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Huntington Names Steven M. Short Director of Huntington Wealth Advisors

COLUMBUS, Ohio--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Huntington (NASDAQ: HBAN; www.huntington.com) announced today that it has named Steven M. Short director of Huntington Wealth Advisors. He will report to Daniel Benhase, director of Huntington's Wealth, Government Finance and Home Lending division.



Huntington announced today that it has named Steven M. Short director of Huntington Wealth Advisors. In his new role at Huntington, Short will oversee Huntington Wealth Advisors, which includes The Huntington Investment Company, Private Banking, and Personal Trust. (Photo: Business Wire)

Short brings 30 years of leadership experience in the wealth management field, including leadership assignments in both trust and brokerage. In his new role at Huntington, Short will oversee the Huntington Wealth Advisors, which includes The Huntington Investment Company, Private Banking, and Personal Trust.

“Huntington Wealth Advisors is the cornerstone of our wealth division, and Steve has the combination of sales and management expertise that will strengthen and lead this department into the next phase of our growth,” said Benhase. “His in-depth understanding of wealth management, private banking, and personal trust functions will allow Steve to be an advocate for our clients, while strongly supporting our key sales operations.”

Before joining Huntington, Short served for five years as the CEO of UnionBanc Investment Services, Inc., a subsidiary of Union Bank of California, N.A. In that role, he had overall responsibility for both institutional and retail brokerage operations, as well as Union Bank's Retirement Solutions Group.

“I am very pleased to be joining Huntington Bank and Huntington Wealth Advisors,” said Short. “Huntington Wealth Advisors has a strong team of experts in banking, investments, insurance and trust, all working together to understand and meet our clients' needs. I am excited to be a part of such a great

team of committed professionals, as we build upon our excellent reputation in the wealth management business.”

Short also served as CEO of U.S. Bancorp Investment Services Inc., U.S. Bancorp Insurance Services, and as executive vice president of US Bank. Short began his banking career in 1982 in the trust division at Fifth Third Bank, where he worked for 11 years.

Short received his bachelor’s degree in business administration from Olivet Nazarene University in Illinois. He is married with two children.

The Huntington Wealth Advisors team of specialists is comprised of Private Bankers and Personal Trust officers from The Huntington National Bank and licensed investment representatives of The Huntington Investment Company who work together to deliver a full range of wealth and financial services.

About Huntington

Huntington Bancshares Incorporated is a \$56 billion regional bank holding company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. The Huntington National Bank, founded in 1866, provides full-service commercial, small business, and consumer banking services; mortgage banking services; treasury management and foreign exchange services; equipment leasing; wealth and investment management services; trust services; brokerage services; customized insurance brokerage and service programs; and other financial products and services. The principal markets for these services are Huntington’s six-state banking franchise: Ohio, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Indiana, West Virginia, and Kentucky. The primary distribution channels include a banking network of over 660 traditional branches and convenience branches located in grocery stores and retirement centers, and through an array of alternative distribution channels including internet and mobile banking, telephone banking, and over 1,300 ATMs. Through automotive dealership relationships within its six-state banking franchise area and selected other Midwest and New England states, Huntington also provides commercial banking services to the automotive dealers and retail automobile financing for dealer customers.

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