## Alex Canale, Co-owner, Business Development – Old Dominick Distillery

Born and raised in Memphis, Alexander Canale has always been surrounded by family with a deep passion for cooking. After graduating from Christian Brothers High School in Memphis, Alex attended Auburn University where he spent most of his time cooking for roommates and friends. Deciding to follow his passion for the culinary arts, Alex enrolled at Johnson & Wales University in Charleston, South Carolina where he would receive his Culinary Arts Degree. He joined the Fairmont Scottsdale Princess Resort in Scottsdale, Arizona and further developed his skills at the acclaimed A Bar A Ranch in southern Wyoming. Alex later joined the Four Seasons Resort in Jackson Hole, Wyoming for three years before returning to Charleston, SC and joining the famed Peninsula Grill. In 2009, he relocated to Chattanooga to pursue his dream as a restaurateur. His establishment, Chato Brasserie, was heralded as one of Chattanooga's best new restaurants that year while Alex was profiled in Best Chefs America.

In January 2015, Alex returned to his hometown, where he now serves as the Vice President of Business Development for D. Canale & Company. In this role, he will be specifically responsible for overseeing 23,000 square feet of commercial space inside the Old Dominick Distillery.