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**WESTFIELD BANK NAMES NEW PRESIDENT AND CHIEF LENDING OFFICER**

**WESTFIELD CENTER, OH – JANUARY 17, 2011** - Westfield Bank is pleased to announce the promotion of Timothy E. Phillips to President, and Kevin P. Vonderau to Chief Lending Officer, effective January 1, 2011. Former President Jon Park remains Chairman of Westfield Bank Board of Directors and will assume additional responsibilities leading Westfield Group affiliates Westfield Bank, Westfield Services and Ward Group.

Phillips started his career with Old Phoenix National Bank, and later Signal Bank, where he furthered his leadership skills as the Medina Area Regional President. He joined Westfield Bank as Chief Lending Officer in 2003.

Phillips has served on the boards of the American Red Cross, Medina Chapter, Medina Rotary Club, Medina Performing Arts Foundation, and is Past Chairman of the Highland School Foundation. He currently serves as Chairman of the Medina Hospital Foundation. Tim is a life-long resident of Medina County, he and his wife Cindy live in Sharon Township.

Bringing 20 years of community banking experience, Vonderau joined Westfield Bank in 2004 as Senior Loan Officer leading sales efforts. His new responsibilities include leading Westfield Bank's commercial, consumer and residential mortgage business.

Vonderau has served on the board of United Way and was actively involved in Junior Achievement. He is currently on the boards of the American Red Cross, Medina Chapter; Leadership Medina County; and United Way, Medina County Chapter. He and his wife Kasie reside in Medina County and have three children.

"Tim and Kevin are key partners driving Westfield Bank's growth and success," commented Jon Park, Westfield Bank Chairman and Bank Leader. "I look forward to continuing to work together as a team."

Westfield Bank is one of northeast Ohio's fastest growing financial institutions and is rated five-star "Superior" by BauerFinancial, an independent rating company. Through knowledgeable banking professionals and the conveniences of online technology, Westfield Bank provides comprehensive commercial and personal banking services to northeast Ohio customers and independent agencies that represent Westfield Insurance.

Westfield Bank is a member of Westfield Group and an affiliate of Westfield Insurance, one of the nation's 50 largest property and casualty insurance groups serving customers in 31 states. Westfield Group provides banking through Westfield Bank and agency support through Westfield Services, Inc. Ward Group is an affiliate offering insurance industry consulting and benchmarking business.

For more information, visit [www.westfield-bank.com](http://www.westfield-bank.com).

[Photos of Timothy Phillips and Kevin Vonderau are available upon request.]

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