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**FIRSTTRUST NAMES DARREN A. FEDERICO NEW VICE PRESIDENT OF
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

CONSHOHOCKEN, PA - (February 12, 2013) Firsttrust Bank announced today that Darren A. Federico has joined the SBA Finance Group within its Commercial Banking Department as Vice President of Business Development.

Mr. Federico brings more than twenty years of experience to Firsttrust, with significant knowledge in commercial lending and banking, along with business development and relationship management.

He will work with Firsttrust executives to assist in evaluating business line opportunities and investments. In this position, Darren will be developing and expanding the SBA loans for the Firsttrust portfolio.

“Darren is a hard working individual with an expertise in business development. We look forward to having him as such a valuable new asset to our team,” said Michael B. Dinda, Executive Vice President, Commercial Banking Division Manager, of Firsttrust Bank.

Mr. Federico started his career at Meridian/CoreStates Bank where he held an assortment of positions in its retail and commercial divisions. In previous roles at Sovereign and National Penn, he was an essential part of the development of their SBA program and portfolios. Mr. Federico comes from Conestoga Bank where he was responsible for the growth of its SBA lending portfolio.

He holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Widener University, and currently lives in Gilbertsville, PA with his wife and two children.

About Firsttrust Bank

Founded in 1934 and currently in its third generation of family ownership, Firsttrust is a privately-held bank with assets of \$2.5 billion. Safe and Sound for more than 78 years, Firsttrust is a Small Business Administration (SBA) preferred lender, and provides both retail and commercial services through its 22 banking offices located in Bucks, Burlington, Chester, Lehigh, Montgomery and Philadelphia counties. Continuing to meet the needs of its customers, Firsttrust offers a wide variety of deposit products, consumer and business loan options, residential and commercial real estate mortgages and cash-management products. For more information, visit firsttrust.com or call 800-220-BANK. Member FDIC.

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