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Professional Profile: Stephen Reilly, 2015

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Name: Stephen Reilly

Title: Chair - Connecticut Bankers Assn.

Company: Northwest Community Bank

Location: 86 Main St., Winsted, CT

Birthplace and year: Stamford, CT - 1962

Family: Wife - Meg; Children - Sean, Katie, Brendan

College: UConn - BA in Marketing; completed National School of Banking

First job outside of banking: Retail, sporting goods sales

First job in banking or allied field: Teller at Union Trust Bank

What do you do now and what are you planning for the future? Advance industry issues i.e. - lessen the regulatory burden in CT. There are many regulations affecting the banks, which they had nothing to do with. Banks also had nothing to do with the financial crisis. There is a place for regulation but we are at the other end of the spectrum. This also takes dollars away from the community. Dealing with debit card fraud is another issue. We are responsible for making our customers whole if they are victimized. Retailers have no financial incentive here in terms of protecting consumer information.

Hobbies: Time with family, exercise and work out, golf, sports

Favorite book: "The River of Debt" (on Teddy Roosevelt)

Favorite movie: "It's a Wonderful Life"

Person you most emulate (outside of family): John Ursone

Key to success (one idea): Hard work with effective communication

If you were forced to choose another vocation what would it be? Major league baseball manager

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