



Financial Institutions

Community Banking

Community banking is a vital part of our nation's economic foundation. Helping community banks comply with complex regulatory requirements and capture new business opportunities requires experience and skill.

"When some members of the Board of Directors become unresponsive to the needs of shareholders, you need a law firm that can move decisively, creatively and quickly. Bryan Cave helped us save our bank, deal with internal issues and return to the business of providing banking services for our community. They understand how a community bank works."

Larry Kuglar, President
First National Bank of Polk County

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We have counseled our community bank clients regarding:

- Bank holding company and financial holding company formation and regulation
- Compliance
- Directors and officers liability
- Employee benefits and executive compensation
- Estate planning
- Going private
- Insurance, brokerage and other financial services
- Intellectual property
- Internet banking
- Mergers and acquisitions
- Regulatory enforcement and civil litigation
- Securities and capital planning
- Subchapter S elections
- Tax