BANC OF CALIFORNIA, INC. Form 424B5 November 04, 2014

> Filed Pursuant to Rule 424(b)(5) Registration No. 333-192518

# PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

(To Prospectus dated February 12, 2014)

#### 5,188,947 Shares

#### Voting Common Stock

We are selling directly to (i) OCM BOCA Investor, LLC ( Oaktree ), an entity owned by investment funds managed by Oaktree Capital Management, L.P., and (ii) Patriot Financial Partners, L.P., Patriot Financial Partners Parallel, L.P., Patriot Financial Partners II, L.P. and Patriot Financial Partners Parallel II, L.P. (collectively, Patriot ), an aggregate of 5,188,947 shares of our voting common stock (subject to adjustment as to the number of shares to be sold to Oaktree as described herein).

Our shares of voting common stock trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol BANC. On October 30, 2014, the last sale price of the shares as reported on the New York Stock Exchange was \$11.85 per share.

For a discussion of certain risks that you should consider in connection with an investment in our voting common stock, see <u>Risk Factors</u> in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013, and all subsequent filings under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, referred to herein as the Exchange Act, as well as the additional risk factors contained in this prospectus supplement beginning on page S-11 and the accompanying prospectus.

	Per Share	<u>Total</u>
<u>Oaktree</u>		
Offering price of shares sold to Oaktree	\$ 9.78	\$ 32,165,905
Proceeds of shares sold to Oaktree, after deducting the equity support payment of \$0.50 per share, but before other expenses, to us	\$ 9.28	\$ 30,521,431
Detwint		

Offering price of shares sold to Patriot	\$9.78 (with respect to 1,076,000 shares) and \$11.55 (with respect to 824,000 shares)	\$ 20,040,480
Proceeds of shares sold to Patriot, after deducting the equity support payment of \$538,000, but before other expenses, to us	\$9.28 (with respect to 1,076,000 shares) and \$11.55 (with respect to 824,000 shares)	\$ 19,502,480
<u>Total</u>		
Proceeds of shares sold to Patriot and Oaktree, after deducting the equity support payments, but before other expenses, to us nese securities are not deposits or other obligations of a bank and surance Corporation, referred to herein as the FDIC, or any othe		\$ 50,023,911 leral Deposit

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission, referred to herein as the SEC, nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus to which it relates is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Delivery of the shares is expected to be made on or about November 7, 2014.

The date of this prospectus supplement is October 30, 2014.

# TABLE OF CONTENTS

# **Prospectus Supplement**

	Page
About This Prospectus Supplement	S-1
Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements	S-2
Where You Can Find More Information	S-4
Incorporation By Reference	S-5
Prospectus Supplement Summary	S-6
The Offerings	S-9
Risk Factors	S-11
<u>Use Of Proceeds</u>	S-14
Price Range of Voting Common Stock and Dividends	S-15
Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations for Non-U.S. Holders	S-16
Certain ERISA Considerations	S-19
<u>Plan of Distribution</u>	S-21
Legal Matters	S-22
Experts	S-23

# Prospectus

	Page
Important Notice About Information Presented in This Prospectus and the Accompanying	
Prospectus Supplement	1
About This Prospectus	3
Where You Can Find More Information	3
Special Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements	5
Prospectus Summary	7
Risk Factors	9
Banc of California, Inc.	9
Ratios of Earnings to Fixed Charges and Ratio of Earnings to Combined Fixed Charges and	
Preferred Stock Dividends	9
Use of Proceeds	10
Description of Debt Securities	10
Description of Common Stock and Preferred Stock	20
Description of Depositary Shares	37
Description of Purchase Contracts	40
Description of Warrants	41
Description of Rights	43
Description of Units	44
Description of Global Securities	44
Selling Securityholders	46
Plan of Distribution	46
Legal Matters	48
Experts	48
-	

# ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

This document is in two parts. The first part is this prospectus supplement, which describes the specific terms of these offerings. The second part, the base prospectus, gives more general information, some of which may not apply to these offerings. Generally, when we refer only to the prospectus, we are referring to both parts combined, and when we refer to the accompanying prospectus, we are referring to the base prospectus. You should read both this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, together with additional information described under the heading Where You Can Find More Information in the accompanying prospectus supplement and under the heading Incorporation by Reference in this prospectus supplement.

If the description of these offerings varies between this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on the information in this prospectus supplement.

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus and any written communication from Banc of California, Inc. specifying the final terms of these offerings. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different or additional information from that contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. We are offering to sell shares of our voting common stock, and seeking offers to buy shares of our voting common stock only in jurisdictions where offers and sales are permitted. Neither this prospectus supplement nor the accompanying prospectus constitutes an offer, or an invitation on our behalf, to subscribe for and purchase any of our securities, and they may not be used for or in connection with an offer or solicitation by anyone, in any jurisdiction in which such an offer or solicitation is not authorized or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such an offer or solicitation.

The information contained in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus is accurate only as of the respective dates of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus supplement or any sales of shares of our voting common stock.

In this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, unless the context indicates otherwise, references to the Bank prior to October 11, 2013 mean Pacific Trust Bank and The Private Bank of California (Beach Business Bank prior to July 1, 2013), collectively, and references to the Bank on or after October 11, 2013 refer to Banc of California, National Association. Unless the context indicates otherwise, all references to Banc of California, Inc. refer to Banc of California, Inc. excluding its consolidated subsidiaries and all references to the Company, we, us or our refer to Banc of California, Inc., including its consolidated subsidiaries.

#### CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus and the other documents we incorporate by reference in them contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements often include the words believes, expects, anticipates. estimates. forecasts. intends outlook or similar expressions or future or conditional verbs such as ma targets, potentially, probably, projects, would and could. These forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties should, and other factors that could cause the actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements, including:

> our ability to successfully integrate the branches we expect to acquire from Banco Popular North America (BPNA), as described under the caption Risk Factors Risks Relating to Our Pending Branch Acquisition from Banco Popular in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2014 filed with the SEC on August 18, 2014, which is incorporated herein by reference;

the risks that the Company s merger and acquisition activities, including but not limited to the pending acquisition of the BPNA branches and the recently completed acquisitions of The Private Bank of California, The Palisades Group, LLC and CS Financial, Inc., as well as the recent merger of the Company s subsidiary banks, may disrupt current plans and operations and lead to potential difficulties in customer and employee retention, that the amount of the costs, fees, expenses and charges related to these transactions could be significantly higher than anticipated, and that the expected revenues, cost savings, synergies and other benefits of these transactions may not be realized to the extent anticipated, within the anticipated timetables or at all;

risks that funds obtained from capital raising activities, including but not limited to the offerings made by this prospectus supplement, will not be utilized efficiently or effectively;

the credit risks of lending activities, which may be affected by deterioration in real estate markets and the financial condition of borrowers, may lead to increased loan and lease delinquencies, losses and nonperforming assets in our loan and lease portfolio, and may result in our allowance for loan and lease losses not being adequate to cover actual losses and require us to materially increase our loan and lease loss reserves;

the quality and composition of our securities portfolio;

changes in general economic conditions, either nationally or in our market areas, or financial markets;

continuation of the historically low short-term interest rate environment, changes in the levels of general interest rates, and the relative differences between short- and long-term interest rates, deposit interest rates, our net interest margin and funding sources;

fluctuations in the demand for loans and leases, the number of unsold homes and other properties and fluctuations in commercial and residential real estate values in our market area;

results of examinations of us by regulatory authorities and the possibility that any such regulatory authority may, among other things, require us to increase our allowance for loan and lease losses, write-down asset values, increase our capital levels, or affect our ability to borrow funds or maintain or increase deposits, which could adversely affect our liquidity and earnings;

legislative or regulatory changes that adversely affect our business, including changes in regulatory capital or other rules;

our ability to control operating costs and expenses;

staffing fluctuations in response to product demand or the implementation of corporate strategies that affect our workforce and potential associated charges;

errors in our estimates in determining fair value of certain of our assets, which may result in significant declines in valuation;

the network and computer systems on which we depend could fail or experience a security breach;

our ability to attract and retain key members of our senior management team;

costs and effects of litigation, including settlements and judgments;

increased competitive pressures among financial services companies;

changes in consumer spending, borrowing and saving habits;

adverse changes in the securities markets;

earthquake, fire or other natural disasters affecting the condition of real estate collateral;

the availability of resources to address changes in laws, rules or regulations or to respond to regulatory actions;

inability of key third-party providers to perform their obligations to us;

changes in accounting policies and practices, as may be adopted by the financial institution regulatory agencies or the Financial Accounting Standards Board or their application to our business, including additional guidance and interpretation on accounting issues and details of the implementation of new accounting methods;

war or terrorist activities; and

other economic, competitive, governmental, regulatory, and technological factors affecting our operations, pricing, products and services and the other risks described elsewhere in this prospectus or the documents incorporated by reference herein.

Some of these and other factors are discussed in our annual and quarterly reports previously filed with the SEC. Such developments could have an adverse impact on our financial position and results of operations. If one or more of the

factors affecting our forward-looking statements proves incorrect, the actual results, performance or achievements could differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, forward-looking statements. The effects of the factors described above are difficult to predict. Factors other than those described above also could adversely affect us, and investors should not consider these factors to be a complete set of all potential risks or uncertainties. New factors emerge from time to time and management cannot assess the impact of any such factor on our business or the extent to which any factor, or combination of factors, may cause results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement.

The forward-looking statements are based on our management s beliefs and assumptions and are made as of the date of this prospectus supplement (or, in the case of such statements contained in the accompanying prospectus, or document incorporated by reference, as of the date of such prospectus or document). We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements or to update the reasons why actual results could differ from those projected in the forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except to the extent required by the federal securities laws. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking events discussed in this prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus or the documents incorporated by reference might not occur, and you should not put undue reliance on any forward-looking statements.

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. You can read and copy any materials we file with the SEC at the SEC s public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Room 1580, Washington, D.C. 20549. You can obtain information about the operation of the SEC s public reference room by calling the SEC at 1-800-732-0330. The SEC also maintains a website at http://www.sec.gov that contains information we file electronically with the SEC.

