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Columbia Bank's Dennis Gibney Recognized as 2023 NJBIZ Leader in Finance Awards Honoree

(FAIR LAWN, NJ MARCH 27, 2023) — Columbia Bank is proud to announce, Dennis Gibney, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, has been selected as a "2023 NJBIZ Leaders in Finance Awards" honoree. Gibney was cited for his extensive experience in strategic planning, financial institution valuations and mergers and acquisitions. The distinguished accolade celebrates New Jersey's top financial executives who contribute to the success of their companies and communities. A ceremony recognizing the awardees, will take place on April 25, 2023, from 8:00-10:00 AM, at the Doubletree by Hilton Somerset Hotel and Conference Center, located at 200 Atrium Drive, Somerset, New Jersey. Following an open nomination period, honorees were chosen by a panel of independent judges with experience in the financial field. The selections were based on the nominees' involvement in their industries and communities, along with their achievements, energy and innovative ideas. The award categories consist of: Banking, Corporate, Investment and Professional.

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With over 25 years of experience in the banking industry, Gibney currently holds a Chartered Financial Analyst designation and is a member of the New York Society of Security Analysts. Gibney is a key leader in Columbia Bank's growth strategy, which includes successfully increasing the company's asset base from \$5 billion to more than \$10 billion, and navigating four seamless acquisitions within a five year period. Gibney supports the organization's developing workforce and serves as the Executive Sponsor of its Young Professionals Employee Resource Group. Prior to joining Columbia Bank, Gibney worked in investment banking for more than 15 years. In the community, he serves as a Board Member of the Phoenix Center, an accredited private school that provides educational, behavioral, and therapeutic services for differently abled students, and is a prior Board Member of the Boy Scouts.

About Columbia Bank

Founded in 1927 and headquartered in Fair Lawn, New Jersey, Columbia Bank has more than 60 full-service branch locations spanning the state of New Jersey,



Dennis Gibney, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Columbia Bank. Photo Courtesy of Columbia Bank.

and four regional lending centers. Columbia Bank and its affiliates offer a full suite of consumer and commercial products, flexible financing options, modern digital banking solutions, as well as title, investment, insurance and wealth management services. Community impact and customer service continue to be differentiators for the Bank. Columbia Bank is proud to have nearly 100% employee participation through its "Team Columbia" volunteering program, and was nationally recognized for "Best Branch Experience." For more information about Columbia Bank's complete line of products and services, visit www.ColumbiaBankOnline.com. Follow Columbia Bank on: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, YouTube & Linked In.