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Commerce Street Capital Advises Texas Leadership Bank on its Acquisition by Guaranty Bancshares, Inc.

DALLAS, Jan. 5, 2015 – [Commerce Street Capital, LLC](#) (“CSC”), a Dallas-based investment banking firm, is advising [Texas Leadership Bank](#) on its acquisition by [Guaranty Bancshares, Inc.](#), along with its subsidiary Guaranty Bank & Trust, collectively referred to as (“Guaranty”). This transaction is expected to close in the first quarter of 2015. Texas Leadership Bank is headquartered in Royse City, Texas and Guaranty is headquartered in Mount Pleasant, Texas. This announcement was made today by Dory Wiley, President and CEO of CSC.

CSC Managing Director, Brian Johnson is the lead financial advisor for Texas Leadership Bank and is assisted by Managing Director, C.K. Lee, Associate, Preston Simons and Senior Analyst, Jola Portnoy. CSC’s team worked closely with the Texas Leadership Bank management in the negotiations with Guaranty.

Brian Johnson said, “This is an important transaction for both institutions. It provides an opportunity for Texas Leadership Bank to expand the services and products they offer to their customers. The transaction also allows Guaranty to move into Rockwall County, which is one of the fastest growing counties in Texas.”

Texas Leadership Bank is a \$75.3 million community bank. Founded in 2006, Texas Leadership Bank has been actively involved in the Royse City community for eight years.

Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. is the \$1.3 billion bank holding company for Guaranty Bank & Trust. Guaranty Bank & Trust was established on January 13, 1913 in Mount Pleasant, Texas. Guaranty currently has 20 locations across 14 Texas markets.

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