Midland States Bank Opens Wealth Management Office in Downtown Decatur

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EFFINGHAM, ILLINOIS – November 6, 2014 – Midland States Bank is pleased to announce the opening of its new Wealth Management office at 240 South Main in downtown Decatur. The new office is located in the old city hall building, which was originally built in 1879 and is currently being renovated as part of the revitalization of downtown Decatur.

"Midland is very excited to be a partner in the renovation of this historic building and the renaissance of the downtown," said Ron Drane, Managing Director of the Decatur Wealth Management office. "Not only does this move demonstrate our commitment to Decatur, but it is gratifying taking a building with a proud heritage and adapting it to today's business needs."

Working with Drane are Senior Wealth Advisor Carol Craig, Portfolio Manager Elizabeth Braden, Wealth Advisor Vanessa Spenard, Private Client Relationship Manager Eman Elsayed, and Wealth Advisor Danielle Diskey.

"Our expansion into Decatur compliments our focus of building long-term client relationships," said Eric Chojnicki, President of Midland's Wealth Management Group. "Ron and his team have tremendous experience and share the same customer driven, personal service philosophy for which Midland is well known."

In addition to Decatur, Midland's Wealth Management Group recently opened an office in Bloomington, Illinois. The group has assets under administration of more than \$1.1 billion and serves a wide range of customers in the areas of investment management and financial planning, administration of 401(k) Plans and other retirement accounts, insurance products and trust administration services.

About Midland States Bank

Midland States Bank is rated "5 Stars" by Bauer Financial, a rating reserved for only the strongest financial institutions in the U.S. Midland has assets of approximately \$1.8 billion and Midland Wealth Management has assets under administration of more than \$1.1 billion. Established in 1881 in Effingham, Illinois, Midland States Bank provides a full range of commercial and consumer banking products, trust and investment management, insurance, and financial planning services. As a community banking institution, Midland States Bank prides itself on establishing and maintaining relationships with its customers and is committed to serving the financial needs of the communities it serves. To learn more about Midland, visit http://www.midlandsb.com.

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