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# Ohio Bankers League

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## **Lebanon Banker Named to State Association Leadership Position**

**COLUMBUS, Ohio . . .** Steve P. Foster, president and CEO of LCNB National Bank has been elected to serve as chairman of the Ohio Bankers League's board of directors in 2017.

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, Foster will play a critical role in setting the League's agenda as well as establishing legislative and regulatory priorities for the Ohio banking industry.

"Steve Foster is a model community banker who leads a model community bank," commented OBL President and CEO Mike Adelman. "He has spent his career helping to build great communities in Southwest Ohio. We are very fortunate that he is willing to broaden that focus this year to advocate for banking across Ohio."

Foster started his banking career in 1974 at the First National Bank of Chillicothe, before joining LCNB 1977 and moving through the corporation as branch manager, loan officer and internal auditor. He also started the bank's Information Technology Department and served as its chief financial officer. Foster was elected to the LCNB Board of Directors in 2005 and has served as president of both LCNB Corp. and LCNB National Bank since 2007. In 2016, he was also named CEO of both the bank and parent company.

Foster has been involved in numerous community organizations including United Way, Big Brothers & Sisters, March of Dimes, American Cancer Society, Boy Scouts, YMCA, Kiwanis, Bar Association Grievance Committee and Chamber of Commerce. He graduated from The Ohio State University with a B.S. in Finance 1974 before receiving an M.B.A. in Finance from the University of Cincinnati in 1989.

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 LCNB Corp. & LCNB National Bank**

*LCNB Corp. is a financial holding company headquartered in Lebanon, Ohio. Through its subsidiary, LCNB National Bank (the "Bank"), LCNB is engaged in the commercial banking business. The Bank was founded in 1877. The Bank operates from its main office and 35 branch offices (as well as 37 ATMs) in Warren, Preble, Ross, Butler, Hamilton, Clermont, Montgomery, Clinton, and Fayette Counties, Ohio.*

### **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 125 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 190 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 \$2.7 trillion..*

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