We have filed a Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-192518) with the SEC regarding the securities offered hereby. This prospectus supplement does not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement or in the exhibits and schedules thereto, in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC, and we refer you to that omitted information. The statements made in this prospectus supplement pertaining to the content of any contract, agreement or other document that is an exhibit to the registration statement necessarily are summaries of their material provisions, and we qualify those statements in their entirety by reference to those exhibits for complete statements of their provisions. The registration statement and its exhibits and schedules are available at the SEC s public reference room or through its website.

# **INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE**

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information we file with it, which means we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information we incorporate by reference is an important part of this prospectus supplement, and information we subsequently file with the SEC will automatically update and supersede that information. We incorporate by reference the documents listed below and any filings we make with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act (File Number 001-35522) (excluding, in each case, information deemed to be furnished and not filed with the SEC) after the date of this prospectus supplement until the completion of these offerings. The documents we incorporate by reference are:

Report(s) Annual Report on Form 10-K	<b>Period(s) of Report(s) or Date(s) Filed</b> For the year ended December 31, 2013, as amended by Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-K/A on August 18, 2014
Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q	For the quarter ended March 31, 2014, as amended by Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-Q/A on August 18, 2014, and for the quarter ended June 30, 2014
Current Reports on Form 8-K	Filed on January 3, 2014, February 10, 2014 (two amended filings), February 11, 2014, February 14, 2014, February 19, 2014, March 4, 2014 (two filings), March 7, 2014, April 15, 2014, April 23, 2014, April 25, 2014, May 12, 2014 (amended filing), May 14, 2014 (two filings), May 21, 2014 (two filings), June 2, 2014, June 13, 2014, August 18, 2014, August 19, 2014, August 20, 2014, September 2, 2014, October 23, 2014 and October 30, 2014

Notwithstanding the foregoing, information furnished under Items 2.02 and 7.01 of any Current Report on Form 8-K, including the related exhibits under Item 9.01, is not incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus.

We will provide without charge to each person to whom a copy of this prospectus supplement has been delivered, upon written or oral request, a copy of any or all of the documents we incorporate by reference in this prospectus supplement, other than any exhibit to any of those documents, unless we have specifically incorporated that exhibit by reference into the information this prospectus supplement incorporates. You may request a copy of these filings (other than an exhibit to a filing unless that exhibit is specifically incorporated by reference into that filing) at no cost, by writing or calling us at Investor Relations, Banc of California, Inc., 18500 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 1100, Irvine, California 92612, telephone number (949) 236-5211.

In reviewing any agreements incorporated by reference, please remember that they are included to provide you with information regarding the terms of such agreements and are not intended to provide any other factual or disclosure information. The agreements may contain representations and warranties, which should not in all instances be treated as categorical statements of fact, but rather as a way of allocating the risk to one of the parties if those statements prove to be inaccurate. The representations and warranties were made only as of the date of the relevant agreement or such other date or dates as may be specified in such agreement and are subject to more recent developments. Accordingly, these representations and warranties alone may not describe the actual state of affairs as of the date they were made or at any other time.

# PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT SUMMARY

This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. Because it is a summary, it may not contain all of the information that is important to you. You should read carefully this entire prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, including the section entitled Risk Factors beginning on page S-11 of this prospectus supplement, as well as the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement, before making a decision to invest in shares of our voting common stock.

#### Banc of California, Inc.

Banc of California, Inc. is a financial holding company and the parent of Banc of California, National Association, a national bank (the Bank ), the Palisades Group, LLC, an SEC-registered investment advisor (TPG or Palisades ), and PTB Property Holdings, LLC, an entity formed to hold real estate, cash and fixed income investments (PTB). Prior to October 11, 2013, Banc of California, Inc. was a multi-bank holding company with two banking subsidiaries, Pacific Trust Bank, a federal savings bank (PacTrust Bank or Pacific Trust Bank) and The Private Bank of California (PBOC or Beach Business Bank prior to July 1, 2013). On October 11, 2013, Banc of California, Inc. became a one-bank holding company when Pacific Trust Bank converted from a federal savings bank to a national bank and changed its name to Banc of California, National Association, and immediately thereafter The Private Bank of California was merged into Banc of California, National Association. On January 17, 2014, Banc of California, Inc. became a financial holding company.

The Company was incorporated under Maryland law in March 2002, and, in July 2013, the Company changed its name to Banc of California, Inc. and, as noted above, in October 2013, the Company s subsidiary banks merged to form a single, national bank subsidiary under the name Banc of California, National Association. The Bank has one wholly owned subsidiary, CS Financial, Inc. (CS Financial), a mortgage banking company that was acquired on October 31, 2013.

Banc of California, Inc. is subject to regulation by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (the Federal Reserve Board ), and the Bank is subject to regulation primarily by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (the OCC ). As a financial holding company, Banc of California, Inc. may engage in activities permissible for bank holding companies and may engage in other activities that are financial in nature or incidental or complementary to activities that are financial in nature, primarily securities, insurance and merchant banking activities.

The Bank offers a variety of financial services to meet the banking and financial needs of the communities we serve. The Bank is headquartered in Orange County, California and as of June 30, 2014, the Bank operated 17 branches in San Diego, Orange, and Los Angeles Counties in California and 60 mortgage loan production offices in California, Arizona, Oregon, Montana, Virginia, North Carolina, Colorado, Indiana and Maryland.

The principal business of the Bank consists of attracting retail deposits from the general public and investing these funds primarily in commercial, consumer and real estate secured loans. The Bank solicits deposits in its market area and, to a lesser extent, from institutional depositors nationwide and may accept brokered deposits.

The Bank s deposit product and service offerings include checking, savings, money market, certificates of deposit, retirement accounts, as well as mobile, online, cash and treasury management, card payment services, remote deposit, ACH origination, employer/employee retirement planning, telephone banking, automated bill payment, electronic statements, safe deposit boxes, direct deposit and wire transfers. Bank customers also have the ability to access their accounts through a nationwide network of over 30,000 surcharge-free ATMs.

The principal executive offices of the Company are located at 18500 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 1100, Irvine, California, and the Company s telephone number is (949) 236-5211.

#### **Recent Developments**

#### **Our Pending Acquisition of Branches from Banco Popular**

On April 22, 2014, the Bank entered into a Purchase and Assumption Agreement (the Purchase Agreement ) with Banco Popular North America (BPNA) pursuant to which the Bank agreed to acquire select assets and assume certain liabilities comprising BPNA s network of 20 California branches (the BPNA Branches, and such transaction, the Branch Acquisition). Pursuant to the terms of the Purchase Agreement, the Bank will assume approximately \$1.1 billion of deposits and acquire approximately \$1.1 billion of loans related to the BPNA Branches (based on March 31, 2014 balances).

#### Direct Offerings to which this Prospectus Supplement Relates

Also on April 22, 2014, the Company entered into two separate Securities Purchase Agreements (collectively, the SPAs), one with OCM BOCA Investor, LLC (Oaktree), an entity owned by investment funds managed by Oaktree Capital Management, L.P., and one with Patriot Financial Partners, L.P. and Patriot Financial Partners Parallel, L.P. (together, Patriot Partners), to raise a portion of the capital to be used to finance the Branch Acquisition.

The SPA with Patriot Partners was due to expire by its terms at the end of the day on October 31, 2014. Prior to such expiration, the Company and Patriot Partners, Patriot Financial Partners II, L.P. and Patriot Financial Partners Parallel II, L.P. (collectively, Patriot) entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement, dated as of October 30, 2014 (the New Patriot SPA), which provides that, at the closing of the sale of shares contemplated thereby, Patriot will simultaneously purchase from the Company (i) 1,076,000 shares of its voting common stock at a price of \$9.78 per share and (ii) 824,000 shares of its voting common stock at a price of \$11.55 per share, for an aggregate purchase price of \$20,040,480. In consideration for Patriot's commitment under the New Patriot SPA, the Company agreed to pay to Patriot at the closing of the sale of shares contemplated thereby an equity support payment of \$538,000. Pursuant to the New Patriot SPA, the prior SPA with Patriot Partners was terminated in its entirety. The outside termination date under the New Patriot SPA is January 15, 2015. The closing of the sale of shares contemplated by the New Patriot SPA is expected to occur substantially concurrently with, and is conditioned upon the satisfaction of certain conditions set forth in the Purchase Agreement related to, the closing of the Branch Acquisition, which is expected to occur on November 7, 2014.

Pursuant to the SPA with Oaktree, the Company agreed to sell a number of shares of its voting common stock to Oaktree such that the percentage of the outstanding shares of the Company s voting common stock owned by Oaktree immediately following the closing of such sale will equal 9.9%. The Company also agreed to pay to Oaktree at the closing an equity support payment of \$0.50 per share for each share purchased pursuant to the SPA. However, the SPA with Oaktree was also due to expire by its terms at the end of the day on October 31, 2014. On October 28, 2014, the Company amended its SPA with Oaktree by entering into an Acknowledgement and Amendment to Securities Purchase Agreement (the Oaktree Amendment ), pursuant to which the parties agreed that the Purchase Price Per Share (as defined in the SPA with Oaktree) will be \$9.78 per share (subject to the equity support payment of \$0.50 per share), and that the number of shares of voting common stock to be purchased by Oaktree pursuant to the SPA was expected to be 3,287,954, subject to confirmation at closing. The Oaktree Amendment also extended the outside termination date to December 15, 2014. The closing of the sale of shares contemplated by the SPA with Oaktree is expected to occur substantially concurrently with, and is conditioned upon the satisfaction of certain conditions set forth in the Purchase Agreement related to, the closing of the Branch Acquisition.

The foregoing description of the SPAs, the New Patriot SPA and the Oaktree Amendment and the transactions contemplated thereby does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to (i) the SPAs, which are attached as Exhibit 10.1 and Exhibit 10.2 to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on April 25, 2014, and (ii) the New Patriot SPA and the Oaktree Amendment, which are attached as Exhibit 10.1 and 10.2, respectively, to the Company s Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 30, 2014, and all of which are incorporated herein by reference. Except for its status as a contractual document that establishes and governs the legal relations among the parties with respect to the transactions described therein, none of the SPAs, the New Patriot SPA nor the Oaktree Amendment is intended to be a source of factual, business or operational information about the parties thereto. Representations and warranties may be used as a tool to allocate risks between the parties to such agreements, including where the parties do not have complete knowledge of all facts, instead of establishing these matters as facts. Furthermore, representations and warranties may be subject to standards of materiality applicable to the contracting parties, which may differ from those applicable to investors.

