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[Letterhead of Territorial Bancorp Inc.]				
April 2	5, 2014			
Dear Fellow Stockholder:				
You are cordially invited to attend the 2014 annual meeting of stockhold Street, Suite 601, Honolulu, Hawaii, on May 21, 2014, at 8:30 a.m., loca				
The notice of annual meeting and proxy statement appearing on the follomeeting. Officers of the Company will be present to respond to appropr				
As explained in the Proxy Statement, the Board of Directors recomm	nends that you vote for:			
• Proposal 1: The Election of Directors;				
Proposal 2: The Ratification of the Appointment of KPMG	LLP as our Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm; and			
Proposal 3: The Advisory Approval of our Executive Composition	ensation.			
It is important that your shares are represented at this meeting, whether of shares you own. To make sure your shares are represented, we urge you the meeting, you may vote in person even if you have previously mailed	to complete and mail the enclosed proxy card promptly. If you attend			
We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.				
	Sincerely,			
	/s/ Allan S. Kitagawa Allan S. Kitagawa			
	Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer			

[Territorial Bancorp Inc. Logo]

1132 Bishop Street, Suite 2200

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

(808) 946-1400

NOTICE OF 2014 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

TIME AND DATE

8:30 a.m. on May 21, 2014

PLACE

1132 Bishop Street, Suite 601 Honolulu, Hawaii

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- (1) To elect two directors to serve for a term of three years.
- (2) To ratify the selection of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2014.
- (3) To consider a nonbinding proposal to approve our executive compensation as described in the proxy statement.
- (4) To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting and any adjournment or postponement thereof.

To vote, you must have been a stockholder at the close of business on April 3, 2014.

PROXY VOTING

RECORD DATE

It is important that your shares be represented and voted at the meeting. You can vote your shares by completing and returning the proxy card or voting instruction card sent to you. Voting instructions are printed on your proxy or voting instruction card and included in the accompanying proxy statement. You can revoke a proxy at any time before its exercise at the meeting by following the instructions in the proxy statement.

/s/ Vernon Hirata

Vernon Hirata *Corporate Secretary* April 25, 2014

Territorial Bancorp Inc.
Proxy Statement
This proxy statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation of proxies by the Board of Directors of Territorial Bancorp Inc. (the Company) to be used at the annual meeting of stockholders of the Company. The Company is the holding company for Territorial Savings Bank (the Bank). The annual meeting will be held at 1132 Bishop Street, Suite 601, Honolulu, Hawaii, on Wednesday, May 21, 2014, at 8:30 a.m., local time. This proxy statement and the enclosed proxy card are being mailed to stockholders of record on or about April 28, 2014.
Voting and Proxy Procedure
Who Can Vote at the Meeting
You are entitled to vote your Company common stock if the records of the Company show that you held your shares as of the close of business on April 3, 2014. If your shares are held in a stock brokerage account or by a bank or other nominee, you are considered the beneficial owner of shares held in street name and these proxy materials are being forwarded to you by your broker or other nominee. As the beneficial owner, you have the right to direct your broker how to vote.
As of the close of business on April 3, 2014, there were 9,880,383 shares of Company common stock outstanding. Each share of common stock has one vote. The Company s Articles of Incorporation provide that, subject to certain exceptions, a record owner of the Company s common stock for a person who beneficially owns, either directly or indirectly, in excess of 10% of the Company s outstanding shares, is not entitled to any vote in respect of the shares held in excess of the 10% limit.
Attending the Meeting
If you were a stockholder as of the close of business on April 3, 2014, you may attend the meeting. However, if your shares of Company common stock are held by a broker, bank, or other nominee (i.e., in street name), you will need proof of ownership to be admitted to the meeting. A recent brokerage statement or a letter from a bank or broker are examples of proof of ownership. If you want to vote your shares of Company common stock held in street name in person at the meeting, you will have to get a written proxy in your name from the broker, bank,

or other nominee who holds your shares.

