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TD Bank names Welch senior vice president

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TD Bank has promoted Brian Welch to senior vice president - team leader in commercial real estate. He is responsible for developing new middle market and large institutional lending relationships, and overseeing a team of seven lending professionals who originate and manage a \$1.2 billion portfolio of commercial real estate clients throughout the Greater Boston area.

Welch has 15 years of banking experience, including 12 years in commercial real estate.

Welch joined TD Bank in 2004 as a vice president - relationship manager, and has also worked at Eastern Bank in Boston and in small business lending at BankBoston. Welch is a member of the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties (NAIOP), the Real Estate Lenders Association (RELA), and the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC).

A Braintree, Mass., resident, Welch received a degree in finance and management in 1994 from Northeastern University in Boston.

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