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# Ohio Bankers League

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## **Lorain Banker to Lead State Association**

**COLUMBUS, Ohio . . .** John R. Malanowski, president of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Lorain has been elected to serve as chairman of the Ohio Bankers League's board of directors in 2016.

Comprised of bank executives from across the state, the OBL board serves as the governing body for the professional trade association representing all Ohio banks and savings institutions. As chairman, Malanowski will play a critical role in setting the League's agenda as well as establishing legislative and regulatory priorities for the Ohio banking industry.

"The OBL is honored to have John Malanowski serve as our chairman this year," commented OBL President and CEO Mike Adelman. "His vision and leadership will be put to good use at an especially important time for Ohio's banking industry. We are very grateful for his tremendous service and are confident consumers, businesses and communities in Ohio and the region will benefit substantially from his experience and national financial services industry involvement."

Malanowski began his banking career at First Federal in 1973 as a management trainee and was elected president and CEO in 2008 and chairman in 2011.

He is married to wife Lisa and has two children, Rachael and David and three grandchildren, Ava, Jill and Natalie.

The OBL is the legacy trade association formed by the merger of the Ohio Bankers Association and the Ohio League of Financial Institutions; both formed in the late 1800s. The association provides professional education, governmental advocacy services and cooperative buying to more than 190 banks and thrifts across the state.

### **About First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Lorain**

*First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Lorain was founded in 1921. Today they are a \$454M mutual Savings and Loan with 7 offices serving Lorain, Amherst, Avon, Huron, Sandusky, and Port Clinton and employing 114 employees.*

### **About the Ohio Bankers League**

*The Ohio Bankers League is the trade association for the Ohio banking industry – and is Ohio's only organization focused on meeting the needs of all banks and thrifts in the Buckeye State. For more than 100 years, the OBL has been the voice of the Ohio banking industry fostering a cooperation that has made it one of the strongest and most reputable financial trade associations in the country. By linking banks, bankers, and industry experts – and by pooling their intellectual and capital resources – the OBL serves as a powerful creator of knowledge and collective resources. The non-profit association is comprised of 200 FDIC-insured financial institutions including commercial banks, savings banks, and savings and loan associations ranging in size from just over \$20 million in assets to more than \$3 trillion..*

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