

## Sullivan Named Vice President and Mortgage Group Head at Oconee State Bank.

WATKINSVILLE, October 25, 2018- Oconee State Bank announces that William (Billy) R. Sullivan has been hired to lead the mortgage department.

"As we continue our growth path here at OSB, we will continue to build around top people and exceptional talent. The opportunity to hire top talent, like Billy, will pay big dividends for all of our team members, customers, and shareholders for several years to come. OSB is blessed with some of the best team members in the banking business and I am excited to see us continue to live out our Mission of Marking Lives," said Philip Bernardi, EVP and Chief Lending Officer.



Sullivan joins the OSB team as a new hire to the company. He previously worked as a production manager and mortgage loan officer at Planters First Bank in Athens, Ga. With over 30 years of experience in the mortgage lending industry, Billy has worked in many different roles with various different companies. He moved to Oconee County in July 1987 with his wife of 34 years, Joy, where they raised their three children Ashley, Briana, and Chandler.

"I have watched and admired Oconee State Bank for many years. I am so excited to be a part of a team that cares deeply about their community and customers. As this is a new department, I plan to be extremely available and dedicated to the process of giving people the ability to start a local life here in this rich community," said Sullivan.

Oconee State Bank is a leading financial institution with a vision to be essential to the lives, businesses and communities we serve. With more than 58 years of service in the banking industry, we continuously strive to create remarkable experiences that significantly mark the lives of others. We are proud to provide an unparalleled commitment to personalized service, innovative products and solutions, and to bringing exceptional value to our customers through local ownership, involvement and decision-making.