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STAR Financial Bank's Amanda Rubeck Named 2026 ABA Emerging Leader Award Recipient

Fort Wayne, Ind. (Oct. 29, 2026) – STAR Financial Bank is proud to announce that Amanda Rubeck, Vice President and Senior Retail Sales Officer, has been named a recipient of the American Bankers Association's (ABA) 2026 Emerging Leader Award. Rubeck is one of just 11 banking professionals nationwide selected for the honor, which recognizes exceptional leadership, professional achievement and a strong commitment to serving their communities.

"Amanda exemplifies the kind of leadership that makes a lasting impact on both our organization and the communities we serve," said Mike Wallace, President of Retail Banking at STAR Financial Bank. "Her dedication to developing strong teams, building meaningful relationships and putting our customers first reflects STAR's core values. We are incredibly proud to see her recognized on a national level for the contributions she continues to make to our industry."

Rubeck brings more than 25 years of banking experience to her role at STAR, where she oversees the bank's retail branch network across Central Indiana, including Indianapolis, Muncie, Anderson and Kokomo. Since joining STAR in 2018, she has focused on strengthening branch performance, supporting professional development and fostering a collaborative culture centered on accountability, customer service and community engagement.

Throughout her career, Rubeck has held leadership positions with several financial institutions, including Regions Bank, Fifth Third Bank, National City Bank and Chase. Her experience spans retail banking operations, business development, market growth and relationship management, with a consistent focus on helping individuals and businesses achieve their financial goals.

Beyond her professional responsibilities, Rubeck is actively involved in initiatives supporting economic development and community growth. She serves on the board of directors for the Irsay Family YMCA and zWORKS, a Zionsville-based organization dedicated to supporting entrepreneurs and growing local businesses. She previously served as treasurer of the Town of Zionsville's Community Development Corporation Board and held positions on the town's Redevelopment Commission and Finance Committee.

The ABA Emerging Leader Awards recognize the next generation of banking professionals who demonstrate outstanding leadership, innovation and dedication to the banking industry and their communities. Honorees are selected through a competitive, multi-round review process evaluating professional accomplishments, leadership abilities, mentorship, personal integrity and commitment to the banking profession.

Recipients were recognized during the ABA Annual Convention, taking place Oct. 25–27 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

About STAR Financial Bank

STAR Financial Bank, headquartered in Fort Wayne, Indiana, is committed to delivering quality financial expertise and distinctive banking solutions to exceed customer expectations. In addition, STAR Private Advisory offers private banking, investment and fiduciary services. STAR has grown to nearly \$3 billion in assets with locations across central and northeast Indiana. For more information, visit starfinancial.com.

Note: In all references to STAR, “STAR” should be in all caps, as the name STAR was derived from the first names of the early principals (Selah Wright, Thomas Marcuccilli, Arthur Hodson, and Ralph Marcuccilli).

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