



# Forward-Looking Statements

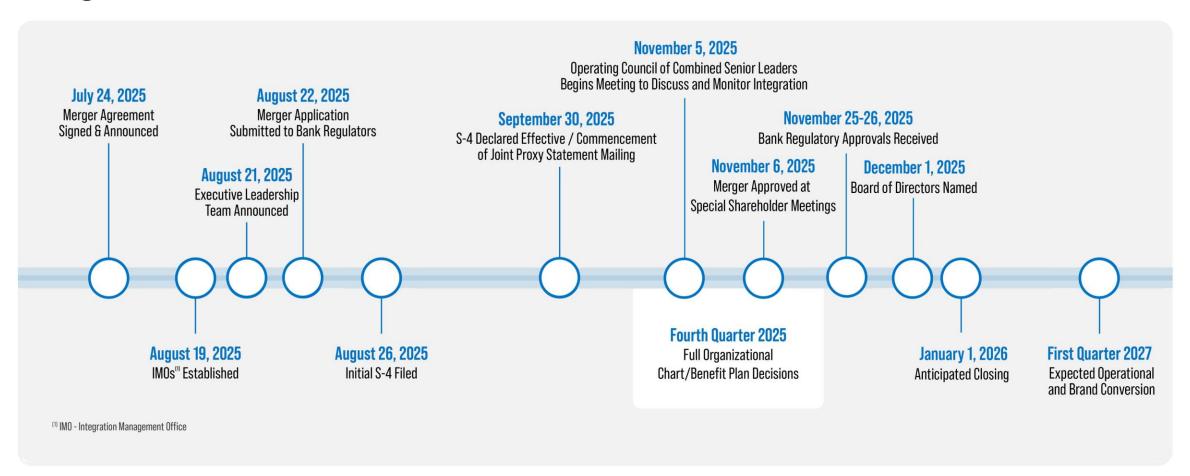


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# **Merger Timeline**



#### **Finnacle** + Synovus

#### **Combined Pinnacle Board of Directors**

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Barry L. Storey
Independent Director | Synovus



G. Kennedy Thompson
Independent Director | Pinnacle



Teresa White
Independent Director | Synovus



# **Combined Pinnacle Board of Directors Committee Assignments**

	Audit Committee	Corporate Governance & Nominating Committee	Compensation & Human Capital Committee	Risk Committee	Executive Committee
M. Terry Turner					2
Tim E. Bentsen	2	<u>C</u>	2		2
Kevin S. Blair					<u>C</u>
Robert A. McCabe, Jr.					2
Abney S. Boxley III	2	2			
Gregory L. Burns			2	<u></u>	2
Pedro Cherry	2				
Thomas C. Farnsworth III		2	2		
David B. Ingram	2				
John H. Irby			2	2	
Decosta E. Jenkins	<u></u>			2	2
Gregory Montana	2			2	
Barry L. Storey		2			
G. Kennedy Thompson			2	2	
Teresa White			C	2	2



#### **Key Decisions Already Made in Contrast to Other MOEs**



#### **Brand Name**

Pinnacle Financial Partners and Pinnacle Bank





#### **Headquarters**

HOLDING COMPANY:

Atlanta, GA

BANK:

Nashville, TN





#### **Leadership Team**



Long-term clarity on CEO



Finalized key leadership positions



#### **Operating Model**



Geographic operating model with local leadership



#### **Incentive Model**



Primarily based on company revenue and EPS growth



Annual equity grants to promote ownership mindset



#### **Technology Stack**



Build on Synovus' highly-scalable FIS core platform



#### **Board of Directors Named**

**15 DIRECTORS:** 8 Pinnacle and 7 Synovus Each side has 6 independent directors









# **Commentary on Merger Has Become Increasingly Positive**



"Upgrade to outperform. Based on our conversations the deal will prove better than many expect over time, and as the earning power and pro forma growth profile achieves clarity, the discounted valuation to peers should dissipate. We were initially not a big fan of the PNFP-SNV combination and lowered the rating to MP following the announcement. However, the more we have talked to contacts the past month, the better we feel about not only the execution, but also the buy-in from the SNV side on the PNFP model, and the eventual franchise potential."

Brett Rabatin HOVDE GROUP



"While many investors we have spoken to recently have been paying less to attention to PNFP shares following the announcement in July of the merger with Synovus, we remain very encouraged by the strong fundamental results that Pinnacle (and Synovus, for that matter) continue to report, which have the effect of boosting our forward year EPS estimates."

Anthony Elian
JP MORGAN



"While every merger-of-equals warrants vigilance, this handoff to Kevin Blair appears structured to preserve the founder-led DNA that has underpinned Pinnacle's two-decade track record of industry leading growth. With PNFP shares trading near 9x 2026E EPS, investors are being offered one of the most proven growth franchise in banking at a discounted valuation to peers (a rare occurrence). The focus from here is whether the company's model can scale across a broader platform while sustaining its hiring-driven, client-centric business model – they very combination that has kept the company at the top of the leaderboards for years. To that end, with the growth flywheel at Pinnacle fully on display, and with the next chapter taking shape under Synovus CEO Kevin Blair, we maintain our BUY rating.

Steven Alexopoulos