

Speaker Bios



Tara Humston
Senior Vice President of Supervision and Risk Management
Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City

Tara Humston is senior vice president in charge of the Supervision and Risk Management Division of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City. She was appointed to this position in 2019. In this role, she is responsible for the supervision of the district's state member banks and bank holding companies, as well as the Bank's discount window and risk management functions and national responsibilities for technology initiatives supporting supervision staff in all districts. She is also a member of the Bank's Management Committee, which is responsible for strategic planning and policy direction. She currently serves as the co-chair for the Federal Reserve System's Community

Banking Management Oversight Group.

Tara joined the Bank in 1998 as an analyst in the Statistical Services Department and transferred to the Examinations and Inspections Department as an assistant examiner in 1999. She was promoted to manager in 2005 and then assistant vice president in 2010 with responsibility for the division's administrative services, information services and surveillance and risk analysis functions. In 2016, she was appointed vice president with responsibility for the Tenth Federal Reserve District's community bank supervision activities, leading the Kansas City Fed's examination and inspection teams across the District's seven states. From 2015 to 2016, she served as the assistant secretary for the Bank's Board of Directors. Tara is a native of Topeka, Kansas, and holds a bachelor's degree in accounting and business administration from the University of Kansas.



Erin Engelke
Chief Executive Officer
Calm Waters

Erin Engelke is the chief executive officer for Calm Waters, Oklahoma City's grief center, that serves children and families who have experienced loss due to death, divorce or other significant loss, providing free support groups, grief counseling and other services. Prior to Calm Waters, Erin served in management roles for Sunbeam Family Services, Feed the Children, World Neighbors, and MidFirst Bank. She has traveled extensively around the world, including Guatemala, Albania, and Peru and has a heart for seeing children and families thrive no matter where they live.

Erin is frequently asked to speak on issues relating to branding, work/life balance and nonprofit leadership. Her deepest passion is empowering other working moms to resist the pull to achieve work-life balance, instead seeking a fulfilled life. Her expertise and real-life perspectives have been heard on stages across Oklahoma, including as a TEDx presenter in 2014. She is an executive coach as well as a writer, blogger and founder of www.beautyinthebusyness.com.

A graduate of Oklahoma Christian University, Erin serves as commissioner on the Oklahoma Commission of the Status of Women, vice chair of the Oklahoma Criminal Justice Citizens Advisory Board, past president and advisory council chair for the Public Relations Society of America, past president of the Association of Women in Communications, and is a sustaining member of the Junior League of Oklahoma City.

Erin was named one of the Top 50 Women of the Year by The Journal Record in 2021 and 2022, Top 25 Young Professionals in OKC in 2021 and 2022, 2018 Public Relations Professional of the Year and 2021 Paul E. Dannelly Honoree from the Public Relations Society of America.



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Dara Wanzer

Executive Vice President and Director of Human Resources
BancFirst

Dara Wanzer is an executive vice president and the director of Human Resources with BancFirst, the largest state-chartered bank in Oklahoma. Prior to her employment with BancFirst, Dara served, amongst other responsibilities, as a labor and employment and employee benefits attorney for INTEGRIS Health, providing legal support and guidance to INTEGRIS Health's human resources professionals. Prior to joining INTEGRIS Health's legal department, Dara worked as an associate attorney specializing in labor and employment law at Oklahoma's largest law firm, McAfee & Taft.

Dara has been active in her community, currently serving as a board member for the Oklahoma Center for Nonprofits and ReMerge, and a former board member for the Girl Scouts of Western Oklahoma, the Southwest Benefits Association, and the Mary Abbott Children's House. Dara also served as a co-chair for the Walk Committee for the 2021 and 2022 Oklahoma City Walk to End Alzheimer's, and as a volunteer attorney for Oklahoma Lawyers for Children.



Kalyn Yzaguirre

Managing Examiner
Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Oklahoma City Branch

Kalyn Yzaguirre is a managing examiner in the Oklahoma City Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City. Kalyn joined the Examination and Inspections Department in 2012 and spent over a decade as a field examiner. She has served as an examiner-in-charge, led problem bank examinations, served as a central point of contact for a portfolio of community banks, and is a subject matter expert in agricultural credit risk. Kalyn currently manages a team of bank examiners and central points of contact focused on community bank examination work.

She holds a bachelor's degree in Agribusiness and a master's degree in Agricultural Economics, both from Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Oklahoma.



Elizabeth Williams

Managing Examiner
Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Oklahoma City Branch

Elizabeth Williams is a managing examiner in the Oklahoma City Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City. Elizabeth joined the Examinations and Inspections Department in 2006, becoming a commissioned examiner in 2010. During her time in Oklahoma City, she has served as an examiner-in-charge of community bank examinations and central point of contact in the Enforcement Department and is currently managing a portfolio of IT Risk Specialists focused on CBO, RBO, and service provider examinations.

She holds a bachelor's degree in finance and business economics from the University of Arkansas.



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Susan Chapman Plumb

Board Chair and Chief Executive Officer

Local Bank

Susan Chapman Plumb serves as board chair and chief executive officer at Local Bank, previously known as Bank of Cherokee County, headquartered in Hulbert, Oklahoma, heart of the Cherokee Nation. Local Bank was one of the first Native-owned CDFIs certified by the U.S. Treasury. Susan has been in banking for over 20 years and previously practiced law in Cherokee County where she represented Cherokee families and children upholding the Indian Child Welfare Act on some of the first cases of the type in the Cherokee Nation.

