Paul E. Mize III

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Professional Experience

BankPlus Bank

First Vice President, Commercial Lending

May 2015- Present

Tupelo, MS

Responsible for administering a large commercial loan portfolio as well as managing general operating functions in my area of the bank. Accountable for loan growth, loan quality, and credit approval. Certified to sell life insurance.

BancorpSouth Bank

July 2006-2015

Vice President and Commercial Loan Officer

Tupelo, MS

Education

The University of Mississippi

Oxford, MS 2002-2006

Bachelor of Business Administration, Banking and Finance

Minor, Insurance and Risk Management

Dean's and Chancellor's Honor Roll

The University of Southern Mississippi

London, UK 2005

Study Abroad Program

Experiential education program with an emphasis on the global connection between the United States and other countries focusing on financial markets.

The Southeastern School of Commercial Lending

Nashville, TN 2013

Graduate of the Southeastern School of Commercial Lending located at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN.

The Barret Graduate School of Banking

Memphis, TN 2014-2016

Summa Cum Laude Graduate of The Barrett Graduate School of Banking located at Christian Brothers University in Memphis, TN.

Awards and Honors

Top 40 Under 40 of Mississippi

Selected by the Mississippi Business Journal as one of Mississippi's Top 40 Under 40 business professionals in 2012.

Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal Top 40 Under 40

Selected by the Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal as a Top 40 Under 40 finalist in 2018.

2016 Graduate of the Mississippi Economic Council's Leadership Mississippi Program

2012 Graduate of the Community Development Foundation's Jim Ingram Community Leadership Institute

Community Involvement

Mississippi Methodist Senior Services

2018-Present

Member of the Traceway Retirement Community Board of Directors

United Way of North MS

2010-2016

Past member of the Funds Distribution Committee

Helped allocate 2.2 million dollars in United Way funds to benefit over forty-five agencies in North Mississippi.

Community Development Foundation

2008-Present

Member of the Jim Ingram Community Leadership Institute Alumni Association Served as CDF Ambassador for three years.

Team leader for CDF's REACH campaign

First United Methodist Church Tupelo

2010-Present

Serve on the church's finance committee

Served as Stewardship Chairman.

Boy Scouts of America

2008-Present

Member of the Yocona Area Council Advisory Board

Achieved the rank of Eagle Scout

Tenderfoot Classic Golf Tournament committee member

Team leader for the Distinguished Citizen's Dinner

Downtown Tupelo Main Street Association

2009-2013

Served as Treasurer, member of the board of directors, and chairman of fall event. Responsible for raising funds and managing a budget of over two hundred fifty thousand dollars.

Kiwanis Club of Tupelo

2006- Present

Past member of the board of directors, chairman of annual fundraiser for three years. Organized annual pancake breakfast which raised five thousand dollars for children's charities in Tupelo, MS.

Voluntary Income Tax Assistance Program

2007-2013

Prepared income tax returns for low to moderate income individuals. Averaged one million dollars in returns each year for residents of Lee County.

Teach Children to Save Initiative/ Get Smart about Credit

2006- Present

Spoke with over a thousand students at various schools in Lee County about the importance of saving and credit.

Tupelo High School Mentoring Program

2008-2010

Served as a mentor to a high school student

