

Bank of Granite

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Bank of Granite names Jackson commercial loan officer

Andrew S. Jackson recently joined Bank of Granite as vice president and commercial loan officer at its downtown Hickory office located at 25 Third Street N.W. President and Chief Operating Officer, R. Scott Anderson, made the announcement. "We are delighted to welcome Andrew to the Bank of Granite family," said Anderson. "With his enthusiasm and experience in commercial lending, Andrew will be a great addition to the bank and an asset to our customers."

A 1985 graduate of Hargrave Military Academy in Chatham, V.A., Jackson earned a Bachelor of Sciences degree in business administration from Lenoir-Rhyne College in 1989. He has more than 18 years of banking experience in the Unifour area, most recently in Taylorsville.

"The philosophy of helping neighbors is what attracted me to Bank of Granite," said Jackson. "I look forward to developing key relationships with our customers and learning their businesses so I can offer solutions to their often unique financial needs."

Jackson is on the board of directors for the United Way and Red Cross, both of Alexander County, and the Region E Development Corporation, a Unifour non-profit assisting small business to obtain U.S. Small Business Administration financing. He is also a Parent Advisory Board member at Bethlehem Elementary School.

A Charlotte native, Jackson and his family live in the Bethlehem community of Alexander County. His wife, Marsha, is a teacher assistant at Whittenburg Elementary School, also in Alexander County. Students at Bethlehem Elementary School, their children are son Daylin, age 9, in fourth-grade and daughter Heather, age 6, in first-grade. The family is active at Lakeview Baptist Church in Hickory.

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, N.C.

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