#### **Risk Factors**

Investing in shares of our voting common stock involves risks. You should carefully consider the information under Risk Factors beginning on page S-11 of this prospectus supplement and under Risk Factors in (i) our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013, filed with the SEC on March 17, 2014, as amended by Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-K/A, filed with the SEC on August 18, 2014; (ii) our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2014, filed with the SEC on May 9, 2014, as amended by Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-Q/A, as filed with the SEC on August 18, 2014; (iii) our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2014, filed with the SEC on August 18, 2014; and (iv) other information included in this prospectus, including the documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

#### THE OFFERINGS

The following summary contains basic information about our voting common stock. This description is not complete and does not contain all of the information that you should consider before investing in shares of our voting common stock. For a more complete understanding of our voting common stock, you should read Description of Common Stock and Preferred Stock Common Stock in the accompanying prospectus. To the extent that the following information is inconsistent with the information in the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on the following information. In this section, the Company, we, our, or us refer only to Banc of California, Inc. and not to any of its subsidiaries.

Issuer	Banc of California, Inc.
Voting common stock offered in these offerings	5,188,947 shares. <sup>1</sup>
Voting common stock to be outstanding after these offerings	33,221,690 shares. <sup>2</sup>
Net proceeds	The net proceeds to us from the sale of the voting common stock offered in these offerings, after deducting (i) the equity support payments to Oaktree and Patriot and (ii) estimated expenses, will be approximately \$49.5 million.
Use of proceeds	We intend to use a portion of the net proceeds from these offerings to consummate the Branch Acquisition and the remainder for general corporate purposes. See Use of Proceeds.
New York Stock Exchange symbol	BANC .
Risk factors	Investing in our voting common stock involves risks. Before investing, you should consider carefully the matters set forth under Risk Factors, beginning on page S-11, for a discussion of the risks related to an investment in our voting common stock.

1 Subject to adjustment pursuant to the SPA with Oaktree, which provides that the Company will sell to Oaktree a number of shares of its voting common stock such that the percentage of the outstanding shares of the Company s voting common stock owned by Oaktree immediately following the closing will equal 9.9%.

2 The number of shares of voting common stock to be outstanding after these offerings is based on 28,032,743 shares of voting common stock issued and outstanding as of October 30, 2014, after taking into account the expected issuance of 30,925 CS Financial Performance Shares (as defined below) on or around October 31, 2014 but does not include:

shares of voting common stock issuable upon exercise of outstanding stock options and stock appreciation rights and upon settlement of outstanding restricted stock units;

1,635,000 shares reserved for potential issuance under warrants issued in connection with a common stock offering we completed in November 2010. The warrants are currently exercisable for shares of our non-voting common stock, but will be exercisable for voting common stock in lieu of non-voting common stock following the transfer of the warrants in a widely dispersed offering or in other limited circumstances;

shares of voting common stock reserved for potential issuance under the Common Stock Share Exchange Agreement, dated May 29, 2013, referred to herein as the Exchange Agreement, between Banc of California, Inc. and TCW Shared Opportunity Fund V, L.P., referred to herein as SHOP V Fund. Pursuant to the Exchange Agreement, SHOP V Fund may from time to time exchange its shares of Banc of California Inc. s Class B Non-Voting Common Stock, referred to herein as non-voting common stock, for shares of voting common stock issued by Banc of California, Inc. on a share-for-share basis, provided that immediately following any such exchange, SHOP V Fund s percentage ownership of voting common stock does not exceed 9.99%. Based on 33,221,690 shares of voting common stock to be outstanding following these offerings, SHOP V Fund has the ability to exchange up to 706,830 shares of non-voting common stock for the same number of shares of voting common stock and stay within its 9.99% voting common stock ownership limitation. On June 3, 2013, SHOP V Fund exchanged 550,000 shares of non-voting common stock for the same number of shares of voting common stock. As a result of that exchange and based on a Schedule 13G filed on behalf of SHOP V Fund with the SEC on February 14, 2014, we believe that SHOP V Fund held approximately 466,830 shares of non-voting common stock as of December 31, 2013;

approximately 216,263 shares underlying additional stock appreciation rights to be granted to Steven Sugarman, the Company s President and Chief Executive Officer, upon consummation of these offerings, pursuant to the terms of the Stock Appreciation Right Grant, dated as of August 21, 2012 and amended as of December 13, 2013, by and between the Company and Mr. Sugarman;

up to 61,856 shares of voting common stock (the CS Financial Performance Shares ) that may be issued upon the achievement of certain performance targets by the Bank s Residential Lending Division pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of October 25, 2013, by and among the Company, the Bank, CS Financial, the stockholders of CS Financial and Jeffrey T. Seabold, as the Sellers Representative; or

up to 4,828,150 shares issuable upon settlement of outstanding prepaid stock purchase contracts issued in connection with the Company s offering of 1.38 million tangible equity units completed on May 21, 2014.

# **RISK FACTORS**

An investment in shares of our voting common stock involves various risks. You should carefully consider the risk factors described in Part I, Item 1A, Risk Factors in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013, filed on March 17, 2014, as amended by Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-K/A, filed on August 18, 2014; in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2014, filed on May 9, 2014, as amended by Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-K/A, filed on May 9, 2014, as amended by Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-Q/A, filed on August 18, 2014; in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q/A, filed on August 18, 2014; and in our other reports filed from time to time with the SEC, which are incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, as the same may be amended, supplemented or superseded from time to time by our filings under the Exchange Act. You should carefully consider the risks described below, and the other information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus before investing in our voting common stock. The risks described below are not the only risks applicable to us. Additional risks not currently known to us or that we currently consider immaterial also may impair our business.

#### **Risks Relating to These Offerings and Our Voting Common Stock**

#### The market price of our voting common stock may decline after these offerings.

The price per share at which we sell some of our voting common stock in these offerings is expected to be, and all of such prices may be, less than the market price of the voting common stock on the date the offerings are consummated. As such, Oaktree or Patriot may be inclined to immediately sell shares of the voting common stock to attempt to realize a profit. Any such sales, depending on the volume and timing, could cause the price of our voting common stock to decline. Additionally, because stock prices generally fluctuate over time, there is no assurance that purchasers of our voting common stock in these offerings will be able to sell shares after the offerings at a price that is equal to or greater than the actual purchase price. Purchasers should consider these possibilities in determining whether to purchase shares in the offerings and the timing of any sales of shares of voting common stock.

#### Our trading volume may not provide adequate liquidity for investors.

Our voting common stock is currently listed on the New York Stock Exchange. However, the average daily trading volume in our voting common stock is less than that of larger financial services companies. A public trading market having the desired depth, liquidity and orderliness depends on the presence of a sufficient number of willing buyers and sellers for our voting common stock at any given time. This presence is impacted by general economic and market conditions and investors views of us. Because our trading volume is limited relative to larger financial services companies, any significant sales of our shares could cause a decline in the market value of our voting common stock.

# The price of our voting common stock may fluctuate significantly, and this may make it difficult for you to resell our voting common stock when you want or at prices you find attractive.

We cannot predict how our voting common stock will trade in the future. The market value of our voting common stock will likely continue to fluctuate in response to a number of factors including the following, most of which are beyond our control, as well as the other factors described in this Risk Factors section, elsewhere in this prospectus and in the documents incorporated herein by reference:

actual or anticipated quarterly fluctuations in our operating and financial results;

developments related to investigations, proceedings or litigation that involve us;

changes in financial estimates and recommendations by financial analysts;

dispositions, acquisitions and financings;

actions of our current shareholders, including sales of stock by existing shareholders and our directors and executive officers;

fluctuations in the stock prices and operating results of our competitors;

regulatory developments; and

other developments related to the financial services industry.

The market value of our voting common stock may also be affected by conditions affecting the financial markets in general, including price and trading fluctuations. These conditions may result in (i) volatility in the level of, and fluctuations in, the market prices of stocks generally and, in turn, our voting common stock and (ii) sales of substantial amounts of our voting common stock in the market, in each case that could be unrelated or disproportionate to changes in our operating performance. These broad fluctuations may adversely affect the market value of our voting common stock.

# Future sales of our common stock or other securities may dilute the value and adversely affect the market price of our voting common stock.

In many situations, our board of directors has the authority, without any vote of our shareholders, to issue shares of our authorized but unissued common stock or shares of our authorized but unissued preferred stock. Our board of directors also has the power to amend our charter, without shareholder approval, to increase the number of shares of stock we are authorized to issue. In the future, we may issue additional securities, through public or private offerings, in order to raise additional capital. Any such issuance would dilute the percentage of ownership interest of existing shareholders and may dilute the per share book value of our common stock. In addition, option, stock appreciation right, warrant and tangible equity unit holders may exercise their options, stock appreciation rights, warrants or elect early settlement of the purchase contracts relating to their tangible equity units at times when we would otherwise be able to obtain additional equity capital on more favorable terms. In the case of issuances of our preferred stock, any issuances would likely result in your interest being subject to the prior rights of holders of that preferred stock. The market price of our common stock could decline as a result of these offerings as well as sales of shares of our common stock made after these offerings or the perception that such sales could occur.

#### Regulatory restrictions may limit or prevent us from paying dividends on our voting common stock.

Banc of California, Inc. derives substantially all of its revenue in the form of dividends from its subsidiaries. Accordingly, Banc of California, Inc. is and will be dependent upon dividends from its subsidiaries to pay the principal of and interest on its indebtedness, to satisfy its other cash needs and to pay dividends on its capital stock. Banc of California, Inc. s subsidiaries ability to pay dividends is subject to their ability to earn net income and to meet certain regulatory requirements. If our subsidiaries are unable to pay dividends, Banc of California, Inc. may not be able to service its debt, pay its other obligations or pay dividends on its preferred or common stock, which could have a material adverse impact on our financial condition or the value of your investment in our voting common stock.

Our voting common stock is equity and is subordinate to our existing and future indebtedness and preferred stock and effectively subordinated to all the indebtedness and other non-common equity claims against our subsidiaries.

