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Mr. Jeffrey Thomas
Chief, IT Services
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U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
100 F Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20549

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Dear Mr. Thomas:

This is to certify that on February 7, 2013 The Nasdaq Stock Market (the "Exchange") received from CONNECTONE BANCORP, INC. (the "Registrant") a copy of the Registrant's application on Form 8-A 12(b) for the registration of the following security:

Common Stock, no par value

We further certify that the security described above have been approved by the Exchange for listing and registration upon official notice of issuance.

We understand that the Registrant is seeking effectiveness of the Form 8-A 12(b) concurrently with effectiveness of its 1933 Act Registration Statement, and we hereby join in such request.

Sincerely,

William Slattery