

Bank of Granite

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Bank of Granite employees attend financial conference

Four Bank of Granite licensed annuity agent bankers recently earned the opportunity to attend the LPL Financial Services Annual Conference in Las Vegas. They are Granite Falls Customer Service Manager, Jeff Prince; and Customer Service and Sales Representatives, Tara Canipe, Hickory office; Dawn Mull, Newton office; and Treva Pope, Viewmont office. All ranked in the top 2% of licensed annuity agents in the country to earn the trip.

“Jeff, Dawn, Tara, Treva, and all of our investment professionals do a great job matching our customers with the right investments,” said Investment Manager, Ann Teague. “It’s all about helping to meet their goals, whether saving for a newborn’s college expenses or planning on early retirement. We’re proud to have these four bankers represent Bank of Granite at this prestigious conference.”

LPL Financial Services provides a variety of insurance and investment products to approximately 800 community, regional, and super regional banks throughout the country. Each year, of the more than 2,000 LPL Financial Services licensed agents, the top 60 earn the opportunity to attend the annual conference.

Pope, a 13-year veteran with the bank, was singled out for special honors at the event as one of the top five representatives in the country. “When you have such great

customers, it's a real joy to be a part of helping them to plan for their future," said Pope. "I'm honored to be recognized nationally for doing what I love at the bank."

Bank of Granite and Granite Mortgage are subsidiaries of Bank of Granite Corporation whose stock is traded on The NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "GRAN." The bank operates 22 full-service banking offices in Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Forsyth, Iredell, Mecklenburg, Watauga, and Wilkes counties, and a lending office in Guilford County. Granite Mortgage, headquartered in Winston-Salem, originates home mortgages in these counties and in Fayetteville and Salisbury, NC.

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Treva Pope and her Top Five Award at LPL Financial Services Annual Conference in Las Vegas.