Shares of our voting common stock represent equity interests in us and do not constitute indebtedness. Accordingly, the shares of our voting common stock will rank junior to all of our existing and future indebtedness and to any other non-equity claims against us with respect to assets available to satisfy claims against us, including in the event of our liquidation. Additionally, holders of our voting common stock are subject to the prior dividend and liquidation rights of the holders of our outstanding preferred stock. As of June 30, 2014, we had 82,250 shares of preferred stock issued and outstanding, consisting of 32,000 shares of

Senior Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A, liquidation amount \$1,000 per share (Series A Preferred Stock), 10,000 shares of Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series B, liquidation amount \$1,000 per share (Series B Preferred Stock), and 40,250 shares of 8.00 percent Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series C, liquidation amount \$1,000 per share (Series C Preferred Stock, and together with the Series A Preferred Stock and Series B Preferred Stock, the Preferred Stock). Each series of the Preferred Stock ranks equally (pari passu) with each other series of the Preferred Stock and senior to our common stock in the payment of dividends and in the distribution of assets on any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of Banc of California, Inc. We may also issue preferred stock in the future that has a preference over our common stock with respect to the payment of dividends or upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up, or voting rights that dilute the voting power of the common stock. Our board of directors is authorized to issue additional classes or series of preferred stock generally without any action on the part of the holders of our common stock, and we are permitted to incur additional debt. Upon liquidation, lenders and holders of our debt securities and preferred stock would receive distributions of our available assets prior to holders of our common stock.

In addition, our right to participate in any distribution of assets of any of our subsidiaries upon the subsidiary s liquidation or otherwise, and thus the ability of a holder of our voting common stock to benefit indirectly from such distribution, will be subject to the prior claims of creditors of that subsidiary, except to the extent that any of our claims as a creditor of such subsidiary may be recognized. As a result, holders of our voting common stock will be effectively subordinated to all existing and future liabilities and obligations of our subsidiaries.

# Anti-takeover provisions could negatively impact our shareholders.

Provisions in our charter and bylaws, the corporate laws of the State of Maryland and federal regulations could delay, defer or prevent a third party from acquiring us, despite the possible benefit to our shareholders, or otherwise adversely affect the market price of any class of our equity securities, including our voting common stock. These provisions include a prohibition on voting shares of common stock beneficially owned in excess of 10% of total shares outstanding; supermajority voting requirements for certain business combinations with any person who beneficially owns 10% or more of our outstanding common stock; the election of directors to staggered terms of three years; advance notice requirements for nominations for election to our board of directors may fill a vacancy in our board of directors; and supermajority voting requirements to remove any of our directors. Our charter also authorizes our board of directors to issue preferred stock, and preferred stock could be issued as a defensive measure in response to a takeover proposal. In addition, pursuant to banking regulations, as a general matter, no person or company, acting individually or in concert with others, may acquire 10% or more of our voting common stock without prior approval from the Federal Reserve Board.

These provisions may discourage potential takeover attempts, discourage bids for our voting common stock at a premium over market price, or adversely affect the market price of, and the voting and other rights of the holders of, our voting common stock. These provisions could also discourage proxy contests and make it more difficult for holders of our voting common stock to elect directors other than the candidates nominated by our board of directors. In addition, because of the voting limitation in our charter referred to above, the voting rights of any person or group acquiring beneficial ownership of more than 10% of the outstanding shares of our voting common stock will not be commensurate with their economic interest in the Company.

# **USE OF PROCEEDS**

We estimate that the net proceeds of these offerings will be approximately \$49.5 million, after deducting the equity support payments to Oaktree and the Patriot and estimated expenses. We estimate that we will use approximately \$10 million of the net proceeds from these offerings, in addition to the proceeds of our prior offerings of voting common stock and tangible equity units completed on May 21, 2014, to consummate the Branch Acquisition and the remainder for general corporate purposes.

# PRICE RANGE OF VOTING COMMON STOCK AND DIVIDENDS

Our voting common stock is currently listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol BANC. The following table sets forth, for the periods indicated, the high and low sales prices per share of our voting common stock as reported on the New York Stock Exchange (or, for periods prior to May 29, 2014, the Nasdaq Global Select Market), as well as the cash dividends declared per share of our common stock, for each of those periods.

				Γ	Dividend	
	High			Low		Declared
Year Ending December 31, 2014						
Fourth quarter (through October 30,						
2014)	\$	12.25	\$	10.39	\$	0.12
Third quarter		12.16		10.53		0.12
Second quarter		12.71		9.60	\$	0.12
First quarter		13.91		12.00		0.12
Year Ended December 31, 2013						
Fourth quarter	\$	14.75	\$	12.19	\$	0.12
Third quarter		15.88		12.88		0.12
Second quarter		13.98		11.00		0.12
First quarter		12.35		10.08		0.12
Year Ended December 31, 2012						
Fourth quarter	\$	12.64	\$	10.51	\$	0.12
Third quarter		13.11		10.25		0.12
Second quarter		12.81		10.28		0.12
First quarter		13.34		10.59		0.12

On October 30, 2014, the last reported sale price of our voting common stock was \$11.85 per share. As of October 30, 2014, we had approximately 1,867 holders of record of our voting common stock. This total does not reflect the number of persons or entities who hold stock in street name through various banks, brokerage firms and other nominees. As of October 30, 2014, there were (i) 28,032,743 shares of our voting common stock outstanding (with 1,639,023 shares held in treasury), after taking into account the expected issuance of 30,925 CS Financial Performance Shares on or around October 31, 2014 and (ii) 609,195 shares of our non-voting common stock issued and outstanding. Holders of our non-voting common stock rank equally with the holders of our voting common stock with respect to dividends and with respect to all other matters, except that holders of the non-voting common stock do not have voting rights except as required by law. See Description of Common Stock and Preferred Stock Common Stock in the accompanying prospectus.

The timing and amount of cash dividends paid on our common stock depends on our earnings, capital requirements, financial condition, regulatory requirements, dividends on our outstanding preferred stock (which rank senior to our common stock with respect to cash dividends) and other relevant factors and is subject to the discretion of our board of directors.

# CERTAIN U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS FOR NON-U.S. HOLDERS

The following is a discussion of the material U.S. federal income tax considerations with respect to the ownership and disposition of shares of our voting common stock applicable to non-U.S. holders who acquire such shares in these offerings and hold such shares as a capital asset within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code ) (generally, property held for investment). For purposes of this discussion, a non-U.S. holder means a beneficial owner of our voting common stock (other than an entity or arrangement that is treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) that is not, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, any of the following:

a citizen or resident of the United States;

a corporation (or other entity treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States, any state thereof or the District of Columbia, or any other corporation treated as such;

an estate, the income of which is includable in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source; or

a trust if (a) a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more U.S. persons, as defined under the Code, have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust or (b) such trust has made a valid election to be treated as a U.S. person for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

This discussion is based on current provisions of the Code, Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder, judicial opinions, published positions of the Internal Revenue Service and other applicable authorities, all of which are subject to change (possibly with retroactive effect). This discussion does not address all aspects of U.S. federal income taxation that may be important to a particular non-U.S. holder in light of that non-U.S. holder s individual circumstances, nor does it address any aspects of the unearned income Medicare contribution tax pursuant to the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, any U.S. federal estate and gift taxes, any U.S. alternative minimum taxes or any state, local or non-U.S. taxes. This discussion may not apply, in whole or in part, to particular non-U.S. holders in light of their individual circumstances or to holders subject to special treatment under the U.S. federal income tax laws (such as insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, financial institutions, brokers or dealers in securities, controlled foreign corporations, passive foreign investment companies, non-U.S. holders that hold our voting common stock as part of a straddle, hedge, conversion transaction or other integrated investment and certain U.S. expatriates).

If a partnership (or other entity or arrangement treated as a partnership for U.S. federal income tax purposes) holds our voting common stock, the tax treatment of a partner therein will generally depend on the status of the partner and the activities of the partnership. Partners of a partnership holding our voting common stock should consult their tax advisor as to the particular U.S. federal income tax consequences applicable to them.

THIS SUMMARY IS FOR GENERAL INFORMATION ONLY AND IS NOT INTENDED TO CONSTITUTE A COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF ALL TAX CONSEQUENCES FOR NON-U.S. HOLDERS RELATING TO THE OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF OUR VOTING COMMON STOCK. PROSPECTIVE HOLDERS OF OUR VOTING COMMON STOCK SHOULD CONSULT WITH THEIR TAX ADVISORS REGARDING THE TAX

# CONSEQUENCES TO THEM (INCLUDING THE APPLICATION AND EFFECT OF ANY STATE, LOCAL, FOREIGN INCOME AND OTHER TAX LAWS) OF THE OWNERSHIP AND DISPOSITION OF OUR VOTING COMMON STOCK.

#### Dividends

In general, the gross amount of any distribution we make to a non-U.S. holder with respect to its shares of voting common stock will be subject to U.S. withholding tax at a rate of 30% to the extent the

distribution constitutes a dividend for U.S. federal income tax purposes, unless the non-U.S. holder is eligible for a reduced rate of withholding tax under an applicable tax treaty and the non-U.S. holder provides proper certification of its eligibility for such reduced rate. A distribution will constitute a dividend for U.S. federal income tax purposes to the extent of our current or accumulated earnings and profits, as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes. To the extent any distribution does not constitute a dividend, it will be treated first as reducing the adjusted basis in the non-U.S. holder s shares of voting common stock and then, to the extent it exceeds the adjusted basis in the non-U.S. holder s shares of voting common stock, as gain from the sale or exchange of such stock. Any such gain will be subject to the treatment described below under Gain on Sale or Other Disposition of Voting Common Stock.

Dividends we pay to a non-U.S. holder that are effectively connected with its conduct of a trade or business within the United States (and, if required by an applicable tax treaty, are attributable to a U.S. permanent establishment of such non-U.S. holder) will not be subject to U.S. withholding tax, as described above, if the non-U.S. holder complies with applicable certification and disclosure requirements. Instead, such dividends generally will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis, at regular U.S. federal income tax rates. Dividends received by a foreign corporation that are effectively connected with its conduct of trade or business within the United States may be subject to an additional branch profits tax at a rate of 30% (or such lower rate as may be specified by an applicable tax treaty).

