

BIO - L. Taylor Harrell

Originally from Gates, NC and a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Taylor has enjoyed a 28 year career in banking. He began his career as a Retail Banking Officer with Centura Bank in Ahoskie NC and later served as a Commercial Lender and Market Executive before transitioning to Southern Bank and Trust Company in 2005. Taylor served as Regional Executive of Southern Bank for 10 years, and was appointed President of Southern Bank in July 2020. Taylor serves on the Personnel Committee, the Loan Review Committee, the Management Loan Committee, and has responsibility for the Bank's Training Department and the Bank's Mortgage Division.

Taylor is a graduate of The North Carolina School of Banking at Chapel Hill and The Graduate School of Banking at LSU. He currently serves as the Chair of the Nansemond Suffolk Academy Board of Trustees, and as a Trustee of the Hampton Roads Chamber. Taylor previously served as Treasurer and Board Member of the Downtown Norfolk Council, a member of the Greater Norfolk Corporation, President of the Ahoskie Rotary Club, and President of the Ahoskie Jaycees. He and his wife, Stephanie, of 26 years, reside in Suffolk, VA with their two children, a daughter Logan who is a senior at UNC Chapel Hill, and a son Mason who is a Sophomore at Georgia Tech.