

## **BankUnited Adds Two Members to its Board of Directors**

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The Honorable A. Gail Prudenti and Lynne Wines bring comprehensive knowledge of New York and Florida markets, respectively

MIAMI LAKES, Fla.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Aug. 6, 2015-- BankUnited, Inc. (NYSE: BKU) today announced the addition to its board of directors of the Honorable A. Gail Prudenti, retiring Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts of New York State, and Lynne Wines, veteran Florida banker.

"BankUnited is fortunate to do business in two of the best markets in the nation, New York and Florida, and we are pleased to welcome Judge Prudenti and Lynne Wines to the board who bring with them deep ties to and unparalleled knowledge of their communities that will help inform and greatly contribute to our continued growth," said John A. Kanas, BankUnited's chairman, president and chief executive officer.

Judge Prudenti retired after 23 years on the bench in July to become executive director of Hofstra Law School's Center for Children Families and the Law. As Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts of New York State, Judge Prudenti oversaw the administration and operation of the statewide court system, with a budget of more than \$2 billion. Highlights of her judicial career include being the first woman to serve as the Presiding Justice of the Appellate Division for the Second Judicial Department in New York State. She earned her law degree from the University of Aberdeen, in Scotland, which also awarded her an honorary Doctorate of Laws in 2004. She graduated from Marymount College with honors. Judge Prudenti will serve as a member of the BankUnited, Inc. Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee.

Wines served as President and CEO of First Southern Bank of Boca Raton, Fla. and was responsible for all aspects of market and operations for the \$1 billion state-wide commercial bank before its acquisition by Centerstate Bank in 2014. Prior to that position, she served as President and CEO of CNL Bank, a \$1.6 billion independent statewide commercial bank. Previously, she served as President and CEO of Union Bank of Florida where she managed and implemented the successful acquisition of that bank by Colonial Bank N.A. and thereafter served as Colonial Bank's president and CEO of Commercial Banking for South Florida. Wines' professional affiliations include a four-year term on the board of directors for the Florida Bankers Association. Wines received her bachelor's degree from Nova Southeastern University. Ms. Wines will serve as a member of the BankUnited, Inc. Audit and Risk Committee.

## About BankUnited, Inc.

BankUnited, Inc., with total assets of \$21.4 billion at June 30, 2015, is the bank holding company of BankUnited, N.A., a national bank headquartered in Miami Lakes, Florida with 99 branches in 15 Florida counties and 6 banking centers in the New York metropolitan area at June 30, 2015.

## **Forward-Looking Statements**

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