Susan joined the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City's Head Office Board of Directors in 2024. She previously served on the Oklahoma City Branch Board of Directors from 2017-2022. She also serves as a board member on the Tahlequah Hospital Foundation, Markoma Christian Ministries and Oklahoma Hall of Fame.

A citizen of the Cherokee Nation, Susan received her journalism degree from the University of Oklahoma and her law degree from the University of Tulsa and holds a certificate from the school's American Indian law program. She has served as a delegate to the Cherokee National Constitutional Convention, chairperson of the Cherokee Nation Election Commission and is a trustee for the Cherokee National Historical Society.



Joni Hopkins

Vice President

Federal Reserve Financial Services, Customer Relations

Joni Hopkins is a vice president for the Federal Reserve's Product and Relationship Management Group as part of the Federal Reserve Financial Services area. Joni's responsibilities include engaging and collaborating with community financial institutions throughout the United States to help define and prioritize system improvements that advance payment speed, efficiency, and security.

Joni has been with the Federal Reserve System for over 25 years. Her background is rooted in working with community bankers across the United States. In addition to her experience at the Federal Reserve, Joni has worked for two commercial banks and a payments association. She was awarded the EPCOR Marquis Award for outstanding leadership, innovation and excellence in the development, implementation or advancement of electronic payments and risk mitigation solutions and is known as a champion for electronic banking services.

Joni's undergraduate is from Kansas State University. She received her master's degree from Kansas Wesleyan University and is a graduate of Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management Executive Education program. She holds an Accredited ACH Professional designation.



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Alicia Wade
President and Chief Operating Officer
Valliance Bank

Alicia Wade is the president and chief operating officer for Valliance Bank. Alicia has been with Valliance for 17 years and serves on the Board of Directors. With nearly 27 years of banking experience, she fully embraces the community bank spirit amidst the ever-growing changes in the financial services field and has a deep passion for strategic planning and mentoring future bankers.

Alicia is the current vice chairman of the Oklahoma Banker's Association (OBA) and serves as chairman of the Government Relations Council in addition to the American Bankers Association Membership Council and Community Bank Council. She also serves on the board for Friends of Traditional Banking and The Bankers Bank. She is a member of the 12-person Community Depository Institutions Advisory Council (CDIAC) for the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City. She is also the founder and chairman of the Central Region Fiserv Premier User Group.

Alicia has the honor of advocating for community banks and bankers across the nation. Through her involvement with OBA, she has rallied for banks at our nation's capital in Washington D.C. and has met with legislators to inform them on the important roles community banks play in our cities and towns and how their decisions affect our small business owners, main streets, and communities.



Michelle Dahl
Founder
Belle Growth Partners and The Female Roundtable

Michelle Dahl has held various executive roles within the financial services sector over the past two decades, collaborating with credit unions, banks and fintech companies. Her contributions have played a pivotal role in helping organizations develop innovative programs and products while elevating the overall client experience. Michelle's expertise is synonymous with pioneering cutting-edge people development and client relationship strategies, consistently delivering record-breaking improvements in revenue.

As the visionary founder and managing partner of Belle Growth Partners, a distinguished performance coaching firm, Michelle specializes in empowering leaders in the banking industry to unlock untapped potential within their workspaces, client base, operating channels and markets. This drive sets new industry standards in performance, growth and profitability.

Furthermore, Michelle is the driving force behind The Female Roundtable, a dedicated organization committed to empowering women to shape impactful workspaces through agency and advocacy. This organization offers leadership development programs for women, with a significant emphasis on the "Lead Yourself First" concept, delivered through the educational brand LeadFirst IQ.

Additionally, Michelle launched Her Idea Collective, a business dedicated to assisting women in transforming their ideas into thriving businesses within the marketplace, whether they are just starting, seeking growth or looking to expand.

Michelle holds graduate certifications in Innovation and Entrepreneurship from Harvard University, an Executive Certification in Marketing from Stanford University, and Design Thinking Certifications from IDEOU. She earned her bachelor's degree from East Central University, with a major in business, marketing and management.



Sarah Dickson

Public Relations Director

Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Oklahoma City Branch

Sarah Dickson, APR, CEcD is the public affairs director for the Oklahoma City Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, where she leads communications and outreach efforts for the Branch. Prior to joining the Federal Reserve in 2022, Dickson worked for the Edmond Economic Development Authority as the organization's communications director.

Dickson served as the 2023 president of Public Relations Society of America's Oklahoma City Chapter and continues to be active in the chapter. She also serves as the marketing chair for Oklahoma Council on Economic Education and communications chair for the Oklahoma Jump\$tart Coalition. She is a graduate of Leadership Edmond Class XXV.

She holds a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Oklahoma and a master's degree in public administration, emphasis in public and nonprofit management, from the University of Central Oklahoma. In 2018, Dickson earned Accreditation in Public Relations from PRSA, and in 2020, earned the designation of Certified Economic Developer from the International Economic Development Council.