# Gain on Sale or Other Disposition of Voting Common Stock

In general, a non-U.S. holder will not be subject to U.S. federal income tax on any gain realized upon the sale or other disposition of the non-U.S. holder s shares of voting common stock unless:

the gain is effectively connected with a trade or business carried on by the non-U.S. holder within the United States (and, if required by an applicable tax treaty, is attributable to a U.S. permanent establishment of such non-U.S. holder);

the non-U.S. holder is an individual and is present in the United States for 183 days or more in the taxable year of disposition and certain other conditions are met; or

we are or have been a U.S. real property holding corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes at any time within the shorter of the five-year period preceding such disposition or such non-U.S. holder s holding period of our voting common stock, and the non-U.S. holder has held, at any time during said period, more than 5% of the class of our stock being sold.

Gain that is effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States (or so treated) generally will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income tax basis, at regular U.S. federal income tax rates. If the non-U.S. holder is a foreign corporation, the branch profits tax described above also may apply to such effectively connected gain. An individual non-U.S. holder who is subject to U.S. federal income tax because the non-U.S. holder was present in the United States for 183 days or more during the year of sale or other disposition of our voting common stock will be subject to a flat 30% tax on the gain derived from such sale or other disposition, which may be offset by U.S. source capital losses. We believe that we are not and we do not anticipate becoming a U.S. real property holding corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

# Withholdable Payments to Foreign Financial Entities and Other Foreign Entities

Under recently enacted legislation and administrative guidance, a United States federal withholding tax of 30% generally will be imposed on certain payments made to a foreign financial institution (as specifically defined under

these rules) unless such institution enters into an agreement with the U.S. tax authorities to withhold on certain payments and to collect and provide to the U.S. tax authorities substantial information regarding U.S. account holders of such institution (which includes certain equity and debt holders of

such institution, as well as certain account holders that are foreign entities with U.S. owners). Under the legislation and administrative guidance, a U.S. federal withholding tax of 30% generally also will be imposed on certain payments made to a non-financial foreign entity unless such entity provides the withholding agent with a certification identifying its direct and indirect U.S. owners. Under certain circumstances, a non-U.S. holder might be eligible for refunds or credits of such taxes. These withholding taxes would be imposed on dividends paid with respect to our common stock after June 30, 2014 to, and on gross proceeds from sales or other dispositions of our common stock after June 31, 2016 by, foreign financial institutions or non-financial entities (including in their capacity as agents or custodians for beneficial owners of our common stock) that fail to satisfy the above requirements. Prospective non-U.S. holders should consult with their tax advisors regarding the possible implications of this legislation on their investment in our common stock.

# Backup Withholding, Information Reporting and Other Reporting Requirements

We must report annually to the Internal Revenue Service and to each non-U.S. holder the amount of dividends paid to, and the tax withheld with respect to, each non-U.S. holder. These reporting requirements apply regardless of whether withholding was reduced or eliminated by an applicable tax treaty. Copies of this information reporting may also be made available under the provisions of a specific tax treaty or agreement with the tax authorities in the country in which the non-U.S. holder resides or is established.

A non-U.S. holder will generally be subject to backup withholding for dividends on our voting common stock paid to such holder unless such holder certifies under penalties of perjury that, among other things, it is a non-U.S. holder (and the payor does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that such holder is a U.S. person) or otherwise establishes an exemption.

Information reporting and backup withholding generally are not required with respect to the amount of any proceeds from the sale or other disposition of our voting common stock by a non-U.S. holder outside the United States through a foreign office of a foreign broker that does not have certain specified connections to the United States. However, if a non-U.S. holder sells or otherwise disposes of its shares of voting common stock through a U.S. broker or the U.S. offices of a foreign broker, the broker will generally be required to report the amount of proceeds paid to the non-U.S. holder to the Internal Revenue Service and also backup withhold on that amount unless such non-U.S. holder provides appropriate certification to the broker of its status as a non-U.S. person (and the payor does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that such holder is a U.S. person) or otherwise establishes an exemption. Information reporting will also apply if a non-U.S. holder sells its shares of voting common stock through a foreign broker deriving more than a specified percentage of its income from U.S. sources or having certain other connections to the United States, unless such broker has documentary evidence in its records that such non-U.S. holder is a non-U.S. person (and the payor does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that such holder is a use of voting common stock through a foreign broker deriving more than a specified percentage of its income from U.S. sources or having certain other connections to the United States, unless such broker has documentary evidence in its records that such non-U.S. holder is a non-U.S. person (and the payor does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that such holder is a U.S. person) and certain other conditions are met, or such non-U.S. holder otherwise establishes an exemption.

Backup withholding is not an additional income tax. Any amounts withheld under the backup withholding rules from a payment to a non-U.S. holder generally can be credited against the non-U.S. holder s U.S. federal income tax liability, if any, or refunded, provided that the required information is furnished to the Internal Revenue Service in a timely manner. Non-U.S. holders should consult their tax advisors regarding the application of the information reporting and backup withholding rules to them.

The foregoing discussion does not address all aspects of U.S. federal income taxation that may be relevant to investors in light of their particular circumstances and income tax situation. Investors should consult their own independent tax advisors as to the specific tax consequences that would result from their acquisition, ownership and disposition of our voting common stock, including the application and effect of state and local, and other tax laws and the possible effects of changes in federal or other tax laws.

#### CERTAIN ERISA CONSIDERATIONS

Each person considering the use of plan assets of a pension, profit-sharing or other employee benefit plan, individual retirement account, or other retirement plan, account or arrangement to acquire or hold our voting common stock should consider whether an investment in our voting common stock would be consistent with the documents and instruments governing the plan, and whether the investment would involve a prohibited transaction under Section 406 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, referred to herein as ERISA, or Section 4975 of the Code.

Section 406 of ERISA and Section 4975 of the Code, as applicable, prohibit plans subject to Title I of ERISA and/or Section 4975 of the Code, including entities such as collective investment funds, partnerships and separate accounts or insurance company pooled separate accounts or insurance company general accounts whose underlying assets include the assets of such plans (each referred to herein as a Plan, and, collectively, referred to herein as the Plans) from engaging in certain transactions involving plan assets with persons who are parties in interest, under ERISA or disqualified persons under the Code, or parties in interest with respect to the Plan. A violation of these prohibited transaction rules may result in civil penalties or other liabilities under ERISA and/or an excise tax under Section 4975 of the Code for those persons and penalties and liabilities under ERISA and the Code for the fiduciary of the Plan, unless exemptive relief is available under an applicable statutory, regulatory or administrative exemption. Certain plans including those that are governmental plans (as defined in Section 3(32) of ERISA), certain church plans (as defined in Section 3(33) of ERISA and Section 414(e) of the Code with respect to which the election provided by Section 410(d) of the Code has not been made), and foreign plans (as described in Section 4(b)(4) of ERISA) are not subject to the requirements of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code but may be subject to similar provisions under applicable federal, state, local, foreign or other regulations, rules or laws, referred to herein as Similar Laws.

The acquisition or holding of our voting common stock by a Plan with respect to which we or certain of our affiliates is or becomes a party in interest may constitute or result in prohibited transactions under ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, unless our voting common stock is acquired or held pursuant to and in accordance with an applicable exemption. Accordingly, in such situations, our voting common stock may not be purchased or held by any Plan or any person investing plan assets of any Plan, unless such purchase or holding is eligible for the exemptive relief available under a Prohibited Transaction Class Exemption issued by the U.S. Department of Labor, which we refer to as a PTCE, such as PTCE 84-14 (for certain transactions determined by independent qualified professional asset managers), PTCE 90-1 (for certain transactions involving insurance company pooled separate accounts), PTCE 91-38 (for certain transactions involving bank collective investment funds), PTCE 95-60 (for transactions involving certain insurance company general accounts), and PTCE 96-23 (for transactions managed by in-house asset managers), or there is some other basis on which the purchase and holding of voting common stock is not prohibited, such as the exemption under Section 408(b)(17) of ERISA and Section 4975(d)(20) of the Code, or the Service Provider Exemption for certain transactions with non-fiduciary service providers for transactions that are for adequate consideration. There can be no assurance that all of the conditions of any such exemptions will be satisfied.

Each purchaser or holder of our voting common stock or any interest therein, and each person making the decision to purchase or hold our voting common stock on behalf of any such purchaser or holder, will be deemed to have represented and warranted in both its individual capacity and its representative capacity (if any), on each day from the date on which the purchaser or holder acquires its interest in our voting common stock to the date on which the purchaser or holder disposes of its interest in our voting common stock, by its purchase or holding of our voting common stock or any interest therein that (a) its purchase and holding of our voting common stock is not made on behalf of or with plan assets of any Plan, or (b) if its purchase and holding of our voting common stock will not result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, (ii) neither we nor any of our affiliates is acting as a fiduciary (within the meaning of Section 3(21) of ERISA) in connection with the purchase or holding of our voting common stock, and (iii) neither we nor any of our affiliates has provided any advice

that has formed or may form a basis for any

investment decision concerning the purchase or holding of our voting common stock or any interest therein. Each purchaser and holder of our voting common stock or any interest therein on behalf of any governmental plan, church plan, and foreign plan will be deemed to have represented and warranted by its purchase or holding of our voting common stock or any interest therein that such purchase and holding does not violate any applicable Similar Laws or rules.

Due to the complexity of these rules and the penalties that may be imposed upon persons involved in non-exempt prohibited transactions, it is important that fiduciaries or other persons considering purchasing our voting common stock or any interest therein on behalf of or with plan assets of any Plan or plan asset entity consult with their counsel regarding the potential applicability of ERISA, Section 4975 of the Code and any Similar Laws to such investment as well as the availability of exemptive relief under any of the PTCEs listed above or any other applicable exemption.

# PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We are offering 5,188,947 shares of our voting common stock under this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus directly to Oaktree and Patriot. We currently anticipate that the closing of the sale of such shares will take place on or about November 7, 2014. On the closing date, we will issue the shares of our voting common stock to the purchasers and receive funds in the amount of the aggregate purchase price. Each purchaser named below will purchase from us the respective number of shares of voting common stock shown opposite its name below (subject to adjustment as to the number of shares to be sold to Oaktree as described above under Prospectus Supplement Summary Recent Developments Direct Offerings to which this Prospectus Supplement Relates ):

Purchaser	Number of Shares to be Purchased
OCM BOCA Investor, LLC	3,288,947
Patriot Financial Partners, L.P.	374,033
Patriot Financial Partners Parallel, L.P.	64,614
Patriot Financial Partners II, L.P.	1,204,097
Patriot Financial Partners Parallel II, L.P.	257,256
Total	5,188,947

We are not using an underwriter or placement agent in connection with these offerings and, therefore, no commission will be paid in connection with the offer and sale of the shares in the table above.

