OCC Announces Executive Management Changes in Southern District

OCC Deputy Comptroller of the Southern District Gil Barker announced his upcoming retirement and outlined other changes that have occurred in the Executive Management team in the Southern District (SD), and shared some additional changes that will be occurring in the near future. DC Barker stated these changes are consistent with the OCC’s leadership development and management succession processes. Click here for the changes and DC Barker’s well wishes.

Oscar Harvey, Risk and Operations Officer – After completing his rotation as an Associate Deputy Comptroller (AsDC) for the past five years, Oscar Harvey has become the District Risk and Operations Officer (DRO) for the Southern District. Oscar has been with the OCC for 30 years, and in his new position, he will serve as a senior level advisor to the District Deputy Comptroller (DDC) and oversee the SD approach to the identification and management of supervision risk. He will be responsible for oversight of the SD team of lead experts, lead expert supports, and the Operations staff in the SD office. Oscar will also become the chairperson of the SD Risk Committee, and serve as the SD liaison to the National Risk Committee in Washington. I am pleased that Oscar will continue to be part of the district leadership team.

Carter Messick, Associate Deputy Comptroller – National Bank Examiner Carter Messick began his five year rotation as an AsDC in September. He assumed the supervision and portfolio responsibilities previously held by DRO Harvey. Assistant Deputy Comptrollers in field offices that reported to Oscar Harvey will now report to Carter. Carter has been with the OCC for 27 years and started his career in the SD. His most recent role was serving as the EIC of Texas Capital Bank, NA, a midsize bank headquartered in Dallas, TX. Carter has considerable experience in leading roles in district, midsize banks, and Washington policy positions - including the areas of Bank Information Technology and Corporate Governance – two areas that I view as keys to the future success of community banking.

Kent Stone, Associate Deputy Comptroller – National Bank Examiner Kent Stone will begin his five year rotation as an AsDC October 11. Kent will assume the supervision and portfolio responsibilities previously held by AsDC Janice McQuary. Assistant Deputy Comptrollers and field offices that reported to Janice McQuary will report to Kent. Kent was formerly the Assistant Deputy Comptroller in the Charlotte, NC field office. He has been with the OCC for 30 years, and he also started his career in the SD where he held a variety of field and district office positions. Kent has built and maintained strong working relationships across several lines of business in the OCC and has a strong commitment to staff development. I welcome Kent’s balanced, common sense approach to bank supervision.

Southern District Deputy Comptroller – Finally, I will be retiring from my position as the DDC on November 3. Immediately following my retirement, Deputy Comptroller for Thrift Supervision and Special Supervision Michael Brickman will be assuming the position of DDC for a period of 3-4 months while a permanent replacement is sought. In
2011, Mike joined the OCC as a Director for Special Supervision, where he led a staff of problem bank specialists, oversaw a portfolio of problem banks and thrifts, and represented the OCC at interagency meetings. In 2014, Mike worked as an Acting AsDC in the SD, and he has also worked on national projects, including the OCC’s leadership development project. As Deputy Comptroller for Thrift Supervision, Mike serves as the agency’s focal point for the supervision of federal savings associations. As Deputy Comptroller for Special Supervision, Mike oversees the supervision of the OCC’s most critical problem midsize and community banks, as well as the development and implementation of rehabilitation or resolution strategies for assigned banks and savings associations.

In taking my leave from the OCC after nearly 39 years, I have seen the value of community banks and community bankers and what these institutions mean to their employees, customers and communities. I wish you and your institution the very best going forward, and I hope you will look upon your OCC Portfolio Manager, Examiner-in Charge, Assistant Deputy Comptroller, and Dallas district office staff as resources committed to your institution’s success.

Best regards,

Gil Barker