

Freedom First Announces Gerry Bingeman as Vice President of Risk Management

April 2020 (Roanoke, VA)— Freedom First Credit Union announces the addition of Gerry Bingeman as Vice President of Risk Management. Bingeman has over 15 years of experience with Risk Management at SunTrust Bank, where he was Senior Vice President within the Risk Organization, leading Corporate Security and Internal Investigations.

"I'm excited to be part of an amazing team that focuses on serving members within our communities," says Bingeman. "I hope to build on the solid foundation of the Enterprise Risk Management Program in order to continue assessing new risks and challenging business unit leaders to think outside the box to ensure our members are protected."

"Gerry is very experienced and we are excited to have him help us better manage risks and opportunities within our institution," says Freedom First CEO Paul Phillips.

Bingeman is a graduate of Virginia Military Institute with a degree in Computer Science and has a Master's Degree in Business Administration from Liberty University.

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