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PA BANKERS ANNOUNCES FUTURE UNDER 40 AWARDS

15 Professionals in the Banking Industry Recognized

Harrisburg, Pa. – The Pennsylvania Bankers Association (PA Bankers) today announced the winners of the Future Under 40 Awards.

The Future Under 40 Awards honor banking industry leaders, aged 40 and younger, who have made a tremendous impact on their institution, the community and the industry.

This year's award winners are:

- Carl Buchholz, Vice President, SBA Relationship Manager, WSFS Bank
- Esteban Calle, VP/Financial Solutions Branch Manager Business Banker, First Commonwealth Bank
- Steven Daniels, Senior Vice President and Director of Consumer Banking, Wayne Bank
- Jeffrey Drobins, Executive Vice President, Chief Lending Officer, Peoples Security Bank & Trust Company
- Rehema Emanuel, HR Employee Relations Specialist, Dollar Bank
- Jessica Gombar, Talent Manager & Program Manager, Fulton Bank
- Michael Griffe, Senior Vice President, Controller, WSFS Financial Corporation
- Eva Jovanovic, AVP/Financial Solutions Center Manager, First Commonwealth Bank
- Courtney Kunkel, Electronic Banking Manager, PeoplesBank
- James Li, Senior Vice President, Team Leader - Commercial Banking, Penn Community Bank
- Jordan Risser, Vice President, Agricultural Financial Services Group, Fulton Bank
- Heather Sargent, AVP, Marketing Manager, FCCB
- Kaitlyn Tomlinson, AVP/Market Mortgage Loan Originator, First Commonwealth Bank
- Terence Young, Senior Vice President, Director of Enterprise Risk Management, WSFS Bank

In addition to honoring future leaders of the banking industry, the Future Under 40 Awards Program recognizes a senior leader who inspires and promotes the growth of young professionals in the industry through the Young Professionals Champion Award.

The 2023 winner of the Young Professionals Champion Award is: Shawn Walker, Head of Corporate Communications and Regional Marketing, Northwest Bank.

“PA Bankers is pleased to honor these future and senior leaders through the annual Future Under 40 Awards,” said Duncan Campbell, PA Bankers’ president and CEO. “Through their commitment to their customers and communities, these individuals have not only positively impacted the Pennsylvania banking industry, but they truly embody what it means to be a banker.”

The Future Under 40 Awards are spearheaded by the PA Bankers Young Professionals Network, which aims to provide an inclusive platform for engagement and growth with the primary focuses of:

- Professional development, educational and mentoring opportunities;
- Inspiring, promoting and increasing awareness of careers within the banking industry, emphasizing diversity and advocacy;
- Recognition of young professionals’ contribution to the industry; and
- Community engagement and outreach.

The 2023 Future Under 40 Awards were sponsored by Crowe LLP. The winners will be honored at the association’s Young Professionals Conference on Sept. 27, 2023, at the Hershey Lodge & Convention Center in Hershey, Pa.

PA Bankers has been bringing banks and bankers together for more than 125 years to learn, grow, serve and engage with their peers, communities and lawmakers. The association has built a strong reputation as a leading advocate for pro-banking policies at the state and federal levels, as well as the delivery of quality education, products and services for banks of all sizes and their employees. Follow the Pennsylvania Bankers Association on Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter (@PABankers).

Editor’s Note: Photos of the winners are available upon request.

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