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John Grande Named DFI Division of Banking Administrator



MADISON, Wis. – The [Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions \(DFI\)](#) announced today the appointment of John Grande as the Administrator for DFI’s Division of Banking. Grande will lead a staff of 52 employees who oversee the regulation and examination of state-chartered banks, savings institutions, and consumer financial service industries.

“Throughout John’s career he successfully grew insurance programs, implemented market awareness campaigns, established management performance goals, and inspired collaboration between several business lines,” said DFI Secretary Kathy Blumenfeld. “John is an outstanding leader known for his use of facts, data, and the ability to innovate. I am confident he will do a great job leading the Division of Banking and protecting the safety and soundness of Wisconsin’s financial institutions and consumers of financial products.”

Grande has spent his 28-year career in the banking industry beginning with First Wisconsin National Bank (now U.S. Bank), and more recently with Old National Bank where he was responsible for the statewide administration of the personal trust, investments, and wealth management services of Old National Bank. He received a Bachelor of Science degree from Western Michigan University and a Master of Science in Financial Services degree from The American College of Financial Services. He also sits on the Board of Directors for the Madison Overture Center for the Arts.

Grande succeeds Cheryll Olson-Collins, DFI Deputy Secretary, who has been the Acting-Administrator for the Division of Banking since Heather MacKinnon left the position in February 2020. Grande and his wife Robin live and have raised their children in Middleton, Wis.

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