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## **Essex Savings Bank names Brown senior VP/CFO**

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Debra Brown

Essex, CT Diane Arnold, president & CEO of Essex Savings Bank said that Debra Brown has been promoted to senior vice president, chief financial officer in the wake of the current senior vice president, chief financial officer Shawn Honan's pending retirement. "Deb has held a key position in the accounting department as the assistant treasurer/controller for 23 years, and is well-positioned to seamlessly step into the role of treasurer/chief financial officer," said Arnold.

Brown began her career at Essex Savings Bank as the accounting department supervisor in March 1995. In 1999 she became a bank officer followed by a promotion to controller in 2000 and assistant vice president shortly thereafter. In 2005, Brown was promoted to vice president/controller.

Brown is serving as a team leader for the non-profit organization, Angel Ride Inc., since 2009 and served on their board as treasurer from 2010-2019. For her volunteerism, Brown received the Community Foundation of Middlesex County Unsung Hero award in 2018.

Brown is a member of the National Financial Managers Society Inc. She is a graduate of the University of New Haven where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Financial Accounting. In 1999, she graduated from the Connecticut School of Finance and Management.

Essex Savings Bank is a FDIC insured, state chartered, mutual savings bank established in 1851. The Bank serves the Connecticut River Valley and shoreline with six offices in Essex (2), Chester, Madison, Old Lyme and Old Saybrook providing a full complement of personal and business banking. Financial, estate, insurance and retirement planning are offered throughout the state by the Bank's Trust Division, Essex Trust and wholly-owned subsidiary, Essex Financial Services, Inc., a Registered Investment Advisor.

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