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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****SALISBURY BANK ANNOUNCES EMPLOYEE PROMOTIONS**

Lakeville, CT – July 6, 2016 – Salisbury Bank is pleased to announce the promotions of three employees.

**Steve Essex** has been named Executive Vice President, Head of Trust Wealth Advisory Services. Steve joined Salisbury Trust Wealth Advisory Services in 2009 and served as Interim Head of the Department from January 2014 until his promotion to Senior Vice President, Head of Trust Wealth Advisory Services in June of 2014. Steve was named an Executive Officer of the Bank in May of 2015. He will continue in his role to manage the originations and administrative functions of the Trust division.

**Kimberly Downey** has been named Vice President, Trust Officer. Kim has been with the Bank for 11 years and has served as Assistant Vice President and Trust Officer for the past 5 years. She will continue in her role with the relationship management of her assigned clients and will continue to serve as a resource for trust administration and estate settlement related matters.

**Jean Stapf** has been named Assistant Vice President, Trust Administrative Coordinator. Jean has been with the bank for 6 years and has served as Trust Administrative Coordinator for the past 3 years. She will continue in her current role as supervisor to client service associates and as coordinator for trust administrative projects. She serves as Secretary for Trust Committee, Trust Administration Committee, Trust Investment Committee, and Trust Review Committee. Jean performs a key role in the financial management of the department and works closely with department leaders on budgeting as well as expense processing and controls.

*Salisbury Bank is a full-service community bank headquartered in Lakeville, Connecticut and presently operates full service branches in Canaan, Lakeville, Salisbury and Sharon, Connecticut; Great Barrington, Sheffield and South Egremont, Massachusetts; as well as Dover Plains, Fishkill, Millerton, Newburgh, Poughkeepsie, and Red Oaks Mill, New York. The Bank has been serving families and businesses for over 160 years and offers a full range of consumer and business banking products and services as well as trust and investment services.*