

Michael Shields Appointed General Manager of Salem Radio Stations in San Francisco

CAMARILLO, CA -- (MARKET WIRE) -- 02/24/11 -- Salem Communications (NASDAQ: SALM) announced Michael Shields has been appointed as General Manager for its two radio stations in San Francisco, <u>KFAX (1100 AM)</u> and <u>KDOW (1220 AM)</u>.

Michael brings more than two decades of radio management and sales experience to Salem. Prior to joining Salem, he was General Manager and Director of Sales for Wagon Wheel Broadcasting in Indiana. Before that, he was General Manager and Director of Sales for Clear Channel in Florida. His sales experience includes serving as General Manager for CBS Outdoor Advertising in Philadelphia and following a successful 5+ year stint with CBS Outdoor, he decided he missed local radio and wanted to come back. He also spent time as a Manager for Metro Traffic Networks, a company that provides live on-air traffic reports for radio and TV. Dave Santrella, President of Salem's Radio division, commented, "Mike is a veteran of the business and a true professional with a 'can-do' spirit. We're excited to have him leading the team in San Francisco."

Michael is moving to San Francisco with his wife, Jan and has two college-aged boys. He can be reached at (510) 713-1100 extension 111 or at MikeS@SalemSF.com.

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