

# ABA BJ Puzzle of the Week: 1/12/12

## Banking Riddler: The Puzzle

### Let's Clear This Up

I may be large or I may be small,  
But my size it varies not at all.  
Cancelled for years, I stick around,  
If lost I'm stopped before I'm found.  
I'm exceptional if I'm out of sorts,  
And in some cases I'm found in courts.

What am I?

\_\_\_\_\_ (1)

### A Matter Of Some Sense

More coppers than some precincts  
Well-rounded in any case.  
Memorials, shields, and wheat sheaves  
All can find a place.

What am I?

\_\_\_\_\_ (2)

### Remarkably Safe And Sound

Mr. Bemis, respectable chap,  
Chose me for a read and nap.  
Valentine gave up his love for me,  
In a tale by Porter ("O. Henry")  
Most attractive when well packed,  
I'm closed until opened (or cracked).  
I've drawers (and more locks than Erie's Canal).  
And for cash cows' cash, I'm the corral.

What am I?

\_\_\_\_\_ (1)

### In Wood, A Varnishing Breed

An upstanding item, and per my design,  
A chair won't seat you, a stool would be fine.  
I'm not political, but add this clue to the list,  
In some way you could call me "lobbyist."  
Most folks trust me—they *lean* on me,  
Sign, pull, and seal, and leave quickly.

What am I?

\_\_\_\_\_ (2)

### Pin This One On Your Wall

My importance to the nation  
Takes no special dispensation  
To understand. Card, code, cash  
I am not rash.  
But once you've given the information,  
I'll give back money, any combination.

What am I?

\_\_\_\_\_ (3)

A new year, and new twist on the weekly puzzle. Each of the bits of collected doggerel—we won't dare to call it poetry—is a riddle, and the answer is some item to do with banking or money. The number in the parentheses after each blank clues you to how many words or, in the case of an acronym, how many letters, make up the answer.

Fax your completed puzzle, with name, bank, title, and e-mail, by 5 PM, Wednesday, Jan. 18, to 212-633-1165, to participate in a drawing for a \$25 gift card from Amazon. Good luck! [scocheo@sbpub.com](mailto:scocheo@sbpub.com)