



BRADLEY BERGMAN
President
CEO

### **EXPERTISE:**

• Trust management

### **EXPERIENCE:**

- Founded Midwest Trust in 1993
- Has over 25 years' experience running trust companies
- Has also served as a commercial banker, a partner in a law firm and has taught law classes
- Provides financial advice to organizations that are as diverse as his interests in education, health care and wellness, and historical preservation

## **EDUCATION:**

- BS, Illinois State
- JD, Washburn University

- Kansas Bar Association, member
- Missouri Bar Association, member
- Earned his Certified Financial Planner
- Estate Planning Society of Kansas City
- Johnson County Community College Foundation, member
- Blue Valley School District Advisory Board, member
- National World War I Museum, Trustee





BRYAN ALLEE Vice President Trust Officer

#### **EXPERTISE:**

· Personal trust administration

### **EXPERIENCE:**

 Joined Midwest Trust in 2002, after spending seven years with the Valley View State Bank as their vice president, trust officer, and director of their Personal Trust Services Division

#### **EDUCATION:**

- BA, William Jewell College, valedictorian
- JD, University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law

## PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS:

• Musica Vocale, choral ensemble in Kansas City, member



**BRAD BEETS**Senior Vice President
Relationship Manager

## **EXPERTISE:**

 Began his career in retirement planning as a record keeper, which, along with his experience in accounting and trusts, has given him the experience, thoroughness, and technical understanding to handle complex plan administration

### **EXPERIENCE:**

 Joined Midwest Trust in 2000, after serving five years as a vice president with UMB

#### **EDUCATION:**

• BS in Business Administration, University of Kansas

# PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS:

- Village Presbyterian Church, elder trustee
- Salvation Army, advisory board member
- · Ozanam Guild, treasurer



SHELLIE BILLAU
Vice President
Trust Officer

#### **EXPERTISE:**

· Personal trust administration

#### **EXPERIENCE:**

- Joined Midwest Trust in 1993, after working with US Bank and UMB
- All told, Billau holds more than 30 years of personal trust experience

## **EDUCATION:**

- Marymount College
- KBA-NBA School of Trust & Financial Planning

- Operation Breakthrough, auction committee member and volunteer
- Ronald McDonald House Charities of Kansas City, planned giving committee board member
- · Alzheimer's Association, team member and volunteer





DANA BLACKMON
Vice President
Trust Officer

**EXPERTISE:** 

· Personal trust administration

#### **EXPERIENCE:**

- 36 years in the trust and investment management business
- Prior to joining Midwest Trust, served clients with U.S. Bank for 17 years
- She was also the principal of a privately owned trust company and registered investment advisory firm for 12 years

## PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS:

- Estate Planning Society of Kansas City, member
- The Central Exchange, member



LANA BRITZ
Vice President
Trust Officer

#### EXPERTISE:

• Specializes in trust and probate administration

## **EXPERIENCE:**

• Joined Midwest Trust in 2005, after working for more than 20 years in the personal trust department at UMB

## **EDUCATION:**

- BS in Business Administration, Rockhurst University
- · Cannon Trust School

## PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS:

- Estate Planning Society of Kansas City, member
- Children's Mercy Hospital, planned giving committee
- Children's Mercy Hospital, Child Life volunteer



ANDREW BROWNE, CFTA, CFP® Vice President Trust Officer

#### **EXPERTISE:**

• Specializes in personal trust and IRA administration

#### EXPERIENCE:

 Brings 25 years of trust experience to his clients, earned as senior vice president at Bank of America and, since 1999, at Midwest Trust

### **EDUCATION:**

• BS in Business Administration, University of Kansas

- Volunteer Center of Johnson County, former board member
- Leukemia Society, former golf committee member
- Heart Association of Kansas City, former golf committee member





**KURT CLAUSING** Vice President Trust Officer

#### **EXPERTISE:**

• Developed an extensive knowledge of oil and gas law, real estate, probate, and trusts through his work as a practicing attorney and a trust officer

### **EXPERIENCE:**

- Started in the trust industry in 1996 with UMB, after serving as partner at Hoke and Clausing law firm in Wichita, Kansas, and as in-house counsel for Continental Energy in Garden City, Kansas
- He joined Midwest Trust in 2005

## **EDUCATION:**

- BA, University of Kansas
- JD, Washburn University
- Cannon Trust School

## PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS:

• Estate Planning Society of Kansas City, member



**DEBBIE CORCORAN** Vice President

**EXPERTISE:** 

Personal trust administration

## **EXPERIENCE:**

- Joined Midwest Trust in 2006, after serving as a trust officer with Gold Trust (now M&I Wealth Management) and UMB Trust Investments
- Debbie has extensive background in retirement planning and IRAs

## **EDUCATION:**

• BS in Human Resources Management, Friends University



MARK DRAKE Vice President Trust Officer

#### **EXPERTISE:**

• Personal trust administration

#### **EXPERIENCE:**

• Joined Midwest Trust in 1999, after serving for 11 years as a vice president and trust officer at Bank of America

#### **EDUCATION:**

- BS in Journalism, University of Missouri-Columbia
- · JD, University of Missouri-Kansas City
- ABA National Trust School

## PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS:

• Missouri Bar Association, member



PATRICIA GROTHOFF Vice President Trust Officer

#### EXPERTISE:

Personal trust administration

### **EXPERIENCE:**

• Nearly 40 years of trust experience. Prior to joining Midwest Trust in 2002 and Valley View Financial Group Trust in 1994, Patty worked with Central Bank in Jefferson City and Southgate Trust.

