

M&T Bank Corporation Hires Former NYS Assemblyman Paul A. Tokasz

BUFFALO, N.Y., April 28, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- <u>M&T Bank Corporation</u> (NYSE: MTB) ("M&T") announced today that former New York State Assemblyman Paul A. Tokasz has been named Administrative Vice President of Government Relations.

"Paul's knowledge and experience in government will help us strengthen our relationships with local, state and federal officials as we continue working together to create new jobs, finance economic development and support families and businesses in our communities," said Mark J. Czarnecki, President of M&T Bank.

As the 143rd Assembly District member from 1988 until 2006, Tokasz represented residents of the towns and villages of Cheektowaga, Lancaster, Depew and Sloan. He was New York State Assembly Majority Leader from 2001 to 2006.

Prior to his election to the Assembly, Tokasz was deputy county clerk of the Erie County Auto Bureau from 1977 to 1986. He was a City of Buffalo elementary school teacher from 1968 to 1977. He joins M&T from Patricia Lynch Associates.

Tokasz has been involved in many civic organizations, including the Buffalo Philharmonic Stabilization Committee, Buffalo State College Council, Fireman's Association of New York State and National Conference of State Legislatures. He received his bachelor of arts in history from Hobart College in Geneva and a master's in education from Buffalo State College.

About M&T Bank

M&T is a financial holding company headquartered in Buffalo, New York. M&T's principal banking subsidiary, M&T Bank, operates banking offices in New York, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Connecticut, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia. Trust-related services are provided by M&T's Wilmington Trust-affiliated companies and by M&T Bank.

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