

# **Texas Department of Banking**

## **Press Release**

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### **Banking Commissioner Approves Charter for First Community Bank, Corpus Christi, Texas**

Date: June 17, 2002

State Banking Commissioner Randall S. James announced today the issuance of a state charter for First Community Bank of Corpus Christi, Texas. The locally owned \$85 million community bank opened as a national bank in 1982. Commissioner James expressed his confidence in the bank's dedication and ability to provide the highest level of service to its customers.

First Community's home office is located at 416 Water Street in downtown Corpus Christi. It maintains branch locations in suburban Corpus Christi and the neighboring cities of Alice, Kingsville, and Benavides as well as a mobile banking center and five mortgage loan production offices.

Wes Hoskins, Chairman and CEO, said "We are a community bank that is dedicated to serving the business and financial needs of our neighbors. I have found that the Texas Department of Banking is uniquely designed to support our type of bank and our customers. The Texas Banking Commission and their staff are professional and competent and maintain a well-informed, practical and experienced approach to banking. We look forward to our association with them."

First Community Bank provides a wide range of retail and commercial banking services including business and consumer loans, mortgage lending, checking and savings deposits, merchant credit card services, letters of credit, and drive-in banking services. Senior management, in addition to Hoskins, includes Sylvia Aparicio, Renee Carter, Manuel Galindo, Sarita Garcia, Jessica Land, Sheree Lewis, Bobby Miller, Mike Wright and Carolyn Vanover.