## **EDUCATION:**

Lincoln University





PHIL HEFFLEY, CFP® Vice President Trust Officer

#### **EXPERTISE:**

 Focuses on business development with skills in financial planning and private client retirement planning

# **EXPERIENCE:**

- Over 25 years in the trust and investment management business
- Prior to joining Midwest Trust, Phil's experience includes 20 years with U.S. Bank
- 15 years as a presenter for Hallmark Cards at quarterly retirement planning seminars

## **EDUCATION:**

- BS in Business Administration, University of Kansas
- BS in Mechanical Engineering, University of Kansas

## PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS:

- Estate Planning Society of Kansas City, member
- Catholic Charities Foundation-Kansas City and Saint Joseph Missouri, board member
- Catholic Charities-Kansas City and Saint Joseph Missouri, investment committee member



MELANIE HOLLAND Vice President Trust Officer

### **EXPERTISE:**

• Personal trust administration

#### **EXPERIENCE:**

 Worked in trust administration for 29 years at US Bank before joining Midwest Trust in 2009

#### **EDUCATION:**

• AA, Johnson County Community College



DANIEL LANG
Executive Vice President
Trust Officer

#### EXPERTISE:

• Specializes in personal trust administration, fiduciary taxation, real estate management, and corporate structures within trust

### **EXPERIENCE:**

 Joined Midwest Trust in 1998, after serving as vice president with NationsBank and Commerce Bank and as a customer service representative with Kansas City Life Insurance Company

## **EDUCATION:**

- BS, Business Administration, University of Colorado
- MBA, University of Missouri-Kansas City

### PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS:

 Planned Gift Council of Children's Mercy Hospital, board member





CHUCK MIKKELSEN
Vice President
Trust Officer

#### **EXPERTISE:**

 Specializes in personal trust administration and tax planning

### **EXPERIENCE:**

 Joined Midwest Trust in 2005, after serving a sum total of nearly 25 years as vice president and trust officer at Community Bank, Citizen Bank & Trust, and First Trust & Savings Bank

### **EDUCATION:**

- BS in Business Administration
- MA in Economics
- JD, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

# PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS:

• Mensa International, member



JEANINE MORTON, CFTA Vice President Trust Officer

#### **EXPERTISE:**

 Carries broad experience in banking, auditing, regulatory compliance, trust operation, and personal trust administration

### **EXPERIENCE**:

- Joined Midwest Trust in 2001, after serving in various roles at First National Bank of Olathe and Lawrence National Bank
- Jeanine is a certified trust and financial planner with more than 20 years of experience

## **EDUCATION:**

- BS in Education, with highest distinction, University of Kansas
- AIB Foundations of Banking Degree, Cannon Financial Institute

- Gateway West, LLC, treasurer
- Douglas County Estate Planning Council, member
- Lawrence Civic Choir, past board member and treasurer





JAMES O'SULLIVAN
President, Valley View Financial Group
Trust Company

#### **EXPERTISE:**

• Trust and estate planning

## **EXPERIENCE:**

 Has more than 20 years' experience in trust and estate business

#### **EDUCATION:**

- BA, University of Missouri, Columbia
- JD, University of Kansas

### PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS:

- Appointed to the Kansas State Banking Board as chairman (2008 & 2010) by Governor Kathleen Sebelius
- Kansas Bar Association, member
- Missouri Bar Association, member



CAROLYN RIGSBY, CFP® Vice President Trust Officer

## **EXPERTISE:**

• Specializes in personal trust, corporate trust, and operations

## **EXPERIENCE:**

- Has more than 20 years of experience in trusts and financial planning, first with First City Bank of Corpus Christi and later US Bank and First Financial Trust Company in Albuquerque
- Carolyn joined Midwest Trust in 1995

## **EDUCATION:**

• Emporia State University



EILEEN SULLIVAN
Vice President
Trust Officer

#### EXPERTISE:

• Personal trust administration

#### **EXPERIENCE:**

- Joined Midwest Trust in 2004, after a distinguished career in estate planning and trusts with EBK Trust Company, Overland Park State Bank, and Boatman's Bank
- Eileen is a certified employee benefit specialist

## **EDUCATION:**

- BA, Trinity College, Washington, D.C.
- JD, University of Missouri School of Law
- Certified Employer Benefit Specialist (CEBS)

- Native Sons and Daughters of Kansas City, member
- · Rockhurst University, honorary director
- Estate Planning Society of Kansas City, member
- Estate Planning Symposium Committee, board member
- Missouri Bar Association, member





EMILY WEST, CFP® Vice President Investment Officer

#### **EXPERTISE:**

• Personal trust financial planning

## **EXPERIENCE**:

 Joined Midwest Trust in 2011, after spending 5 years with UMB most recently in Private Banking and Wealth Management.

### **EDUCATION:**

- BBA in Finance, Baylor University
- MBA in Finance, University of Missouri-Kansas City

# PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS:

• Member, United Way Young Leaders Society



DAVID YOST
Executive Vice President
Personal Trust Manager

### **EXPERTISE:**

• Trust management

## **EXPERIENCE:**

 Joined Midwest Trust in 2007, bringing with him 18 years experience in trust and investment strategies at Bank of America

### **EDUCATION:**

• BA, JD, University of Missouri-Kansas City

- University of Missouri-Kansas City, trustee
- University of Missouri-Kansas City Athletic Foundation, chair
- Synergy, board member
- Northland Alternative Services Program, board member