

Comptroller of the Currency Administrator of National Banks

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Karen Solomon is the director of the Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division at the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC).

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Ms. Solomon joined the staff of the OCC in 1995. From 1991 through 1994, she was a deputy chief counsel at the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) for the management of work on regulations, legislation, and the preparation of that agency's administrative decisions in contested enforcement matters. She began government service in 1985 at the OTS's predecessor agency, the Federal Home Loan Bank Board. Before that, she had been in private practice representing clients in landlord-tenant and domestic relations matters, as well as corporate matters for small business clients. Ms. Solomon began her career teaching at her alma mater, the Catholic University Law School, from 1979 to 1981.

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