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BANTERRA BANK ANNOUNCES INDIANA BUSINESSMAN & BOARD MEMBER MIKE ALLEY AS VICE CHAIRMAN FOR BANTERRA BANK BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Evansville, IN – *Banterra Bank* is pleased to announce that Mike Alley, a *Banterra Bank* Board Member since 2012, will now serve as Vice Chairman, a new role for the organization. Alley, who currently resides in Indianapolis, Indiana, has a vast career of financial and business leadership that will help guide *Banterra's* continued growth as one of the nation's top regional community banks.

"As we continue to grow, it is important that our organization have leadership positions in place for that expansion, and the right people to fill them," said Everett Knight, Chairman and CEO of *Banterra Bank*. "We couldn't ask for a more qualified financial expert to serve in this role, as well as an individual so respected by his peers and his community." Mr. Knight is credited as the founder of *Banterra Bank* and has been the CEO since the bank's beginning in 1975.

Alley is currently chairman and owner of Patriot Investments, LLC, a company that maintains investment interests in multiple early stage companies and real estate investments. He also conducts strategic planning consulting and advisory services.

"With Mike's extensive financial and business background, and his already generous efforts made as a board member, there is no question that he is the right person for this new role and we consider ourselves fortunate to have his leadership in this position," said Jeff May, President of *Banterra Bank*.

Alley recently ended his tenure as Commissioner for Indiana Department of Revenue, a position he held from 2012 through 2015 at the request of Governor Mitch Daniels and reappointment by Governor Mike Pence. During this time, Alley led the department's transformation with a focus on technology and cultural enhancements as well as becoming a nationally-recognized leader in combating identity theft and tax refund fraud. He received the "Sagamore of the Wabash" from Indiana Governor Daniels in 2013 and from Indiana Governor Pence in 2015, an award presented in recognition of providing significant counsel and contribution to the success of their respective administrations.

Prior to working for the State of Indiana, Alley was Chairman and CEO for Integra Bank Corporation in Evansville, Indiana from 2008 through 2011. He also led Indiana-based Fifth Third Bank, Central Indiana, serving as President and CEO from 1989 through 2002 and growing the bank to 74 branches and more than \$4.2 billion in assets.

"I'm honored to serve as Vice Chairman of *Banterra Bank*," said Alley. "While I've been a board member for only a few years, I have quickly seen the steady and strategic path that *Banterra* is on for continued growth as well as added value to their customers. I've admired the culture created for *Banterra* team members, noting that milestone anniversaries are celebrated almost daily for their 400+ team member base. It's the kind of organization that I'm proud to be a part of and excited about the additional leadership opportunities this new role may bring."

Alley grew up in Petersburg, Indiana, where he graduated from high school and then attended Indiana State University, receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting. He received an honorary Doctorate of Humanities honoris causa in 2013.

In addition to **Banterra Bank** and **Banterra Corp** Board of Directors, Alley serves on the board of directors for AAA Hoosier Motor Club; Community Physicians Network; Johnson, Grossnickle and Associates; and Falling Waters Farms.

Banterra Bank began as a single bank in Ridgway, Illinois in July of 1975. Today, **Banterra** is the largest, locally-owned bank in the region with \$1.4 billion in assets and is ranked in the Top Ten Percent of U.S. Charter Banks and Top Five Percent for Illinois Charter Banks, according to asset size. **Banterra** has 35 locations in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky and Missouri. For more information, call 866-BANTERRA (226-8377), or go to www.banterra.com.

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