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## **Truitt Earns National Certification**

Kadie L. Truitt, Assistant Vice President of The Stephenson National Bank & Trust (SNBT), was recently awarded the Certified Trust & Financial Advisor (CTFA) designation from the Institute of Certified Bankers (ICB), a subsidiary of the American Bankers Association, in Washington, DC.

“Kadie’s accomplishment truly demonstrates her commitment to maintaining the highest level of professional knowledge in order to benefit our clients”, said Greg Salmen, Senior Vice President and Trust Manager. “We are extremely pleased to have four CTFAs in our Trust Department, which gives us even more depth and strength to offer superior financial solutions to our clients.”

The CTFA designation is awarded to individuals who demonstrate excellence in the field of wealth management and trust. To qualify for the CTFA certification, individuals must have certain levels of experience and education in the trust profession, pass an exam, and agree to abide by a code of ethics.

Through the CTFA certification, ICB validates individuals’ knowledge and expertise by promoting the highest standards of performance in the financial services industry. The CTFA exam covers many areas including fiduciary and trust activities, financial planning, tax law and planning, investment management, and ethics.

Truitt joined SNB&T in 2000 as trust operations assistant, was promoted to trust operations officer in 2001, to trust officer in 2004, then to her current position in 2005.

She specializes in the administration and sales of company-sponsored retirement plans including 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plans. She is also responsible for management of the trust operations and trust accounting area and oversees the processing and reconciliation of trust account activity.

A graduate of the University of Wisconsin–Green Bay, Truitt has a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting. She is a graduate of the Cannon Financial Institute



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Retirement Plan Services Sales School for advanced training in employer sponsored retirement plans.

She is a past recipient of the bank's Award of Excellence, an award given to employees who demonstrate superior job knowledge, professionalism, motivation, productivity and customer service. In addition, she is a Marinette Menominee Area Chamber of Commerce Leadership Academy graduate.

Truitt serves on the Board of Education for Stephenson Area Public Schools and volunteers with the Menominee Rotary Club. She and her husband Joe have two children and live in Ingalls, Mich.

The ICB, with over 9,000 certified members, provides financial services professionals with confidence, credibility, and recognition through its certifications.

The Stephenson National Bank & Trust is a 135-year old independent community bank with assets of \$265 million and Trust assets over a quarter of a billion dollars. Offices are located in Marinette and Oconto, Wis. and Menominee, Mich. For more information about The Stephenson National Bank & Trust visit [www.snbt.com](http://www.snbt.com).

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