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**Local Banker appointed to IBA Agricultural Advisory Committee**

**August 1, 2016** – Ryan Martz, Vice President at Forreston State Bank, recently was appointed to the Illinois Bankers Association (IBA) 2016-2017 Agricultural Advisory Committee by IBA Chairman Micah Bartlett, Town and Country Bank in Springfield, Illinois.

As a Member of the Agricultural Advisory Committee, Ryan will keep agricultural bankers informed of major agricultural-related issues, while recommending policy positions on agricultural issues, and interacting with other agricultural related groups to achieve its goals.

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. The IBA is proud of its diverse membership, serving all sizes of financial institutions from the smallest community bank in the state to the largest national bank in the country. Illinois headquartered banks and savings institutions safeguard more than \$341.5 billion in deposits and extend more than \$225.8 billion in loans to consumers and businesses.