

# Media Release



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### To the Editor:

## There are 8% Fewer 5-Star Banks than Last Year, But Riverside Bank is Among the Top

**April 2009: BAUERFINANCIAL, Inc., Coral Gables, Florida** is proud to announce that **Riverside Bank, Poughkeepsie, New York** has earned its highest 5-Star Superior rating for financial strength and stability. BAUERFINANCIAL, the Nation's Bank Rating Firm, has been analyzing and reporting on the nation's banks for over 25 years. The rating is based on the overall financial picture of the bank, and a 5-Star rating indicates that Riverside Bank is one of the strongest banks in the nation.

"The number of 5-Star rated banks is diminishing", comments Karen L. Dorway, president of BAUERFINANCIAL, "but that doesn't mean they are extinct. Riverside Bank is an excellent example of traditional, conservative banking. In this new era of 'back to basics' thinking, this is exactly what you should be looking for in a bank."

Riverside Bank was established in 1988 and has been serving the banking needs of its neighbors and friends for 21 years. It operates through four conveniently located offices in Fishkill, Newburgh and Poughkeepsie and can also be found on the internet at [www.riversidebankhv.com](http://www.riversidebankhv.com).

Riverside Bank: "Banking the way it should be."

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