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## **WESTFIELD BANK APPOINTS KENNETH ASKINS AS ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT**

**Westfield, MA**— James C. Hagan, President and CEO of Westfield Bank, is pleased to announce the appointment of Kenneth Askins as Assistant Vice President and Mortgage Loan Officer.

Askins, who previously served as Mortgage Loan Officer, will continue to assist new and existing customers through the mortgage process, from pre-approval to closing. Based in Granby, CT, he is primarily responsible for the Connecticut market.

Askins joined the Bank in 2024 and has over twenty-five years of experience in the mortgage industry, handling all types of home purchase and refinancing requests with specializations in first time homebuyer programs and construction lending. He is a member of the Granby-Simsbury, Bloomfield, and West Hartford Chambers of Commerce.

“Ken is extremely customer-focused and responsive,” said Matthew Manganelli, Vice President and Retail Lending Sales Manager. “Combined with his extensive experience and expertise, he has a long track record of educating and guiding individuals and

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families to their dream of homeownership. This appointment recognizes that success.”

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### **About Westfield Bank**

Westfield Bank, headquartered in Westfield, Massachusetts, is a federally chartered savings bank organized in 1853 and is the largest publicly traded bank headquartered in Western Massachusetts. The Bank is a full-service community-oriented financial institution offering a complete range of commercial and retail products and services. Currently, the Bank has twenty-five branch offices, forty-nine ATMs, and an additional thirty seasonal ATMs and serves Hampden and Hampshire counties in Western Massachusetts and the Capitol Region in Connecticut. The Bank's middle market and commercial real estate lending team is based in Springfield, Massachusetts and West Hartford, Connecticut and has a general regulatory limit on loans to one borrower of \$41.5 million. As of December 31, 2025, the Bank employed 334 full and part-time employees, had \$2.7 billion in total assets, \$2.2 billion in its loan portfolio, and \$2.4 billion in total deposits. The Bank is regulated by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency. As a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), the Bank's deposits are insured up to the maximum FDIC insurance coverage limits. To learn more, visit the bank's website at [www.westfieldbank.com](http://www.westfieldbank.com).

### **PHOTO:**

*Headshot of Kenneth Askins is attached.*