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Richard Seibel Elected Director-at-Large of The Financial Managers Society, Inc.

-Seibel brings over 25 years experience to this role -

CHICAGO, ILL., June 25, 2008 – Richard Seibel, senior vice president of risk management at Northwest Bancorp, Inc. in Warren, Pa. was elected Director-at-Large of the board of directors for the Financial Managers Society (FMS) at its annual meeting in Orlando, Fla., this week. Seibel has been actively involved with FMS for the past four years and had previously served as Chair of the Internal Audit Council.

Seibel, along with the rest of the volunteers on the board of directors, is charged with guiding the association as it fulfills its mission to enhance the professional development of its members – CFOs, controllers, internal auditors and other financial professionals from community banks, thrifts and credit unions.

In his capacity as senior vice president, risk management, Seibel is responsible for the monitoring and managing risk and compliance at Northwest Bancorp, Inc. Previous professional highlights include holding various audit and management positions with financial institutions over the last twenty five years. Seibel is a certified public accountant and a certified risk professional.

“The success of FMS depends upon the quality of its volunteer leadership,” states FMS CEO Dick Yingst. “We are confident that Seibel’s election will enhance the success of the society and further our ability to serve the industry.”

About The Financial Managers Society, Inc.

The Financial Managers Society is the only association devoted exclusively to serving financial professionals from community banks, thrifts and credit unions. Since 1948, it has provided career-enhancing education, targeted news and research, leadership opportunities, a voice in shaping regulations, and worldwide industry connections.

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