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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Legence Bank Welcomes New Board Member**

Eldorado, IL – **JESSICA HALL**, Director, Provider Recruitment for SSM Health in Illinois and SLUCare, a division of SSM Health in Missouri was appointed as a new board member for **LEGENCE BANK**. The approval was made by the Holding Company in their board meeting in Eldorado, IL on December 18, 2023. As a board member, Hall will play a critical role in making policy decisions and providing insight on the Bank's overall operations. "This new addition to the Legence Bank Board shows the importance we place on identifying and securing the best talent available to serve our shareholders, customers' and communities. We are very fortunate to have diverse experienced business and community leaders that embody the spirit of community while bringing creativity, energy and new ideas for the development of community banking to the table. "Her leadership and guidance will help Legence Bank continue to be a reliable partner in our community as we continuously strive to strengthen the markets we serve," said Martin B. Rowe, President and CEO of First Eldorado Bancshares, Inc.

Mrs. Hall has more than 23 years of experience in Recruitment and has been with SSM Health for 15 years, overseeing the medical staff recruitment activities for both Illinois and the academic division of SSM Health in Missouri. She received a bachelor's degree in Health Care Management from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale and a master's degree in Health Care Administration from St. Louis University in St. Louis, Missouri. "She will bring a wealth of financial experience to the board," said Kevin Beckemeyer, President and CEO.

She lives in Mt. Vernon with her husband Brett. They are the parents of two daughters, Caroline and Ellie. Hall is a fellow and active member of the Association for Advancing Physician and Provider Recruitment (AAPPR) since 2009, and previously sat on their Fellowship committee. She is also a member of the Illinois Association of Physician Recruiters (ISPR) and a recipient of the Jackson and Coker's Staff Physician Recruiter of the Year Award in 2015.

She has been involved with the United Way of Jefferson County and served on their board, along with serving on the board for the YMCA of Jefferson County. She has also been active in the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce and Comprehensive Connections of Mt. Vernon, along with being an active member and volunteer at Cedarhurst Center of the Arts.

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The Bank's board, management and staff are excited about the future and our strong growth prospects. With over a century of history and a legacy of caring, personal service, Legence Bank is forging ahead into the future, continuing its strategic goal of providing the communities it serves with a premier financial institution and state of the art technology and conveniences, while remaining independently owned and committed to our most valuable asset: our customers. For more information, visit [LegenceBank.com](http://LegenceBank.com). Legence Bank Member FDIC, EOHL

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