

Galen Pelton

Galen Pelton spent the first 18 years of his life on the family farm in Burdett, Kansas, and graduated from Pawnee Heights High School in 1979. Galen furthered his education at Kansas State University where, in 1983, he earned a BS in Agricultural Economics and a minor in Finance.

Prior to graduation Galen was selected as a 1982 Kansas Bankers Association Intern. During the summer of 1982 he interned at Grant County State Bank in Ulysses, Kansas, where after graduating in May of 1983, he accepted a full time position as Loan Officer.

In 1986 returned to his home town of Burdett and became Vice-President of Burdett State Bank where he served for 6 years. He graduated from the Graduate School of Banking in Madison Wisconsin in 1990.

In 1992, Galen accepted the position of Vice-President and Branch Manager at Russell State Bank's Luray, Kansas, location. Shortly thereafter, Russell State Bank sold to United Missouri (UMB) Bank where Galen continued to serve until accepting the Vice-President and Controller position at Grant County Bank in Ulysses, Kansas, in 1994. He became EVP/CFO in 1998, then President and member of the Board of Directors of Grant County Bank in January of 2013.

From 2006 to 2011, Galen served on the Executive Council of the Community Bankers Association of Kansas and served as Chairman in 2009.