One Unexpired Government Issued Picture ID State Issued Driver's License, State Issued ID card, Passport, etc.
- Second form of ID such as Social Security card, Passport, Credit/Debit Card, Military ID, Pay stub, Utility Bill, etc.

Tax Identification Number - SSN, ITIN (Non-US Citizens), or an Employer Identification Number (EIN) is required.

## **REQUIRED BUSINESS DOCUMENTATION:**

- **Trade Name Certificate** required if your business is operating with a DBA (doing business as). For example: Smith Hardware Inc. DBA Smith Hardware Store. If the owner's legal name is Jan Johnson, and the business name is Johnson Jewelers, you will need the additional documentation. However, if the business name is Jan Johnson Jewelers you will not.
- **Business License**

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT WILL BE REQUESTED AT ACCOUNT OPENING:

The nature of your business

Types of transactions and volumes expected



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