

BOBER MARKEY FEDOROVICH ELEVATES LONGTIME LEADERS TO DIRECTOR ROLES



AKRON, OH – March 18, 2025 – Bober Markey Fedorovich (BMF, <u>www.bmf.cpa</u>), a national Top 200 CPA and advisory firm, proudly announces the promotion of Kristian Barr and Michael Bigler from Senior Managers to Directors in the Assurance & Advisory Department of its Northeast Ohio team. Their well-earned advancements reflect not only their deep technical expertise but also their longstanding commitment to client service and leadership within the firm.

Kristian Barr, CPA has been an integral part of BMF for years, specializing in the nonprofit industry as well as client accounting and advisory services (CAAS). His in-depth knowledge of nonprofit financial reporting, grant compliance, and audit processes enables him to provide invaluable insights and tailored solutions to organizations navigating complex regulatory landscapes. As a trusted advisor, Barr partners with nonprofit leaders and decision-makers to enhance financial stewardship, operational efficiency, and strategic planning. His expertise also extends to for-profit businesses, offering clients financial forecasting, internal control assessments and acquisition due diligence to drive growth and sustainability.

As a key member of BMF's CAAS group, Barr works closely with businesses to



provide outsourced accounting solutions, financial consulting, and strategic advisory services. His ability to streamline accounting functions, optimize financial processes, and implement best practices helps clients enhance operational efficiency and achieve their financial goals. Through his leadership in CAAS, he plays a pivotal role in guiding clients through complex financial challenges while delivering proactive, data-driven insights to support long-term success.

<u>Michael Bigler</u>, CPA has built his career at BMF with a strong focus on employee benefit plans, making him a go-to resource for clients managing retirement and health plan audits. His expertise spans compliance with ERISA regulations, risk assessment, and best practices for plan governance. As an experienced leader, Bigler guides clients through the intricacies of benefit plan management, providing proactive strategies to maintain compliance and improve operational effectiveness.

Beyond his employee benefit plan specialization, Bigler has worked extensively across manufacturing, distribution, investment funds, and professional services industries. His leadership in coordinating engagements, supervising teams and delivering strategic financial recommendations has strengthened client relationships and contributed to the firm's success.

"Both Kristian and Mike have demonstrated exceptional leadership, technical expertise, and a deep commitment to their clients and colleagues. Their promotions to Director are a testament to their hard work, dedication and the trust they've built within our firm and with our clients. We are excited to see them continue to excel in their new roles and contribute to the ongoing success of BMF," said Partner and practice leader, Eric German.

About BMF

Since our establishment in 1959, BMF has grown into a leading independent accounting and business advisory firm in Northeast Ohio serving clients nationally in a variety of industries, including those with multi-state and global operations. As a nationally recognized IPA Top 200 Accounting Firm, we've received



numerous recognitions and awards including *Best of the Best, Great Lakes Regional Leader, and Best of Accounting*. Our intentional growth strategy and consistent industry recognition underscore our commitment to providing exceptional service and innovative solutions.