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## First Commercial Bancshares Announces Sam Potts to Board of Directors

Jackson, MS - [September 12, 2024] - First Commercial Bancshares is pleased to announce the addition of Sam Potts to the Board of Directors.

Sam Potts brings a wealth of experience and expertise to First Commercial Bancshares. He previously served as Corporate Treasurer, Executive Vice President, and Chief Investment Officer at Renasant Bank. After a distinguished career at Renasant, Sam departed to join a business partner in the acquisition of Metro Logics, Inc. based in Olive Branch, Mississippi.

Sam's extensive banking experience began with a decade-long tenure at M&F Bank before joining Renasant in 2013. His academic background includes a Bachelor of Business Administration in Managerial Finance from the University of Mississippi and a Master of Business Administration from Mississippi College.

In addition to his professional achievements, Sam is actively involved in the community. He serves on the Salt & Light Foundation Board, as a Deacon at Lawndale Presbyterian Church in Tupelo, and as a volunteer coach for his kid's sports teams. He formerly served on the Barrett School of Banking Board of Regents, the University of Mississippi Banking and Finance Advisory Board, and the Rooted Ministry Board of Directors.

Curt Gabardi, President and CEO of First Commercial Bank, expressed his enthusiasm for Sam's nomination: "Sam Potts is a seasoned professional with a deep understanding of the banking industry and a strong commitment to our community. His leadership and insight will be invaluable as we continue to grow and serve our clients. We are confident that Sam's addition to our Board will strengthen our company's strategic direction and support our future growth."

First Commercial Bank is excited about welcoming Sam Potts to its Board of Directors and looks forward to the positive impact his leadership will bring.

## About First Commercial Bank

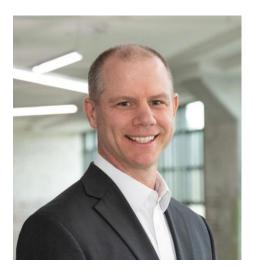
First Commercial Bank, a \$872 million asset financial institution headquartered in Jackson, Mississippi, and owned by the privately held holding company, First Commercial Bancshares, Inc., is Mississippi's first and foremost bank for businesses and professionals, having pioneered this uniquely focused banking model in the state. First Commercial opened its doors October 12, 2000. More than 23 years later First Commercial continues to honor its original vision by peeling away the layers of business bureaucracy and redefining the relationship between bankers and clients. First Commercial Bank is a unique story, inspired by talented associates who are dedicated to meeting the needs of our clients every day. Now, more than ever, First Commercial Bank is focused on delivering a client-centric culture across five strategic locations in Jackson, Ridgeland, Oxford, Southaven, Mississippi and Memphis, Tennessee. For more information, visit <u>www.firstcommercialbk.com</u> or follow us on Facebook, Instagram, or LinkedIn.

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Curt Gabardi First Commercial Bank President & Chief Executive Officer



Sam Potts President of Metro Logistics, Inc. and First Commercial Bank Board Member