A majority of the outstanding shares of common stock entitled to vote is required to be represented at the meeting to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. If you return valid proxy instructions or attend the meeting in person, your shares will be counted for purposes of determining whether there is a quorum, even if you abstain from voting. Broker non-votes also will be counted for purposes of determining the existence of a quorum. A broker non-vote occurs when a broker, bank, or other nominee holding shares for a beneficial owner does not vote on a particular proposal because the broker, bank, or other nominee does not have discretionary voting power with respect to that item and has not received voting instructions from the beneficial owner.

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In voting on the election of directors, you may vote in favor of all nominees, withhold votes as to all nominees, or withhold votes as to specific nominees. There is no cumulative voting for the election of directors. Directors are elected by a plurality of the votes cast at the annual meeting. This means that the nominees receiving the greatest number of votes will be elected. Votes that are withheld and broker non-votes will have no effect on the outcome of the election.

In voting to ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as our independent registered public accounting firm, you may vote in favor of the proposal, vote against the proposal, or abstain from voting. To be approved, this matter requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at the annual meeting. Abstentions will not be counted as votes cast and will have no effect on this proposal.

In voting on the nonbinding proposal to approve our executive compensation, you may vote in favor of the proposal, vote against the proposal, or abstain from voting. To approve the proposal, the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes cast at the annual meeting is required. Broker non-votes and abstentions will not be counted as votes cast and will have no effect on this proposal. While this vote is required by law, it will neither be binding on us or the Board of Directors, nor will it create or imply any change in the fiduciary duties of, or impose any additional fiduciary duty on, us or the Board of Directors.

Voting by Proxy

The Company s Board of Directors is sending you this proxy statement to request that you allow your shares of Company common stock to be represented at the annual meeting by the persons named in the enclosed proxy card. All shares of Company common stock represented at the meeting by properly executed and dated proxies will be voted according to the instructions indicated on the proxy card. If you sign, date, and return a proxy card without giving voting instructions, your shares will be voted as recommended by the Company s Board of Directors. The Board of Directors recommends that you:

- vote *for* each of the nominees for director;
- vote *for* ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm; and
- vote *for* the approval of our executive compensation as described in this proxy statement.

If any matters not described in this proxy statement are properly presented at the annual meeting and you have returned a validly executed proxy card, the persons named in the proxy card will use their judgment to determine how to vote your shares. This includes a motion to adjourn or postpone the meeting to solicit additional proxies. The Company does not currently know of any other matters to be presented at the meeting.

You may revoke your proxy at any time before the vote is taken at the annual meeting. To revoke your proxy, you must advise the Corporate Secretary of the Company in writing before your common stock has been voted at the annual meeting, deliver a later dated proxy, or attend the meeting and vote your shares in person by ballot. Attendance at the annual meeting will not in itself constitute revocation of your proxy.

If your Company common stock is held in street name, you will receive instructions from your broker or other nominee that you must follow to have your shares voted. Your broker or other nominee may allow you to deliver your voting instructions via the telephone or the Internet. Please review the proxy card or instruction form provided by your broker or other nominee that accompanies this proxy statement.

Participants in the ESOP and 401(k) Plan

If you participate in the Territorial Savings Bank Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the ESOP) or if you hold Territorial Bancorp Inc. common stock through the Territorial Savings Bank 401(k) Plan (the 401(k) Plan), you will receive vote authorization forms for the plans that reflect all shares you may direct the trustees to vote on your behalf under the plans. Under the terms of the ESOP, the ESOP trustee votes all shares held by the ESOP participant may direct the trustee how to vote the shares of common stock allocated to his or her account. The ESOP trustee, subject to the exercise of its fiduciary responsibilities, will vote all unallocated shares of Territorial Bancorp Inc. common stock held by the ESOP and allocated shares for which no voting instructions are received in the same proportion as shares for which it has received timely voting instructions. Under the terms of the 401(k) Plan, a participant is entitled to provide voting instructions for all shares credited to his or her 401(k) Plan account and held in the Territorial Bancorp Inc. Stock Fund. Shares for which no voting instructions are given or for which instructions were not timely received will be voted in the same proportion as shares for which voting instructions were received. The deadline for returning your ESOP and 401(k) Plan voting instructions is May 14, 2014.

