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Knutson Appointed to Serve on Government Relations Council



Kurt A. Knutson has been appointed to serve on the American Bankers Association's (ABA) Government Relations Council for the 2019-2020 year. Mr. Knutson is Founder, Chairman and CEO of Freedom Bank in Overland Park.

The Government Relations Council (GRC) is the leadership committee within the ABA with the exclusive responsibility for recommending annual policy priorities to ABA's Board of Directors. The Council also provides ongoing policy guidance to ABA leadership as policy issues arise throughout the year. GRC's diverse membership is reflective of the industry at large, representing banks from across the country of varying size, charter type and business structure, making it a critical voice in representing both specific interests of industry segments and the broader industry.

Mr. Knutson currently serves as Chairman of the Kansas Bankers Association, is Chairman of the Board of Freedom Bancshares, Inc. and is a past Chairman of the Kansas State Banking Board. Freedom Bank is an independent, state chartered, FDIC-insured community bank headquartered in Overland Park, Kansas. The bank is a wholly owned subsidiary of Freedom Bancshares, Inc.