



Articles of Agreement by Orange Johnson, Frances Sessions, and Joseph Jeffrey Concerning the Founding of the Commercial Bank of Columbus and the Amendment of Continuing Agreement After Orange Johnson's Death On 11/ 28/1876 Signed by F.C. Sessions, Executor, Achsa Johnson, and Mary J. Sessions, 4/ 3/1869

Subject: Articles of Association between Orange Johnson, F.C. Sessions, J.A. Jeffrey

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This article of Agreement made and entered into the Third (3rd) day of April, AD 1869 at the city of Columbus, O between Orange Johnson, F.C. Sessions and J.A. Jeffrey, all of the City of Columbus, O

Witnesseth That the above mentioned parties whose names are hereunto attached, have this day formed a Copartnership for the purpose of doing a General Banking business in the City of Columbus, O. now at #100 North High St. in "Sessions Block" under the firm and style on Commercial Bank.

The first two mentioned parties above agree to pay into the Bank a Capital Stock as follows viz:

Orange Johnson, Twelve Thousand Five hundred Dollars	\$12500
F.C. Sessions, Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars	<u>\$12500</u>
Twenty five Thousand Dollars	\$25000

_____ \$_____ to be paid in at once, the remainder to be paid in as convenient, not to exceed one year from date

J.A. Jeffrey agrees to work his whole time and attention (in connection with Mrss Johnson and Sessions) to the management of the business.



It is further agreed that it shall be optional with Mr. O. Johnson whether he is active in the firm or not; but that Mrss Sessions and Jeffrey shall be active in the management of the business.

It is further agreed that each member shall on his influence and best endeavor to secure customers for the Bank.

It is further agreed that the profits and Losses in business shall be shared equally by the parties to this agreement.

It is also further agreed that the following shall constitute the officers of the Bank for the present

O Johnson President [crossed out]	[signed]
F.C. Sessions Vice [crossed out]	F.C. Sessions
J.A. Jeffrey Cashier [crossed out]	Orange Johnson
	J A Jeffrey
F.C. Sessions President	
Orange Johnson Vice President	
J.A. Jeffrey Cashier	

Witness:

D. Fisk Havens

Whereas Orange Johnson died on the 28th day of November 1876 appointing Francis C. Sessions and Mrs. Ascha [sic] Johnson Executors to his will, and whereas it is deemed best by all parties concerned that the business of the Commercial Bank shuld not be interrupted, [sic] it is hereby agreed by us that the said Banking business shall continue under the terms of said Co-partnership article, the estate of said Orange Johnson retaining and continuing his interest therein and other parties retaining and continuing their interests as in said agreement provided until further arrangements

[signed] Francis C. Sessions

Joseph A. Jeffrey

F.C. Sessions, Executor of Orange Johnson, dec'd

Achsa Johnson

I assent to the above

Mary J. Sessions