At the closing, we will deliver an equity support payment (i) to Oaktree in the amount of approximately \$1.6 million and (ii) to Patriot in the amount of \$538,000, for an aggregate payment of approximately \$2.2 million.

The estimated offering expenses payable by us, excluding the equity support payment, are approximately \$500,000, which includes legal, accounting and filing fees and various other fees and expenses associated with registering the securities and listing the shares of voting common stock. After deducting the aggregate equity support payment and our estimated offering expenses, we expect the net proceeds from these offerings will be approximately \$49.5 million.

The shares of voting common stock are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the stock symbol BANC.

## LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the voting common stock we are offering will be passed upon for us by Silver, Freedman, Taff & Tiernan LLP. Certain legal matters relating to the law of the State of California will be passed upon for us by John C. Grosvenor, Executive Vice President and General Counsel of Banc of California, Inc.

S-22

## EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of Banc of California, Inc. as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 and for the two-year period ended December 31, 2013 have been incorporated by reference herein in reliance upon the report of KPMG LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, incorporated by reference herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

The consolidated financial statements of Banc of California, Inc. as of December 31, 2011 and for the year ended December 31, 2011 have been incorporated by reference herein in reliance upon the report of Crowe Horwath LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, incorporated by reference herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

The financial statements of The Private Bank of California as of December 31, 2012 and for the year ended December 31, 2012 have been incorporated by reference herein in reliance upon the report of McGladrey LLP, independent auditor, incorporated by reference herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

The financial statements of The Private Bank of California as of December 31, 2011 and 2010 and for each of the years in the two-year period ended December 31, 2011 have been incorporated by reference herein in reliance upon the report of Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP, independent auditor, incorporated by reference herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

S-23

#### PROSPECTUS

#### **BANC OF CALIFORNIA, INC.**

Debt Securities Common Stock Preferred Stock Depositary Shares Purchase Contracts Warrants Rights Units

We may offer and sell from time to time up to \$1,000,000,000 of our debt securities, which may consist of notes, debentures, or other evidences of indebtedness, shares of our common stock or preferred stock, depositary shares, purchase contracts, warrants, rights and units comprised of two or more of these securities in any combination. In addition, the selling security holders identified in this prospectus may offer and sell from time to time up to 1,509,450 shares of our voting common stock.

The debt securities and preferred stock we may offer may be convertible into or exchangeable for other securities of ours. Each time any securities are offered pursuant to this prospectus, we will provide you with a prospectus supplement, and, if necessary, a pricing supplement, that will describe the specific amounts, prices and terms of the securities being offered. These supplements may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. To understand the terms of the securities offered, you should carefully read this prospectus with the applicable supplements, which together provide the specific terms of the securities being offering.

Our voting common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol BANC, the depositary shares each representing a 1/40<sup>th</sup> interest in a share of our 8.00% Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series C are listed on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol BANCP and our 7.50% Senior Notes Due April 15, 2020 are listed on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol BANCP.

Investing in our securities involves risks. See the section entitled <u>Risk Factors</u> contained on page 9 of this prospectus and in the applicable prospectus supplement.

# These securities are not deposits or obligations of a bank or savings association and are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency.

This prospectus may be used to offer and sell securities only if accompanied by the prospectus supplement for those securities.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined that this prospectus or the accompanying prospectus supplement is accurate or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is February 12, 2014

## IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT INFORMATION PRESENTED IN THIS PROSPECTUS AND THE

#### ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

We may provide information to you about the securities being offered in three separate documents that progressively provide more detail:

this prospectus, which provides general information, some of which may not apply to your securities;

the accompanying prospectus supplement, which describes the terms of the securities, some of which may not apply to your securities; and

if necessary, a pricing supplement, which describes the specific terms of your securities. If the terms of your securities vary among the pricing supplement, the prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on the information in the following order of priority:

the pricing supplement, if any;

the prospectus supplement; and

the prospectus.

We include cross-references in this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement to captions in these materials where you can find further related discussions. The following table of contents and the table of contents included in the accompanying prospectus supplement provide the pages on which these captions are located.

Unless indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, we have not taken any action that would permit sales of these securities in any jurisdiction outside the United States. If you are an investor outside the United States, you should inform yourself about and comply with any restrictions as to the offering of the securities and the distribution of this prospectus.

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

	Page
IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT INFORMATION PRESENTED IN THIS PROSPECTUS AND THE	
ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT	1
ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS	3
WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION	3
SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS	5
PROSPECTUS SUMMARY	7
<u>RISK FACTORS</u>	9
BANC OF CALIFORNIA, INC.	9
RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES AND RATIO OF EARNINGS TO COMBINED FIXED	
CHARGES AND PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDENDS	9
<u>USE OF PROCEEDS</u>	10
DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES	10
DESCRIPTION OF COMMON STOCK AND PREFERRED STOCK	20
DESCRIPTION OF DEPOSITARY SHARES	37
DESCRIPTION OF PURCHASE CONTRACTS	40
DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTS	41
DESCRIPTION OF RIGHTS	43
DESCRIPTION OF UNITS	44
DESCRIPTION OF GLOBAL SECURITIES	44
<u>SELLING SECURITYHOLDERS</u>	46
PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION	46
LEGAL MATTERS	48
<u>EXPERTS</u>	48

### **ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS**

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, utilizing a shelf registration process. Under this shelf registration process, we may from time to time offer and sell the securities described in this prospectus in one or more primary offerings, up to a total dollar amount for such offerings of \$1,000,000,000. In addition, the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part covers an aggregate of 1,509,450 unregistered shares of our voting common stock that we sold to Patriot Financial Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, and Patriot Financial Partners Parallel, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership (the Selling Securityholders), on December 10, 2013 and which may be offered and sold by the Selling Securityholders

from time to time in one or more secondary offerings.

This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities covered by it. Each time these securities are offered, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of the offering and include a discussion of any risk factors or other special considerations that apply to the securities and the offering. The prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. You should read this prospectus, the applicable prospectus supplement and any pricing supplement together with the additional information described under the heading Where You Can Find More Information.

All references in this prospectus to we, us, our or similar references mean Banc of California, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries and all references in this prospectus to Banc of California, Inc. mean Banc of California, Inc. excluding its subsidiaries, in each case unless otherwise expressly stated or the context otherwise requires. When we refer to the Bank in this prospectus, we mean our subsidiary, Banc of California, National Association, which is a national bank.

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933, or the Securities Act, that registers the offer and sale of the securities that may be offered under this prospectus. The registration statement, including the attached exhibits and schedules included or incorporated by reference in the registration statement, contains additional relevant information about us. The rules and regulations of the SEC allow us to omit certain information included in the registration statement from this prospectus. In addition, we file reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or the Exchange Act.

You may read and copy this information at the Public Reference Room of the SEC, located at 100 F Street, N.E., Room 1580, Washington, D.C. 20549. You may also obtain copies of this information by mail from the Public Reference Room at prescribed rates. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330.

The SEC also maintains an Internet world wide web site that contains reports, proxy statements and other information about issuers like us who file electronically with the SEC. The address of that site is:

#### http://www.sec.gov

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference information into this prospectus. This means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to another document that we file separately with the SEC. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be a part of this prospectus, except for any information that is superseded by information that is included directly in this document or in a more recent incorporated document.

This prospectus incorporates by reference the documents listed below that we have previously filed with the SEC (excluding any portion of these documents that has been furnished to and deemed not to be filed with the SEC).

**Report(s)** Annual Report on Form 10-K, as amended on Form 10-K/A filed on April 30, 2013

Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q

Current Reports on Form 8-K

**Period(s) of Report(s) or Date(s) Filed** For the year ended December 31, 2012

For the quarters ended March 31, 2013, June 30, 2013 and September 30, 2013

Filed on April 10, 2012 (amended report), September 17, 2012 (amended report), November 2, 2012 (amended report), January 3, 2013, February 19, 2013, March 4, 2013, March 5, 2013, April 2, 2013, April 11, 2013, April 25, 2013 (two reports), May 6, 2013, May 15, 2013, June 3, 2013, June 4, 2013 (two reports), June 5, 2013, June 6, 2013, June 12, 2013, June 21, 2013 (two reports), June 26, 2013, July 1, 2013, July 2, 2013 (two), July 3, 2013, July 8, 2013, July 17, 2013, July 19, 2013, July 22, 2013, July 24, 2013 (amended report), July 30, 2013, August 22, 2013, September 5, 2013, September 6, 2013, September 16, 2013, September 17, 2013 (amended report), September 23, 2013, October 10, 2013, October 15, 2013, October 31, 2013, November 8, 2013, November 22, 2013, December 4, 2013, December 10, 2013, December 12, 2013, January 3, 2014 and February 10, 2014 (two amended reports)

This prospectus also incorporates by reference the description of our common stock set forth in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed on May 8, 2002, and any amendment or report filed with the SEC for the purpose of updating such description.

In addition, we incorporate by reference all future documents that we file with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date of our initial registration statement relating to the securities and prior to effectiveness of the registration statement, and from the date of this prospectus until the completion of the offering of the securities covered by this prospectus or until we terminate this offering. These documents include periodic reports, such as annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and current reports on Form 8-K (other than current reports furnished under Items 2.02 or 7.01 of Form 8-K), as well as proxy statements.

The information incorporated by reference contains information about us and our business, financial condition and results of operations and is an important part of this prospectus.

You can obtain any of the documents incorporated by reference in this document through us, or from the SEC through the SEC s web site at www.sec.gov. Documents incorporated by reference are available from us without charge, excluding any exhibits to those documents, unless the exhibit is specifically incorporated by reference in those documents. You can obtain documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus by requesting them in writing or by telephone from us at the following address:

Banc of California, Inc.

Attention: Investor Relations

18500 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 1100

Irvine, California 92612

(949) 236-5211

In addition, we maintain a corporate website, www.bancofcal.com. We make available, through our website (by clicking About Us and then Investor Relations Information ), our annual reports on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and any amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the SEC. This reference to our website is for the convenience of investors as required by the SEC and shall not be deemed to incorporate any information on the website into this registration statement.

