

## Paul J. Thompson Appointed to Graduate School of Banking at Colorado Board of Trustees



The Graduate School of Banking at Colorado (GSBC) and the Missouri Bankers Association are pleased to announce the appointment of Paul Thompson, President and CEO of Country Club Bank, to the GSBC Board of Trustees. Thompson replaces the seat of Greg Hall, President and CEO of Concordia Bank, Concordia, MO who has served on the board since 2002.

Paul J. Thompson is the President and CEO of Country Club Bank, a \$1 billion commercial bank with twenty locations in the greater Kansas City metropolitan area. Country Club Bank's Capital Markets Group specializes in providing fixed income securities to financial institutions, corporations, municipalities, foundations and high net-worth individuals in more than thirty-five states. Additionally, the bank's wholly-owned subsidiary, Asset Management Group (AMG), also advises financial institutions across the country on asset/liability management, portfolio risk management practices, income planning, budgeting and tax minimization strategies. Country Club Bank also owns and operates Country Club Trust Company, a \$1.2 billion trust company that began providing investment and trust services in 1987 and Country Club Financial Services, Inc., the bank's brokerage and insurance subsidiary. The Bank is also affiliated with the Platte Valley Bank of Missouri, a \$325 million bank that operates in the northern Kansas City metropolitan area.

Paul earned his finance degree from Creighton University (1984) and obtained his MBA from Rockhurst University (1987). He is a 1998 graduate of the Graduate School of Banking at Colorado and licensed a CPA (Missouri). Paul has served in various capacities and on numerous committees for the Missouri Bankers Association (MBA) including serving as 2008-2009 Chairman. He served as a board member (2004-2010), past Co-Chair of the MBA's Treasurer Task Force, MBA Target Banker and was the 2008 recipient of the MBA Chairman's Award, the highest award bestowed and given by the Association. Paul is also an active member of the American Bankers Association (ABA) having served on the ABA Accounting Committee (2001-2004), the ABA Community Bankers Council (2004-2007), and the ABA Membership Committee (2004-2007). He currently serves on the ABA Government Relations Council Administrative Committee.

In addition to contributing his time and energies to various philanthropic/civic organizations, Paul's interests include golf and history when he and his wife, Mary, are not otherwise attending any number of their five children's activities. Paul and Mary's children are: P.J. – 22, Creighton University; Emily – 20, University of Notre Dame; Caroline - 18, St. Teresa's Academy; Robbie – 15, Rockhurst High School; Meg – 11, Nativity Catholic Grade School.

The Graduate School of Banking at Colorado will host its 61<sup>st</sup> Annual School Session July 10-22, 2011 on the University of Colorado campus in Boulder, Colorado. Everyone is looking forward to Paul's participation, including Hall who stated, ***“Paul comes from a well respected banking family in the Kansas City area and has been very involved with the Missouri Bankers Association as well as the American Bankers Association. As a graduate of GSBC, Paul comes to the board with pride and understanding of what GSBC is about and what its goals are for community banking. He will be a real asset to the board.”*** For more information, please visit [www.GSBCColorado.org](http://www.GSBCColorado.org).