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Poplar Bluff, Missouri - Chairperson and President Norma McLane Smith recently announced the promotion of Chris Hyten to Vice President of Midwest Bancorporation, Inc. and its affiliate, Poplar Bluff Banc Company.

Hyten joined the affiliated group in 2011. He came to the company with several years of prior commercial banking experience.

Chris manages the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) department that provides small business loans to customers throughout the Southeast Missouri Region. Additionally, Chris supervises the Loan Review function of all First Midwest Banks assisted by Bryce Cohen and the group's internal audit staff headed by Melissa Vail. Chris also manages the Asset Liability process for all three banks.

"Chris' many talents assist the banks in offering quality services and benefits to our customers. We are very pleased to have Chris as a valuable member of our management team," said Norma McLane Smith.

Chris graduated from the University of Missouri in 2007 with a degree in Economics and Business Management, and went on to earn an MBA from William Woods University. He graduated from the Southwest Graduate School of Banking at Southern Methodist University and is also a certified Community Bank Internal Auditor.

Chris and his wife, Kayli, make their home in Poplar Bluff and are both active in various church, civic, and community organizations. Kayli works at Baldwin Chevrolet in Poplar Bluff. Her parents are Roger and Jan Baldwin, both of Poplar Bluff. Chris' parents, Lloyd and Tresia Hyten live in Dexter.

The subsidiary banks of Midwest Bancorporation, Inc. and Poplar Bluff Banc Company have consolidated assets in excess of \$800 million with locations in Poplar Bluff, Puxico, Columbia, Dexter, Dudley, Sikeston, Jackson, Cape Girardeau, Piedmont, Van Buren, Greenville, and Williamsville. Midwest Bancorporation, Inc. is the parent holding company of First Midwest Bank of Dexter and First Midwest Bank of the Ozarks, while Poplar Bluff Banc Company is the parent holding company of First Midwest Bank of Poplar Bluff.

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