We have not authorized anyone to give any information or make any representation about us that is different from, or in addition to, those contained in this prospectus or in any of the materials that we have incorporated into this prospectus. If anyone does give you information of this sort, you should not rely on it. If you are in a jurisdiction where offers to sell, or solicitations of offers to purchase, the securities offered by this document are unlawful, or if you are a person to whom it is unlawful to direct these types of activities, then the offer presented in this document does not extend to you. The information contained in this document speaks only as of the date of this document unless the information specifically indicates that another date applies.

## SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, the applicable prospectus supplements and the other documents we incorporate by reference in this prospectus, may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements often include the words believes, expects, anticipates, estimates. forecas intends, plans, targets, potentially, probably, projects, outlook or similar expressions or future or condition would and could. These forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknow such as may, will, should, risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause the actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements, including:

expected revenues, cost savings, synergies and other benefits from our merger and acquisition activities might not be realized within the anticipated time frames or at all, and costs or difficulties relating to integration matters, including but not limited to customer and employee retention, might be greater than expected;

the credit risks of lending activities, which may be affected by deterioration in real estate markets and the financial condition of borrowers, may lead to increased loan and lease delinquencies, losses and nonperforming assets in our loan portfolio, and may result in our allowance for loan and lease losses not being adequate to cover actual losses and require us to materially increase our loan and lease loss reserves;

the quality and composition of our securities portfolio;

changes in general economic conditions, either nationally or in our market areas;

changes in the levels of general interest rates, and the relative differences between short- and long-term interest rates, deposit interest rates, our net interest margin and funding sources;

fluctuations in the demand for loans and leases, the number of unsold homes and other properties and fluctuations in commercial and residential real estate values in our market area;

results of examinations of us by regulatory authorities and the possibility that any such regulatory authority may, among other things, require us to increase our allowance for loan and lease losses, write-down asset values, increase our capital levels, or affect our ability to borrow funds or maintain or increase deposits, which could adversely affect our liquidity and earnings;

legislative or regulatory changes that adversely affect our business, including changes in regulatory capital or other rules;

our ability to control operating costs and expenses;

staffing fluctuations in response to product demand or the implementation of corporate strategies that affect our work force and potential associated charges;

errors in our estimates in determining fair value of certain of our assets, which may result in significant declines in valuation;

the network and computer systems on which we depend could fail or experience a security breach;

our ability to attract and retain key members of our senior management team;

costs and effects of litigation, including settlements and judgments;

increased competitive pressures among financial services companies;

changes in consumer spending, borrowing and savings habits;

adverse changes in the securities markets;

earthquake, fire or other natural disasters affecting the condition of real estate collateral;

the availability of resources to address changes in laws, rules, or regulations or to respond to regulatory actions;

inability of key third-party providers to perform their obligations to us;

changes in accounting policies and practices, as may be adopted by the financial institution regulatory agencies or the Financial Accounting Standards Board or their application to our business or final audit adjustments, including additional guidance and interpretation on accounting issues and details of the implementation of new accounting methods;

war or terrorist activities; and

other economic, competitive, governmental, regulatory, and technological factors affecting our operations, pricing, products and services and the other risks described elsewhere in this prospectus, the accompanying prospectus supplement and the incorporated documents.

Additionally, the timing and occurrence or non-occurrence of events may be subject to circumstances beyond our control.

Any forward-looking statements are based upon management s beliefs and assumptions at the time they are made. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or the accompanying prospectus supplement or to update the reasons why actual results could differ from those contained in such statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking statements discussed in this prospectus, the accompanying prospectus supplement or the incorporated documents might not occur, and you should not put undue reliance on any forward-looking statements.

### PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary provides a general description of the securities that may be offered by this prospectus. This summary is not complete and does not contain all of the information that may be important to you. For a more complete understanding of us and the terms of the securities to be offered, you should read carefully this entire prospectus, including the Risk Factors section, the applicable prospectus supplement for the securities and the other documents we refer to and incorporate by reference. In particular, we incorporate important business and financial information into this prospectus by reference.

#### The Securities We May Offer

We may use this prospectus to offer securities in an aggregate amount of up to \$1,000,000,000 in one or more primary offerings. A prospectus supplement, which we will provide each time we offer securities, will describe the amounts, prices and detailed terms of the securities and may describe risks associated with an investment in the securities in addition to those described in the Risk Factors section of this prospectus. We will also include in the prospectus supplement, where applicable, information about material United States federal income tax considerations relating to the securities. Terms used in this prospectus will have the meanings described in this prospectus unless otherwise specified.

We may sell the securities to or through underwriters, dealers or agents or directly to purchasers. We, as well as any agents acting on our behalf, reserve the sole right to accept or to reject in whole or in part any proposed purchase of our securities. Each prospectus supplement will set forth the names of any underwriters, dealers or agents involved in the sale of our securities described in that prospectus supplement and any applicable fee, commission or discount arrangements with them.

#### **Debt Securities**

Our debt securities may be senior or subordinated in priority of payment. We will provide a prospectus supplement that describes the ranking, whether senior or subordinated, the specific designation, the aggregate principal amount, the purchase price, the maturity, the redemption terms, the interest rate or manner of calculating the interest rate, the time of payment of interest, if any, the terms for any conversion or exchange, including the terms relating to the adjustment of any conversion or exchange mechanism, the listing, if any, on a securities exchange and any other specific terms of the debt securities.

#### **Common Stock**

We may sell our common stock, par value \$0.01 per share. In a prospectus supplement, we will describe the aggregate number of shares offered and the offering price or prices of the shares.

#### **Preferred Stock; Depositary Shares**

We may sell shares of our preferred stock in one or more series. In a prospectus supplement, we will describe the specific designation, the aggregate number of shares offered, the dividend rate or manner of calculating the dividend rate, the dividend periods or manner of calculating the dividend periods, the ranking of the shares of the series with respect to dividends, liquidation and dissolution, the stated value of the shares of the series, the voting rights of the shares of the series, if any, whether and on what terms the shares of the series will be convertible or exchangeable, whether and on what terms we can redeem the shares of the series, whether we will offer depositary shares representing shares of the series and if so, the fraction or multiple of a share of preferred stock represented by each depositary share, whether we will list the preferred stock or depositary shares on a securities exchange and any other specific terms of the series of preferred stock.

#### **Purchase Contracts**

We may issue purchase contracts, including purchase contracts issued as part of a unit with one or more other securities, for the purchase or sale of: our debt securities, preferred stock, depositary shares or common stock; securities of an entity not affiliated with us, a basket of those securities, an index or indices of those securities or any combination of the foregoing; currencies; or commodities. The price of our debt securities or price per share of common stock, preferred stock or depositary shares, or the price of the other securities, currencies or commodities that are the subject of the contract, as applicable, may be fixed at the time the purchase contracts are issued or may be determined by reference to a specific formula contained in the purchase contracts. We may issue purchase contracts in such amounts and in as many distinct series as we wish.

#### Warrants

We may sell warrants to purchase our debt securities, shares of preferred stock or shares of our common stock. In a prospectus supplement, we will inform you of the exercise price and other specific terms of the warrants, including whether our or your obligations, if any, under any warrants may be satisfied by delivering or purchasing the underlying securities or their cash value.

#### Rights

We may distribute rights to the holders of our common stock or other securities to purchase a specified number of shares of our common stock or other securities that the holder owns as of record date set by our board of directors. In a prospectus supplement, we will inform you of the exercise price and other specific terms of the rights.

#### Units

We may sell any combination of one or more of the other securities described in this prospectus, together as units. In a prospectus supplement, we will describe the particular combination of securities constituting any units and any other specific terms of the units.

#### The Securities the Selling Securityholders May Offer

In addition to the securities we may offer, the Selling Securityholders and their transferees may use this prospectus to offer and sell in one or more secondary offerings up to 1,509,450 shares of voting common stock that we sold to the Selling Securityholders on December 10, 2013 in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act pursuant to the Securities Purchase Agreement, dated as of December 3, 2013 (the Securities Purchase Agreement ), by and among us and the Selling Securityholders. The Selling Securityholders shares have been included in the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part in satisfaction of registration rights we granted to the Selling Securityholders under the Securities Purchase Agreement.

#### **RISK FACTORS**

Before making an investment decision, you should carefully consider the risks described under Risk Factors in the applicable prospectus supplement and in our most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, and in our updates to those Risk Factors in our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K, together with all of the other information appearing in this prospectus or incorporated by reference into this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement, in light of your particular investment objectives and financial circumstances. In addition to those risk factors, there may be additional risks and uncertainties of which management is not aware of focused on or that management deems immaterial. Our business, financial condition or results or operations could be materially adversely affected by any of these risks. The trading price of our securities could decline due to any of these risks, and you may lose all or part of your investment.

#### BANC OF CALIFORNIA, INC.

We are a bank holding company incorporated in the state of Maryland, primarily engaged in the business of planning, directing and coordinating the business activities of our wholly owned bank subsidiary, Banc of California, National Association, a national bank, referred to herein as the Bank. We are headquartered in Irvine, California and currently have 15 branches in Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego counties, and 50 loan production offices in California, Arizona, Oregon, Washington and Montana. In business since 1941, the Bank is a community-oriented financial institution offering a variety of financial services to meet the needs of the communities we serve. The Bank s principal business consists of attracting retail deposits from the general public and investing these funds primarily in permanent loans secured by first mortgages on owner-occupied, one- to four-family residences and a variety of consumer loans, multi-family and commercial real estate loans and commercial business loans. Banc Home Loans, the Bank s residential lending division, operates the Bank s loan production offices and focuses on originating and selling mortgage loans. The Bank also provides U.S. Small Business Administration, or SBA, loans, as a member of the SBA s Preferred Lender Program. In addition, the Bank offers specialized private banking services to high net worth individuals, family owned businesses, entrepreneurs, law firms, the entertainment business and others who require a very high level of personalized banking services and customized solutions.

At September 30, 2013, on a consolidated basis, we had total assets of \$3.7 billion, total net loans and leases receivable of \$2.6 billion, total deposits of \$3.3 billion and total stockholders equity of \$302.6 million

Our voting common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol BANC, the depositary shares each representing a 1/40<sup>th</sup> interest in a share of our 8.00% Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series C are listed on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol BANCP and our 7.50% Senior Notes Due April 15, 2020 are listed on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol BANCL. Our principal executive offices are located at 18500 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 1100, Irvine, California 92612. Our telephone number is (949) 236-5211.

