



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Justin Diecker Promoted to Commercial Lending Officer at Midwest BankCentre**

ST. LOUIS (May 5, 2022) – **Justin Diecker** has been promoted to commercial lending officer at **Midwest BankCentre**, reporting to **Danny Pogue**, president-commercial, retail and small business banking. He has served as a commercial credit analyst since joining the bank in 2019.



Diecker helps local business owners and nonprofit leaders achieve their financial goals by providing trusted advice and access to reasonably priced capital to grow their organizations. He develops new business, performs underwriting, and structures and closes commercial loans. As a local, dedicated relationship manager, he blends his understanding of clients' operations with knowledge of the regional economy to provide customized financial solutions. Midwest BankCentre supports about 10,000 local businesses and 1,000 nonprofits and faith-based institutions in the St. Louis region through loans, deposit accounts and treasury management services.

Over the last three years, Diecker assessed and underwrote risk for the bank's commercial loans across a variety of sectors. He enhanced the bank's training program and coached other credit analysts. He also chaired Midwest BankCentre's Diversity and Inclusion Council Charter Committee. In the community, he serves on the board of **The Buddy Fund**, a local nonprofit providing sports

programs and equipment to more than 45 organizations serving children at risk in the St. Louis region.

“Justin Diecker is a fantastic example of how Midwest BankCentre invests in our team and promotes from within,” Pogue said. “His strong communication skills, attention to detail and dedication to our community will help him be a great trusted advisor to his clients.”

Diecker graduated with a bachelor’s degree in economics and finance from Southern Illinois University of Edwardsville, where he belonged to the Alpha Kappa Lambda fraternity. He is a young professional board member for the **Risk Management Association**, a young professional member of the **Association for Corporate Growth** and an associate member of the **St. Louis Sports Commission**.

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