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(Photo of Russell Alexander, Angela Thornton,
Karen Endres & Allison Taylor)

Premier Bank Texas Announces Promotions

Premier Bank Texas, a branch of Providence Bank with locations in Missouri, announces the promotion of Russell Alexander to Grapevine Market President; Angela Thornton to Senior Vice President, Commercial Banking Officer, Karen Endres to Senior Vice President and SBA Manager and Allison Taylor to SBA Banking Officer.

Alexander joined Premier Bank Texas in July 2011, as Senior Vice President, Commercial Banking Officer, and will continue to serve as a Commercial Banking Officer concurrent with his new role as the Grapevine Market President. Alexander is a graduate of Texas A&M University with a BBA in Finance and is also a graduate of the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking at Southern Methodist University. He has held many executive positions as well as served on the board of directors at other Texas banks, been a Dealer Principal/Owner of a General Motors Chevrolet franchise in the Dallas area, and has owned and managed several real estate investments including single-family residential developments. Alexander currently serves as the President of the Dallas Center, Inc., a non-profit organization that provides early childhood intervention services as well as adult functional living/vocational training services.

Thornton has 18 years of commercial banking experience. She joined Premier Bank Texas in November 2009. In November 2015, she was promoted to Senior Vice President, Commercial Banking Officer. Thornton has a BS in Finance from Michigan State University. Prior to joining Premier Bank, Thornton was formerly Vice President of commercial banking at a large regional bank.

Endres has 20 years of banking and industry experience, including 15 years in commercial and SBA lending. She joined Premier Bank Texas in July 2011, as a Vice President, SBA Commercial Banking Officer and in November 2015, was promoted to Senior Vice President, SBA Manager. Endres was a small business owner for eight years prior to starting her banking career and this experience makes her an advocate for her borrowers. She has an extensive knowledge and experience in government guaranteed lending programs and is an active member of North Texas Association of Government Guaranteed Lenders (NTAGGL), the National Association of Government Guaranteed Lenders (NAGGL), and supports various charities.

Taylor joined Providence Bank in December 2011, as a Loan Coordinator and was promoted to SBA Banking Officer in November 2015. Taylor graduated from the University of Texas at Arlington with a business degree focused in Economics. Her experience in commercial lending is well-rounded. She has 9 years of banking experience including 5 years with government guaranteed loans. Taylor also actively volunteers with the teenagers at her church.

Providence Bank Director of Commercial Banking, Frank Brinegar stated, "Each of these employees' contributions to our bank have been outstanding. They consistently demonstrate leadership, knowledge and experience. We consider ourselves very fortunate to have them as part of our team."

Premier Bank Texas, a branch of Missouri-based Providence Bank, is located on Main Street in Grapevine, Texas. Premier Bank Texas and Providence Bank in Missouri have been meeting the financial needs of individuals and businesses for more than 127 years. Today, the combined banks have fourteen full-service banking centers serving clients in Columbia, Jefferson City, Osage Beach, St. Peters, St. Charles, Chesterfield, Lake St. Louis, Elsberry, and Winfield, Missouri and Fairview Heights, Illinois. In addition, Providence Bank operates the Providence Bank Mortgage Center; Providence Bank Agency Finance; Premier Bank Texas, a full-service banking center in Grapevine, Texas; and a loan production office in Denton, Texas. In addition to its office locations, Providence Bank provides anywhere, anytime financial services to customers via online banking, mobile banking and on its website at myprovidencebank.com. Member FDIC. Equal Housing Lender. Premier Bank Texas is a branch of Providence Bank (a Missouri Bank). Providence Bank is not affiliated in any way with Providence Bank of Texas, Southlake, Texas.

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