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## Press Release

### **CNB Bank & Trust, N.A. expands its Wealth Management division, adding nine seasoned Wealth Management professionals to its Glen Carbon and Alton facilities**

*Expansion will provide greater outreach to the greater St. Louis Metro region, including Alton, Edwardsville, and Glen Carbon.*

**ALTON - (December 14, 2020)** - CNB Bank & Trust, N.A., helping to open doors since 1854, is excited to announce its expansion within the Alton, Edwardsville, and Glen Carbon markets with the addition of nine seasoned professionals to its Wealth Management team. Darren Wright, Norma Bellcoff, Deneen Messer, Amy Warren, Josh Schuette, Pam Ramsey, Wendi Bolin, Bryan Gorman, and Chris Kaus have more than 225 years of combined financial services experience. The team's diverse experience further enhances CNB's resources and reinforces its commitment to grow its wealth management platform and deliver the highest quality wealth planning, investment management, retirement plan services, and farm management in the markets the bank serves.

"We are excited to add these talented Wealth Management professionals to the CNB team. Their expertise and community involvement will serve valuable for our markets and aligns perfectly with our overall mission. We are honored to welcome the team to the CNB family," states Andrew Tinberg, senior executive vice president & chief banking officer.

#### **Darren Wright - Senior Vice President and Chief Investment Officer**

As chief investment officer for CNB's Wealth Management business, Wright will lead and monitor all investment activities, as well as continue to serve as a financial advisor to his clients. Wright's deep investment acumen, together with his extensive industry relationships make him well suited for this role.

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Wright has 28 years' experience advising and assisting high net worth clients and institutions with their financial goals through the application of financial planning tools and investment solutions.

Wright received a bachelor's degree in accounting from Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville and an MBA from University of Illinois - Springfield. Wright is a board member at Good Shepherd Lutheran School in Collinsville and a member of the CFA Society of St. Louis.

### **Norma Bellcoff - Vice President, Business Development and Trust Officer**

Bellcoff joined as business development market leader for the new Glen Carbon Wealth Management team and has over 27 years of trust and estate experience. In this role, she fosters new and existing relationships with high net worth clients, foundations, and endowments. Prior to joining CNB, Bellcoff was a vice president and trust officer at a local bank where she guided clients in all aspects of wealth planning. Bellcoff received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in finance and accounting from Duquesne University and graduated from Cannon Trust School I and II.

Bellcoff's commitment and reach through the community extends well beyond banking. She serves as chair and board member for Southwestern Illinois College Foundation as well as its benefactor John N. and Diana N. Bellcoff Memorial Tamburitzan Scholarship Advisory Board. She also serves as a board member for Hospice of Southern Illinois, Lynne F. Solon Foundation, State of Illinois Teachers Retirement System, New Opportunities Inc., Marquette Catholic High School Foundation, United Way of Greater St. Louis' Southwestern Illinois Division Auxiliary Board and the Pittsburgh International Folk Arts Institute (The Tamburitzans). Bellcoff is a member of the Estate Planning Council of St. Louis and volunteers with the Jackie Joyner Kersee Foundation.

### **Bryan Gorman - Vice President, Business Development and Trust Officer**

Gorman joined CNB as business development and trust officer for the Alton facility. Gorman has 37 years of financial services industry experience. As vice president and business development officer, Gorman provides administration of trusts and estates as well as personal accounts. Gorman completed his Bachelor of Science degree through Greenville College and is a graduate of the Northwestern Trust and the Northwestern Graduate Trust schools.

Community service is an important part of Gorman's everyday life; he is active with the Alton Godfrey Rotary Club, the East End Improvement Association and St. Mary's Catholic Church in Alton.

### **Deneen Messer - Vice President and Retirement Plan Specialist**

Messer brings more than 35 years' experience in the retirement plan and employee benefits industry. At CNB, Messer will take the lead in assessing the retirement plan needs of local businesses and providing them with access to the bank's integrated offering of retirement services and portfolio management. Messer will work with plan sponsors and vendors to administer qualified retirement plans, including 401 (K), profit sharing and money purchase pension plans.

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Messer received her bachelor's degree in business from Western Illinois University. She serves as a board member of Christian Education and as secretary of the Endowment and Special Fund at Trinity Lutheran Church in Worden.

**Joshua Schuette - Vice President and Portfolio Manager**

Schuette has been working in the financial services industry for more than 15 years. As portfolio manager, he evaluates each client's individual risk tolerance, time horizon and investment objectives and then builds a customized portfolio according to those stated goals and objectives. Schuette also is an integral member of the team in a business development capacity, increasing overall assets under management for the department through investment analysis and presentations for prospects.

Schuette completed his MBA through University of Illinois - Springfield and his undergraduate degree in business through Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville. As a life-long learner, Joshua earned his Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU) designation in 2012 and Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC) designation in 2020.

**Amy Warren - Vice President and Trust Officer**

Warren brings 25 years of trust and estate experience to CNB. She started her career path as a trust department assistant and has spent the last 25 years working diligently to continue her advancement in the financial services industry. She prides herself on consistently providing exceptional customer service and is looking forward to continuing this in her role as vice president and trust officer with the CNB Wealth Management team.

**Christina Kaus - Trust Administrator, Pamela Ramsey - Trust Administrator, and Wendi Bolin - Trust Operations Officer**

Rounding out the new team and providing added professional support to CNB's expanded Wealth Management Group are Wendi Bolin - trust operations officer, Christina Kaus - trust administrator, and Pamela Ramsey - trust administrator. Ramsey and Kaus will assist clients with their fiduciary, retirement, and investment needs. Bolin will assist in the operations area, processing transactions for accounts.

*To learn more about CNB Bank & Trust's Wealth Management services, call (618) 465-5696 or visit [cnbil.com/Wealth/trust-estate-services](http://cnbil.com/Wealth/trust-estate-services).*

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