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BUCKEYE STATE BANK ANNOUNCES NEW EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

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Buckeye State Bank ("BSB") is pleased to announce and welcome John Kirksey, Greg Roy and Gene Spurbeck to the Bank's Management Team.

Greg Roy serves as Senior Vice President and Senior Lending Officer and joins the banking sales team at BSB's Loan Office in Powell, Ohio. In his position with the Bank, he will oversee all commercial and residential development activities. Prior to joining the Bank, Greg has spent 40 years in the banking industry including 18 years as a Senior Officer with Delaware County Bank, as well as 3 years as President of Fidelity Federal Savings and Loan. In addition to coordinating with the development teams of the Bank, Greg will work directly with local businesses, developers and home owners for their banking needs.

John joins the Bank with over 30 years in the finance and banking industry and serves in the position of Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. John is responsible for financial reporting, deposit operations, information technology, human resources, as well as financial forecasting. John began his career in Bank One's (now Chase Bank) Financial Reporting, Budgeting, and Analysis area, including serving as CFO of their Richmond, IN bank, and also worked as CFO during Camco Financial's turnaround and eventual sale to Huntington National Bank in 2014.

Gene Spurbeck joins BSB as Senior Vice President and Chief Credit Officer. During his 37 years of experience, Gene spent 7 years as Executive Vice President and Chief Credit Officer with Farmers' Citizens Bank, aka FC Bank, prior to its sale in 2013. Gene will direct all credit and risk functions within the bank, oversee residential and commercial underwriting, analysis and credit administration.

Gene commented "I'm happy to be a part of one of the few remaining locally operated community banks in the central Ohio market. Small businesses and homeowners deserve caring, personalized service, and that's what we are here to do."

Greg stated "I'm looking forward to working with local business owners and developers, many of whom have been ignored by the big banks. BSB has developed an amazing team of individuals all focused on one thing – our customer."

John said "What attracted me to the BSB team was its enthusiasm for banking. That's been lost over the years. We offer the same technology as the big banks and in some cases, better technology. But, that doesn't mean we have to lose the personal, caring side of banking."

BSB CEO Shawn Keller commented "adding three accomplished leaders to an already outstanding banking team is a blessing. At BSB we want to earn the right to be your bank, and Greg, John and Gene share that desire along with our common Vision to deliver great products and services with a local, personal touch."

About Buckeye State Bank

Buckeye State Bank is a locally owned and operated community bank, head-quartered in DeGraff, Ohio, with a Loan and Administration Office in Powell, Ohio. Formed in 1885 and purchased by a local group of Central Ohio investors in 2014, BSB has total assets of \$85 million with a commitment to support our local economy through commercial, residential and consumer banking. For information about Buckeye State Bank go to www.JoinBSB.com or call 614-796-4747.

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