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Expanding Investment Services Team, BankRI Hires Richard Bergeron as Sr. Financial Consultant

CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ practitioner and longtime advisor works with clients in RI and nearby MA

PROVIDENCE, R.I. – The investment services team of Bank Rhode Island (BankRI) has grown. The bank today announced it has hired Richard Bergeron as Senior Financial Consultant. Richard brings more than two decades of experience as a financial advisor to BankRI and specializes in investment strategies, financial and retirement planning, and insurance products. With BankRI, Richard services clients statewide and in nearby Massachusetts.

“Richard brings a tremendous amount of knowledge and experience to our team, and invaluable experience helping clients both achieve and protect their financial aspirations,” said Melissa Trapp, SVP, Investment Manager for BankRI. “Every client – from their goals to their risk tolerance – is different, and Richard embraces the personalized approach BankRI is known for. We’re happy to have him.”

At BankRI, Richard works with individuals and businesses to assess their financial circumstances and develop individualized plans to meet their financial goals. He takes a comprehensive approach to helping to manage clients’ expenses, while focusing on protecting assets and income planning for the present and in retirement. His registered branch office and contact is 445 Putnam Pike, Smithfield, RI; (401) 574-1344.

Prior to BankRI, Richard most recently spent nearly seventeen years as a Senior Vice President with Bluestone Bank, formerly Mansfield Bank. He holds a degree from Rhode Island College, is a CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ practitioner (CFP®) and holds certification from the Financial Planner Board of Standards, Inc. and The American College of Financial Services.

Richard lives in North Smithfield, is the Past President of the Bristol County Estate Planning Council and a former Adjunct Professor in the Executive Development Program at Bryant University. He is a veteran of the Persian Gulf War and is actively involved with local veteran organizations.

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