



# Press Release

## **F.N.B. Corporation Named Winner of Ten Greenwich Associates Excellence in Banking Awards**

*Company Wins National and Regional Awards for Sixth Consecutive Year for Middle Market and Small Business Banking*

**PITTSBURGH, PA – February 15, 2017** – F.N.B. Corporation (NYSE: FNB) has been named the winner of ten 2016 Greenwich Associates Excellence in Banking Awards. In its sixth consecutive year of recognition by Greenwich Associates, FNB again received both national and Northeast regional honors for Overall Satisfaction in Middle Market and Small Business Banking.

In the awards for the Middle Market, defined by Greenwich Associates as businesses with sales of \$10 million to \$500 million, FNB was recognized for Cash Management and Overall Satisfaction both nationally and in the Northeast Region. FNB also received a national award for Ease of Product Implementation, measuring the Bank's effectiveness in client service and sales, which include clear communication, problem resolution and training around any technology associated with the product usage.

In the awards for Small Business, defined by Greenwich Associates as businesses with sales of \$1 million to \$10 million, FNB received both national and Northeast regional honors in the categories of Cash Management and Overall Client Satisfaction. FNB also received regional honors for Likelihood to Recommend, based on respondents citing they were "very likely" to recommend the Bank to a colleague.

"We are especially proud of the strong performance from our Commercial Bank and the repeated recognition on a national and regional basis by Greenwich Associates," said Vincent J. Delie, Jr., President and Chief Executive Officer of FNB. "These Greenwich Excellence Awards are based directly on input from our clients and support our belief that clients appreciate and expect experienced local bankers, robust products and services and FNB's consultative relationship management style."

Greenwich Associates is the leading global provider of market intelligence and advisory services to the financial services industry. The Greenwich Excellence Awards in Banking for Middle Market and Small Business Banking are determined based on thousands of interviews and the evaluation of more than 600 banks in each category. For more information on the Greenwich Excellence in Banking Awards and the Greenwich Associates selection process, visit [www.greenwich.com](http://www.greenwich.com).

### **About F.N.B. Corporation**

F.N.B. Corporation (NYSE:FNB), headquartered in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is a diversified financial services company. On a combined, pro forma basis, giving effect to the proposed acquisition of Yadkin Financial Corporation (Yadkin), FNB will operate in eight states and seven major metropolitan areas. FNB holds a significant retail deposit market share in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Baltimore, Maryland; and Cleveland, Ohio; and, assuming the Yadkin acquisition is completed, will add Charlotte, Raleigh-Durham and the Piedmont Triad (Winston-Salem, Greensboro and High Point) in North Carolina. If the proposed Yadkin acquisition is completed (the proposed Transaction), the Company will have total pro forma

assets of nearly \$30 billion, and more than 400 banking offices throughout Pennsylvania, Ohio, Maryland, West Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina.

Completion of the proposed Transaction is subject to regulatory approval and satisfaction of customary closing conditions. FNB provides a full range of commercial banking, consumer banking and wealth management solutions through its subsidiary network which is led by its largest affiliate, First National Bank of Pennsylvania, founded in 1864. Commercial banking solutions include corporate banking, small business banking, investment real estate financing, international banking, business credit, capital markets and lease financing. The consumer banking segment provides a full line of consumer banking products and services, including deposit products, mortgage lending, consumer lending and a complete suite of mobile and online banking services. FNB's wealth management services include asset management, private banking and insurance. The Company also operates Regency Finance Company, which has more than 75 consumer finance offices in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee. The common stock of F.N.B. Corporation trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "FNB" and is included in Standard & Poor's MidCap 400 Index with the Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS) Regional Banks Sub-Industry Index. Customers, shareholders and investors can learn more about this regional financial institution by visiting the F.N.B. Corporation website at [www.fnbcorporation.com](http://www.fnbcorporation.com).

#### **Additional Information About the Proposed Transaction and Where to Find It**

Communications in this document do not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities. In connection with the proposed Transaction with Yadkin Financial Corporation, F.N.B. Corporation has filed with the SEC a Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-213776) and other relevant documents concerning the proposed Transaction.

SHAREHOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT AND THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS CONTAINED THEREIN REGARDING THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC, AS WELL AS ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS TO THOSE DOCUMENTS, BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION.

