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Centric Bank Appoints Christopher J. Bickel Senior Vice President, Market Leader Main Line to Lead New Office and Financial Center in Devon

HARRISBURG, PA (January 17, 2019) – Centric Bank has promoted Christopher J. Bickel to Senior Vice President, Market Leader Main Line where he will lead the commercial lending team at the bank's new Devon, Pennsylvania location, announces Patricia (Patti) A. Husic, President & CEO of Centric Bank and Centric Financial Corporation (OTC Pink: CFCX).

"Chris has been a strong leader and a top-producing lender at Centric Bank since joining the team in 2016," Husic says. "Chester County is his hometown, and he's the ideal person to introduce our 'Centric Bank Way' relationship banking services to this region rich with entrepreneurs, health care professionals, and business builders."

"The Devon small business community is poised for a new community bank, and we look forward to expanding our small business reach with the personalized service they deserve," says Bickel. "I grew up in Berwyn, so this area is home for me. At Centric Bank, we believe having a familiar face when you start, scale, and grow your business sets the tone for success."

"The strongest advantage we offer suburban Philadelphia is our small business lending strength, consultative resources, and rapid response time. My phone is always on! We offer a human element to bank processes—a level of personal connectivity that customers crave," says Bickel.

The office is located at 80 W. Lancaster Avenue and neighbors the Devon Horse Show. The full suite will be open in mid-April, and the financial center across the street at 105 Lancaster Avenue is slated for a September 2019 opening. "We are a team of seven currently and are hiring locally. We live our mission of *We Revolve Around You* and are proud of the small businesses we finance," says Bickel. The Bucks County lending office, in Doylestown, will also be converted to a financial center during 2019.

Born and raised in Berwyn, Pa., Bickel is a graduate of Syracuse University and a two-time Syracuse Orange men's lacrosse national champion. He began his banking career with Commerce of New Jersey and brings over 16 years of experience in the banking industry specializing in commercial lending, commercial real estate, and new business development.



Previously, Bickel served as Centric Bank's Senior Vice President, Commercial Lending Officer, where he focused on commercial real estate loans and lines of credit in the Dauphin and Cumberland County markets.

Before joining Centric Bank, Chris was Vice President of Commercial Lending at Metro Bank.

Passionate about youth athletics and the benefits of team sports, Chris coached lacrosse for Central Dauphin schools, as well as tee ball. When he's not on a field, he enjoys fly-fishing, hunting, snowboarding, surfing, and family time.

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An American Banker 2018 Best Bank to Work For, three-time Best Places to Work, and Top 50 Fastest-Growing Companies for six years, Centric Bank is headquartered in south central Pennsylvania with assets of \$720 million and remains the leader in organic loan growth in central Pennsylvania. A locally owned, locally loaned community bank, Centric Bank provides highly competitive and pro-growth financial services to businesses, professionals, individuals, families, and the health care industry. Centric Bank ranks #8 in approved SBA 7(a) loans in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as of June 30, 2018, and ranked #110 in SBA 7(a) loan volume in the United States at the end of 2017.

Founded in 2007, Pennsylvania-based Centric Bank has financial centers located in Harrisburg, Hershey, Mechanicsburg, and Camp Hill, offices in Devon, loan production offices in Lancaster and Doylestown, and an Operations and Executive Office campus in Hampden Township, Cumberland County. To learn more about Centric Bank, call 717.657.7727 or visit CentricBank.com. Connect with them on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, and Instagram.

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