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### **Peter Novak Joins First Hope Bank**

Peter Novak has joined First Hope Bank as a Commercial Portfolio Manager. In this capacity, Peter will be responsible for managing Commercial Banking relationships and business customer interactions.

Peter brings over twenty years of commercial banking and credit experience to First Hope Bank. He earned an MBA in Finance from New York University's Stern School of Business and a bachelors in Structural Engineering from City College, New York.

Prior to joining First Hope, Peter served as a Portfolio Manager/Underwriter for Millington Bank where he worked with multifamily, residential, retail, office, commercial real estate and C&I loans.

In his free time, he has also organized and taught consumer finance classes to residents of transitional programs at VA Hospitals.

First Hope Bank is pleased to welcome Peter with his extensive commercial banking expertise to the team!

***About First Hope*** - *First Hope Bank, established in 1911, is a full-service financial institution with locations in Andover, Blirstown, Great Meadows, Hackettstown, Hope and Sparta. Known for its customer service, financial strength and stability, First Hope Bank also offers the sophisticated range of products and services found in large financial institutions including a comprehensive Wealth Management division. First Hope Bank's associates strive every day to fulfill the Bank's motto, "Turning Hope into Reality". Visit First Hope Bank's Web Site at [www.firsthope.com](http://www.firsthope.com) or email the Bank at [info@firsthope.com](mailto:info@firsthope.com).*

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