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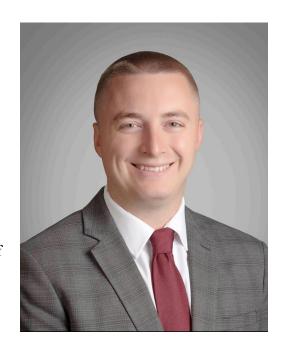


Trevor Smith Appointed Market President Following David Smith's Retirement

Columbia City, Ind. (June 9, 2025) — STAR Bank has announced that Trevor Smith has officially stepped into the role of Market President for the Columbia City market, succeeding longtime leader David Smith, who retired on April 30, 2025, after a 35-year career with the bank.

Trevor joined STAR's commercial banking team in 2023 and quickly distinguished himself as a trusted advisor to businesses and individuals in northeast Indiana. A resident of Whitley County, he brings a deep commitment to community service and a strong understanding of the local market.

"Since joining the STAR team in 2023, Trevor has positioned himself as a leader within our organization," said David Leininger, Market President. "He quickly demonstrated his talent as a commercial banker in the Fort Wayne market and surrounding communities, proving to be a trusted advisor for his clients. We are excited that Trevor now brings that experience and expertise to Columbia City to serve a community that he and his family already call home."



Trevor earned his associate degree in business, bachelor's degree in finance, and a Bank Management Certificate from Indiana University—Purdue University Fort Wayne. In addition to his professional experience, Trevor is the chief financial officer and co-founder of Team Focus Basketball, a developmental AAU basketball program serving Fort Wayne and surrounding areas. He also serves on the finance committee for Hope's Harbor and previously supported the Salvation Army in a similar capacity.

"I am honored to step into this leadership role at STAR Bank in Columbia City," said Trevor. "It's a privilege to serve the community I call home and continue the strong legacy of my predecessor. I look forward to deepening our client relationships and helping local businesses grow and thrive."

This leadership transition reinforces STAR's commitment to building strong local teams and investing in the communities it serves.

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 <u>starfinancial.com</u>.

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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