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Hayman Joins ECB as Personal Banker in Manteo

MANTEO, N.C. – William “Bill” Rea, Vice President and Market Executive for the Outer Banks area, announced that Shaun Hayman has joined ECB as a Personal Banker serving Manteo and surrounding areas.

“Shaun is a welcomed addition to our fine staff in Manteo,” stated Rea. “His banking experience and loan knowledge will help ECB continue to deliver quality financial solutions to meet the needs of individual customers and small businesses.”

“I am excited about having the opportunity and chance to work for a bank, such as ECB, that has such an outstanding reputation in our community,” stated Hayman. “My goal is very simple, to deliver professional and personal attention to all customers and ensure they can reach their financial goals at any level.”

As a Personal Banker, Hayman’s primary role with ECB will be to concentrate on lending to both consumer and small business clients. A native of Nags Head, Hayman is the son of the late Michael and Rachel Hayman of the Seafare Restaurant. Prior to joining ECB, he was a Financial Specialist and Personal Banker with Wachovia Bank for three years; first based out of Southern Shores and later transferred to Manteo. Prior to his banking experience, Hayman was the General Manager of the nationally renowned Bloomsbury Bistro at Five Points in Raleigh, NC.

Hayman is a graduate from The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a graduate of Fork Union Military Academy where he was valedictorian. He lives in Nags

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Head with his wife Kelly and children Andrew, Morgan and Trent. Hayman is active within the community serving as an Ambassador for the Outer Banks Chamber of Commerce and was previously a youth soccer coach for the Dare County Parks and Recreation Department.

To reach Hayman for further comment, he can be reached at the Manteo branch location at 205 Highway 64/264 or by phone at (252) 473-5821.



Shaun Hayman, Personal Banker with East Carolina Bank

About ECB Bancorp, Inc.

ECB Bancorp, Inc. is a bank holding company, headquartered in Engelhard, North Carolina, whose wholly-owned subsidiary, The East Carolina Bank, is a state-chartered, independent community bank insured by the FDIC. The Bank provides a full range of financial services through its 24 offices covering eastern North Carolina from Currituck to Ocean Isle Beach and Greenville to Hatteras. The Bank also provides mortgages, and insurance services through the Bank's licensed agents. The Company's common stock is listed on The Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol "ECBE". More information can be obtained by visiting ECB's web site at www.MyECB.com.

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