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Local Community Banker Participates in ICBA Washington Policy Summit

Educates Lawmakers about Critical Issues

Washington, D.C. (May 4, 2010) Glenn Deutsch, President and CEO of Prime Pacific Bank participated in two days of congressional visits as part of the Independent Community Bankers of America (ICBA) Washington Policy Summit, which was held April 26-28 in the nation's capital.

“Bringing ICBA member community bankers to Washington to talk one-on-one with their representatives is key to ensuring the community bank perspective is heard loud and clear, especially now while financial regulatory reform legislation is being debated in the Senate,” said Jim MacPhee, ICBA chairman and CEO of Kalamazoo County State Bank in Schoolcraft, Mich., and a participant in the event. “The community bankers who attended ICBA’s Washington Policy Summit made a real impact here in Washington during such a critical time for Main Street.”

Each year, the ICBA Washington Policy Summit brings community bankers from across the country to Washington to meet with their federal legislators and discuss a wide range of legislative issues that affect community banking. This year, the nearly 1,000 attendees heard from Senate Banking Committee ranking member Richard Shelby (R-Ala.) and other key policymakers, in addition to advocating for fair and meaningful financial regulatory reform that ends too-big-to-fail and levels the competitive playing field between Wall Street and Main Street.

“Personal contact with lawmakers is the most effective way for Prime Pacific Bank to educate them about the issues facing community banks, our customers and our local community, which we so proudly serve each and every day,” said Deutsch who is this year's Chairman of the Community Bankers of Washington. “It’s vital for our community to have our voice heard in Washington during such a historic time for our industry.”

For additional information about the ICBA Washington Policy Summit and ICBA’s policy priorities, visit www.icba.org.

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The Independent Community Bankers of America, the nation's voice for community banks, represents nearly 5,000 community banks of all sizes and charter types throughout the United States and is dedicated exclusively to representing the interests of the community banking industry and the communities and customers we serve. For more information, visit www.icba.org.

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