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## N.C. COMMISSIONER OF BANKS TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING

**RALEIGH**—The Office of the North Carolina Commissioner of Banks will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 19, in the Second Floor Hearing Room of its offices at 316 W. Edenton St., Raleigh.

The hearing will be a formal administrative proceeding regarding Advance America Cash Advance Centers of North Carolina Inc. to determine whether the company has violated North Carolina's consumer finance and check casher laws and, if so, to assess or seek appropriate remedies under such laws. It will be a contested case hearing under the N.C. Administrative Procedures Act.

As this matter is now pending for hearing before the Commissioner, the office will not be issuing any comments on its substance. Questions regarding procedural matters may be addressed to Irene L. Smith, assistant to Commissioner Joseph Smith, at 919-733-3016.

A copy of the Notice of Hearing, including preliminary findings of fact, is available on the office's web site at <http://www.nccob.org/NCCOB/ConsumerIndustries/Default.htm>.

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