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Signature Bank Recipient of Cigna's 2019 Well-Being Award for Fifth Consecutive Year

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Wellness Program Continues to Earn Accolades for the Benefits it Brings to Bank Colleagues

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Nov. 19, 2019-- [Signature Bank](#) (Nasdaq: SBNY), a New York-based full-service commercial bank, announced today it has been named the winner of the annual Cigna Well-Being Award in 2019 for demonstrating a strong commitment to improving the health and well-being of its employees through its expansive workplace wellness program.

2019 marks the fifth consecutive year Signature Bank was named winner of the Well-Being Award by Cigna. Signature Bank was selected based on its robust wellness program, which was put in place in 2007. The program, with strong support from the Bank's leadership, has continually grown and expanded to feature many incentives encouraging healthy behaviors in and outside the workplace. These include, among others, seminars and webinars relating to topics such as diet and stress management as well as in-house bio-metrics and cancer awareness programs. The Bank's work environment and policies support a culture of health and well-being.

"At Signature Bank, our assets are the 1,500+ committed colleagues who come to work every day and are productive and dedicated to their roles and this institution. Their health and well-being are top priority. We have broadened the wellness components of our program since its inception, which contributed to enhancing the health of our workforce and benefit the well-being of our colleagues. We are honored to be named a winner of the Cigna Well-Being Award this year and every year since 2015, and appreciate being recognized for our wellness program, which has been an important initiative for the Bank for more than a decade," said Joseph J. DePaolo, President and Chief Executive Officer at Signature Bank.

"Cigna is committed to creating a healthy workplace and a culture of wellness," said Tony Contessa, Cigna's senior vice president of sales in New York and New Jersey. "We continue to be impressed by the year-over-year efforts of Signature Bank's wellness programs. They set the example for other companies in building healthier communities in the region."

Cigna Well-Being Award applicants are evaluated based on the core components of their wellness program, including goals, implementation, incentives, leadership engagement and employee participation. All applications are reviewed and judged by a multi-departmental Cigna selection committee.

While poor health takes a physical toll on workers, it also poses a burden to employers. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), U.S. employers lose more than \$225 billion each year in productivity due to employee health problems.

About Signature Bank

Signature Bank, member FDIC, is a New York-based full-service commercial bank with [31 private client offices](#) throughout the New York metropolitan area and Connecticut as well as San Francisco. The Bank's growing network of private client banking teams serves the needs of privately owned businesses, their owners and senior managers.

Signature Bank's specialty finance subsidiary, Signature Financial, LLC, provides equipment finance and leasing. Signature Securities Group Corporation, a wholly owned Bank subsidiary, is a licensed broker-dealer, investment adviser and member FINRA/SIPC, offering investment, brokerage, asset management and insurance products and services.

Signature Bank recently introduced its revolutionary, blockchain-based digital payments platform, [Signet™](#), enabling real-time payments for its commercial clients. The Signet Platform allows the Bank's commercial clients to make payments in U.S. dollars, 24/7/365, safely and securely, without transaction fees. Signature Bank is the first FDIC-insured bank to launch a blockchain-based digital payments platform, and Signet is the first such platform to be approved for use by the NYS Department of Financial Services.

Since commencing operations in May 2001, the Bank has grown to \$49.41 billion in assets, \$37.94 billion in loans, \$39.06 billion in deposits, \$4.74 billion in equity capital and \$3.51 billion in other assets under management as of September 30, 2019. Signature Bank's Tier 1 and risk-based capital ratios are significantly above the levels required to be considered well capitalized.

Signature Bank is one of the top 40 largest banks in the U.S., based on deposits (*S&P Global Market Intelligence*). The Bank recently earned several third-party recognitions, including: appeared on [Forbes' Best Banks in America](#) list for the ninth consecutive year in 2019; and, named number one in the Business Bank, Private Bank and Attorney Escrow Services categories by the [New York Law Journal](#) in the publication's annual "[Best of](#)" survey for 2019, earning it a place in the *New York Law Journal's* Hall of Fame (awarded to companies that have ranked in the "Best of" survey for at least three of the past four years). The Bank also ranked second nationally in the Business Bank, Private Banking Services and Attorney Escrow Service categories of the [National Law Journal's 2019 "Best of" survey](#).

For more information, please visit www.signatureny.com.

This press release and oral statements made from time to time by our representatives contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 that are subject to risks and uncertainties. You should not place undue reliance on those statements because they are subject to numerous risks and uncertainties relating to our operations and business environment, all of which are difficult to predict and may be beyond our control. Forward-looking statements include information concerning our future results, interest rates and the interest rate environment, loan and deposit growth, loan performance, operations, new private client teams and other hires, new office openings and business strategy. These statements often include words such as "may," "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "potential," "opportunity," "could," "project," "seek," "should," "will," "would," "plan," "estimate" or other similar expressions. As you consider forward-looking statements, you should understand

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