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**Micah R. Bartlett**  
**Elected IBA Chairman**

Springfield, Ill. -- Micah R. Bartlett, President and CEO of Town and Country Financial Corporation and Town and Country Bank, was inducted as Chairman for the Illinois Bankers Association (IBA) at the IBA's Annual Conference in Lake Geneva, Wis. Bartlett will serve as the 125th IBA Chairman for the 2016 fiscal year.

Bartlett will chair the IBA board as it continues to execute its strategic plan, improve the banking and business climate in Illinois for the benefit of all communities, and provide innovative solutions to its member banks.

On his election, Bartlett commented, "I am truly honored to be elected the 125th Chairman of this very positive and effective association. IBA member banks are among the most innovative in the industry, and I look forward to helping further advance the IBA and its members. The men and women of this association and our banks support their communities every day, and I'm proud to call them my friends."

Linda Koch, President and CEO of the IBA commented, "The IBA is gratified to elect yet another respected and forward-thinking Illinois banking executive to serve as its Chair. Micah brings a unique combination of banking experience, a true love of banking, and a focus that will better the Illinois banking industry. He is a great asset to the association, and we are pleased and honored to have him lead our board and executive team."

*The Illinois Bankers Association, the voice of Illinois' banking industry, is a full-service trade association dedicated to creating a positive business climate that benefits the entire banking industry and the communities they serve. Founded in 1891, the IBA brings together state and national banks and savings banks that together employ well over 100,000 people in nearly 5,000 offices across the state.*

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