

Western Alliance Bancorporation Names Jim Haught Chief Operating Officer

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PHOENIX--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Western Alliance Bancorporation (NYSE: WAL), one of the country's top-performing banking companies, today announced Jim Haught joins the company as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, effective April 1, 2017.

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Jim Haught, Chief Operating Officer Western Alliance Bancorporation (Photo: Business Wire)

In this role, Haught will oversee Risk Management, Operations and IT for Western Alliance, which has 1,500+ employees across the country. Haught brings 20 years of experience in risk and capital management to his new position. Prior to joining Western Alliance, Haught was the Managing Partner for Financial Services at New York-based Exequor Group.

"Jim Haught is a senior treasury and risk executive, who is a terrific fit for Western Alliance," said Robert Sarver, Chairman and CEO, Western Alliance Bancorporation. "He adds big bank experience in a range of key areas, including capital analysis, compliance, technology and strategic planning."

Previously, Haught was Senior Vice President/Global Head of Capital for State Street Corporation. He began his banking career at RBS Citizens with assignments in London, Boston and Providence covering lending, modeling, asset liability management, and capital planning.

"The entrepreneurial environment at Western Alliance, combined with the bank's sharp focus on excellent customer service and unusual industry expertise, provides a great setting for the next phase of my career," said Haught. "I

look forward to joining the accessible and dynamic management team at Western Alliance.”

Prior to entering banking, he spent eight years as a United States Naval Officer. Haught, who holds designations as a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) and Financial Risk Manager (FRM), graduated from the University of Rochester and earned an MBA from the University of Rhode Island.

About Western Alliance Bancorporation

With more than \$17 billion in assets, Western Alliance Bancorporation (NYSE:WAL) is one of the country’s top-performing banking companies and is ranked #4 on the Forbes 2017 “Best Banks in America” list. Its primary subsidiary, Western Alliance Bank, is the go-to bank for business and succeeds with local teams of experienced bankers who deliver superior service and a full spectrum of deposit, lending, treasury management, international banking and online banking products and services. Western Alliance Bank operates full-service banking divisions: Alliance Bank of Arizona, Bank of Nevada, Bridge Bank, First Independent Bank and Torrey Pines Bank. The bank also serves business customers through a robust national platform of specialized financial services including Corporate Finance, Equity Fund Resources, Hotel Franchise Finance, Life Sciences Group, Mortgage Warehouse Lending, Public and Nonprofit Finance, Renewable Resource Group, Resort Finance, Technology Finance and Alliance Association Bank. For more information, visit westernalliancebancorporation.com.

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