If you have any questions about voting, please contact Senior Vice President and Director of Investor Relations Walter Ida at (808) 946-1400.

Corporate Governance

General

The Company periodically reviews its corporate governance policies and procedures to ensure that the Company meets the highest standards of ethical conduct, reports results with accuracy and transparency, and maintains full compliance with the laws, rules and regulations that govern the Company s operations. As part of this periodic corporate governance review, the Board of Directors reviews and adopts what it believes to be best corporate governance policies and practices for the Company.

Code of Ethics and Business Conduct

We have adopted a Code of Ethics and Business Conduct that is designed to promote the highest standards of ethical conduct by our directors, executive officers, and employees. The Code of Ethics and Business Conduct requires that our directors, executive officers, and employees avoid conflicts of interest, comply with all laws and other legal requirements, conduct business in an honest and ethical manner, and otherwise act with integrity and in our best interest. Under the terms of the Code of Ethics and Business Conduct, directors, executive officers, and employees are required to report any conduct that they believe in good faith to be an actual or apparent violation of the Code of Ethics and Business Conduct. A copy of the Code of Ethics and Business Conduct can be found in the Company Info Investor Relations Corporate Governance section of our Web site, www.territorialsavings.net. Amendments to and waivers from our Code of Ethics and Business Conduct will be disclosed in the Company Info Investor Relations Corporate Governance section of our Web site.

As a mechanism to encourage compliance with the Code of Ethics and Business Conduct, we have established procedures to receive, retain, and treat complaints regarding accounting, internal accounting controls, and auditing matters. These procedures ensure that individuals may submit concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters in a confidential and anonymous manner. The Code of Ethics and Business Conduct also prohibits us from retaliating against any director, executive officer, or employee who reports actual or apparent violations of the Code of Ethics and Business Conduct.

In addition, we have adopted a Code of Ethics for Senior Officers that is applicable to our senior financial officers, including our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer, and all officers performing similar functions. A copy of the Code of Ethics for Senior Officers can be found in the Company Info Investor Relations Corporate Governance section of our Web site, www.territorialsavings.net. Amendments to and waivers from our Code of Ethics for Senior Officers will be disclosed in the Company Info Investor Relations Corporate Governance section of our Web site.

Meetings of the Board of Directors

The Company conducts business through meetings of its Board of Directors and through activities of its committees. During 2013, the Board of Directors held 15 meetings (not including committee meetings), and our independent directors met 12 times in executive session without management present. No director attended fewer than 75% of the total meetings of the Board of Directors and the committees on which such director served (held during the period for which the director has served as a director or committee member, as appropriate).

Committees of the Board of Directors

The following table identifies our Audit, Compensation, and Nominating and Corporate Governance committees and their members. All members of each committee are independent in accordance with the listing standards of the NASDAQ Stock Market, Inc. Each of these committees operates under a written charter that is available in the Company Info Investor Relations Corporate Governance section of the Company s Web site, www.territorialsavings.net.

	Nominating and Corporate Governance	Compensation	Audit
	Kirk W. Caldwell *	Kirk W. Caldwell *	Howard Y. Ikeda*
	Francis E. Tanaka	Howard Y. Ikeda	Francis E. Tanaka
	Richard I. Murakami	Richard I. Murakami	Richard I. Murakami David S. Murakami
Number of Meetings in 2013:	1	4	7

^{*} Denotes Chairperson.

