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Berlin Native McCarthy Joins Farmers & Merchants Bank

Tom McCarthy, a Berlin native and 1993 graduate of Berlin High School, has joined Farmers & Merchants Bank as General Counsel and Compliance Officer. He'll use his nearly 15 years of experience with major legal firms like Quarles & Brady to advise the bank on regulatory issues and assist the bank's growth in commercial real estate financing.

Although in his role with Quarles & Brady Tom acted as outside legal counsel for community banks across the country, he's looking forward to contributing in a different way to Farmers & Merchants and their customers. "I truly appreciate the impact a community bank like Farmers & Merchants can have on an individual and a community," says McCarthy. "I want to use my experience to be a part of that community and customer impact."

After nearly 20 years away from his hometown, McCarthy and his wife Carrie, also a Berlin native, are looking forward to reconnecting to their roots. "After living in the Chicago area and working at a 450-lawyer firm, it just feels right to work with a group of people that I know and trust, that also gives me the opportunity to feel so connected with the customers of Farmers & Merchants Bank," says McCarthy.

One of the biggest advantages is for his family. Tom, Carrie and their three children have spent many weekends and vacations in Berlin visiting Grandma Susie (Tom's mom Susie McCarthy) and now they get to live the vacation all year round. "It's a great opportunity for all of us," says McCarthy. "It's the right move for our family and certainly a great step for me professionally."

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