

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §31a-8-15

## **§31A-8-15. General penalties.**

(a) Upon conviction for any misdemeanor offense under the provisions of this chapter, an offending financial institution shall be fined not more than \$5,000 nor less than \$50 and may, in the discretion of the court in consideration of the nature of the offense, be required to forfeit its corporate charter and franchise. Upon conviction of any individual, whether officer, director, agent, employee or any other person connected or not connected with a financial institution, of any misdemeanor offense under the provisions of this chapter, the offending individual shall be fined not more than \$5,000 nor less than \$50 and may, in the discretion of the court, be confined in the county jail for not more than twelve months.

(b) Any person or financial institution which violates the provisions of this chapter, the rules adopted thereunder, or a lawful order of the commissioner or board, shall, unless previously fined under the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, be subject to civil penalties in an amount not more than \$5,000 nor less than \$50 in civil actions brought by the commissioner or the board.