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**FIRST FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK ADDS MOUNGER
TO MAURY COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD**

COLUMBIA, Tenn. (April 22, 2009) – Dalton M. Mounger, a lawyer who has practiced in Columbia since 1986, has been named to the First Farmers & Merchants Bank Advisory Board of Maury County. The appointment was made by the bank’s Chief Executive Officer T. Randy Stevens.

“I look forward to having Dalton’s community and business knowledge benefiting the customers, employees and shareholders of our bank,” Stevens said in making the announcement. “He’s been practicing law for a good part of his career here in Columbia so he knows us and the people of Middle Tennessee very well. All of us look forward to working more closely with him.”

The Board advises F&M Bank in their Maury County community relations efforts.

Mounger specializes in business, tax, personal, corporate and trial law at his firm. He previously practiced with law firms in Columbia and in Jackson, Mississippi. He graduated from the University of Mississippi where he received a Bachelor of Business Administration in 1972 and a Juris Doctor in 1976.

He has served on the board of directors of the Maury Alliance, the Maury County Public Education Foundation, the Maury County YMCA, the Columbia State Community College Foundation, Main Street, CASA of Maury County, Inc. and the Kiwanis Club of Columbia.

He is married to the former Roben McKnight and they have two children, Mary Ann and Quinn.

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About First Farmers & Merchants Bank

Founded in 1909, First Farmers & Merchants Bank (Member FDIC) is one of the most successful independent banks in Tennessee, with total assets of approximately \$911 million and deposits in excess of \$744 million. An additional \$2.7 billion in assets is held by its Trust & Financial Management Department. Headquartered in Columbia, Tenn., the bank operates 19 offices in a seven county area in Middle Tennessee that includes Maury, Lawrence, and Marshall, Hickman, Giles, Dickson and Williamson counties. It is distinguished by its commitment to traditional, personal banking relationships that incorporate state-of-the-art technology to provide the highest possible level of service. For additional information, visit www.fandmbank.com or call the main office at 931.388.3145.

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