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ANNA BAUMGART JOINS *BANTERRA BANK* AS BANKING CENTER MANAGER AT CARMİ, ILLINOIS LOCATION

Marion, IL – *Banterra Bank*, with \$1.5 billion in assets and locations throughout the Midwest, is pleased to announce that Anna Baumgart has joined as Banking Center Manager for the Carmi, Illinois location. Anna brings more than five years of prior banking experience.

“Banterra puts our customers at the forefront of our thoughts, ensuring we meet all of their financial needs,” said Eric Ikemire, a Market Executive of Banterra’s East Region. “I’m confident that Anna will deliver the high level of service that Banterra customers have become accustomed to receiving and ensure we’re meeting all of their needs. Her knowledge and familiarity of the Carmi region will be an asset to our team as well.”

Baumgart most recently served as an Administrative Assistant for Citizens National Bank of Albion completing both real estate and commercial loans among other functions. Prior to this, she was a Customer Service Representative for First Bank.

Baumgart received her Bachelor’s degree from Southern Illinois University majoring in Agribusiness Economics. She is a native of Carmi, Illinois and graduate of Carmi High School. She currently resides in Mt. Vernon, Indiana, but spends a great deal of time in Carmi with her family who farms in the area.

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 \$1.5 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 entered Carmi in 2002 with the acquisition of Fifth Third Bank. *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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