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Commerce Trust names KC Mathews Chief Market Strategist

Long-time investment industry veteran to hold key contributing role in firm's market strategy with a focus on equity investments

Kansas City, Mo. – August 10, 2023 – KC Mathews, CFA®, has joined Commerce Trust, a division of Commerce Bank, as Chief Market Strategist. In this role, he will serve on the firm's Investment Policy Committee and play a key contributing role in the development and execution of Commerce Trust's market strategy with a focus on equity investments. In addition, KC will also serve on Commerce Trust's thought leadership team to articulate the firm's views on investment and market activity in media interviews and public speaking events.

With close to 30 years of diverse experience in the investment management industry, KC comes to Commerce Trust after 21 years at UMB Bank, where he most recently served as Chief Investment Officer, a position he held for 13 years. In this capacity, KC oversaw the strategic development and execution of UMB's \$12 billion Investment Management division. He also counseled high profile private and institutional clients on investment management matters. Prior to joining UMB, KC held positions of increased responsibility within the trust division of the Bank of Oklahoma.

"We are truly excited to welcome KC to Commerce Trust," said David Hagee, Chief Investment Officer, Commerce Trust. "Adding KC's experience and wealth of knowledge to our seasoned team of financial professionals will ensure we continue to leverage our investment expertise for our individual and institutional clients, with the ultimate goal of helping them navigate any economic cycle to achieve the financial futures they want."

"Commerce Trust's culture and team-approach to building customized wealth solutions to meet the specific goals of clients aligns with my own professional philosophy," said Mathews. "I look forward to adding my insights to this experienced investment management group."

KC holds a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Minnesota and a master's in business administration from the University of Notre Dame. He is a graduate of the ABA National Trust School at Northwestern University and completed an advanced investment management education program at the Harvard Business School.

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He has earned the Chartered Financial Analyst® designation and is member of the CFA Institute. He also is a past president of the CFA® Society of Kansas City.

KC is a former board member of Junior Achievement and Operation Breakthrough. In addition, he served on the faculty of the Schools of Banking, a regional cooperative effort jointly sponsored by the Kansas and Nebraska Bankers Associations, teaching courses in the Trust and Financial Services curriculum.

About Commerce Trust

Since 1906, Commerce Trust has been a leading provider of investment management, financial planning, trust and private banking services for individuals and institutions. Our clients benefit from the insight gained by our experience administering more than \$63 billion in assets through all market cycles.¹ Today, Commerce Trust, a division of Commerce Bank, ranks 20th in the U.S. among bank-managed trust companies based on assets under management.²

¹As of June 30, 2023.

²[Earnings Highlights, 2nd Quarter, 2023.](#)

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