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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 14A

Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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*** Exercise Your *Right* to Vote ***

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on May 02, 2019

SMARTFINANCIAL, INC.



SMARTFINANCIAL, INC. 5401 KINGSTON PIKE, SUITE 600 KNOXVLLE, TN 37919

Meeting Information

Meeting Type: Annual Meeting For holders as of: March 06, 2019

Date: May 02, 2019 Time: 10:00 AM EDT

Location: SmartBank Office

2430 Teaster Lane Suite 205 Pigeon Forge, TN 37863

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the above named company.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at www.proxyvote.com or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.

— Before You Vote —

How to Access the Proxy Materials

Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:

1. Annual Report 2. Notice & Proxy Statement 3. Form 10-K

How to View Online:

Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow \longrightarrow [XXXX XXXX XXXX XXXX] (located on the following page) and visit: www.proxyvote.com.

How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy:

If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is NO charge for requesting a copy. Please choose one of the following methods to make your request:

1) BY INTERNET: www.proxyvote.com 2) BY TELEPHONE: 1-800-579-1639

3) BY E-MAIL*: sendmaterial@proxyvote.com

* If requesting materials by e-mail, please send a blank e-mail with the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow - xxxx xxxx xxxx xxxx (located on the following page) in the subject line.

Requests, instructions and other inquiries sent to this e-mail address will NOT be forwarded to your investment advisor. Please make the request as instructed above on or before April 11, 2019 to facilitate timely delivery.

— How To Vote —

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

Vote In Person: Many shareholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

Vote By Internet: To vote now by Internet, go to www.proxyvote.com. Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow \rightarrow xxxx xxxx xxxx xxxx avxxx avxix available and follow the instructions.

Vote By Mail: You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.

Voting items

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following:

1. Election of Directors

Nominees

| 01 | Victor L. Barrett | 02 | Monique P. Berke | 03 | William Y. Carroll, Jr. | 04 | William Y. Carroll, Sr. | 05 | Clifton N. Miller |
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| 06 | Ted C. Miller | 07 | David A. Ogle | 08 | Steven B. Tucker | 09 | Wesley M. Welborn | 10 | Keith E. Whaley, O.D |
| 11 | J. Beau Wicks | 12 | Geoffrey A. Wolpert | | | | | | • |

The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR proposals 2 and 3.

- A proposal to approve the appointment of Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP as the company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2019.
- A proposal to approve, on a non-binding advisory basis, the compensation of the company's named executive officers as set forth in the accompanying proxy statement.

The Board of Directors recommends you vote 3 YEARS on the following proposal:

4. On a non-binding advisory basis, vote on the frequency with which the shareholders of the company will have a non-binding, advisory vote on the compensation of the company's named executive officers.

NOTE: Such other business as may properly come before the annual meeting or any adjournment of the annual meeting.

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