The Registration Statement and other relevant materials, and any other documents F.N.B. and Yadkin have filed with the SEC, may be obtained free of charge at the SEC's internet site, <http://www.sec.gov>. Copies of the documents F.N.B. has filed with the SEC may be obtained, free of charge, by contacting James G. Orie, Chief Legal Officer, F.N.B. Corporation, One F.N.B. Boulevard, Hermitage, PA 16148, telephone: (724) 983-3317; and copies of the documents Yadkin has filed with the SEC may be obtained free of charge at Yadkin's website at [www.yadkinbank.com](http://www.yadkinbank.com).

#### **Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Information**

This document contains forward-looking statements which may contain FNB's expectations or predictions of future financial or business performance or conditions, or otherwise anticipate the closing date of the proposed Transaction. This document/communication/information may also contain certain forward-looking statements, including certain plans, goals, projections and statements about the proposed Transaction, plans relative to the proposed Transaction, objectives, expectations and intentions regarding the proposed Transaction, the expected timing of the completion of the proposed Transaction, and other statements that are not historical facts. Forward-looking statements, that do not describe historical or current facts, typically are identified by words such as, "believe", "plan", "expect", "anticipate", "intend", "outlook", "estimate", "forecast", "will", "should", "project", "goal", and other similar words and expressions. These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties. The

forward-looking statements are intended to be subject to the safe harbor provided under Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and the Private Securities Litigation Act of 1995.

In addition to factors previously disclosed in FNB's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the following risk factors, among others, could cause actual results to differ materially from forward-looking statements or historical performance: potential risks and challenges attendant to the successful conversions of core data systems; difficulties and delays in successfully integrating the FNB and Yadkin businesses or fully realizing cost savings and other benefits; business disruption following the completion of the transaction; changes in asset quality and credit risk; changes in general economic, political or industry conditions; uncertainty in U.S. fiscal policy and monetary policy, including interest rate policies of the Federal Reserve Board (FRB); the inability to sustain revenue and earnings growth; changes in interest rates and capital markets; inflation; customer acceptance of FNB products and services; potential difficulties encountered by FNB in expanding into a new and remote geographic market; customer borrowing, repayment, investment and deposit practices; customer disintermediation; the introduction, withdrawal, success and timing of business initiatives; the inability to realize cost savings or revenues or to implement integration plans and other consequences associated with mergers, acquisitions and divestitures; the impact, extent and timing of technological changes, capital management activities, competitive pressures on product pricing and services; ability to keep pace with technological changes, including changes regarding maintaining cybersecurity; success, impact and timing of FNB's business strategies, including market acceptance of any new products or services; and implementation of FNB's banking culture, philosophy and strategies.

Additional risks include the nature, extent, timing and results of governmental and regulatory actions, examinations, reviews, reforms, regulations and interpretations, including those related to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform Act and Consumer Protection Act and Basel III regulatory or capital reforms (including DFAST stress-testing protocols), as well as those involving the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), FRB, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), and Consumer Financial Protection Board (CFPB); the possibility that the proposed Transaction does not close when expected or at all because required regulatory or other approvals are not received or other conditions to the closing are not satisfied on a timely basis or at all; the possibility that the anticipated benefits of the proposed Transaction are not realized when expected or at all, or the transaction is delayed or does not close due to unanticipated circumstances, including as a result of the impact of, or problems arising from, the integration of the two companies or as a result of the economic conditions and competitive factors in the areas where FNB does business; the possibility that the proposed Transaction may be more expensive to complete than anticipated, including as a result of unexpected factors or events; diversion of management's attention from ongoing business operations and opportunities; potential adverse reactions or changes to business or employee relationships, including those resulting from the announcement or completion of the proposed Transaction; and other factors that may affect future results of FNB. There is no assurance that any of the risks, uncertainties or risk factors identified herein is complete and actual results or events may differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements contained in this document.

Additional factors that could cause results to differ materially from those described above can be found in FNB's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015, and in its subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, including for the quarters ended March 31, June 30 and September 30, 2016, each of which is on file with the SEC and available in the "Investor Relations & Shareholder Services" section of FNB's website, [www.fnbcorporation.com](http://www.fnbcorporation.com), under the heading "Reports and Filings" and in other documents FNB files with the SEC.

All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made and are based on information available at that time. FNB assumes no obligation to update forward-looking statements to reflect circumstances or events that occur after the date the forward-looking statements were made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events except as required by federal securities laws. As forward-looking statements involve significant risks and uncertainties, caution should be exercised against placing undue reliance on such statements.

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