

For Immediate Release

**Midland States Bank Announces New Market Presidents for Rockford and Belvidere Illinois Markets**

EFFINGHAM, ILLINOIS – March 6, 2018– Midland States Bank is pleased to announce the promotion of Pat Morrow and Don Banks to Market Presidents serving the Rockford and Belvidere markets, respectively.

Morrow and Banks are members of the Midland States Bank Community Banking leadership team. In their new role, they will both lead the sales and management activities to support growth and development of retail, small business and commercial programs and services.

“Pat and Don’s knowledge of the region provides invaluable perspective as we build strategies to drive growth across our business lines in these expanding markets,” commented Dan Stevenson, Regional Market President for the area. “Pat and Don have proven to be both exceptional bankers and involved community partners. The relationships they have built with their customers, prospects and employees will serve us well as we continue to grow in the Rockford and Belvidere markets.”

Morrow has three plus decades of commercial lending and banking experience, and has served as the Senior Vice President for Commercial Banking in Rockford. He is a graduate of Rock Valley College with an Associate of Arts degree with an emphasis in business and a Bachelor of Business degree with an emphasis in organizational development/behavior from Western Illinois University. He is also a graduate from the National Commercial Lending School in Norman, OK. His community involvement includes serving as a board member for the Rock Valley College Foundation, a member of the Rockford Cosmopolitan Club, a committee member of Village of Machesney Park Revolving Loan Fund, a previous member of the Board of Directors of the Blackhawk Area Council Boy Scouts of America, La Voz Latina, the United Way of Rock River Valley and the Rockford Area Chamber of Commerce. Morrow served as Campaign Chairman of the 2009 United Way of Rock River Valley's Campaign.

Banks has more than 20 years of commercial lending and banking experience, and has served as Senior Vice President for Commercial Banking in Belvidere. He earned his BA in Business Management from Western Illinois University. He is also a graduate of the ABA Commercial Lending School the Graduate School of Banking and the CBA’s Illinois Midwest School for Community Bankers. Banks is also highly involved in the Belvidere community, serving as a trustee for Flora Township and a member of the Kirkland Lions Club. He is also a member and past President of the Boone County Historical Society, a board member for the Greater Kirkland Area Chamber of Commerce and President of the Flora Cemetery Board. Banks serves as President of the Belvidere IOU Club, Director of the Boone County Community Foundation, and is a board member for the School District #100 Charitable Foundation.

**About Midland States Bancorp, Inc.**

Midland States Bancorp, Inc. is a community-based financial holding company headquartered in Effingham, Illinois, and the sole shareholder of Midland States Bank and Alpine Bank. As of February 28, 2018, the Company had total assets of \$5.7 billion and its Wealth Management Group had assets under administration of approximately \$3.1 billion. Midland provides a full range of commercial and consumer banking products and services, including equipment financing and merchant credit card services, as well as trust administration, investment management, insurance and financial planning. In addition, multi-family and healthcare facility FHA financing is provided through Love Funding, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Midland States Bank. For additional information, visit [www.midlandsb.com](http://www.midlandsb.com) or follow Midland on LinkedIn at <https://www.linkedin.com/company/midland-states-bank>.

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