



BankRI Hires Paul Gagne to Lead Smithfield Branch

Cumberland resident brings with him more than 15 years of bank management experience

PROVIDENCE, R.I. – Bank Rhode Island (BankRI) is pleased to announce the hiring of financial services veteran Paul Gagne to serve as Branch Manager of its Smithfield location—bringing with him more than 15 years of bank management experience.

As Branch Manager, Gagne is responsible for overseeing all aspects of the Smithfield branch’s daily operations, growing the Bank’s deposit base, and developing new business relationships within Smithfield and the surrounding communities. Along with hiring, training and managing the branch’s team of financial professionals, Gagne will also focus on maintaining BankRI’s active role in the local community.

Before joining BankRI, Gagne spent 15 years with Citizens Bank as Assistant Vice President, Branch Manager of its Greenville location.

“Paul is an outstanding addition to our team of talented branch managers and will continue to serve a community he is very familiar with, which is crucial to our relationship banking approach,” said Steven Parente, Senior Vice President, Director of Retail Banking for BankRI. “Throughout his career, Paul has demonstrated both a track record of success and a commitment to exceeding customer expectations, each of which will be an asset to the Bank and our customers.”

Paul is a life-long Cumberland resident, having graduated from Cumberland High School and later attending the Community College of Rhode Island. He prides himself in being active in the community, including charitable work with United Way, The College Crusade of Rhode Island, and Drop In and Decorate.

About Bank Rhode Island

Bank Rhode Island, a wholly owned subsidiary of Brookline Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ:BRKL), is a full-service, FDIC-insured financial institution headquartered in Providence, Rhode Island. The bank operates 19 branches and more than 60 ATMs throughout Providence, Kent and Washington Counties. For more information, visit www.BANKRHODEISLAND.com.

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