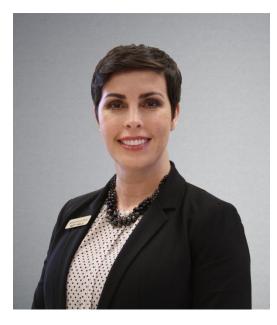
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INDEPENDENCE BANK VICE PRESIDENT, CORPORATE TREASURY MANAGER GRADUATES FROM BANKING SCHOOL

OWENSBORO, KY (July 30, 2019) – An Independence Bank employee was among the 155 graduates that made up the 2019 graduating class from The Graduate School of Banking at Colorado. Misty Wells, Vice President, Corporate Treasury Manager completed her third and final year of banking school and graduated on Friday, July 26th.



Misty completed six weeks of classroom training over three years that focused on four key areas – General Management, Lending, Leadership in Human Resource Management and Financial Management.
Requirements also included comprehensive examinations, intersession research projects and participation in a bank management simulation course designed to provide the banker/student with experience in managing a bank.

"We make it a priority to invest in the future of Independence Bank, and that means ensuring that our employees are exposed to educational programs and continuing professional development such as the Graduate School of Banking at Colorado," said Jacob Reid, President, Independence Bank. "And this

program is no small feat, Misty has put forth hard work and dedication to this program for the past three years and I am so proud of her accomplishment. I know she will utilize the knowledge and experienced she gained to continue to serve the Bank well."

The Graduate School of Banking at Colorado is a premiere graduate community banking school that offers a first class educational experience which includes an intensive 25-month banking school program providing senior management and leadership training for the next generation of community banking professionals. The three-year program is held on the campus of the University of Colorado in Boulder, Colorado.

"My profession, like many others, is constantly changing," said Misty. "I think it is imperative that one continues to grow professionally in whatever career path they choose. Independence Bank believes in the continuing development of their employees and I am thankful they continue to invest in me not only as an employee, but as a future leader of this organization."

Misty has been an employee at Independence Bank for 15 years.

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ABOUT INDEPENDENCE BANK:

Independence Bank is a regional community bank with 25 locations in Calloway, Daviess, Franklin, Graves, Hancock, Henderson, Hopkins, Jefferson, McCracken, McLean, Warren and Webster counties. One of the fastest growing banks in Kentucky and fifth largest, Independence Bank possesses the size and experience to serve the largest and most complex clients and offers trust and investment services and agricultural services. As a banking revolution for the people, by the people, central to Independence Bank's mission is doing what is right and fair for customers, communities and employees. Independence Bank has been recognized as a Top Performing Bank and Best Bank to Work For by the American Bankers Association, a Best Place to Work in Kentucky and has assets totaling \$2.5 billion.