Audit Committee. Pursuant to Territorial Bancorp Inc. s Audit Committee Charter, the Audit Committee assists the Board of Directors in its oversight of the Company s accounting and reporting practices, the quality and integrity of the Company s financial reports and the Company s compliance with applicable laws and regulations. The Audit Committee is also responsible for engaging the Company s independent registered public accounting firm and monitoring its conduct and independence. In addition to meeting the independence requirements of the NASDAQ Stock Market, Inc., each member of the Audit Committee meets the audit committee independence requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Board of Directors has designated Howard Y. Ikeda as an audit committee financial expert under the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The report of the Audit Committee required by the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission is included in this proxy statement. See Audit Committee Report.

Compensation Committee. Pursuant to Territorial Bancorp Inc. s Compensation Committee Charter, the Compensation Committee approves the compensation objectives for the Company and Territorial Savings Bank and establishes the compensation for the Chief Executive Officer and other executives. Our Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer, Allan Kitagawa, provides recommendations to the Compensation Committee on matters of compensation philosophy, plan design, and the general guidelines for employee compensation. However, Mr. Kitagawa does not vote on and is not present for any discussion of his own compensation. These recommendations are then considered by the Compensation Committee. The Compensation Committee reviews all compensation components for the Company s Chief Executive Officer and other highly compensated executive officers compensation including base salary, annual incentive, long-term incentives, and perquisites. In addition to reviewing competitive market values, the committee also examines the total compensation mix, pay-for-

performance relationship, and how all elements, in the aggregate, comprise the executive s total compensation package. Decisions by the Compensation Committee with respect to the compensation of executive officers are approved by the full Board of Directors. See Compensation Discussion and Analysis for more information regarding the role of the Compensation Committee in determining and/or recommending the amount or form of executive compensation. The report of the Compensation Committee required by the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission is included in this proxy statement. See Compensation Committee Report.

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. Pursuant to Territorial Bancorp Inc. s Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee charter, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee assists the Board of Directors in identifying qualified individuals to serve as Board members, in determining the composition of the Board of Directors and its committees, in monitoring a process to assess Board effectiveness, and in developing and implementing the Company s corporate governance guidelines. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee also considers and recommends the nominees for director to stand for election at the Company s annual meeting of stockholders. The procedures of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee required to be disclosed by the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission are included in this proxy statement. See Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee Procedures.

Attendance at the Annual Meeting

The Board of Directors encourages each director to attend annual meetings of stockholders. All of our then-current directors attended the 2013 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Board Leadership Structure

The Board of Directors currently combines the position of Chairman of the Board with the position of Chief Executive Officer, coupled with a lead independent director to strengthen the Company's governance structure. The Board of Directors believes this provides an efficient and effective leadership model for the Company. Combining the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer positions fosters clear accountability, effective decision-making, alignment on corporate strategy, and a clear and direct channel of communication from senior management to the full Board of Directors. To further strengthen the leadership of the Board of Directors, the Board selects a lead independent director on an annual basis, currently Director Richard Murakami. The responsibilities of the lead independent director include leading all Board meetings of nonmanagement directors. The Board of Directors believes its administration of its risk oversight function is not adversely affected by the Board of Directors leadership structure. To assure effective independent oversight, the Board has adopted a number of governance practices, including holding executive sessions of the independent directors at least twice a year or more often as needed. In addition, the Compensation Committee, which consists only of independent directors, evaluates the performance of our Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer and presents its findings to our independent directors.

Risk Oversight

The Board of Directors has an active role, as a whole and also at the committee level, in overseeing management of the Company s risks. The Board of Directors satisfies this responsibility through the review of minutes from each committee regarding such committee s considerations and actions, through frequent attendance as nonvoting guests at committee meetings and through regular reports directly from officers responsible for oversight of particular risks within our organization. The Board of Directors regularly reviews information regarding the Company s credit, liquidity, and operations, as well as the risks associated with such areas. The Company s Compensation Committee is responsible for overseeing the management of risks relating to the Company s executive compensation plans and arrangements. The Audit Committee oversees management of financial risks. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee manages risks associated with the Company s corporate governance, including the independence of the Board of Directors and potential conflicts of interest. While each committee is responsible for evaluating certain risks and overseeing the management of such risks, the entire Board of Directors is regularly informed about such risks. The Board of Directors annually reviews our conflicts of interest policy to ensure all directors are in compliance with the policy.

