

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **FIRST STATE MORTGAGE WELCOMES NEWEST ADDITION, APRIL MCMURRAY**

MARYVILLE, Tenn. – First State Mortgage welcomes April McMurray as a mortgage loan officer. McMurray is located at 710 S. Foothills Plaza Drive in Maryville. First State offers banking, mortgage and lending services through this office. As a member of First State, she will be responsible for serving the community with a variety of home loan options.

With more than 9 years of experience in the financial industry, McMurray has worked for New Penn Financial and US Bank Home Mortgage. She is a member of the Young Professionals, BNI (Business Networking International) and a college group leader at Blount Community Church. McMurray resides in Maryville with her husband, Brandon, and two children, Kylie and Ty.

“We are pleased to welcome April to our team, here at First State,” said Jeff Devereaux, division sales manager/executive vice president for First State Mortgage. “Her reputation, experience, professionalism and true passion for providing the best home loan options available are enormous benefits to our customers and community. April gives us an outstanding presence in the Maryville and Greater Knoxville area and will be a true asset to our team.”

“I am extremely excited to begin my relationship with First State,” said McMurray. “I believe we offer the best banking and mortgage products around and that is a great competitive advantage; but what I am most impressed with are the people that work here. They are happy, dedicated and have a customer-first focus. You can tell that

with this many happy employees, First State must be a great company to work for! I look forward to serving my wonderful customers and community with the best home loan options here at First State.”

First State Mortgage is a division of First State Bank, which is owned by Community First Bancshares, a holding company headquartered in Union City, Tenn. Community First Bancshares also operates an insurance company, a specialized ag services division, investment services, a small business lending division, a consumer finance company, an employee benefits division, a specialized trust services division, and an indirect auto financing division at various locations across the state.

First State Mortgage has fourteen mortgage offices located throughout Tennessee. The mortgage company has offices in the communities of Atoka, Brownsville, Dyersburg, Franklin, Hendersonville, Henderson, Humboldt, Jackson, Knoxville, Lexington, Memphis, Maryville, Nashville and Union City.

The banking company has assets totaling over \$1.8 billion. The banking company has offices in the communities of Blount, Davidson, Dyer, Gibson, Haywood, Henderson, Knox, Madison, Obion, Robertson, Shelby, Sumner, Tipton, Weakley, and Williamson counties in Tennessee. Its metropolitan markets include Collierville, Franklin, Gallatin, Goodlettsville, Hendersonville, Jackson, Knoxville, Memphis, Nashville, and White House.

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