

Western Alliance Bancorporation Names Nicholas A. Wanat Chief Internal Auditor



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PHOENIX—Western Alliance Bancorporation (NYSE: WAL), one of the country’s top-performing banking companies, today announced Nicholas A. Wanat has been named Chief Internal Auditor, reporting to the Audit Committee of the Western Alliance Board of Directors.

In this role, Wanat will direct the critical function of Internal Audit, which independently evaluates the adequacy, effectiveness and efficiency of the systems of control within the organization and the quality of ongoing operations.

Wanat previously was Senior Vice President and Controller for Western Alliance Bank for five years beginning in 2013. In this position, he was responsible for all day-to-day operations and staff of the accounting department, where he implemented key strategies to streamline processes and improve financial reporting.

“With a strong team already in place, Nick offers our company the senior experience, leadership ability and informed perspective to continue to elevate the audit function at Western Alliance,” said Kenneth Vecchione, Chief Executive Officer, Western Alliance Bancorporation. “Nick brings this important complement of skills to what is a key role for our business as we continue to manage our growth and risk in pursuit of top performance.”

Prior to joining Western Alliance, Wanat held a number of increasingly senior positions over nine years with KPMG, working in both Chicago and London to direct audits for global financial companies.

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Wanat earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Miami University in Ohio, and a Master of Accounting Science degree from Northern Illinois University. He is a Certified Public Accountant and a member of the AICPA..