Risks relating to the direct operations of Territorial Savings Bank are further overseen by its Board of Directors, who are the same individuals who serve on the Board of Directors of Territorial Bancorp Inc. The Board of Directors of Territorial Savings Bank also has additional committees that conduct additional risk oversight. Further, the Board of Directors oversees risks through the establishment of policies and procedures that are designed to guide daily operations in a manner consistent with applicable laws, regulations, and risks acceptable to the organization, such as the requirement that all loan relationships in excess of \$5.0 million must be submitted to the Board of Directors Loan Committee for approval, subject to ratification by the full Board of Directors, or to the full Board of Directors for approval.

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Stock Ownership

The following table provides information as of April 3, 2014, with respect to persons known by the Company to be the beneficial owners of more than 5% of the Company soutstanding common stock. A person may be considered to own any shares of common stock over which he or she has, directly or indirectly, sole or shared voting or investing power. Percentages are based on 9,880,383 shares of Company common stock issued and outstanding as of April 3, 2014.

	Number of	Percent of Common Stock
Name and Address	Shares Owned	Outstanding
Territorial Savings Bank Employee Stock	973,230	9.9%
Ownership Plan		
1132 Bishop St., Suite 2200		
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813		
Terry Maltese (1)	522,600(1)	5.3%
Sandler O Neill Asset Management LLC		
150 East 52nd St., 30th Floor		
New York, New York 10022		

⁽¹⁾ Based on a Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 12, 2014.

Proposal 1 Election of Directors

The Board of Directors of Territorial Bancorp Inc. is presently composed of six members. The Board is divided into three classes, each with three-year staggered terms, with approximately one-third of the directors elected each year. The nominees for election this year are Howard Y. Ikeda and David S. Murakami, both of whom are current directors of the Company and the Bank.

The Board of Directors has determined that each of our directors, with the exception of Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer Allan S. Kitagawa, is independent as defined in the listing standards of the NASDAQ Stock Market. Mr. Kitagawa is not independent because he is one of our executive officers.

In determining the independence of the directors listed above, the Board of Directors reviewed the following transactions, none of which is required to be reported under Transactions with Certain Related Persons below. Director Kirk Caldwell has a mortgage loan with Territorial

Savings Bank. Director David Murakami has a mortgage loan and two overdraft lines of protection with Territorial Savings Bank. Director Richard Murakami has a mortgage loan and overdraft protection with Territorial Savings Bank. Director Francis Tanaka has a mortgage loan with Territorial Savings Bank.

It is intended that the proxies solicited by the Board of Directors will be voted for the election of the nominees named below. If any nominee is unable to serve, and you have returned a validly executed proxy card, the persons named in the proxy card will vote your shares to approve the election of any substitute proposed by the Board of Directors. Alternatively, the Board of Directors may adopt a resolution to reduce the size of the Board. At this time, the Board of Directors knows of no reason why any nominee might be unable to serve.

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The table below sets forth certain information regarding our directors, nominees proposed by the Board of Directors, and executive officers. Shares beneficially owned include shares of common stock over which a person has, directly or indirectly, sole or shared voting or investment power. Unless otherwise indicated, none of the shares listed are pledged as security, and each of the named individuals has sole voting power and sole investment power with respect to the number of shares shown. Percentages of common stock owned are based on 9,880,383 shares of Company common stock issued and outstanding as of April 3, 2014.

Name	Position(s) Held With Territorial Bancorp Inc.	Age (1)	Director Since (2)	Current Term Expires	Shares Beneficially Owned as of April 3, 2014	Percent of Common Stock
		NOMI	NEES			

Howard Y. Ikeda