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## Country Club Bank grows M&A division with respected talent

KANSAS CITY, MO. – Country Club Bank is pleased to announce that The Capital Corporation LLC will join CCB, expanding the bank's current merger and acquisition (M&A) group, effective September 1, 2016.

Under the guidance of Bob Wray, Dean Johnson and George Thompson, The Capital Corporation specializes in the merger and acquisition of financial institutions and is the leading bank M&A consulting firm in the central United States. In addition to strategic planning and valuation projects for financial institutions, the firm has successfully led more than 175 individual bank and branch sale transactions over the last ten years, transferring in excess of \$8 billion in assets.

Capital Corporation's talent will add further breadth to Country Club Bank's M&A practice, according to John Hense, Managing Director of Country Club Capital Advisors, the organization's M&A unit. The combined business will result in an overall M&A lineup of eleven professionals with, collectively, nearly 300 transactions consummated.

Country Club Capital Advisors currently offers corporate clients a full range of transaction assistance and financial advisory services, including mergers, acquisitions, capital sourcing and financial and strategic planning.

Paul Thompson, Chairman and CEO of Country Club Bank, stated, "We are excited to pair the talents and resources of The Capital Corporation with our M&A group. Bob Wray, George Thompson and Dean Johnson are very well-known and highly regarded, and will be an excellent fit with our team."

Bob Wray, founder of The Capital Corporation, added, "Country Club Bank has a phenomenal reputation, and their Capital Markets division already serves hundreds of community banks in more than 30 states. Joining forces with the bank allows us to continue expanding our relationships with financial institutions while sharing our expertise with those clients as they evaluate present and future merger and acquisition opportunities."

Wray's team will office at the Country Club Bank at 9400 Mission in Prairie Village, Kansas, where the bank's Capital Markets division is also located.

Country Club Bank is a locally-owned community bank with assets of \$1.3 billion as of June 30, 2016. The bank serves the greater Kansas City area through its 19 financial service centers and through its affiliates, including Country Club Trust Co. with over \$2 billion in assets under administration as of June 30, 2016, Tower Wealth Managers, Country Club Financial Services, Country Club Capital Advisors, Country Club Bank's Capital Markets Group and Asset Management Group.