

McGrath named president, CEO of Ramona National Bank

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John Farkash, chairman of the board of directors of **Ramona National Bank** ([News](#)) announced Tuesday the appointment of John F. McGrath as president and chief executive officer.

McGrath joined the bank with over 35 years of experience with extensive executive bank management including successful tenures as president and CEO of **Heritage Bank of Commerce**; president and COO of the **Bank of San Francisco**; and president and CEO of **Sacramento First National Bank**.

McGrath replaces the former Interim CEO Shelly Hicks, who resumes her duties as chief financial officer.

Farkash stated, "John is the best person available in the state for a bank our size and I am very impressed with his high ethical standards and previous track record."

McGrath said, "I am delighted to be associated with Ramona National Bank and see many opportunities for growth in San Diego, Orange and Riverside Counties. I look forward to expanding the bank's role in facilitating the needs of the businesses and professionals in the communities we service."

Ramona National Bank opened in 2001 as an FDIC insured national bank. It is headquartered in Ramona, California with full service offices in both Ramona and La Mesa, and an SBA loan production office in La Palma.

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Business Summary

Ramona National Bank, a locally owned, managed and headquartered bank located in Ramona, serves businesses, professionals and individuals who live and work primarily in Ramona and the surrounding areas.

Executive, Position(s)

John Farkash: Chairman

John F. McGrath: President and Chief Executive Officer

Shelly Hicks: CFO

Type

Privately held.