

# **Texas Department of Banking**

## **Press Release**

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### **Appointment of James T. Chambers and Vernon Bryant to Commissioner's Council**

Date: March 31, 1997

Texas Banking Commissioner Catherine A. Ghiglieri has announced the appointment of James T. Chambers, President and Chief Executive Officer of Town and Country Bank, Stephenville, and Vernon Bryant, President of Texas Bank, Weatherford, to the Commissioner's Council. Chambers replaces Cecil Wimberly and Bryant replaces J. Andy Thompson on the Council.

Chambers brings 29 years banking experience to the Council and has served on the Board of Directors as Director and Chairman of the Board of the Independent Bankers Association of Texas. He has also served on the Board of Directors of the Independent Bankers Association of America. In addition to his civic and church leadership roles, he currently serves as a member of the Finance Commission of Texas.

Bryant has been a CPA for over 27 years and a Banker for more than 15 years. In addition to his many civic and church responsibilities, he has served on the Board of Directors of the Texas Bankers Association.

The Commissioner's Council advises the Banking Commissioner regarding policy formulation at the Texas Department of Banking. The Council also provides input into the development of rules to support the Texas Banking Act and complements the working relationship the Commissioner has established with the Independent Bankers Association of Texas and the Texas Bankers Association. In addition, the Council focuses on membership in the Conference of State Bank Supervisors (CSBS) by encouraging state banks to join CSBS in support of the dual banking system and states' rights issues, and in recognition of their efforts to protect the state banking system.