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KANSAS CITY FED ANNOUNCES OFFICER PROMOTIONS

The following officer promotions were recently announced by Esther George, president and chief executive officer of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City:

Karen Pennell, the Bank's senior vice president of information technology, has been appointed as the Federal Reserve System's senior executive with responsibility for end-user services. In this role, she will direct strategic priorities and oversee various IT functions performed by individual Reserve Banks on behalf of the Federal Reserve System. Pennell will remain a senior vice president at the Kansas City Fed. She joined the Bank's Audit Department in 1989, and held various management and officer positions before being promoted to senior vice president in IT in 2012. She holds a bachelor's degree in marketing research from Missouri State University and an MBA from Rockhurst University.

Stephanie Stratemeier has been promoted to vice president with responsibility for the Bank's information security department and access management program. She joined the Bank's Corporate Services Department in 1997, and has held various management roles in Cash Services, Public Affairs, the Customer Relations and Support Office and the Customer Contact Center before being appointed to assistant vice president in 2007. She holds a bachelor's degree in business administration and accounting and an MBA from the University of Kansas.

Evan Polly has been promoted to assistant vice president in the Customer Contact Center. He joined the Bank's Accounting Department in 2000 and has held positions in the Cash Services Department and the Customer Contact Center, where he was promoted to manager in 2008. He holds a bachelor's degree in management and marketing, as well as an MBA from Northwest Missouri State University.

As the regional headquarters of the nation's central bank, the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City and its branches in Denver, Oklahoma City and Omaha serve the seven states of the Tenth Federal Reserve District: Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Wyoming, northern New Mexico and western Missouri.

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