Additional information about us and our subsidiaries is included in documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus. See Where You Can Find More Information on page 3 of this prospectus.

## RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES AND RATIO OF EARNINGS TO COMBINED FIXED

#### CHARGES AND PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDENDS

Our historical ratios of earnings to fixed charges and ratios of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividend requirements for the periods indicated are set forth in the table below. The ratio of earnings to fixed charges is computed by dividing earnings by fixed charges. The ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividends is computed by dividing earnings by the sum of fixed charges and

preferred stock dividends. For purposes of computing these ratios, earnings consist of income before income taxes plus interest expense, and fixed charges consist of interest expense and the interest portion of our rental expense. Preferred stock dividend requirements represent the amount of pre-tax income required to pay dividends on preferred shares using our 42% marginal income tax rate.

	Nine M End Septem	led	Year Ended Dece			mber 31,	
	2013	2012	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges <sup>(1)</sup>							
Excluding interest on deposits	0.56	4.49	2.44	(1.58)	2.25	0.47	0.63
Including interest on deposits	0.82	2.13	1.54	0.48	1.34	0.84	0.91
Ratio of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividends: <sup>(2)</sup>							
Excluding interest on deposits	0.43	2.39	1.47	(0.91)	1.45	0.35	0.61
Including interest on deposits	0.73	1.66	1.23	0.42	1.17	0.77	0.90

 The ratios of earnings to fixed charges, both excluding and including interest on deposits, were less than one-to-one for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2009 and 2008. Earnings were insufficient to cover fixed charges by \$3.1 million, \$3.2 million, \$2.8 million and \$2.1 million, respectively, for those periods.

(2) The ratios of earnings to combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividends, both excluding and including interest on deposits, were less than one-to-one for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 and for the years ended December 31, 2011, 2009 and 2008. Earnings were insufficient to cover combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividends by \$5.2 million, \$4.1 million, \$4.5 million and \$2.3 million, respectively, for those periods.

In each period during which earnings were insufficient to cover fixed charges and combined fixed charges and preferred stock dividends, we met all financial obligations and preferred stock dividends, as applicable.

#### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

We intend to use the net proceeds from the sale of securities by us for general corporate purposes unless otherwise indicated in the prospectus supplement relating to a specific issue of securities. Our general corporate purposes may include, without limitation, financing acquisitions, repurchasing our securities, extending credit to, or funding investments in, our subsidiaries and repaying, reducing or refinancing indebtedness.

The precise amounts and the timing of our use of the net proceeds will depend upon market conditions, our subsidiaries funding requirements, the availability of other funds and other factors. Until we use the net proceeds from the sale of any of our securities for general corporate purposes, we expect to use the net proceeds to reduce our indebtedness or for temporary investments. We expect that we will, on a recurrent basis, engage in additional financings as the need arises to finance our corporate strategies, to fund our subsidiaries, to finance acquisitions or otherwise.

We will not received the proceeds from any sales by Selling Securityholders.

## **DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES**

We may issue senior debt securities or subordinated debt securities. Senior debt securities will be issued under an indenture, referred to as the senior indenture, between us and a senior indenture trustee to be named in the applicable prospectus supplement. Subordinated debt securities will be issued under a separate indenture, referred to as the subordinated indenture, between us and a subordinated indenture trustee to be named in the

applicable prospectus supplement. The senior indenture and the subordinated indenture are sometimes collectively referred to in this prospectus as the indentures. The indentures will be subject to and governed by the Trust Indenture Act of 1939. A copy of the form of each of these indentures is included as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.

The following briefly describes the general terms and provisions of the debt securities which may be offered and the indentures governing them. The particular terms of the debt securities offered, and the extent, if any, to which these general provisions may apply to the debt securities so offered, will be described in a prospectus supplement relating to those securities. The following descriptions of the indentures are not complete and are subject to, and are qualified in their entirety by reference to, all the provisions of the respective indentures.

#### General

The indentures permit us to issue the debt securities from time to time, without limitation as to aggregate principal amount, and in one or more series. The indentures also do not limit or otherwise restrict the amount of other indebtedness which we may incur or other securities which we or our subsidiaries may issue, including indebtedness which may rank senior to the debt securities. Nothing in the subordinated indenture prohibits the issuance of securities representing subordinated indebtedness that is senior or junior to the subordinated debt securities.

Unless we give you different information in the prospectus supplement, the senior debt securities will be unsubordinated obligations and will rank equally with all of our other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness. Payments on the subordinated debt securities will be subordinated to the prior payment in full of all of our senior debt, as described under Description of Debt Securities Subordination and in the applicable prospectus supplement.

We may issue debt securities if the conditions contained in the applicable indenture are satisfied. These conditions include the adoption of resolutions by our board of directors that establish the terms of the debt securities being issued. Any resolution approving the issuance of any issue of debt securities will include the terms of that issue of debt securities, which may include:

the title and series designation;

the aggregate principal amount and the limit, if any, on the aggregate principal amount or initial issue price of the debt securities which may be issued under the applicable indenture;

the principal amount payable, whether at maturity or upon earlier acceleration;

whether the principal amount payable will be determined with reference to an index, formula or other method which may be based on one or more currencies, currency units, composite currencies, commodities, equity indices or other indices;

whether the debt securities will be issued as original issue discount securities (as defined below);

the date or dates on which the principal of the debt securities is payable;

any fixed or variable interest rate or rates per annum or the method or formula for determining an interest rate;

the date from which any interest will accrue;

any interest payment dates;

whether the debt securities are senior or subordinated, and if subordinated, the terms of the subordination;

the price or prices at which the debt securities will be issued, which may be expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount of those debt securities;

the stated maturity date;

whether the debt securities are to be issued in global form;

any sinking fund requirements;

any provisions for redemption, the redemption price and any remarketing arrangements;

the denominations of the securities or series of securities;

whether the debt securities are denominated or payable in United States dollars or a foreign currency or units of two or more foreign currencies;

any restrictions on the offer, sale and delivery of the debt securities;

the place or places where payments or deliveries on the debt securities will be made and may be presented for registration of transfer or exchange;

whether any of the debt securities will be subject to defeasance in advance of the date for redemption or the stated maturity date;

the terms, if any, upon which the debt securities are convertible into other securities of ours or another issuer and the terms and conditions upon which any conversion will be effected, including the initial conversion price or rate, the conversion period and any other provisions in addition to or instead of those described in this prospectus;

a description of any documents or certificates that must be received prior to the issuance of any definitive securities;

whether and under what circumstances additional amounts will be paid to non-U.S. citizens in connection with any tax, assessment or governmental charge and whether securities may be redeemed in lieu of paying such additional fees;

the identity of each security registrar or paying agent (if other than trustee);

any provisions granting special rights to securities holders upon the occurrence of specified events;

any deletions from, modifications of, or additions to any default events or covenants set forth in the form of indenture;

the portion of the principal amount payable upon the declaration of acceleration of the maturity of any securities;

the date any bearer securities of or within the series and any temporary global security representing outstanding securities shall be dated, if other than date of original issuance; and

any other terms of the debt securities which are not inconsistent with the provisions of the applicable indenture.

The debt securities may be issued as original issue discount securities which bear no interest or interest at a rate which at the time of issuance is below market rates and which will be sold at a substantial discount below their principal amount. If the maturity of any original issue discount security is accelerated, the amount payable to the holder of the security will be determined by the applicable prospectus supplement, the terms of the security and the relevant indenture, but may be an amount less than the amount payable at the maturity of the principal of that original issue discount security. Special federal income tax and other considerations relating to original issue discount securities will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

Under the indentures, the terms of the debt securities of any series may differ and we may, without the consent of the holders of the debt securities of any series, reopen a previous series of debt securities and issue additional debt securities of that series or establish additional terms of that series.

Please see the prospectus supplement or pricing supplement you have received or will receive for the terms of the specific debt securities we are offering.

You should be aware that special United States Federal income tax, accounting and other considerations may apply to the debt securities. The prospectus supplement relating to an issue of debt securities will describe these considerations.

#### **Ranking of Debt Securities; Holding Company Structure**

*Senior Debt Securities.* Payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on senior debt securities will rank on a parity with all of our other unsecured and unsubordinated debt.

*Subordinated Debt Securities.* Payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on subordinated debt securities will be junior in right of payment to the prior payment in full of all of our senior debt, including senior debt securities. We will state in the applicable prospectus supplement relating to any subordinated debt securities the subordination terms of the securities as well as the aggregate amount of outstanding debt, as of the most recent practicable date, that by its terms would be senior to those subordinated debt securities. We will also state in that prospectus supplement limitations, if any, on the issuance of additional senior debt.

*Holding Company Structure*. The debt securities will be our exclusive obligations. We are a holding company and substantially all of our consolidated assets are held by our subsidiaries. Accordingly, our cash flows and our ability to service our debt, including the debt securities, are dependent upon the results of operations of our subsidiaries and the distribution of funds by our subsidiaries to us. Various statutory and regulatory restrictions, however, limit directly or indirectly the amount of dividends our subsidiaries can pay, and also restrict certain subsidiaries from making investments in or loans to us.

Because we are a holding company, the debt securities will be effectively subordinated to all existing and future liabilities, including indebtedness, customer deposits, trade payables, guarantees and lease obligations, of our subsidiaries. Therefore, our rights and the rights of our creditors, including the holders of the debt securities, to participate in the assets of any subsidiary upon that subsidiary s liquidation or reorganization will be subject to the prior claims of the subsidiary s creditors and, if applicable, its depositors, except to the extent that we may ourselves be a creditor with recognized claims against the subsidiary, in which case our claims would still be effectively subordinate to any security interest in, or mortgages or other liens on, the assets of the subsidiary and would be subordinate to any indebtedness of the subsidiary senior to that held by us. If a receiver or conservator were appointed for the Bank, the Federal Deposit Insurance Act recognizes a priority in favor of the holders of withdrawable deposits (including the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation as subrogee or transferee) over general creditors. Claims for customer deposits would have a priority over any claims t