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Huntington Bank Appoints John Largent Commercial and Corporate Banking Operations Director

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Feb. 1 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- John Largent, a 24-year banking veteran, has joined Huntington Bank as senior vice president and commercial and corporate banking operations director. In this role, he is responsible for back-office treasury management services, including automated clearinghouse (ACH), wire transfer, disbursement reconciliation and positive pay, lockbox and remittance processing, cash vault, and third-party print and mail services. He reports to Zahid Afzal, executive vice president, technology and operations.

"The operations teams at Huntington will play a critical role in the successful execution of our strategies to expand and enhance our customer service capabilities," said Afzal. "John's experience, combined with his expertise in process improvement and organizational development, will provide the leadership we need to meet and exceed the expectations of our commercial and corporate customers."

Largent joins Huntington with broad operations leadership experience at AmTrust Bank, KeyBank and PNCBank. During his career he has been responsible for the servicing of commercial loan, consumer loan, credit card and debit card portfolios. In addition, he has provided leadership to transaction processing areas, including item processing, ATM operations, ACH operations and wire transfer. His experience also includes responsibility for payroll and benefit operations, balancing and reconciliation activities, tax compliance activities and retirement operations.

"This is an exciting time to join the Huntington team," said Largent. "There is a palpable sense of energy and enthusiasm in the company, accompanied by a clear strategic vision for the future. I am delighted to join this group of dedicated professionals, and share their commitment to meeting and exceeded the needs of our customers."

Huntington has a long track record of technological innovation, aimed at making customer services more convenient," said Largent. "I am delighted to be part of such a strong team that is devoted to meeting its customers' needs."

Largent earned a master's of business administration from Bellarmine University in Louisville, Ky., and a bachelor's in mathematics from Hanover College in Indiana.

About Huntington

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