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Republic Bank Announces New Chief Investment Officer

Leadership transition ensures stability and momentum for Republic Bank’s investment strategy

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Jan. 29, 2026) – Republic Bank & Trust Company (“Republic” or the “Bank”) is proud to announce the promotion of Brad Comer to Chief Investment Officer.

“Brad is an invaluable member of the Republic Bank family, and I’m incredibly proud of the work he has done over the past two decades,” said Logan Pichel, President and CEO, Republic Bank. “Brad embodies the values and standards of our organization, and my team and I are looking forward to working closely with him as he steps into this new role.”

With more than 20 years of financial experience, Comer has spent the entirety of his professional career with Republic Bank. Since joining the Bank in 2005, he has served as an Asset/Liability Analyst; Senior Investment Officer and Cash Manager; VP, Senior Investment Officer; and SVP, Senior Investment Officer. In his new role, Comer will oversee the Bank’s Treasury and Secondary Mortgage Marketing Departments, as well as manage the Bank’s investment Portfolio and chair the Bank’s Asset and Liability Committee (ALCO).

“Republic Bank has allowed me to learn and grow throughout my professional career, and I’m looking forward to serving the organization in a new capacity as the Chief Investment Officer,” Comer said.

Comer’s promotion follows the 2025 retirement of Greg Williams, Republic’s former SVP, Chief Investment Officer, after 28 years with the Bank. Williams is currently working with Comer to ensure a seamless transition.

“Brad is an exceptional leader with a deep understanding of our investment strategy and a clear vision for the future,” Williams said. “I have full confidence in his ability to guide the team forward and continue the strong momentum we’ve built together.”

Comer was among Louisville Business First’s *Best in Finance* in 2023, and outside of his work at Republic, he serves as the treasurer of the Kentucky Shakespeare Festival and has been a member of the Board Finance Committee at Metro United Way since 2013. Comer also enjoys spending time with his family, traveling, and cooking.

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About Republic Bank

Republic Bancorp, Inc. (the “Company”) is the parent company of Republic Bank & Trust Company (the “Bank”). The Bank currently has 47 banking centers in communities within five metropolitan statistical areas (“MSAs”) across five states: 22 banking centers located within the Louisville MSA in Louisville, Prospect, Shelbyville, and Shepherdsville in Kentucky, and Floyds Knobs, Jeffersonville, and New Albany in Indiana; six banking centers within the Lexington MSA in Georgetown and Lexington in Kentucky; eight banking centers within the Cincinnati MSA in Cincinnati and West Chester in Ohio, and Bellevue, Covington, Crestview Hills, and Florence in Kentucky; seven banking centers within the Tampa MSA in Largo, New Port Richey, St. Petersburg, Seminole, and Tampa in Florida; and four banking centers within the Nashville MSA in Franklin, Murfreesboro, Nashville and Spring Hill, Tennessee. In addition, Republic Bank Finance has one loan production office in St. Louis, Missouri. The Bank offers online banking at www.republicbank.com. The Company is headquartered in Louisville, Kentucky, and as of September 30, 2025, had approximately \$7.01 billion in total assets. The Company’s Class A Common Stock is listed under the symbol “RBCAA” on the NASDAQ Global Select Market.