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Kansas City Business Journal – Feb. 3, 2014

UMB Financial Corp. named Michael Hagedorn as CEO of UMB Bank. Hagedorn, who had been CFO of UMB Financial since March 2005, also will continue to serve as vice chairman of the Kansas City-based bank holding company. He added the role of vice chairman and chief administrative officer in November 2009.

Hagedorn assumes the title as CEO of the bank from Mariner Kemper, who remains chairman and CEO of UMB Financial.

ColoradoBiz Magazine – Feb. 6, 2014

Eric Craine, senior vice president of consumer services, discusses what customers expect from their bank in a two-part video series with ColoradoBiz Magazine.

“We’re currently wrapping up a pilot program that really centers around the advisor experience, which began by working with our customers to find out what they expect from their bank. Today’s industry is more transactional so we try to differentiate UMB for our customers and help them find what they’re looking for...The advisor experience is about equipping our associates to help customers with things like financial planning, monthly budgeting and saving for their children’s education. The pilot program has done well in all markets and we are looking to expand that to all of our branches.”

St. Louis Business Journal – Feb. 7, 2014

Peter Blumeyer started as a management trainee at UMB Bank less than nine years ago. Today, at age 34, he is the bank’s newly named St. Louis president. Before his promotion Jan. 2, Blumeyer was senior vice president and team leader of the commercial lending division, responsible for growing loans and deposits as well as adding clients. And grow them he did, adding 150 clients in seven years, retaining all of them, and increasing loans 36 percent in the last year alone.

“I ultimately decided commercial lending would be the best role for me,” he said. “One of the greatest things is learning how our businesses run and supporting them.”

Columbia Daily Tribune – Feb. 8, 2014

UMB Bank has announced the following promotions: Tony Mayfield to chairman and CEO of UMB Bank’s Greater Missouri region and Trey Cunningham to community bank president of Central Missouri.

In his new role, Mayfield is responsible for the strategic leadership of UMB teams in various communities throughout Missouri. Cunningham will be responsible for leading UMB teams across the Central Missouri area.



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St. Louis Business Journal – Feb. 11, 2014

UMB's chief investment officer, KC Mathews, predicts that GDP will improve to 2.7 percent this year from 1.9 percent in 2013 and that employment will strengthen. Mathews is telling investors to think of this year's economic forecast as a sequel, a good one.

"We think we will be able to draw a parallel between a movie sequel and the economic environment that we expect to see this year," he said in an email to the Business Journal. "Most sequels may not be as good as the original, however we anticipate that this year's economic story will be better than last year and perhaps better than the last five years."

Kansas City Business Journal – Feb. 18, 2014

UMB Fund Services Inc. hopes to gain new investment assets now that Acquisition International named it as Best Fund Administrator of the Year: Fund of Funds. The award has become a resource for financial services industry professionals seeking partners who have been recognized for excellence, innovation and performance throughout the asset classes. Milwaukee-based UMB Fund Services is a subsidiary of Kansas City-based UMB Financial Corp.

"We have always believed that our alternative investment services are among the finest offered anywhere," UMB Fund Services CEO John Zader said in a release. "We are proud that the high quality and hard work of our associates has been recognized globally. It is gratifying to see that the marketplace is rewarding our efforts to become the best."

St. Louis American – Feb. 19, 2014

Kewana Regans was named as one of the St. Louis American's Young Leaders for 2014.

"In addition to my role as the financial center manager, a large aspect of my job includes coaching and developing our associates. I believe that genuine, effective leadership is about giving back and encouraging others to achieve their goals, and I strive to live and breathe this with my associates every day. I love to watch associates develop their talents and be promoted within the company."

The Wichita Eagle – Feb. 21, 2014

UMB Bank's top investment officer thinks the national economy in 2014 will be better – not just compared to the last year, but compared to the past five years. That was the message KC Mathews, executive vice president and chief investment officer for UMB Bank, planned to deliver to UMB customers Thursday night at the Wichita Country Club, as part of the annual economic outlook.



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“One of our sub-themes is that the consumer is exiting the deleveraging phase,” Mathews said. “For the last five years, consumers have repaired their balance sheets. There’s been some belt-tightening but most is through debt forgiveness.”

Springfield Business Journal – Feb. 24, 2014

What if the U.S. economy was a Hollywood plot? And the star-studded cast included a new Federal Reserve chairman, the consumer, businesses small and large, and the major players on Capitol Hill?

That’s the twist UMB Financial Corp. forecasters are taking in their economic outlook presentations to clients and prospects this time of year. Almost 100 people gathered Feb. 5 at Hickory Hills Country Club for “2014:The Sequel” – KC Mathews’ and Eric Kelley’s take on how the economy will play out this year on the so-called big screen.

“State and local government could possibly be the shining star in GDP this year,” said Eric Kelley, UMB’s director of investment management.